



"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." ...John 15:5"

Highland Valley United Methodist Church

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19 OCTOBER 2009

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Divine Worship

Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

25 October 2009

8:30am, 9:40am, 10:45am

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10: 17-22

SERMON

"The Rich Young Ruler: Why Did He Go Away?"

Series: Encounters with Jesus

Rev. Daniel Kirkpatrick

HYMNS

Amazing Grace

O How I Love Jesus

My Hope Is Built

SPECIAL MUSIC

Joyful Noise Men's Chorus

Steal Away

We Are Singing for the

Lord Is Our Light

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Vanya Gilmore



William McRea

Reception to Welcome

William McRea

Director of Youth Ministries

Sunday, October 25

11:45 am—Family Life Center Following Worship

A reception honoring William McRea, Director of Youth Ministries, will be held this Sunday, October 25, in the Family Life Center at 11:45am after worship. His new Little Rock address is: 13200 Chenal Parkway, Apt. 123, 72211, the phone is: 256-338-5556 and the email address is William@hvumc.org.

William McRea is a native of Alabama and a graduate of Athens State University in Alabama with a degree in History and Religion. He is a first semester graduate student at Memphis Theological Seminary. He has been a youth director and Methodist local student minister for the past four years.

We invite you to come and meet William and extend to him a warm Highland Valley Methodist welcome.



2009 Fall Finance Program

"Tithing: Supporting our Mission to Know Christ and Share Christ with the World

Update: Week 2

Our 2009 Fall Finance program began this past week and continues through November. The theme is based on our church mission statement: "Tithing: Supporting our Mission to Know Christ and Share Christ with the World" based on the Great Commission by Jesus in Matthew 28: 16-20.

Persons who are members of our church received a financial packet with a 2010 Estimate of Giving card and copies of our 2010 preliminary budget last week. The Stewardship Committee is asking persons to prayerfully consider making an estimate of giving for 2010 by returning the tear off portion of the card in the offering plate this Sunday or by placing it in the mail. For further information please contact our Financial Manager, Stacie Holloway at 224-6047 or email Stacie@hvumc.org.

Louis Burgess,
Stewardship Committee chair



**PLEASE SEE THE
ENCLOSED
UPWARD
BASKETBALL/
CHEERLEADING**

**ATTACHMENT FOR THIS
SEASON'S INFORMATION!**

Pet Halloween

Costume Contest

Sunday, October 25-4:30pm

Prior to the Halloween Carnival

Come bring your dressed up pet and join the fun! Register with Vanya.



Annual Family Halloween Carnival

Sunday, October 25

5:00-6:30pm

Family Life Center

Come join in the fun at our church's annual Halloween Carnival this Sunday, October 25 from 5:00pm—6:30pm. There will be lots of games and prizes and candy for kids and adults alike, as well as food including hot dogs, cheese nachos, popcorn, and drinks sponsored by our United Methodist Youth.

CHILDREN'S CORNER



SHARE YOUR HALLOWEEN SPIRIT!

Share your Halloween spirit with everyone by volunteering for a shift at the Halloween carnival on October 25. Volunteer opportunities are available for various booths. Sign up sheets are in the Family Life Center on the children's table. Join us for food, fellowship and fun!

Halloween Pet Fashion Show



If you love to show off your pet, then you need to sign up for the Halloween Fashion Show which will start right before our Halloween Carnival on Sunday, October 25, 4:30pm. Please call or give Vanya the following information:

1. Name and breed of dog or pet
2. Type or name of costume
3. Owner's name or the person "showing" the pet in the show.

*****You may dress up to match your pet if you choose or just escort them across the stage, it's your call!

We Need Candy!



Please donate bags of candy for our Halloween carnival! Please buy prepackaged candy that would be appropriate for all ages!

There will be a bucket in the children's wing and in the Family Life Center for donations of candy. Thanks if you already brought some!



2009 Altar Guild members: Top row—Mary Pickering (Chairperson), Susie Burgess, Gay McDaniel, Peggy Taylor, Val Hawkins, Ardie Otten. Front row—Nita Hobson, Susan Wright, Bev Stock, Aggie Parse. A big thank you goes out to this hard-working group. New members are always welcome!

THANK YOU!

The Highland Valley Children's Choirs would like to extend a HUGE "Thank You" to all who decorated and/or purchased pumpkins from our Pumpkin Patch. Your participation and donations far exceeded our expectations. THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts!

Sincerely,
HVUMC Children's Dept.

PUMPKIN PRAYER

Dear Jesus, as I carve my pumpkin, help me pray this prayer:

Open my mind so I can learn about You;

(Cut off the top of the pumpkin.)

Take all my sin and forgive the wrong that I do.

(Clean out the inside.)

Open my eyes so Your love I will see;

(Cut eyes shaped like hearts.)

I'm sorry for times I've turned up my nose at what You've given to me.

(Cut a nose in the shape of the cross.)

Open my ears so Your Word I will hear;

(Cut ears shaped like the Bible.)

Open my mouth to tell others You're near.

(Cut the mouth in the shape of a fish.)

Let Your light shine in all I say and do! Amen.

(Place a candle inside and light it.)



CHILDREN FIRST

Children First is the theme for this year's Children's Sabbath. It marks the 30th anniversary of the United Nation's International Year of the Child. **Our goal is to promote awareness of children's needs and our responsibility to meeting their needs as a church.** We will begin collecting new or gently used toys, toiletry items, coats, scarves, and gloves/mittens to be given to one of our local agencies which house women and children. This campaign will continue throughout the winter months. Look for containers and signs. Thank you!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to HVUMC member **Cheryl Gilstrap** who earned the Arkansas Art Educators Arkansas Elementary Art Teacher of the year. Cheryl is also the art instructor for the HVUMC Arts Academy.

MUSIC NOTES

From Betty's Desk



Thanks to our Children's Choirs for their special music on October 18. It is always a special day to see and hear our children as they sing praises. Many thanks to all of you who supported our drive to fund choir robes for all three of the children's choirs. We still are accepting contributions for this fund, so please feel free to donate as you can. Thanks, also, to **Cheryl Simmons** for making the bows for the younger children's robes. We appreciate you so much, Cheryl.

Special Music for October 25 will be presented by the Joyful Noise Men's Chorus and the Chancel Choir. Special accompanists for the choir anthem, "Old Time Religion" will be soloist, Jon Keck; Carter Malone, trumpet; Joel Clark, trombone; Scott Welch, guitar; and Jonathan Cartwright, drums. The Joyful Noise will sing "Steal Away" and "We Are Singing for the Lord Is Our Light" at all three morning worship services. This will be our first time to hear the Men's Chorus in this new year.

Grace Notes will travel to Parkway Village Heights on Tuesday, October 27. Any who would like to join us as we minister to our shut-ins by way of song, please meet at 10am in the music room to travel and sing at 10:30am. This ministry is uplifting to us as well as to those in the nursing facilities. We invite you to join us.

Our Highland Valley Ringers will be ringing in November, so watch for the date! We are twelve strong and are looking forward to our first time to ring in worship. A big "thank you" goes out to **Ardie Otten** for making our new bell cushions. Thanks, Ardie.

Membership Vow of the United Methodist Church

I will support the church with my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service and my witness.

OUR PRAYERS

Nelda Hicks, Frank Highfill, Mary Jo Smith, Marie Buckley, Dorothy Dillon, Perry Bolding, Delaine Russell, Jeanette Horton, Paula Conaway, Sonny Bradshaw, Mary Hall, Jack & Eutha Scott, Joel & Nancy Clark, Lara Keck, Belinda Eley, Debbie Bush, Mary Harris.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Hazel Wagner and family in the death of her husband, Adrian "Bud" Wagner, age 92, on October 17.

OUR PRESENCE

October 18

Divine Worship

8:30	51
9:40	36
10:45	204
Total	291

Sunday School

Adults	120
Youth	15
Children	33
Total	168

OUR GIFTS

October 18

2009 Operating Budget	\$1,048,372
Operating budget receipts for 10/18/09	35,293
Total receipts, operating & restricted 10/18/09	36,090
Year to date operating budget receipts through 10/18/09	807,508
Year to date receipts, operating & restricted, through 10/18/09	873,839
Restricted funds received for: children's choir robes, youth bibles, local missions, Infant Crisis Ministry.	

2010 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

2010 Total Pledged	\$181,856
Number of Pledges Rec. to Date	42
Percent of 2010 Budget Pledged	17%

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - OCTOBER 18

CHILDREN		ADULTS	
Infant/Ones	3	Faith	9
2 Yr. Old	2	Fellowship	3
3/4 Yr. Old	5	Pairs & Spares	3
K/1st Grade	9	Alice Fidelis	3
2nd/3rd Grade	3	Highlander	30
4th/5th Grade	11	New Beginnings	11
Total	33	New Horizons	-
		Good News	9
		Connections	11
YOUTH		Ben Miller	30
Jr. High	9	Children/Youth	
Sr. High	6	SS Teachers	11
Total	15	Total	120

OUR SERVICE

Thank you to **Greg Floyd** for helping with the church staff offices move this past week.

Thank you to members of the **Ben Miller Sunday School Class** for their work in the flower beds in front of the church.



Upper Room Devotionals are available in the entrance to the Family Life Center. Upper Room Devotionals are free. (Sponsored by HVUMC United Methodist Women).

YOUTH NEWS!!

YOUTH LOCK-IN! OCTOBER 16



HVUMC Youth enjoying the lock in last Friday night.

CALENDAR ITEMS

Sunday, October 25, 11:45am - **Reception for William**

Sunday, October 25, 4:30ish - 6:30pm - **Halloween Carnival and Pet Fashion Show**

Sunday, November 1, 12:00pm - 3:00pm - Breakaway to **Paintball** (sign up in gym)

Friday-Sunday, November 20-23 - **Youth Discipleship Retreat** (note this is a new date! - sign up in gym)

WE NEED YOU!

1) Halloween Carnival - the youth and youth parents are needed to help run the booths and the concession stand. The proceeds from the concession stand will help send the youth on their discipleship retreat. Signup in the gym or contact Regina or Vanya. (Community service hours available if you help with the booths).

2) If you are in high school and are interested in coaching or refereeing Upward Basketball or Cheerleading, you can get community service hours for this and make a difference in the life of a child! If you can help please contact Dianne@hvumc.org or 224-6047.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those who made contributions toward Bibles for the youth classrooms! Forty NIV Student Study Bibles are now in the youth wing. Thank you for investing in the spiritual growth of the youngest generation of leaders at Highland Valley. The youth and their teachers appreciate your generosity.

In Christ, Rev. Regina Gideon

Pastor's Fall Bible Study

Wednesdays—10:00am-11:00am—Connections Classroom
"The Book of Psalms: How the Psalms Teach Us to Talk to God"

GIFTS

YOUTH BIBLES

In memory of **Marcia Dees**
 ... by Doris Woolard
 In honor of **Maxine Patterson**
 ... by Highlander SS Class
 In memory of **Edwin Patterson**
 ... by Maxine Patterson

BUDGET

... by Highland Valley UM Women
 In memory of **Marcia Dees**
 ... by Bob & Beverly Sullenger

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ROBES

In honor of **Betty Morgan**
 ... by Susan Wright
 In honor of **Reese Michael Edge** (great grandson of **Bob & Doris Flowers**)
 ... by Susan Wright & family

Transferred to the Church Triumphant
Adrian D. "Bud" Wagner

15 January 1917—17 October 2009

Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live."

John 11:25

THANK YOU

Dear Church Friends:

Thank you for your outpouring of love, for visits, words of comfort (cards, calls or in person), attendance of Mother's memorial service, memorial gifts and most of all, prayer. I have never felt so surrounded by caring friends. I love you all. Nodya Lambert

UM WOMEN NEWS

Alpha Circle will meet Tuesday, October 27, 6:30pm at the home of Ardie Otten, 4 Bayonne Court. Anyone interested in joining or visiting an evening group, please join us! For questions, call Ardie at 868-4556.

October Social Action is the Hoover Treatment Centre. Please place donations in the marked bin in the Highlander Classroom. Requested items are: soap, lotion, tooth brushes, Kleenex, paper towels, paper napkins and toilet paper.

MISSING ITEMS!

There are 75 health kits our UM Women assembled missing from the closet where they were stored. Do you know their location? If so, please call Cheryl Simmons at 223-8677.

LADIES!

Plan a day of fun and fellowship at the beautiful Ozark Conference Center (near Morrilton).

Holiday Flavors and Sounds
November 5—9:00am-1:30pm

Music, shopping, lunch—featuring Susan Heck, author from Tulsa. The cost is \$25. Let's fill the Highland Valley bus! If interested, call Nodya Lambert at 312-9601. (The deadline for registration is October 28)

**15TH ANNUAL
 HVUMC ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
 9:00am-4:00pm**

The 15th Annual HVUMC Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Highland Valley UM Women will be Saturday, November 14 in the Family Life Center. Items for sale will include: handmade gifts, crafts, holiday items, baked goods, jewelry, wooden items, baby items, cross stitch, ornaments, stamped items, floral items. A light lunch will be available. For additional information, contact Linda Brown, Chairman, at 664-1335.



CALENDAR

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25

- 8:30am Divine Worship
- 9:00am Fellowship Time
Fellowship (Telephone) Class
- 9:30am Sunday School Classes
- 9:40am Casual Worship
- 10:45am Divine Worship
- 11:45am William McRea Reception**
- 5:00pm Halloween Carnival**
- 6:30pm Alpha Class
Youth Choir

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9:00am Bridge Group
- 5:00pm Girl Scout Troop 407
- 6:00pm Troop 335 Troop Meeting
Cub Scout Pack Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

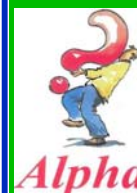
- 10:00am Grace Notes
- 6:00pm Men's Bible Study
Girl Scout Troop 6134
- 6:30pm Handbell Choir
UMW Alpha Circle

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 10:00am Pastor's Bible Study
- 12:00pm Church Newsletter deadline**
- 6:00pm Higher Ground
Men's Chorus
Art Class
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir
Mom to Mom
Women's Bible Study
- 7:15pm Art Class

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 8:30am Art Class
- 10:30am Art Class



**ALPHA CLASS
 MEETS AT**

6:30PM

THIS SUNDAY ONLY

(Regular meeting time resumes
 November 1)

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25

Acolytes

Peyton Yee (8:30)
 Maddie & Glory Knox (10:45)

Children's Church

Larry & Kathy Bryant

Rockers and Huggers

Jenn Wegener (9:40)
 Need Someone (10:45)

Coffee Steward

Gay McDaniel

Fellowship Time Host

Ben Miller SS Class

Bus Driver

Ryan Atkins (225-1580)

Head Ushers

Hot Woodworth, Perry Bolding

October Ushers

Louis Burgess, Don Kirk
 Bob Baertsch, John Watkins

Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday
 8:00am-5:00pm

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*Our Mission is to Know
 Christ and Share Christ*

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