

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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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... PENTECOST/SHAVUOT AND FREEWAY!

I want to thank the Heritage family for all of your expressions of love and care following the death of my mom this past week. Our family was truly blessed by God's mercy and grace to Mom in her passing. I am grateful to the LORD and to you.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Festival of Pentecost/Shavuot! This feast, commanded by God to be celebrated by His people, was fulfilled ten days following Jesus' ascension. The Holy Spirit was poured out with sounds of wind and signs of fire! The people were filled with the Holy Spirit and praised God in other tongues. What does it mean? What's the point of Pentecost, and how can we pursue a personal Pentecost? Don't miss this birthday of the Church! We are praying for a fresh wind and fresh fire this Sunday! We are going to get to witness again the Upper Room Pentecost scene from "God With Us!"

Finally, we are preparing for an exciting summer series – **Freeway—A Not-so-Perfect Guide to Freedom**. You can pick up your workbook at the church. We are asking for a \$15 donation per book to reimburse the church, but we will give it to anyone who can't afford one. We encourage everyone, middle school age and above, to go through the workbook this summer. Each person will need his/her own book. We also encourage you to create a free account at www.secondchance.org/myfreeway where you'll get daily devotions, premium content and videos. You'll want to get your book before May 31st so you can complete the introductory lesson before your first group meeting.

A huge part of this series is discussing each topic and your workbook with others. You can do this with your **life-group** or if you are not in a group, you can do it on **Wednesday evenings at Heritage** from 6-7:30. Or, why not gather some friends, neighbors and co-workers and go through the materials together? There are free leader training videos online! It's so easy! We'll be preaching through this series all summer beginning May 31st! Let's get free together!



Don't forget, you are blessed and highly favored! See you soon!

Pastor Wes

MAY VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
John Poole
Mike Kneeland
Drew Cone
Max Garrett

9:30 am
Seekers Life Group

11:00 am
Justin Lovett
Mark Anders

Greeters

8:05 am
Bruce Brown
Darlene Craft
Leanna Garrett
Pat Poole

9:30 am
Seekers Life Group

11:00 am
Jena Harper
Kris Ailes



In Hospital:

Tommy Dodd (hospital in GA)

At Home:

Neal Ellison, Marjorie Howard, Betty James, Emma Lee Kelton, Jeri Nash, Mike Papacoda, Gary Pittman, Carolyn Scott, Linda Seubold, Maria Sullivan, Travis Teague, Shirley Touchstone, Anna Utz, Mary Wrisinger

Assisted Living:

Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Gerlinda Dibble (Willowbrook)
Geraldine Hurst (Pink Bud Home)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Maxine Fahrner (Ashton Place)
Joyce Hopkins (Legacy Heights)

In Sympathy:

John Poole and Family in the death of his father, *Mark Poole*.



Wednesday, June 3
SUMMER SERIES BEGINS
6 PM

Wednesday, June 17:
FAMILY NIGHT
AT ALMA AQUATIC PARK
6 PM

Saturday, June 20:
OLD TIME GOSPEL SING
AT POOLE'S PLACE
6 PM

Have an Announcement for the Bulletin or Newsletter?
Email it to office@heritage.church.

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of **JEAN STRATTON** by:

Rita Young

In memory of **ETHEL MONTGOMERY** by:

Rita Young

In memory of **JEAN PEER** by:

Rita Young

In memory of **JIM DIBBLE** by:

B.Y.K.O.T.A. Circle (BF)

In memory of **MARK POOLE** (father of John Poole) by:

M/M Benton Cone (BF)

M/M Bruce Johnson (BF)

M/M Mike McSpadden (BF)

M/M Scott Treece (BF)

In memory of **WADENE HILLIARD** (mother of Wes Hilliard) by:

M/M Doyle Autry

M/M Benton Cone (BF)

M/M Mark Fimpel (BF)

M/M Darrell Goodlin (CM)

M/M David Hanshaw

M/M Bruce Johnson (BF)

M/M Myron Kirksey (BF)

Carolyn Loyd (BF)

M/M Mike McSpadden (BF)

Donna Parker (BF)

M/M Steven Peer

M/M Paul Ray (EF)

M/Dr Ron Smith (BF)

Sue Stranathan (BF)

M/M Alan Swaim (BF)

M/M John Symonds (BF)

M/M Bill Thomas (YM)

M/M Scott Treece (BF)

M/M Dorvan Wiley (BF)

M/M Jim Udouj (BF)

M/M Mark Wilkerson (BF)

M/M Don Spillman (FP)

Janalou Devers (BF)

BF-Building Fund CM-Children's Ministries

EF-Endowment Fund YM-Youth Ministries

PRAYER MEETING

The next River Valley Community Prayer Meeting is Monday, June 1 from 7-8 pm at Fianna Hills Baptist Church located in Fort Smith. Please join other believers as we pray for our community!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering for the *Old Time Gospel Sing* on June 20th, we need people in the areas of food prep and kitchen, set-up and tear down. Please contact the church office to sign-up. We also need donations of large cans of baked beans and packages of store bought cookies.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We need volunteers to sack groceries and help customers on Fridays 9:30 am - 12 pm. If you are interested, please contact Roger Burkert at 462-3392.

WELCOME



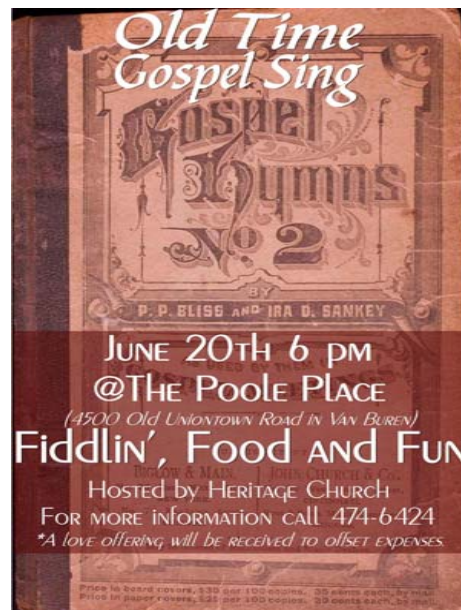
Joey Brown joined Sunday. He is the husband of Erin Marsh Brown.



Lorrie Wilkinson joined Sunday.

HERITAGE RIDERS

Kick stands up at 10 am on Saturday, May 23rd to Sam and Ella's Chicken Palace in Tahlequah, OK. and returning around 2:30 pm. We will leave from the Walmart parking lot next to Murphy's gas station and head north on Hwy. 59. The restaurant serves pizza, sandwiches, salads and appetizers. For more information, contact Max Garrett at mgarrett@FortSmithAR.gov.



TIMOTHY TEAM AND TINY TIMS



Registration is now underway for Timothy Team & Tiny Tims! (children 2 yrs. old through 5th grade as of 8/1/15). We will be studying Genesis. Deadline to register is August 2nd. Registration forms are available at the computer check-in stations!

SUMMER IN THE SON



Ladies! A new Women's Bible Study is coming this summer to Heritage. "Summer in the Son" Bible study will be studying Beth Moore's *Children of the Day*. It is an in-depth study of 1st and 2nd Thessalonians. We will meet every Thursday from 6:30-8 pm in June and July. For more information, contact Nicole Beket at nbeket@heritage.church.



Registration for 2015-2016 school year has begun. Please stop by the church office and pick up an enrollment form or call Shawanna at 474-6424 or email at sseewald@heritage.church.

RUBIES' BIBLE STUDY



Beginning June 8th, we will study Jennifer Rothschild's, *Hosea: Unfailing Love Changes Everything*. Ladies, please join us Monday mornings at 9:30 am in the Welcome Center.

HALO REPORT MAY 12 & 14

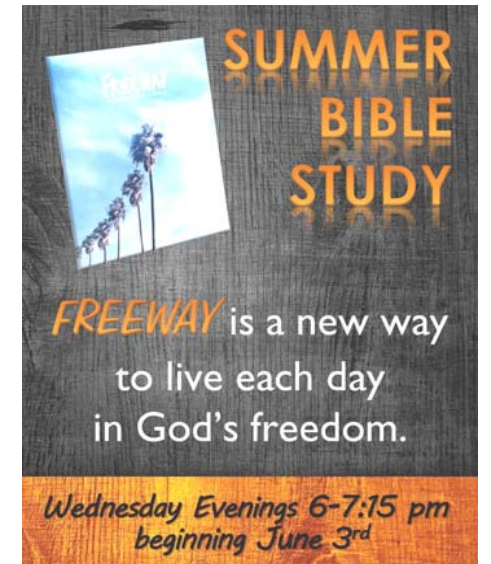
It was a night of shortages with all the schedule conflicts on Tuesday evening. The Halo opponents North Park and New Life both could not field a full team. The Halos players managed to pull a team together, but not without having to travel to Southern Missouri to purchase the contract for Kat Goins. First ball hit toward Kat was a high pop up to shallow center. Normally, professional ball players clear the area of would-be fielders by loudly calling out for the ball, "I got it!" Kat however, was so excited she made it to the bigs, she screamed, "Ahhhh...hhewiiii!" That sound made me reminisce of my travels to the Fiji islands. The indigenous people there made a similar sound which translated, "Move quickly or the coconut will hit you in the head!"

Several Halo players went yard: Andrew Elkins, Brian Curd, Kevin Lea and Kat's **Little Brother**, Justin Goins. Marshall Newby recorded the shortest infield

GRIEFSHARE

A new GriefShare Support Group has begun. They meet every Monday at 6:30 pm at Legacy Heights. For more information, contact Shirley Touchstone at 629-7901.

HERITAGE PRESCHOOL



FREEWAY is a new way to live each day in God's freedom.

Wednesday Evenings 6-7:15 pm beginning June 3rd

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY WEEKEND VBS

June 5th 6-8:30 pm

June 6th 3-5:30pm

and Family Fun 5:30-7:30pm

Children 2 years through 5th grade are invited to join us! Registration forms are available at the computer check-in stations in the children's wing!

If you are interested in volunteering for VBS, please see Debbie, Shawanna, or Nicole!

single this year, a fifteen-footer down third base line. Jason Lolley is so fast he ran to third while they were still trying to throw him out at first.

Coed played two Thursday. Thanks to Sara Cook, Lauren Dunn, Heather Warren, & Gary Harshbarger for helping to fill out our roster. The Halo's hit like a water well that just would not hold a prime. Our heroes pumped real hard, but never got much water out of the well. Halos were run-ruled both games. The Halos manager was asked after the game what went wrong he said, "Well Lauren Dunn was a power-nap short of a full tank and Shannon Morrow was gassed 'cuz she came to play after 2 Pilates classes and an hour and a half of cross-fit." Katie Smith, Sara Cook and Heather showed great determination in our last at bat as they came through in a two-out rally that fell short in the end. Co-ed play again May 21st at 6:30 and 8:30.



ANNOUNCING AUDITIONS for the **Spitfire Grill** The Musical
Performance Dates - August 7, 8, & 9

Alma Summer Theatre
Auditions - May 28th
Callbacks - May 29th
6:30 - 8:30 pm
Alma HS Choir Room

Prepare up to 32 bars of music that will showcase your voice. Must bring a CD or MP3 player with accompaniment. (Do not sing a capella)

Contact Terry McGonigle, Director
terry.mcgonigle@yahoo.com
for additional information