

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

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AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
John Poole
Jane Sanders
Rick Sanders
Tom Banhart

9:30 am
Seeker's Life Group

11:00 am
Erich Bauman
Michael Jennings
Russ Aikman
Rick Rauser

Greeters

8:05 am
Bruce and Janet Johnson
Mary Dempsey

9:30 am
Seeker's Life Group

11:00 am
Terry Furr
Steve and Silvia Burns



Hospital:

At Home:

Mary Ellen Weidman-Burris, Linda Dahl, Neal and Patsy Ellison, John Luckau, Jeri Nash, Donna Pape, Cyndy Rogers, Carolyn Scott, Linda Seubold, Sue Stranathan

Assisted Living:

Billie Jacks (Alma Health Care)
Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Jim and Gerlinda Dibble (Willowbrook)
Lena Mae Smith (Crawford H & R)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Maxine Fahrner (Ashton Place)

In Sympathy:

Ellarene Crowley and Family in the death of her sister, *Jean Holthaus*.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 17
EDUCATION APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Saturday, August 23:
FALL KICK OFF
WIFE OUT BEACH PARTY
5:30 - 8:30 PM

Wednesday, August 27:
TIMOTHY TEAM/TINY TIM'S
PARENT MEETING
6:00 PM

FROM YOUR WELCOME MINISTER...



Often times people ask me the question this time of year, "Do you miss being in the school system?" I usually pause before answering and I think many interpret my pause as a big fat "NO" but in fact its just me reflecting. I love my job at Heritage and I know that I am exactly where God has called me to be but I will be honest with you, those 20+ years in the system were also where God had called me to be. Our theme this year for Education Appreciation is "You Are O-fish-ally Awesome!" and it's based off of the scripture Matthew 4:19 "Follow Me and I will make you fishers

of men". Wherever God has placed you is where you need to be fishing. It is your mission field (in this case your favorite fishing hole). Why else would God have educators divided into "schools"????? GET IT????? Join us this Sunday, August 17th for Education Appreciation Sunday. We have wonderful things planned during the service and reception between. Help us bait the hook for a wonderful school year.

Becki Kneeland

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

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of **ROY ELKINS' BIRTHDAY** by:

Sue Stranathan (BF)

In honor of **CHARLES SULLIVAN** by:

Sue Stranathan (BF)

In honor of **JEANIE THOMPSON'S BIRTHDAY** by:

M/M Mike McSpadden

In honor **DONNA PARKER'S BIRTHDAY** by:

M/M Dorvan Wiley (BF)

In memory of **CRYSTAL UTZ** (*Sister of Valorie Hubbs and Matthew Utz*) by:

M/M Mike McSpadden

M/M Skip Steele

In memory of **DARLENE CHURCH** (*aunt of Valorie Hubbs and Matthew Utz*) by:

M/M Mike McSpadden

In memory of **HOMER SALISBURY** (*grandfather of Shannon Salisbury*) by:

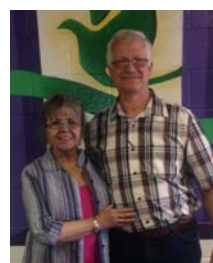
M/M Mike McSpadden

BF - Building Fund

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



Alex Burris was baptized and joined.



Tim and Vi Herring joined.

HERITAGE RIDERS

WHAT: Breakfast Ride

WHEN: Depart Heritage at 8:15 am on August 23rd

PLAN: Ride south on Hwy 59 to Hwy 22, then to Paris for breakfast at the Grapevine restaurant. After breakfast, ride home over Mt. Magazine to Hwy 10 and back to VB.

TIMOTHY TEAM/TINY TIM'S

A mandatory parent meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 27th and the first night of classes is Wednesday, September 3rd!

HERITAGE SOFTBALL TEAM

Want to wear a halo? We are looking for both Men and Women for a *Fall Co-ed team* and a *Fall men's team*. Please call Mike Kneeland at 719-9274 or e-mail at mknee1260@cox.net if you're interested.

WIPE OUT



Beach Experience of the Summer!! Saturday, August 23rd beginning at 5:30 here at Heritage! There will be Water Slides/Beach-Blanket-Bingo/Children's Activities/Youth Activities/Food/Antique Car Show/Motorcycles, SAND!! Lots and lots of SAND!! Mark Your Calendars NOW!!

CITY-WIDE PRAYER FOR VAN BUREN SCHOOLS

Please join us this Saturday, August 16th for a city-wide prayer for the Van Buren schools. We will gather at Van Buren High School at 8 am to walk the grounds and pray. After praying at the high school, everyone will then disperse to another school of their choice to pray. We are working to have a representative from each school unlock the doors so we can walk the halls to pray. The idea is for a group of people at each Van Buren school so that every school is prayed over. (Tate, King, Rena, City Heights, Parkview, Central, Northridge, Academy, High School, Career Center) Please join us so that we begin the 2014/2015 school year covered in prayer for these students, parents, teachers, staff, and the families they represent. Satan wants to engulf them all...but WE can stand up and fight against it and win the battle because God is on our side!!! Students are welcome and encouraged to come! Becky Malone (479) 651-1908 & Ronda Brown (479) 561-7858

FROM YOUR SUMMER YOUTH INTERN...



Hello, my name is Talon. This summer I was an intern with Pulse, our high school student ministry. I am currently a student of Arkansas Tech University studying Rehabilitation Sciences. Once I graduate from Arkansas Tech, I will be applying for Occupational Therapy School at University of Central Arkansas. Having attended Heritage church and working in Kids Ministry, The Lord showed me the passion I had for children, but more specifically, those with special needs. Being able to stand where I am now and look back at the milestones that He helped me accomplish while at Heritage is quite a blessing.

The Lord taught me so much this summer, but the most important thing that He showed me was our own unique and individual calls to ministry. While in South Dakota with our Pulse students, The Lord showed me how He has very specific and detailed plans in mind for each of us. The Lord also showed me that every person has a call to ministry. Bruce and Marsha BonFleur were given the vision which turned into Lakota Hope Ministry in White Clay, Nebraska. Lakota Hope ministers to those who most would think have already gone off the cliff and are unreachable. Belva Matthews, owner of Higher Ground Coffee House in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, ministers to the Lakota people who have not gone off the cliff. God called these people to minister to what seemed the same audience but He gave them an even more specific call and way to minister to the Lakota people.

Several years ago I started working in Kid's Ministry, volunteering to help with Sunday School and Kids Camp in the summer. This is where I learned my passion that I have for children. In 2010, I had a very sweet girl who was specially made by the Lord, Sophie Sneed, in my Sunday School class. God used Sophie those three very important years to speak into my life and help me understand the even more specific passion He had made my heart desire. Through Sophie, The Lord showed me specifically the occupation I would pursue and the steps He knew I needed to take to get there.

Since returning from South Dakota, He has laid it on my heart that my ministry will not stop at my occupation. He has laid another desire on my heart to pray for the other areas of ministry that I am to pursue outside of my day job. Once we leave our place of ministry or enter out of the mode of where we feel like He has called us to ministry is exactly when we need to take steps back to pick our ministry back up. He never intended for us to step out of ministry or leave Him behind. He is our constant companion and this summer has been such a blessing because of my choice to follow Him, not Him follow me. The Lord has given me a passion to pursue and now I am running with Him in it.

Talon Wagoner

FROM YOUR SUMMER YOUTH INTERN...



Since I was a baby, I have spent my Sunday mornings at Heritage United Methodist Church. I attended all of the church camps, youth events, and youth mission trips growing up. I graduated from Van Buren High School in 2013 and attend the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. In my absence from Van Buren, one of the things I missed the most was my church family at Heritage. Fortunately, this summer I was given the opportunity to be a youth intern for Heritage. This internship has been one of the greatest experiences of my life. While putting on youth events, it is sometimes easy to lose sight of why the youth are actually here. Many times we get wrapped up in the planning and fun of the events and then think "oh yeah, where can I put Jesus into this?" I soon realized that starting with Him is the key. God is our foundation, He helps us stand and is who we should walk with at the start of every day. This internship has taught me not to apply God, but to start with God, and that's in everything we do. God isn't supposed to be an afterthought, he should be on the forefront of our minds. This summer I have been delighted to feel His presence and seek His guidance before each day and youth event. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve with the staff at Heritage. They all love the men and woman of our congregation, and pray continuously for us. Most of all it has been an honor to serve God through ministry. Thank you church family for your support and giving me the opportunity to serve at Heritage.

Sean Bricker

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Volunteers are still needed to help with our Fall Kick-off! Please contact Becki at bkneeland@heritagevb.org if you are interested in any of the following areas:

- Waterslides
- Surfboard simulator
- Water balloon launching
- Sitting on the dunk tank
- Monitoring the dunk tank

Also, please let Becki know if you can donate or bake a dessert for Beach Blanket Bingo.