

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.

WORSHIP WITH US EVERY SUNDAY!

8:05 AM
Awakening Service

9:30 AM
Traditional Service

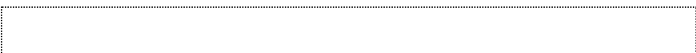
11:00 AM
Contemporary Worship

Nursery provided for all services.

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

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... SO CLOSE! COULD THIS BE THE SUNDAY?



Water of Life

I sense the LORD's nearness ... I sense His earnest desire to move mightily in our midst—to wash over us with His holy presence. Lately, every Sunday I come to worship thinking, "Maybe this will be the Sunday that Jesus will manifest His glory in our midst." I see Him working in so many of you! I wonder what it is going to take. I know the LORD is willing. What will "tip the bucket" of the LORD? What will bring the LORD to say, "Now, you are ready to receive what I have longed to give you!"?

"The Spirit and the bride (the Church) say, 'Come!' Let him who hears say, 'Come!' Let him who thirst come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. ... [Jesus] says, 'Surely, I am coming quickly!' Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!" Revelation 22: 17, 20

Let's us fast and pray and join our heart cry with the Spirit of God, "Even so, Lord Jesus, come!" I know He is going to answer our prayer soon ... and mightily! Lord, awaken the groan of Your people for Your glory and Your majesty!

With earnest expectation,



Pastor Wes

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

In the Hospital:
Jeanette Elkins (Covington Court)
Emmett Spencer (Crawford H & R)

Nursing Home:
Jean Stratton (Legacy Lodge)

At Home:
Margene Bules, Gerlinda Dibble,
Roy Dyer, Debbie Hill, Jim Lloyd,
Jeri Nash, Oline and Irene Oxford,
Wayne Weege

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)

All Military Personnel all around the world

In Sympathy:
Deanna Bradley and Family in the death of her father, Bo Dyer.

September Volunteers

Ushers

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

Greeters

8:05 am:
 Max and Leanna Garrett
 Buster Colbert

9:30 am:
 Deborah Pearson and kids
 Anita Dowty

11:00 am:
 Sarah and Ruben Silva
 Drew and Marlene Cone

Upcoming Events

September 30:
 DISTRICT CONFERENCE @ 4 PM
 JOYFUL SOUND ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL @ 3 PM

October 7:
 SPECIAL GUEST
 BISHOP GARY MUELLER

On the Inside



- Memorials and Honorariums
- Celebrations • Joyful Sound
- Emmaus Walk • Ministry Leaders

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

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

M/M Bob Bretch (EM)

In memory of **Ab and Alberta Yates and W.C. and Elsie Chrisman** (parents of Gene and Dawn Yates) by:

M/M Gene Yates (FP)

In honor of **Jack Infield's Birthday** by:

M/M Bob Bretch (FP)

In honor of **Gene Rankin's Birthday** by:

M/M Bob Bretch (CTV)

*FP - Food Pantry *EM - Emmaus Walk
*CTV - Catch the Vision

BIRTHDAY LIST

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement for the newsletter, please email it to Kathy at office@heritagevb.org by 9 am on Monday mornings.

NEWSLETTER

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter by email, contact the church office at office@heritagevb.org or by calling 474-6424.

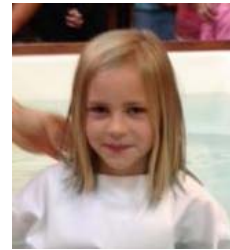
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CELEBRATIONS



MacKenzie Oliver was baptized. She is the daughter of Cliff and Valorie Hubbs and Jerry Oliver.



Katelyn King was baptized. She is the daughter of Shelly King.



Jonathan Mattox affirmed his baptism. He is the son of Randy and Selma Mattox.



Mike Bartels affirmed his baptism.



Pam Thomas has placed her membership with Heritage.



Ron and Mika Morrow have placed their membership with Heritage. Their daughter, Cambrie, was dedicated and Mika was baptized.

REHEARSAL FOR SCROOGE



The next Scrooge Rehearsal will be this Saturday, September 30th! Please note the times:

- 10 - 11 am: Street Urchins Musical Number: *Father Christmas*
- 11 am - 1 pm: Entire Cast

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

We are always looking for volunteers to help while the Food Pantry is open, but also have many other opportunities to serve. With the large number of people we are now serving we are looking for individuals or groups to come in and rebag the bulk items we receive. Please contact Roger Burkert at 462-3392 for information.

JOYFUL SOUND

The Heritage Instrumental Ensemble, under the direction of Rick Endel, will rehearse this Sunday, September 30th at 3 pm. Any student or adult (brass and wood, strings, percussion players - all levels of experience) is encouraged to join us. If you are interested or need more information, contact Rick at 806-3522.

WALK TO EMMAUS

Emmaus Sunday will be Sunday, September 30th! The men's walk is November 1-4 and the woman's walk will be the following week on November 8-11. A brochure will be available this Sunday.

ARE YOU HUNGRY?

The cast of *SCROOGE* will host a chili cook-off on Sunday, October 28th after church! So get your recipes and your appetites ready!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY



Every year the Salvation Army gives the community the chance to support various outreaches through the use of the "Red Kettle." The blessings received by the bell ringers themselves are numberless. This would be a wonderful opportunity for a Sunday school class or Life Group to experience service to God in a very unique way. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Charles Smith at 783-6145 or at Charles_smith@uss.salvationarmy.org.

YOUVERSION LIVE

We are trying something new! Bring your iPad, iPhone, Android, or other smartphone or tablet with you to church on Sunday! With YouVersion Live, you can follow the service on your screen or smartphone and you don't have to use a bulletin if you don't want.

CLOTHES CLOSET

If you have any good, children's winter clothes you'd like to donate to the clothes closet, please bring them to room 123 or if you'd like to volunteer, call Judy Goodson at 806-8740.

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

You are invited to sit and soak in the Heritage Sanctuary every Thursday from 12 - 1pm as Chuck leads a time of worship and prayer.

MINISTRY LEADERS

A brochure will be included in our stewardship materials this fall very briefly describing Heritage ministries and listing persons to contact to volunteer. If you have a specific need for a volunteer that you would like included in the brochure, please email to sueweege@cox.net by Friday, October 5th or leave with Ruth or Kathy in the church office. The following information must be included: name of ministry, description of ministry (one to two sentences), specific duties (one to two sentences), time requirements and person to contact (this should include the contact name, phone, email.)

"MEAL" MINISTRY

We have a very active ministry that prepares meals for our families in special times of need. This team can always use help in cooking and preparing meals, setting up, and cleaning up. For more information (or to volunteer), call Sue Stranathan at 474-8748

PULSE AND THE BEAT



This year's fall retreat to Branson for 6th - 12th grade students is October 27th - 28th. The cost is \$70 per person. Registration forms are available online and at the Pulse Student Ministries' Office. Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 10th. Visit pulse.heritagevb.org for more details

STEP UP, SPEAK OUT!

The next event is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10th from 5-7 pm. We will have 4 block parties at the following locations: Girls, Inc., Evans Boys & Girls Club, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, and Spradling Elementary. This will be a very fun but also educational event for children and parents. It will include games, live music, free food, and we will also be giving away skateboards and bicycles at each location. Most importantly, it will be a great opportunity to reach families and let them know what to look for to help identify abuse and stop it, how to report it, how to prevent it from happening, and that if it is happened in the past they don't have to carry this burden alone. Please consider attending before coming to our regular Wednesday activities.