

Mission Statement: To Love and to Lead
The Mission of Heritage United Methodist Church is to Love God and people passionately and to Lead people into a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ.

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WORSHIP WITH US EVERY SUNDAY!

8:05 AM
Awakening Service

9:30 AM
Traditional Service

11:00 AM
Contemporary Worship

Nursery provided for all services.

Sunday School for All Ages
9:30 & 11:00 AM

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In Our Thoughts & Prayers

In the Hospital:
 Sparks: **Anna Moon**
 NWAMS: **Kay Newton**
 Mercy: **Jeanette Elkins**
 Mercy: **Emmett Spencer**

At Home:
Margene Bules, Gerlinda Dibble, Roy Dyer, Debbie Hill, Anna Moon, Jeri Nash, Marion Newton, Oline and Irene Oxford, Teresa Ray, Wayne Weege
All Military Personnel all around the world
Nursing Home:
Jean Stratton (Legacy Lodge)

Assisted Living:
Billie Jacks (Alma Health Care)
Maxine Fahrner (Hope's Creek)
Mattie Lindsey (Alma H & R)
Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Mary Friday (Crawford H & R)
Lena Mae Smith (Crawford H & R)

In Sympathy:
Kelly Painter and family in the death of her grandmother, *Iva Yates*.
Roy Dyer and family in the death of his sister-in-law, *Jackie Dyer*.

September Volunteers

Ushers

8:05 am John Poole Myron Kirksey Mike Kneeland Mike McSpadden	9:30 am Tom Konert John Symonds David Alexander Andy Williams	11:00 am Benton Cone Justin Lovett Jason Fontaine Kerry Kelly Grace Kelly
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Greeters

8:05 am: Max and Leanna Garrett Buster Colbert	9:30 am: Deborah Pearson and kids Anita Dowty	11:00 am: Sarah and Rueben Silva Drew and Marlene Cone
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Upcoming Events

September 3:
 LABOR DAY
 OFFICE CLOSED

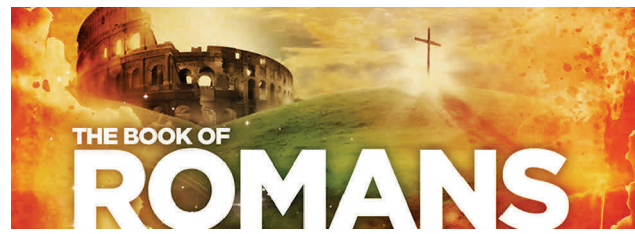
September 5:
 WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES RESUME

Have an Announcement for the Bulletin or Newsletter? Email it to office@heritagevb.org.

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART...A JOURNEY OF HOPE!



A few months ago Pastor Max loaned me a book on the life of Pastor Chuck Smith. God used Pastor Chuck to reach and receive the "hippie" generation in the 1960's and help them become the "Jesus People" movement. His little congregation in Costa Mesa, California swelled to over 30,000 people and now has multiplied into 100s of congregations across the United States and abroad. Their basic philosophy is "Simply teaching the Word of God simply!"

Chuck and his pastors do this by teaching through the Bible verse-by-verse. There is much more to this story and method than what I can write in this article, but in reading this book, the LORD has led me to scrap my preaching plans for the fall and 2012-2013 school year, and simply teach through the book of Romans simply!

Romans is the Gospel told through the Apostle Paul! It is the Gospel of Hope! I know the LORD is going to grow us and equip us through this time of digging deeply in His Word! We'll start this Sunday with an introduction and overview of Romans that I am calling: "Romans: The Gospel of Hope." Join us Sunday on this new adventure—this journey of HOPE!



See you then!!
Pastor Wes

Thank you so much to the 90 volunteers that worked countless hours to make the Heritage Frontier Day a huge success!!

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

In memory of **Jeff Baldwin** (son of Brad and Renee Baldwin; father of Chris Baldwin) by:

M/M Bruce Johnson (YM)
M/M Steven Peer (YM)
M/M John Symonds (YM)
M/M Mark Wilkerson (YM)
M/M Darrell Goodlin (YM)
Pat Patton (YM)
M/M Joe Stewart (YM)
M/M Alan Swaim (YM)

In memory of **Annie Venis** (sister of Max Goins) by:

M/M John Symonds (FP)

In memory of **Mark Intres** (friend of the Parochka's) by:

M/M John Parochka (FP)

In honor of **Eric Marsh's Birthday** by:

Katy Marsh (CM)

In honor of **Rick and Debbie Marsh's Anniversary** by:

Katy Marsh (CM)

*FP - Food Pantry *YM - Youth Ministries
*CM - Children's Ministries

BIRTHDAY LIST

A list of September birthdays is available in the Great Hall.

DIVORCE Care

Heritage will launch a new class of "Divorce Care" on Sunday, Sept. 9th at 6:00 pm. The class is a thirteen-week program designed to help heal the hurts and pains associated with going through a divorce. The information you receive will be both biblical and practical in a support group setting. The class will meet in the Community Room. If you have any questions about the class or wish to sign up please contact Becki Kneeland at bkneeland@heritagevb.org.

NEW MEMBER



Nathan and DeAnna Hobbs joined Sunday, August 26th.

THANK YOU

The Baldwin family would like to thank our Heritage family for your outpouring of care and love after the loss of our son, Jeff. Through your prayers, calls, visits, cards, food brought to our home, attendance at his memorial service, to the bereavement meal afterwards, we were showered with unconditional love. I cannot fathom going through this without faith and the support of our friends and family. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The Baldwins

Brad, Renee, Chris, and Andy

BRIDGING THE GAP

If you have furniture, appliances, dish sets etc. that you would like to donate to our new ministry, Bridging the Gap, or if you have a need or know someone with a need, or if you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Gary Deal at 651-2013.

NEW PRAYER OPPORTUNITY

Announcing a new prayer opportunity for Heritage. If you desire to have individual prayer in a private setting, please visit our prayer room between services on Sunday mornings. Our prayer room is located on Poynor Hall (the adult wing) and is the last room on the left. If the room is not occupied for prayer, you will find someone from our prayer team waiting to pray with you. If the room is occupied, there will be a place to write your name and once the room is vacant again a prayer team member will come and locate you for your prayer time.

FRONTIER DAY WRAP UP

Thank you so much to the many volunteers that put in their time, strength, and sweat to make Heritage Frontier Day a huge success. Big events take a lot of work and dedication and you guys did not disappoint!!!! It is an honor to serve with each of you. May God pour down his blessings upon you and your families.

THE RESULTS ARE IN.....In case you were log rolling or chasing a pig during the pie auction and missed finding out who our blue ribbon winners were, the results are in. In the BEST PIE category the winner was Doris Wortham with her delicious coconut cream pie. The BEST CUPCAKE award went to Carolyn Furr for the "call in the morning cupcakes" that kept the judges wanting more. BEST COOKIES were Gina Stafford's addicting cornflake cookies (I never knew cereal could taste so good) and last but certainly not least BEST HOMEMADE JAM went to Nadine Rollins (Gina Stafford's Mom) for her incredible Wild Black Raspberry Jelly. Thank you to our judges and to all who entered. The auction was a huge success and raised \$553. Doris Wortham's Pie was the overall auction winner going for a price of \$65.

HERITAGE UNIVERSITY

HU Fall semester classes will begin Sunday, September 16th! Proverbs 23:12 says "Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge." This is an excellent opportunity for you to grow as a Christian! HU will offer a variety of courses to engage your heart and mind in pursuit of a life of deeper discipleship. Signup in the Fellowship Hall.

NEWCOMER'S CLASS

If you are interested in making Heritage Church your home or you want to learn more about the church and its core vision and values, please sign up for the newcomer's class. The class will be Sunday, September 9th beginning at 9:30 am and ending with a luncheon at 12:30 pm. Contact Becki Kneeland at bkneeland@heritagevb.org, or call the church office at 474-6424.

CONGRATULATIONS MICHAEL SHUMAN

Dear Heritage Family, "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I say Rejoice!"



I want to share my good news with all of you. I recently took the position of Director of Ministries at First United Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. I am also now teaching at the University of Arkansas. I am excited about all of these new opportunities the Lord has put in my life and I look forward to meeting the new challenges I will face.

Please know that the time I spent at Heritage prepared me for what I am doing now. Without your support during my time as pianist and director, I would not have even tried to apply for each of these jobs. I am forever grateful for the spiritual, emotional, and professional support that you all gave me while I was at Heritage. It is through the grace of God that all things are possible.

My new duties will of course make it difficult for me to visit, but I will certainly try to get down to Van Buren and see each of you.

I wish you all the best in the future and hope to see you soon.

S. Michael Shuman

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

ACTIVITIES RESUME SEPTEMBER 5TH

- 5 pm Community Meal in the Fellowship Hall. Price:
Family \$10
Adults \$4
Seniors \$3
Children \$2
- 5:45 pm Timothy Team and Tiny Tims in the Sanctuary and designated rooms.
- 6 pm Adult Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall.
- 6 pm The Beat and PULSE Bible Study in The Block.

MISSIONARY OFFERING

If you have a birthday in September, you are invited to place an offering in our little white church on the chancel rail during the announcements this Sunday. Currently, all birthday offerings go to support the Rupp family ministering in the Far East.

JOYFUL SOUND

New to Heritage - Instrumental Ensemble, under the direction of Rick Endel. For students and adults: brass and wood, strings, percussion players - all levels of experience. First rehearsal is Sunday, September 28th at 4 pm. For more information, contact Rick at 806-3522 and make plans to join us!

EMMAUS REUNION GROUP

We will have a potluck dinner and meeting Tuesday, September 11th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Bob Bretch at 430-3132 if you can come and what you can bring to eat. The time is fast approaching for our fall walks at St. Scholastica. As a reminder, the men's walk is November 14 and the woman's walk is November 8-11, 2012. There is an opportunity to serve as members of the team. We need assistance with assistant table leaders, serving food, agape gifts and clean-up. Please let me know ASAP if you would be willing to assist on one of the walks.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Cindi Wood's study, Desperate: Seeking Simplicity...Finding the Cross will be offered on Monday mornings at 9:30am starting September 10th. Facilitated by Pam James.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Beth Moore's study for women, James: Mercy Triumphs, will be offered on Monday evenings beginning September 10th at 6:30 pm. Facilitated by Linda Nelson.