

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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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... WELCOME BISHOP GARY MUELLER!



This Sunday Bishop Gary Mueller will be preaching at all three services at Heritage. He was elected bishop this past July and assigned to serve Arkansas. The word bishop is a biblical term. It simply means "overseer." A bishop is a pastor who oversees a congregation with multiple elders/leaders. Bishop Mueller happens to oversee a congregation of over 700 local churches and leaders of the United Methodist Church in Arkansas.

I was elected over a year ago to be part of the delegation representing Arkansas in selecting bishops. Twelve states or areas selected persons they believed would make great bishops. Then, each delegation interviewed these candidates separately. We came together in July to elect three persons to fill the vacancies of retiring bishops. I have to tell you that of the 12 candidates, Gary Mueller was my favorite. He was unapologetically "all about Jesus." Every time we asked about his stance on critical issues he said, "The Bible says ..., and I have to stand with what the scriptures say." I was thrilled that he was elected, and even more excited that he was assigned to serve Arkansas.

Bishop Mueller and his wife, Wink, spent the past 10 years leading FUMC Plano, Texas. This church nearly doubled in size under his leadership. Its mission statement is "Creating disciples with a hunger for Jesus!" I know you will be encouraged and blessed by Bishop Mueller's passion for Jesus as he brings the Word of the LORD to us. Don't miss this Sunday! I want you to understand the vision of our overseeing pastor. I want him to understand what a unique jewel he has in Heritage! Let's bless him with our passionate hunger for Jesus! His message Sunday is "It Begins Here!" Maybe this will be the Sunday that God show's up with Revival Fire!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

In the Hospital:
Emmett Spencer (Alma H & R)

At Home:
Margene Bules, Gerlinda Dibble,
Roy Dyer, Jeanette Elkins, Jim Lloyd,
Jeri Nash, Oline and Irene Oxford,
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:
Neal Moon, Libby McGill and Family
 in the death of Anna Moon.

October Volunteers

Ushers

8:05 am John Poole Cyndy Rogers Alexis Boster Michael Boster	9:30 am Wayne Stewart Connie Mendenhall Mark Stafford Mark Evans Jerry Frederiksen	11:00 am Roger Burkert Jon Harper Danny Turner Ray Hart Mark Anders
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Greeters

8:05 am:
Jane and Rick Sanders
9:30 am:
Andy and Terry Williams
Brian and Kelly Curd
11:00 am:
Trudy Leding
Christy Anders

Upcoming Events

October 7:
 SPECIAL GUEST
 BISHOP GARY MUELLER

October 12 & 13:
 GARAGE SALE
 SPONSORED BY THE CAST OF MR. SCROOGE

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

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

Kimberly Schaap (YM)

In memory of **Bo Dyer** (father of Deanna Bradley) by:

Susan Gibbons (BF)

M/M Charles Sullivan (BF)

M/M Dorvan Wiley (FP)

M/M Raymond Howard (BF)

M/M Bruce Johnson (BF)

M/M Johnny Parker (FP)

M/M Alan Swaim (BF)

M/M John Symonds (BF)

Linda Joyce (BF)

Olivia Smith & Children (BF)

In memory of **Scott Stumbaugh** by:

Shawn Stumbaugh (MF)

*FP - Food Pantry *YM - Youth Ministries
*BF - Building Fund *MF - Missionary Fund

BIRTHDAY LIST

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

BAPTISM SUNDAY

If you are interested in being baptized at church Sunday, October 28th, please contact the church office at 474-6424.

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!

PRAYER MINISTRY

The Altar Prayer Team will meet this Sunday, October 7th at 3:30 in the Welcome Center.

NEW MEMBER



Tina Jenkins and her son, Caleb, have placed their membership with Heritage.

MISSIONARY OFFERING

If you have a birthday in October, 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.

REHEARSAL: MR. SCROOGE

The next Scrooge rehearsal will be Thursday, October 11th. Please note the times: 7-9 pm: pg. 25-28 (Bob/Martha Cratchit, the Cratchit Children, Tiny Tim, Christmas Present)

SANCTITY OF LIFE WHY PRO-LIFE?

Wonder what the Bible says about abortion? Wonder what some of the facts are? Wonder what reason dictates? Wonder what the UMC believes? Wonder what the staff of Heritage believes? Then come join us for a one day class where we will investigate these questions. No sign-up is necessary. Merely pick a time and show up. Class will be held on October 14th during each of our services.

Due to subject matter, anyone under the age of 18 must have parental consent to attend. Please see church office for forms.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lenzini request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter
Channing Lenzini
to
Alex Garcia
on Saturday, the sixth of October
Two thousand and twelve
at four thirty in the afternoon
Heritage United Methodist Church
Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goins request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their son
Jonathan Goins
to
Brittany Ivey
on Friday, the nineteenth of October
Two thousand and twelve
at six twenty-one in the evening
Pratt Place Barn
2231 West Markham Road
Fayetteville, Arkansas

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. These will be very fun but also educational events for children and parents. They will include games, live music, free food, and we will also be giving away skateboards and bicycles at each location. Most importantly, there will be great opportunities 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 has happened in the past, they don't have to carry this burden alone. Please consider attending before coming to our regular Wednesday activities.

WALK TO EMMAUS

If you would like to attend a walk, please contact Bob Bretch at 632-0585. The men's walk is November 1-4 and the woman's walk will be the following week on November 8-11. A brochure with more information is available in the Great Hall.

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 of if you'd like to volunteer, call Judy Goodson at 806-8740.

FOR CONGREGATION EYES ONLY!

STAFF...NO PEEKING :)

October is National Pastor Appreciation Month. We want to honor all the staff of HUMC by showering them with appreciation during this month. All staff of Heritage are listed on the back of this newsletter. Pick one or several staff members and send them a thank you note or homemade goodies or a gift card or deliver them a Sonic drink or a great big thank-you hug when you see them...the possibilities are endless. Use your imagination and love on them during this month!

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.

HELP SUPPORT MR.SCROOGE

The cast of Mr. Scrooge will be hosting a garage sale at the mission house on Friday, Oct. 12th from 7 am - 4 pm and Saturday, Oct 13th from 7 am - 1 pm. If you have items that you would like to donate, you may bring them to the mission house beginning Monday, October 8th. NO CLOTHES PLEASE! Remember: one man's junk is another man's treasure. Mark your calendars and come and support the cast of Mr. Scrooge.

LIFE GROUPS

We have many Life Groups just waiting for you to join. We encourage you to pick up a brochure in the Great Hall and browse through the different groups and then contact Becki Kneeland, our Welcome Minister to get you plugged in. She can be contacted at 474-6424 or bkneeland@heritagevb.org.

2ND ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Your child (2's through 5th grade) is invited to participate in our annual Christmas Program. Tryouts for speaking parts (2nd grade-5th grade) will be Sunday evening October 14th at 7:00 pm. If your child is interested please stop by the Children's Ministry office and pick up a packet! Every Sunday evening from 6-7 pm, we are meeting to learn songs, lines, make props, invitations and posters! Currently, we are meeting with the Kinder-5th grade, Pre-school age children will join us in a few weeks!

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.

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.)

PIECE MAKERS

We will meet at Marilyn Lewis' on Wednesday, October 10th from 9:30 am - 2 pm at 4314 Greenwood Road in Dora. If you enjoy quilting or piecing or just the possibility of learning more about either of these, come join us. We have worship time while we quilt. For directions to Marilyn's house in Dora, call 461-1904.