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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a Prayers

September Volunteers

<u>Ushers</u>

Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Lena Mae Smith (Crawford H & R)
In Sympathy:

8:05 am
John Polyerry Fr
Alexis B

John Poole Jerry Frederiksen Alexis Boster Michael Boster

9:30 am I II:
Tom Konert J
John Symonds I
David Alexander Andy Williams

Justin Lovett
Danny Turner
Kerry Kelly
Grace Kelly

In Thanksgiving:

Jonathan, Casey, Nathan and Treavor Sawyer in the birth of their son and brother, Garrett Reid

Neta Orr and Family in the

death of her sister, Debbie Cook.

Andy, Lacey, Nichole, Emily and Ethan Kimsey in the birth of their son and brother, Evan Maverick.

Greeters 8:05 am:

Three-fold Cord Life Group 9:30 am:

Three-fold Cord Life Group II:00 am:

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 22: Combined Worship Service

Newcomers' Class 9:30 am

Sunday, October 6:

AT VBHS FINE ARTS CENTER
10 AM

Sandra Thompson (Sparks)

Margene Bules, Jim and Gerlinda

All Military Personnel all around

Jean Stratton (Legacy Lodge)

Billie Jacks (Alma Health Care) **Maxine Fahrner** (Ashton Place)

Dibble, BJ DuVall, Jeri Nash, Linda

At Home:

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Nursing Home:

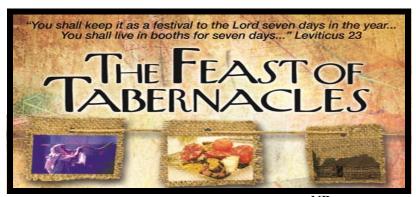
Assisted Living:

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



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION AT VAN BUREN FINE ARTS CENTER



THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND! 10 A.M. ONE SERVICE ONLY

Childcare for Kindergarten and under at Heritage!

Valet Parking for Seniors and Handicap!

Golf Cart and 4 Wheeler Shuttles from the parking lot to the front door Parking on both the East and West side of the High School!

Don't let anything keep you from coming!

Arrows International Dance Team will be there!

The Heritage Brass Ensemble will enhance our worship!

Lots of Special Music from Chuck King and the combined Worship Arts Teams. Special Message from Pastor Wes Hilliard, "When God Tabernacles With Us!"

COME WORSHIP AND WELCOME THE GLORY OF GOD WITH US!

HONORARIUMS

In honor of VIRGINIA MCPHAIL'S **100TH BIRTHDAY** by:

M/M Ron McPhail (BF) In honor of DORVAN WILEY'S BIRTHDAY by:

M/M Johnny Parker (FP) In honor of JEAN SABATIER'S BIRTHDAY by:

M/M Johnny Parker (FP) In honor of BILL THOMAS' BIRTHDAY by:

M/M Dorvan Wiley (FP) FP - Food Pantry BF - Building Fund

NEWCOMERS' 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 newcomers' class on Sunday, October 6th. Join us for worship at 8:05 am and the class will begin at 9:30 am in the welcome center. We will end with a luncheon at 12:30 pm. Contact Becki at the church office at 474-6424 or email bkneeland@heritagevb.org

NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISMS



Ashley McAdams was baptized and joined Sunday.



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Bailey Smith was baptized Sunday. She is the Rose Wilson was baptized daughter of Ron and Stephanie Smith.



Lavita Middleton joined Sunday



Janis Gipson was baptized and joined Sunday.



Jim and Sammye Gilbert ioined Sunday.

HALO REPORT

"I feel good about our chances in this game. This will be start of an undefeated streak," stated the always optimistic Devon Parks. As the coach I scoffed at his optimism following the Halo 17-9 defeat at the hands of Union Town Blue. Devon's reply back to me was, "It is the power of positive thinking." Union Town Red was our next opponent and things were true to Devon's positive prediction right from the get-go. Our Halos burst out to an 8-0 lead after two innings. Then Union Town Red put a damper on our happythoughts by spotting 15 runs in the top of the third. The Halos added a couple more in the next two innings while UT-Red put up 7 more. In our last at bat the Halos were down 12. As a good coach I bellowed, "We need 12 to tie and 13 for the win so, everybody has to hit 1.5 times this inning." I could see that the math was too much for our Halos as they looked

back at me with tilted heads and confused expressions. But our men and women didn't need any pep talk. Deep down inside each Halo player was a mustard seed-sized bit of optimism that only grew larger with each run the Halos put up in their final at bat. The Halos put together a string of hits that plated 5 runs before the first out. 3 more were added before the second out and true to form the optimistic character of the entire Halo squad came through in a dramatic 13 run inning to win 23-22. The Halos were willing to sacrifice an arm and a leg to win and TJ Mac's dramatic slide into to home cost him his left foot. The only sad fact about this come from behind win was there were only a couple of fans to witness this glorious feat. Halo's play on Monday the 23rd at 7:30 PM and 8:30 PM come see 'em play.

NEWSLETTER UPDATE

Due to the increased cost and handling requirements in mailing our newsletter each week, we would prefer to send it by email if at all possible. Please email the church office at office@heritagevb.org and type 'EMAIL NEWSLETTER' in the subject line so that we can add your email address to our newsletter list. If you don't have an email address, we will continue to send your newsletter by regular mail.

SISTERS OF STRENGTH

Sisters of Strength (S.O.S.) has started a new study and support group based on Lysa Turkest's study, Made to Crave. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Welcome Center. It is facilitated by Christi Wilson and Pam James.

EARLY RESPONSE TEAMS

ERT Mission: To provide a caring Christian presence in the aftermath of a disaster.

ERT Purpose: To establish the presence of the church, serve the people and do whatever tasks are assigned.

If you would like to be a part of the ERT, the training is Saturday October 12th from 9am-5pm in the Community Room. The cost is \$30 per person. To register, contact Bob Bretch at 479-430-3132 or email rbretch@cox.net The deadline is October 6th.

WEDDING INVITATION

Join us as we celebrate the marriage of Justin Lovett and Katie Harrison on Saturday, October 5th at 6 pm in the Sanctuary.

FAT, SKINNY, TALL, OR SHORT; WHAT'S YOUR SHAPE?

Why are you here? What does God want you to do? What is God's plan for your life? Why are you frustrated? Who is your perfect mate? Ephesians 1:11 tells us "11 It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, ¹²part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone. (The Message)"

Each of us is given different spiritual gifts. We have different passions (heart) and abilities. Our personalities vary from person to person—some of us even have multiple personalities $\stackrel{\circ}{\cup}$. We have each experienced things that have changed our life and lives of others. God, in his infinite wisdom and creativity, has shaped each of us to do the work He has planned. He continues to mold and shape us daily because He wants us to have an abundant life (John 10:10).

Join us September 29th 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Welcome Center to answer your questions and discover your SHAPE. Dinner and childcare are provided. We will take inventory of our spiritual gifts; complete a personality profile; reflect on our passions, our skills, and our experiences; and we will spend time with our Father. We probably won't discover your perfect mate, but we may just find the right ministry for you. Call the office for more information.

A new GriefShare Support Group will start on Monday, September 23rd. They will meet at 9:30 am each Monday in the Pairs and Spares Sunday School Class and at 6:30 pm at Legacy Heights. For more information, please call Shirley Touchstone 629-7901.

VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN

We are still in need of a few more volunteers. If you enjoy listening and praying with people and would like be a volunteer chaplain at Summit Medical Center in Van Buren, contact Max Goins at 926-5157.

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.

RECLAIMING THIS NATION FOR GOD

If you would like to join a group of moms who have the heart to pray for Your children and their schools, contact Monica Steele at 474-8165 or text 479-629-4384. For more information, go to www.momsinprayer.org.

WALK TO EMMAUS

It's time for the Fall Walks in the River Valley! The women's walk is Oct. 3 - 5 at St. Scholastica in Fort Smith. If you would like to attend, please contact Bob Bretch at 632-0585. A brochure with more information is available in the Great Hall.