

# MUMC message

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER  
AUGUST 2019

## Reading the Bible in 2019

In 2019 we as a congregation will read a different book (or short espistles) of the bible each month. Listed below are the books we will read and at the beginning of each month you will receive an outline for each book. Let us join in reading scripture together!

### *August Reading Guide:*

This month's book of the bible is **1 Samuel**. The reading guide is very simple for this book: read 1 chapter each day (there are 31 chapters). Keep reading!

### *The Jesus Priorities*

We all have priorities. They are essential in helping to keep us grounded and focused on the work at hand. Believe it or not, most of us do a fairly good job at prioritizing. We pay our bills, get to work on time, make sure our kids are cared for, and we generally set aside time for our family and friends. In the same way, we need to make sure we prioritize our relationship with Jesus and our faith. Beginning on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup> we will be studying a book together as a congregation, *The Jesus Priorities* by Christopher Maricle. During Sunday school we will be doing the week's lesson, then I will be preaching on the topic and scripture during worship. This is an important opportunity to get reacquainted with the priorities of Jesus and how they can guide us in living a more fruitful faith.

Aug. 11: Heal	Sept. 8: Spread the Word
Aug. 18: Love	Sept. 15: Build Up Treasure in Heaven
Aug. 25: Pray	Sept. 22: Seek God's Will

(September 1<sup>st</sup> will not be part of the series.)

## Church Events

### Reoccurring Events:

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| • Aug. 14, 21 & 28 | Wed. Night Communion<br>5:30-6:00 p.m.  |
| • Aug. 5           | 4 yr. old Preschool Open House<br>5:30-6:30 p.m.  |
| • Aug. 6           | 3 yr. old Preschool Open House<br>5:30-6:30 p.m.  |
| • Aug. 7           | Last Summer Food Distribution<br>Day / meet in FLC @ 4:00 p.m.                                |
| • Aug. 11          | Blessing of the Backpacks and<br>Back to School Lunch Bash<br>Following Sunday Service in Gym |
| • Aug. 18          | Usher Training / 10:00 a.m.<br>in the Narthex   |

## New To Our Family



Les and Rita  
Callan



Jonnythan  
Tribble



Lisa  
Stoll



Barrett,  
Bee,  
Callan  
and  
Clayton  
McCullom



Lilly  
Catt  
and  
Gaby  
Catt



# Children's Ministries

## In the Wild at VBS

What a wildly successful and amazingly awesome adventure In the Wild Vacation Bible School was this summer! With the most students we have ever had participating, every night was a new and exciting opportunity for our children to learn about all God has done for us!



## Cooking Camp

Cooking Camp was so much fun! The 24 children were divided into two groups for cooking. They learned how to make homemade pasta and apple dumplings. Thanks to all of our cooking teachers for making this possible.



## Preschool Scholarship

This year's Preschool Scholarship went to Emery Claire Bius who plans to attend Arkansas State University in Jonesboro this month.





# Children's Ministries



Marion United Methodist Church Children's Ministry

## Blessings of the Backpacks

Blessings of the Backpacks & Back to School Bash!

Plan to join us Sunday, Aug. 11! During our 10:45 Sunday morning service all school students, faculty, and staff are invited to bring their bags and backpacks for a blessing to kick off the school year!

## Back to School Bash Lunch

Stay after church Sunday, August 11 and join us in the gym for our annual Back to School Bash! Hot dogs, chips, popcorn, and drinks will be provided! Calling all bakers - we need our congregation to provide delicious desserts!

Two bouncy houses will be available, and parents should plan to help chaperone their children to help keep their kiddos safe!

Our awesome kitchen crew will prepare everything, but will have to leave early to help with mission efforts at VPA for the Fresh Start efforts! We will need help tidying the area up to ensure all is clean and ready when we finish.

## Missions Camp

Our Missions Camp was a fun filled day combined with many lessons. The morning began with a Bible study lesson followed by a churchwide scavenger hunt, stocking the backpack room and cooking dog biscuits for the afternoon trip to the Marion Animal Shelter. There were 27 children attending the morning camp and 17 children made the trip to the animal shelter. The children delivered supplies to the shelter, cleaned beds and stalls, learned about caring for the animals and learned about the adoption process. Lastly, they fed the freshly cooked dog biscuits to the animals.



## August Birthdays

8/2	Vivian Jones Hardley Gill Laura Johnston	8/17	Madi Grace Catt Joshua Coopwood Jane McNeely Christine Preslar Tricia Price
8/3	Joshua Doyle Rick Gill Danny Moore	8/18	Bren Sutton
8/4	Michael Sample	8/19	Nina Luedke Ava Lucille Phillips
8/5	Rod Alexander	8/20	Apperson Williams Ross Williams
8/6	Lee Fesmire	8/21	Marie Chrisman
8/7	Sue Bonds Evin Cooper Hugh Inman Stacy Webb	8/23	Ann Carpenter Noah Coopwood Bert Holt
8/9	Zane Carter	8/24	Jody Catt Mitch Shidler
8/10	Dalton Williams Beverly Vaughn	8/26	Cherrell Duncan Christy Miller Parker Sutton Kelly Walker Thomas Walker
8/11	Jerry Webb	8/27	Emily Letner
8/12	Brooke Williams	8/28	Max Chrisman
8/13	Marci Altemus Eric Chrisman Matt Hale Amanda Harlow Jane Ashley Stuckey	8/29	Carol Johnston Connie Marrs
8/14	Ethan Hinze Jim Johnston Cynthia Trimbelle	8/30	Adam Cole Abbigale Simmons Patrick Simmons
8/15	Charles Horton	8/31	Sarah Higginbotham Avery Gill Bartt Vaughn
8/16	Rex Rogers		

## Youth Ministries

Our youth group headed to Branson, Missouri on July 18th under the leadership of Kolby Jones, youth director. The trip was filled with prayer and worship, but also a lot of fun and exciting activities such as a trip to Silver Dollar City, Whitewater Park and a night watching "The Dixie Stampede".

As always, this is a great opportunity for the youth to continue to expand their Christianity and get to know the new additions to the youth group. A big thank you goes out to the adult volunteers who accompanied the youth on this trip.





## August Ushers

Rick Gill	Tracy Stokes
Jay Hale	Bart Turner
Jeff Masengale	Jeff Vaughn

## August Acolytes

4th	Grey Collard and Jack Gerrard
11th	Abby Simmons and Cameron Spencer
18th	Beau Fenter and Whit Kennedy
25th	Sullivan McKewen and Jack Phillips

## August Greeters

John Robbins Sunday School Class

## August Altar Flower Calendar

4th	Open
11th	Open
18th	Sarah and Butch Higginbotham
25th	Sue Bonds

## Prayer List

Chris Dunn, Sue Bonds, The Family of Dick Busby, Scott Carpenter, Mart Thaxton, Sam Watts, Jeff Bouland, May Ferguson, Mason Fowler, Billie Williams and Tim Williamson.

## VISION STATEMENT

*A church on fire for Jesus Christ,  
setting the world on fire for  
Jesus Christ.*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*Being disciples; Making disciples.*

## SUNDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m.	Prayer Service
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship Service

## WEDNESDAY EVENING

Will return Aug. 14th  
5:30 p.m. Communion  
Service



Marion United Methodist Church

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