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A monthly newsletter of Marion United Methodist Church encouraging faith, love, and action.

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



Great Things!

Great things are happening in the Children's Ministry at Marion United Methodist Church! We had a great turn-out at our Vacation Bible School: Destination Dig in July. We are so thankful for all our amazing volunteers who poured their time and love for Jesus into our program! We enjoyed welcoming families the last night for the children's performance and fellowship. Our VBS participants had an amazing time and learned that we do not have to dig too deep to find God's love!

Sunday School

Sunday School continues to ramp up and we are excited to have our children returning each week. We offer Sunday School curriculum for children ages 2 through 6th grade. We provide nursery services to those under the age of 2. Please join us at 9:45 Sunday mornings!

Worship With Friends

Our Worship With Friends will kick off this month - Wednesday, August 25! This is a paid-for, after-school program that provides rotations of music, devotional Bible lessons, crafts, recreation, and snacks! This year parents will have to help provide transportation to students, and students from Herbert Carter Global Community School will walk across the street with assistance from church employees. The cost for WWF is \$100 per child, per semester; this cost covers material fees, snacks, and helps supplement youth workers. Sign up forms can be found in the children's area or the form link can be found on the MUMC Children's FB page or on the church website, marionmethodistchurch.com.

We Need ...

Clean, empty food cans - we are replenishing some of our Joyful Noise cans!

Adult volunteers for WWF on Wednesdays - share your talents! Adult volunteers for Children's Church on Sunday mornings. If your child participates in this ministry, we need your help by volunteering once every six weeks. Please sign up on our website under the children's ministry page.





Happy Birthday

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



Giving Report

Total financial gifts for July:

General Budget \$42,764.45 Cap. Improvement \$11,747.00

Memorials \$955.00 **Children's Ministry** \$310.00

Discretionary Fund \$286.00 **Missions** \$631.00

Youth \$100.00

Thank you for your generous support for the ministries of our church.

SAVE THE DATE: HULLABALOO SEPT. 25TH



Serving in Worship This Month

Ushers

Joe Catt Tony Gardner Jeff Johnston Jett Sutton Nick Sutton Jeff Vaughn

Acolytes

1st- Davis Fowler / Mollie Owen 8th- Lexie Laughter / Addie Claire Schwartz 15th- Levi Rikard / Katie Wynn Entrekin 22th- Jackson Rawls / Sam Owen 29th- Lake Laughter / AJ Kynch

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS



These dedicated students volunteered each night of VBS.

ACOLYTE TRAINING



There will be an Acolyte Training class held in the Sanctuary on Sunday, August 29th at 9:45 a.m.

If your child is between 2nd and 6th grades and would like to acolyte, please have him or her attend the class. For questions, please contact Teresa Gardner or the church office.







Kristi and Brian Doyle Sara and Rickey Dixon Shireen and Scott Fogleman Cindy and Tom French Memorials for <u>Marg</u>aret Fogleman

Ann and Scott Carpenter Rowena Stuckey Senator Keith Ingram Brenda and Rod Alexander

MISSION OUTREACH

MUMC will continue our mission outreach project of feeding the Marion School District Football team. This year we have committed to five dinners. If you enjoy football and are a Patriots fan, then this just might be an area for you to volunteer. Meal preparation starts as early as the day before the game and continues on the day of the game depending on what will be served to the team players. This year we will host five dinners. Two meals will be served in the gym and three meals will be packaged and picked up by the assistant coaches.

We need volunteers to help with food prep, serving, setting up tables and cleaning up afterwards. Dates for feeding the players are: August 20th, September 10, October 1st, October 22nd and November 4th. If you do not have time to volunteer but would like to make a monetary donation, please deliver to the church office with a note stating where the donation is to be credited. To volunteer,



please contact Beverly or Bartt Vaughn, David Fogleman or the church office.



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Our Wednesday Night Dinners will start back on August 25th with the theme of Mel's Diner. Our first meal includes your choice of:

- Hamburger
- Cheeseburger
- Chicken Strips (3)
- Fried Chicken Sandwich
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- Salad with Fried Chicken
 - Salad with Grilled Chicken

All meals with be served with choice of Fries or Onion Rings, Dessert and Drink.

Cost for dinners are: \$7 per adult, \$5 for children under 10 or a maximum of \$25 per family. You can go to marionmethodistchurch.com and sign up under Wednesday Night Dinners or call the church office to get on the dinner list.

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Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday (9:00-3:00); Friday (9:00-12:00)