

Montrose United Methodist Church

"Joyfully to love all, Serve all and to share Jesus Christ with the world!"



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Pastor's Ponderings... "God Bridging the Great Divide— Through You!"

In a time of deep division in our country, I simply offer a *Passage* of scripture, a *Prayer*, and a *Poem* for your consideration. The *Passage*—Read it often. The *Prayer*—Pray it often. The *Poem*—Live it always:

A Passage...

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and *the government will be on his shoulders*. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlast-

A Prayer...

"A Conciliator's Prayer"

Oh Lord God,
Today I am called to be a peacemaker,
but I am unfit for the task.

By nature I am a peace-faker and a peace-breaker, so I myself need help.

Others ask me to understand and guide them, but my ears are dull, my eyes are dim, and I lack the wisdom they need.

But you, Lord, have all they need, so I come to you for supply.

Make me fit for your purposes, so I will serve them and honor you.

A Poem (On the door of an old Welsh home) ...

Hail Guest, we ask not what thou art.

If friend we greet thee hand and heart; If stranger such no longer be;

If foe, our love shall conquer thee.

The Peace of Christ is with you,

Pastor Steve

There is a new demand for the Blessing Bags that our church assembled last winter for the homeless. The Missions Committee is organizing an All-Church Activity to assemble more care



packages for those in need. We will meet in Baldridge Hall:

Sunday, February 26th after each service Tuesday, February 28th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm during the Pancake Supper

Please bring supplies to make one or two for yourself to keep handy in your vehicle and distribute as needed. We are also accepting donations of extra items so that we may keep a supply of Blessing Bags at the church.

- Toothbrush (must be individually wrapped)
- Energy bars or packets of nuts
- Toothpaste
- Socks hats, or mittens
- Deodorant
- Small packages of tissue Shampoo (bigger than trial size)

- Wet wipes
- Lotion,
- Comb or small brush,
- Feminine products
- Hot Hands warmers
- Fast food gift cards
- Mini flashlights
- Rain ponchos
- Chapstick

Missions will provide the ziplock gallon bags and a Resource Flyer to get started. It's okay if you come without bringing supplies; we'll have enough for everyone to participate. Bring donations of supplies to the church.

You can also get creative and customize bags for women, children, men, & dog owners.

What a great start to our Lenten season!

HIYA News

High School and Young Adults

Sunday Nights

- January 29th— Life-size Clue 6:00-8:00 pm
- February 5th—Movie 6:00-8:00 pm
- February 12th— Spin City 1:00-7:00 \$20.00
- February 19th—no group
- February 26th— Sunday Supper

Save the date

Westside Weekend March 10-12

Seattle Mission Trip June 10-18 Grand Mesa Camp Sr. High July 9-15 Mid High Camp July 16-21 Young Adult Camp July 21-23

Friday Night Awesomeness 5th-8th Grades

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- February 3rdd— Movie Night 7:00- 9:00 pm
- February 12th— Spin City 1:00-7:00 \$20.00
- February 17th—no group
- February 26th— Sunday Supper 4:00-6:00 pm

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Worship & Donuts Jan. 29th
Westside Weekend March 10-12
Grand Mesa Camp Mid High Camp July 16-21
completed grades 6-8
Elementary Camp July 24-28
Completed grades 3-5





Upcoming Happenings

United Methodist Women

- --February 6 -Monday- Executive Board Meeting-9.00A.M. Baldridge Hall
- --February 8 Luncheon-Wed. -11:30 A.M.- Baldridge Hall-Mary Olive Circle Hostess
- --Program: House of Promise-Speaker
- --Putt Dish to Benefit House of Promise-Plus, donations of the following items:
- Dish Detergent (like Dawn, Joy)
- Peanut Butter
- Laundry Soap HE (Powder/Liquid)
- Cereal (1st ingredient not sugar)
- Kitchen Towels
- Herbal Teas (no caffeine)
- Large bags of Trail Mix
- Large bottles of juice (not individual pkg.)

- --February 16-Thursday-Mary and Elizabeth Circle-5:30 P.M. Cross and Flame Café- Hostess: Annie Hauck-Snowshoeing at Black Canyon
- --February 23-Thursday-Mary Olive Circle -9:00-A.M.
- -Hostess: Linda Pavlich
- --February 23 Thursday- Hope Circle-9:00 A.M.

Hostess: Mary Lou Jeffers

- --February 23 Thursday -Faith Circle 1:30 P.M.
- -Hostess: Nancy Warnock

United Methodist Women are still in need of two officers to serve in 2017. They are Mission Coordinators; Spiritual Growth and Social Action. If you feel a calling to either position please contact Sharon Hayes at 970-240-3505 or sshayes@bresnan.net.

Come join this active group of women!

The Purpose of United Methodist

Women: The organized unit of
United Methodist Women shall be a
community of women whose purpose is: To
know God and to experience freedom as whole
persons through Jesus Christ; To develop a
creative supportive fellowship; and To expand
concepts of mission through participation in the
global ministries of the church.

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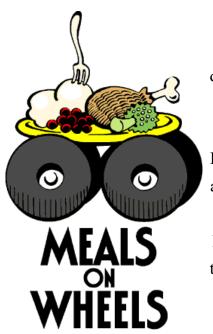
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Birthdays

Clare Willis	02/01	Sue Gunter	02/16	
Jim Goesch	02/02	June Mathes	02/17	
Katie Walker	02/02	Trish Gray	02/18	
William Hawley	02/03	Kristi Garner	02/18	
Kathy Devor	02/04	Abbie Harrison	02/18	
Ken McBryde	02/05	Hal Miller	02/20	
Jan Rexroad	02/05	Donna Brown	02/20	
Jon Coddington	02/05	Jack Ward Sr.	02/20	
Larissa Grammer	02/05	Bill Reiss	02/21	
Zachary McCarthy 02/05		Marshall Pendergrass 02/21		
Breyana Shipley	02/06	McKinley Kane	02/21	
Linda Goodhue	02/07	Carol Bucy	02/22	
Roberta Unruh	02/07	David Goodhue	02/24	
Ann Shaw	02/11	Emily Vigil	02/25	
Marsha Goesch	02/13	Katelyn Skees	02/25	
Jennifer Hurshman	n 02/13	John Reick	02/27	
Marge Hanna	02/14	Nadine Ward	02/28	
Chuck Moslet	02/15	Chuck Best	02/29	
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Anniversaries

Marshall & Beckie Pendergrass 02/04 Harold & June Whittle 02/05 Harold & Yvonne Williamson 02/14 Chuck & Judy Best 02/20 Paul & Kathy Harris 02/24 John & Suzi Reick 02/27



HOT MEALS on WHEELS

Our Church is responsible for delivering meals at lunchtime to fewer than 10 homes a week in what is described as the North Route. We pick up the meals in an insulated container at the Pavilion at 11:05 a.m., go to the homes of the recipients, deliver the food, and return the container afterwards. Most days, it takes about an hour, but it

MAKES THE DAY for the recipients, senior citizens mostly homebound. We have a faithful crew of drivers, but sometimes they need time off. If you can spare an hour a month, or maybe two, and are willing to become part of this ministry, please call Trish Gray at 970-209-8852. You would not be starting until February. Thank you!



City Market Rebate

The United Methodist Men are requesting your help. Over the past 15 years they have contributed over \$66,000 in support of the MUMC youth, various local charities, and numerous internal church projects. One of the primary ways they raise funds is through the cash back programs at the local grocery stores. It costs you nothing and helps support your church programs – but you have to sign up for the men to get the cash back. Please take a few moments and sign up so the men can continue to be a vital part of the MUMC.

Instructions for City Market shoppers to sign up for Methodist Men to receive the cash back credit –

IF YOU ALREADY PARTICIPATE AND JUST NEED TO RE-ENROLL: (Hopefully this should apply to most of the congregation)

- 1. Using any search engine enter www.citymarket.com
- 2. At the top under the "Community" tab click on "Community Rewards"
- 3. At the bottom click on "Re-Enroll Now" and follow the prompts

Or even easier

Dial the toll free 800 number on the back of your Value Card and Give the UMM organization number 10187

IF YOU ARE NOT PRESENTLY PARTICIPATING BUT HAVE A VALUE CARD:

Follow either of the methods above

If you need help with any of the above please contact Vern Dunham, Steve Gray, or Stan Hayes. For most of you it should be fairly quick & easy and the men thank you.





To wrap up a very eventful year the men met for their Christmas breakfast on Monday, December 19, with 20 in attendance. Our chef, Mary Lou, prepared a delicious meal and the men shared memories of their most memorable Christmas. The men decided to continue having occasional breakfast meetings outside the church at a local restaurant. Shown below is the January – March 2017 meeting schedule:

January 9 – Meet at church at 7 AM

January 23 – Meet at church at 7 AM

February 6 – Meet at church at 7 AM

February 18 – Meet at Denney's at 8 AM

March 6 – Meet at church at 7 AM

March 18 – Meet at Denney's at 8 AM

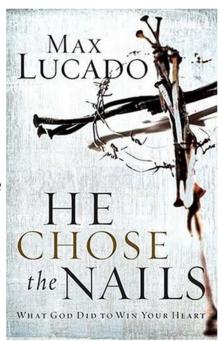
Although small in number, the men are mighty in spirit and looking forward to another active year. The group is open to all men of faith and we would welcome & encourage your attendance. After 4 years of serving as the lead person for this group I am stepping aside in 2017 so the men will be led by the incomparable Mr. Dick Baker. Vern Dunham will continue as treasurer and John Pavlich as program. I want to thank all of the men who have come forward and volunteered their service so that we have been able to accomplish so much.

Stan Hayes





The Adult Sunday School Class, which meets on Sundays at 9:45 a.m., will begin its Lenten study on February 19th. This is two Sundays before the beginning of Lent but there is a method in the decision. The Lenten study will be a follow-up to the Max Lucado Advent Study. We will be using "He Chose the Nails" to take the class through the Lenten



Season. Please consider joining the class downstairs, in Room 1, on February 19th at 9:45. You are welcome to bring your coffee and cookies to class with you after having some fellowship time.



Brown Bag Book Club

The Brown Bag Book club will be meeting Feb. 21st at 11:45 in Baldridge Hall. This Month's selection will be 438 Days: An Extraordinary True Story of Survival by Jonathan Franklin. Bring your lunch and join in the conversation!



