

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

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NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
 John Poole
 Tom Banhart
 Scott Visalli
 Scott Treece
 Mike Kneeland

9:30 am
 Seekers' Life Group

11:00 am
 Drew Cone
 Chris Christensen
 Chad Sharbono
 Craig Ballegeer

Greeters

8:05 am
 JoEllen Banhart
 Jessica Visalli
 Pam Treece

9:30 am
 Seekers' Life Group

11:00 am
 Kris Ailes
 Mike and Karrie Papacoda



At Home:

Christy Anders, Mary Ellen Weidman-Burris, Ellarene Crowley, Neal and Patsy Ellison, Joe Johns, Trecia Lloyd, John Luckau, Jeri Nash, Gary Pittman, Carolyn Scott, Linda Seubold, Charles Sullivan

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), Jim Dibble (HealthSouth)



November 16
 NEWCOMERS' CLASS

November 19
 COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE
 @ FINE ARTS CENTER
 7:00 PM

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

Join us for our 7th Annual
COMMUNITY CELEBRATION
of Worship and Thanksgiving

It is the one time a year we come together as a community and we fellowship, worship, and pray as one body. Local churches have come together to make this our 7th Annual Community Thanksgiving Service. It will be at the VBHS Fine Arts Center on Wednesday, November 19th at 7 pm. Chaplain (Major General) Douglas L. Carver will bring the message. Pastor Chuck King and area worship leaders will provide the worship with a mass choir and an incredible praise team. We will also have a guest appearance again from our community children's choir led by Michael and Kristy Bray, children pastors from Van Buren Freewill Baptist. Each year a special offering is received and given to a local faith-based non-profit organization in our area. This year's recipient is Hearts of Hope Restoration Center.



Please come prepared to bless the Hearts of Hope ministry. Childcare for children pre-school and under will be housed here at Heritage. There will be plenty of shuttle service to get you right to the front door and friendly people to greet you as you enter the building. Please take a moment and give God thanks and praise for the pastors of this area. Pray for city leaders and this community. Pray that revival comes to the River Valley. This could be the year!!! You don't want to miss it!

Guest Speaker,
Chaplain (Major General) Douglas L. Carver, US Army, Retired

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR HERITAGE FAMILY



MEET RUTH OTTINGER...married to Bill Ottinger, who is retired. Our family consists of three sons: Eric Broadaway the oldest lives in the KC area and is married to Phyllis and is the father to three sons, Stephen, Eric Jr., and Brodie; Tim Broadaway is married to Shelly and lives in Fort Smith and has a son, Caleb, and a daughter, Lily; and our youngest son, Charles "Andy" Ottinger, is engaged to Emily Fawver and they will say their vows next spring.

I grew up in the Van Buren area until age 15. I have lived in OK, MO, NE and AZ and returned to AR when I was 42. I live on the same property that I was born on and had the joy of raising my middle child and youngest on that same property.

My position at Heritage is Financial Secretary. This involves accounts payable, payroll and contributions.

My ministry is to pray for the church, the congregation and to walk with people through those challenging times we all encounter in this life.

Because I have a passion to see our children equipped with the truth of God's word, I have taught Timothy Team for the last ten years. It is a sweet blessing to see our children taught the same lesson as their parents are being taught by the pastor and how they bury those truths in their heart and live their lives by them.

I am blessed to be a part of this congregation where we believe in the infallibility of the Bible and faithfully teach the truths found in the scripture. We come each Sunday and Wednesday with joy in our hearts, knowing that we will encounter God through the teaching and fellowship with other believers. My favorite part of attending Heritage is the worship. I am a worshiper and no matter what service I attend, the worship never fails to bring me into God's presence and fill me with joy.

HEALTHY CONGREGATION DAY

Come to the office this Sunday, November 9th, between 9 and 11:15 am and have your blood pressure and sugar level checked.

PLEASE UPDATE

This Sunday, please indicate on your connection card any new phone numbers or email address. We want to stay in touch with you!

MISSING SOMETHING?

Please call or stop by the church office if you are missing your bible, eye glasses or a multitude of other items. We have a nice collection of items that are ready to go home. There are plenty of dishes in the kitchen, as well. Please take a look this Sunday!

PULSE AND THE BEAT FALL RETREAT 2014



Our trip to Branson took us on a journey to Nineveh and back. Pulse (high school) and the Beat (middle school) Student Ministries united as we spent time worshipping a God of mercy and grace.



The journey began when 111 of us learned that we all have a little of Jonah in us (I AM JONAH). At times, we have all become comfortable in our sin and have even run from God when it comes to following His plan. We have felt that others do not deserve the very same love that God has shown us. Then God sends a fish! The journey continued as we also realized that we are just like Nineveh.



We are a wicked, sinful and rebellious people. But, if we truly repent and turn to God, He will hear and forgive. We must become uncomfortable in our sin (sackcloth and ashes), turn from our sin and turn to God! I AM NINEVEH! Thank you for your prayers and gifts that allowed us to take a journey like this!



Brian Seewald, Youth Pastor

HONORARIUMS

In honor of **EMMA LEE KELTON'S BIRTHDAY** by:

Sue Stranathan (BF)

In honor of **VESTA EVERITT'S BIRTHDAY** by:

Sue Stranathan (BF)

In honor of **SMOKEY MCPHAIL'S BIRTHDAY** by:

Sue Stranathan (BF)

In honor of **KATY MARSH** by:
M/M Joe Lloyd (FP)

BF - Building Fund FP - Food Pantry

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

No matter how long it's been since your loved one passed away, grief can make the holidays a painful time; But, there is hope! Join us for an encouraging seminar that will help you survive the holidays and discover new reasons to enjoy them again. Saturday, November 22nd at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. Registration begins at 9 am. For more information, contact Shirley Touchstone at 629-7901.



This Sunday, November 16th from 6-8 pm, The

4th and 5th graders will meet at Wheels in Motion in Van Buren. Grab your friends and join us for a night of fun, fellowship and skating. Permission slips are required. Remember: if you bring a guest, they will need a permission slip, as well. Eat BEFORE you come!

CTS CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Rehearsal for the Community Thanksgiving Children's Choir is this Sunday, November 16th at 4 pm in The Backyard. Children in grades 1 - 5 are invited!

THANK YOU

Dear Heritage Family,

Thank you for all that you've done during the illness, death and funeral of Audrie Jean Dameron. Your visits to the hospital, prayers, use of church facilities and wonderful family meal are so appreciated. You will never know how much your kindness and generosity means to us.

May God bless you all mightily!

The Family of Audrie Jean Dameron

JOURNEY'S OF PAUL INFORMATION MEETING

There will be an informational meeting for the "Journey's of Paul" trip that Pastor Wes and Allison are leading June 15-29th. The meeting will be at 7 pm on Thursday, November 20th in the Community Room at Heritage. They will answer questions and concerns and hope to Facetime Dr. Tuttle during the meeting so he can answer your questions, as well. Brochures are available in the church office.

JOIN MIDS WITH KIDS FOR A MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a new life group aimed at active middle-aged (30's-40's) with kids still at home. Studies range from marriage, parenting, balancing activities to other forms of growth as the group decides. We will participate in a marriage enrichment study by Mark Gungor, "Laugh Your



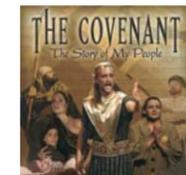
Way to a better Marriage" beginning in January. An informational kick-off meeting is this Saturday, November 15th from

5 - 7 pm in the Community Room. Come and learn about the dynamics of this group, meet the leaders, and enjoy popcorn and the movie "Courageous" while snacking on popcorn. Children are welcome. Please send interest requests to Gary and Janice Podgurski at jrpodgurski27@gmail.com. In case of bad weather, we will reschedule.

NEWCOMERS' CLASS

If you are interested in making Heritage Church your home or if you want to learn more about the church and its core vision and values, please sign up today for the Newcomers' class scheduled for this Sunday, November 16th. 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 474-6424 or email bkneeland@heritagevb.org.

THE COVENANT CRAFT CORNER



Homemade and handmade crafts and gifts are available for purchase in the Library. This is a great place to do your Christmas shopping while investing in *The Covenant*-an outreach tool for our community. If you have items you would like to donate in an effort to raise money, please see Louann King or Malinda McSpadden.