

THE MESSENGER

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The United Women in Faith invite all to attend their Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 2 from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a Simply Christmas area offering a large and beautiful selection of Christmas items and gifts. Also a variety of crafts, nuts, and baked goods. Local arts and crafts vendors will be selling their wares. Donations of baked goods are also appreciated. Good sellers are fudge, cookies, small breads (such as banana) and brownies. Bring them to the Fellowship Hall Friday morning or early Saturday morning. Craft donations are also most welcome. Plan on staying for lunch. Soup, sandwiches and desserts will be available from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Proceeds will go to mission projects local, national and abroad. Come and bring a friend!

We continue to have a negative balance in our general fund and appreciate your continued support. We have completed our 2025 budget and will present it to the Church Council. We will also apply the Pumpkin Patch profits to the general budget.



The Methodist Men thank Tire Zone repair for donating and mounting a tire for one of our BBQ cookers. Thank you David McCormack and staff for the kind donation.

The Methodist Men will meet on October 21 at 6:30 p.m. for a covered dish dinner and meeting. All men are invited to attend. We continue to serve the children of our community by providing a bunk bed for a caregiver who received two foster children. She was very appreciative and thanked the church for the wonderful donation. The men would like to thank the United Women of Faith for their generous donation to our CarePortal project.



On Sunday, October 6, following the worship service we will have our monthly covered dish luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited. The meat will be provided. Please bring your favorite vegetable, salad, side dish or dessert and plan to join us for great food and fellowship.

ATTENTION WOMEN: Please mark your calendars for the following dates.



October 1, 1:00 p.m. - Executive Committee
October 9, 11:30 a.m. - UWF Lunch at Applebee's
October 9, 1:00 p.m. - Ruth Circle
October 17, 1:00 p.m. - Lydia Circle



- 3rd - Elizabeth Stanley
- 5th - James Bush
- 8th - Genia Arbogast, Brent Simmons
- 9th - Arthur Sienes
- 10th - Cathy Barber

- 11th - Loris Asmussen
- 12th - Gary Sperry
- 14th - Jane Frey
- 15th - Thomas Plant
- 19th - Roxanne Barnes, Wesley Bishop
- 22nd - Leah Suarez
- 23rd - Jane Ehrhart
- 24th - Barbara Eve
- 25th - M/M Gil Culbreth, Jr., Vance Shirley
- 26th - Mark Tenniswood
- 28th - Gregory Straight
- 29th - Sharon Suits

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or has been omitted, please call the Church Office.



Puzzle!

Fill in the horizontal rows using the clues. Then, using the number codes, complete the squares below to read three Beatitudes from Luke 6:20-21, NIV.

Grassy area behind a house	<table border="1"><tr><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr></table>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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Spring precipitation	<table border="1"><tr><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td></tr></table>	16	17	18	19				
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Puffy and white in the sky	<table border="1"><tr><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td></tr></table>	20	21	22	23	24	25		
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Lawn	<table border="1"><tr><td>30</td><td>31</td><td>32</td><td>33</td><td>34</td></tr></table>	30	31	32	33	34			
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Must be weeded and tended	<table border="1"><tr><td>35</td><td>36</td><td>37</td><td>38</td><td>39</td><td>40</td></tr></table>	35	36	37	38	39	40		
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Tiptoe through these	<table border="1"><tr><td>41</td><td>42</td><td>43</td><td>44</td><td>45</td><td>46</td></tr></table>	41	42	43	44	45	46		
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Baby sheep	<table border="1"><tr><td>47</td><td>48</td><td>49</td><td>50</td><td>51</td></tr></table>	47	48	49	50	51			
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