

**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 Hospital:**  
**Jeri Nash (Sparks)**

**At Home:**  
**Margene Bules, Darlene Craft, Jim and Gerlinda Dibble, Roy Dyer, Jeanette Elkins, Linda Seubold**

**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:**  
**Liz MdFadden and Family** in the death of her mother, Winnie King..

**January Volunteers**

**Ushers**

<b>8:05 am</b> John Poole Cyndy Rogers Jane Sanders Rick Sanders	<b>9:30 am</b> Wayne Stewart Connie Mendenhall Mark Stafford Mark Evans Jerry Frederiksen	<b>11:00 am</b> Daniel Chisolm Matt Oliver Russ Aikman Jon Talley
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**Greeters**

<b>8:05 am:</b> Alexis and Michael Boster Buster Colbert	<b>9:30 am:</b> Malia Putman Brenda and Jerry Frederiksen	<b>11:00 am:</b> Malia Putman Kelley Nash
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**Upcoming Events**

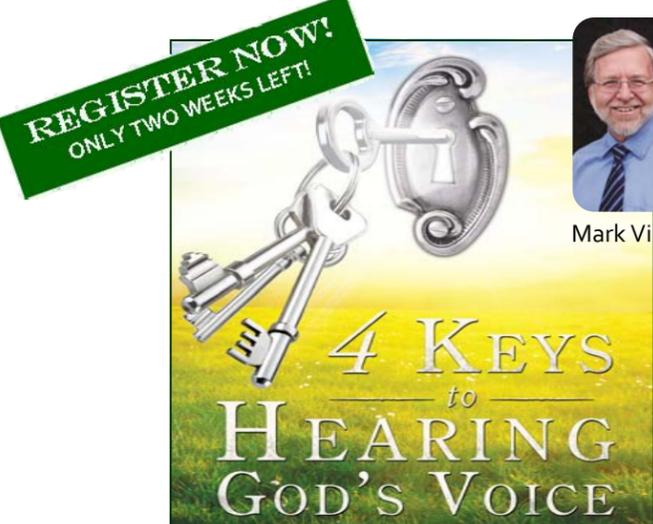
**January 27:**  
 BAPTISM SUNDAY

**February 8 & 9:**  
 SPRING REVIVAL  
 HEARING GOD'S VOICE WITH MARK VIRKLER

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

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**REGISTER NOW!**  
 ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT!

**Mark Virkler**

This experiential workshop provides the most down-to-earth, practical training available to teach you how to clearly and continuously discern the voice of God within your heart.

**HERITAGE CHURCH**  
 1604 E. Pointer Trail Van Buren, Arkansas  
 479-474-6424

<b>Friday, February 8th</b> 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	<b>Saturday, February 9th</b> 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
<b>Saturday, February 9th</b> 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm <b>Bonus Worship and Training!</b>	

**Cost:**  
**\$20 per person**      **\$35 per couple**  
 \$10 Childcare fee each child infant through 2nd grade

**Register online at [www.stubmatic.com/HeritageVB](http://www.stubmatic.com/HeritageVB)**

Lunch is provided

## MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

In memory of **Winnie King**  
(mother of Liz McFadden) by:

M/M Charles Sullivan (FP)

In memory of **Elmo Evans** by:

M/M Maurice Sagely (FLC)

In memory of **Wayne Johnson**  
(stepfather of Mark Stafford) by:

M/M Benton Cone (BF)

FP - Food Pantry FLC - Family Life Center  
BF - Building Fund

## BAPTISM SUNDAY

If you are interested in being baptized at church Sunday, January 27th, please contact the church office at 474-6424.

## THANK YOU

It is with mixed emotions that I write this letter of gratitude to the many who made the dinner and concert and Mr. Scrooge possible.

That night in Van Buren was magical. It was like I imagined Christmas once was and should still be.

For everyone that participated and attended, they were truly blessed. For those of you who missed it, what a shame. I am so sorry that everyone was no there.

If the church has this dream for next year, please put it on your calendar and DON'T MISS OUT! It was truly a blessing. It was my best Christmas experience ever! Thank you for a life-changing experience. Money could not buy what we were all given for free!

The food give away, gifts from Santa, the concert (it was as good as anything Branson has to offer), the delicious meal, the sidewalks filled with people in costume wishing everyone Merry Christmas....I wish every day in downtown Van Buren could be like the old fashion Christmas that came to town because of the love from Heritage Church.

Congratulations, staff...you nailed it!

*Vesta Everett*

## BRAZIL FUNDRAISER

Looking for a special Valentines Gift for your loved ones this year? Would you just like to buy yourself something new? Then we have JUST the event for YOU. Sunday February 3rd, the Brazil Mission Team will be hosting a Silent Auction at the church. There will be AMAZING Valentine Gift Baskets as well as many other amazing items for you to choose from. Don't spend your money on overpriced items in stores...come donate your money to a GREAT cause!!! All proceeds to benefit the Brazil Mission Trip. Thank you in advance for your support!!!

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## THE MEDICINE OF LIFE by John Wesley (1703-1791).

We see the numberless follies and miseries of our fellow creatures. We see, on every side, either people of no religion at all, or people of lifeless, formal religion. We are grieved at the sight; and should greatly rejoice, if by any means we might convince some that there is a better religion to be attained - a religion worthy of the God that gave it.

And this we conceive to be no other than love; the love of God and of all mankind; the loving god with all our heart, and soul, and strength, as having first loved us, as the fountain of all the good we have received, and of all we ever hope to enjoy; and the loving every soul which God hath made, every person on earth, as our own soul.

This love we believe to be the medicine of life, the never-failing remedy for all the evils of a disordered world, for all the miseries and vices of men. Wherever this is, there are virtue and happiness going hand in hand. There is humbleness of mind, gentleness, long-suffering, the whole image of God; and at the same time a peace that passeth all understanding, and joy unspeakable and full of glory.

*John Wesley*

## NEW MEMBERS



Roger, Sonya and Lauren Lovelace joined Sunday, along with Sonya's mother, Judy Spencer.

## DOWNLOAD THE APP

Want the church directory in the palm of your hand 24/7? Download the **Church Life** app for your smartphone—IT'S FREE. The app is available for iPhone, Droid or Blackberry.

## "A FEW WORDS ABOUT GRACE" BY WILLIAM NEWELL IN ROMANS: VERSE BY VERSE.

"There being no cause in the creature why Grace should be shown, the creature must be bought off from trying to give cause to God for His Grace. To believe, and to consent to be loved while unworthy, is the great secret. A man under grace, if like Paul, has no burdens regarding himself; but many about others. To be disappointed with yourself, is to have believed in yourself. To be discouraged is unbelief - as to God's purpose and plan of blessing for you. The lack of divine blessing, therefore, comes from unbelief, and not from failure of devotion. Real devotion arises, not from man's will to show it; but from the discovery that blessing has been received from God while we were yet unworthy and undevoted. Present yourself to God as those alive from the dead."

## BRIDGING THE GAP

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

## 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.

## 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.

## GRIEF SHARE PROGRAM RESTARTING

This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. You will find encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. Workbooks will be provided.

Monday, January 28th 9:30 am  
Heritage Church

Monday January 28 6:00 pm  
Legacy Heights Active Retirement

For more information, contact one of the facilitators: Shirley Touchstone: 479-629-7901, Wanda Huie: 501-249-7980, Pat Taff: 918-510-0247

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

If you are interested in helping provide a safe and caring environment where children can experience the love of Jesus in Children's Ministry, contact Debbie at dmarsh@heritagevb.org.

## LOVE TO SING?

Make a new start with the Sanctuary Choir! We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. No experience necessary - just a heart for worship and a willingness to make a joyful noise!

## 21 FOR 2013

We will have communion available during worship Sunday for those who want to end their fast by receiving the Lord's Supper.

## YOUVERSION LIVE

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.

## PULSE STUDENTS:



Spring Break 2013 is right around the corner. If you are signed up to go on the trip to Colorado, don't forget that your account should show a minimum of \$250 paid toward the trip as of Sunday, January 27th!