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

Heritage United Methodist Church
1604 East Pointer Trail
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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 Our Thoughts & Prayers

In Hospital:
Pam Grazier *(Sparks)*

At Home:
Neal Ellison, Brystol German, Gail Hillhouse, Marjorie Howard, Betty James, Emma Lee Kelton, Jeri Nash, Gary Pittman, Carolyn Scott, Linda Seubold, Maria Sullivan, 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:
Mary Ann Dodd, Ronda Brown, Tonda Moorhouse and Family in the death of their husband and father, *Tommy Dodd*.

Nathan Elliott, Ginny Elliott and Family in the death of their grandmother, *Virginia Salsman*.

Aaron Peer and Family in the death of his wife, *Kim Peer*.

Remember

Wednesday, June 3
Summer Series Begins
6 pm

Wednesday, June 17:
Family Night
at Alma Aquatic Park
6 pm

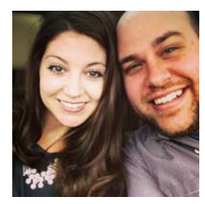
Saturday, June 20:
Old Time Gospel Sing
At Poole's Place
6 pm

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

It's Here!

Our summer series ***FREEWAY: A Not-So-Perfect Guide To Freedom*** begins this Sunday. I will be preaching an introduction to the series and sharing stories and testimonies of people who have truly been set free from the crippling bondage the enemy longs to keep us in. Nelson Mandela, a great champion of freedom, once said, "There is no such thing as part freedom. "What a great statement that I honestly believe many of us Christians don't live by. Too many of us live with one foot attached to the victory of the cross that gives us true and final freedom while we attempt to keep one foot captive by the snares of our adversary. However, we are all very creative in our masking and hiding of the chains we find ourselves still shackled to. Somehow we have bought into the lie that we can have part-freedom and somehow live as healthy believers. We wrap our shame, guilt, hurt, and wounds with a smile and we guard ourselves from ever being found out that we actually are in great need of Christ's sacrificial freedom.

I want to invite everyone to take off the mask, drop the chains, walk away from the masquerade and enter into a God-given, Jesus-blood-bought freedom that can destroy whatever has held you captive. If you have already found this victory in your walk with the Lord please join me in praying for the hundreds who have not yet tasted the sweetness of true freedom. Work alongside side us by engaging in the series to be a light and testimony to others who need to see authentic freedom.



Freeway workbooks are available for $15 in the church office or they can be purchased Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not let the amount keep you from purchasing a book. We would love to see everyone working through this series together.

Let freedom begin to ring out in the church house this Sunday!

Bryan Tabakian, Discipleship Pastor

Memorials

In memory of **Mark Poole** *(father of John Poole)* by:
M/M Tim Weege (FP)
M/M Charles Sullivan (BF)

In memory of **Virginia Salsman** *(grandmother of Nathan Elliott and Ginny Elliott)* by:
M/M John Symonds (BF)

In memory of **Wadene Hilliard** *(mother of Wes Hilliard)* by:
M/M Don Spillman (FP)
Janalou Devers (BF)
M/M Merle Katz (HM)
Dr. & Mrs. John Moose (HM)
M/M Roger Burkert (HM)
Vesta Everitt (BF)
M.M Bob Freeman (CM)
M/M Darrell Shook (HM)
M/M Charles Sullivan (BF)

In memory of **Tommy Dodd** by:
M/M Scott Treece (BF)
M/M Bill Thomas (YM)
M/Dr. Ron Smith (CM)
M/M Darrell Shook (FP)
M/M Bruce Johnson (FP)
M/M Benton Cone (FP)
M/M Doyle Autry (FP)
M/M Charles Sullivan (BF)

BF-Building Fund CM-Children's Ministries
FP-Food Pantry YM-Youth Ministries
HM-Hilliard Memorial Fund

Special thanks to Julie and Jacob Evans for the beautiful new mural in the Great Hall.

Birthday List

A list of June birthdays is available in the Great Hall.

Covenant Corner Items

If you contributed items to the Covenant Corner, those that were not purchased may be picked up in the Church office. Please pick up items by Sunday, June 7th. Items not picked up will be donated.

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

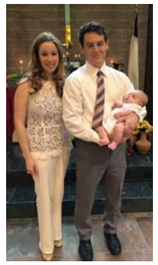
We need volunteers to sack groceries and help customers on Fridays 9:30 am - 12 pm. If you are interested, please contact Roger Burkert at 462-3392.

Heroes!! Walk for Life

HEROES!! 25TH ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

River Valley Pregnancy Medical Center invites you to join them for their 25th Annual Walk For Life Saturday, May 30th at Creekmore Park in Fort Smith. The walk is a short, easy distance – so bring the whole family. Free t-shirts for $275 in pledges and a $100 gift card for $700 in pledges! There's no limit to how much you can raise! For more information, call 474 - 484 - 5244 or contact them at fortsmithchristianfamilyservices.org

Infant Baptism



Lev Alexander Bryant was baptized Sunday. He is the son of Blake and Haley Bryant. Proud grandparents are Roger and Gina Burkert and Jeff and Colleen Bryant.

Congratulations

Andy Ottinger and Emily Fawver joined in marriage this past weekend in Kansas City. Andy is the son of Bill and Ruth Ottinger. Congratulations, Andy and Emily!

Children's Ministry Weekend VBS

June 5th 6-8:30 pm
June 6th 3:30-5:30pm
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, Shawnna, or Nicole!

Timothy Team and Tiny Tims

genesis 2015-2016

Registration is 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!

Heritage Preschool

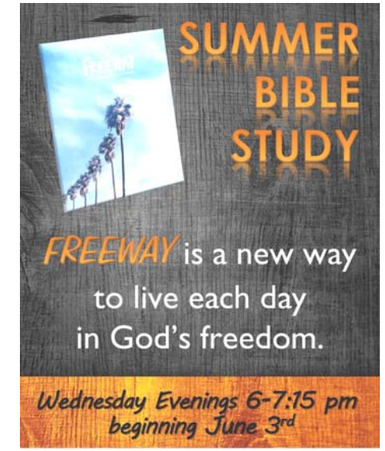
Registration for 2015-2016 school year has begun. Please stop by the church office and pick up an enrollment form or call Shawnna at 474-6424 or email at sseewald@heritage.church.

Baptism celebration

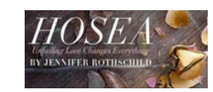
If you are interested in being baptized at church Sunday, June 21st, please contact the church office at 474-6424.

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.



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.

Prayer Meeting

The next River Valley Community Prayer Meeting is Monday, June 1 from 7-8 pm at Fianna Hills Baptist Church located at 10300 Jenny Lind Road in Fort Smith. Take I-540 to Exit 13/Jenny Lind Exit and follow Jenny Lind to the church. The golf ball water tower is close to the church. Please join other believers as we pray for our community!

Free Family Fun Night

Gather up your friends and loved ones and join us Wednesday, June 17th. Dinner begins at 6 pm and park opens at 7 pm at the Alma Aquatic Park for food, swimming and fellowship. Modest swimwear please!

Halo Report May 18 & 21st

In the world of soccer (aka football) making a defensive tackle on a soccer ball can usually be the difference between winning and losing a match. A tackle is when a defensive player aggressively takes away control of the ball away from the opposing team's offensive player. This takes great skill, speed and intensity. In American football a tackle is an intense, aggressive attempt by a defensive player to tackle the offensive team's ball carrier to the ground. The Halo men should have done some tackling of any kind Monday night. The Halos lost two in one night for the first time in more than 3 years. On the other hand, the Co-ed Halos won two Thursday night. Co-ed team welcomed back Ron Morrow from the 21 day injured reserve (bad hammy). And newcomers Zoe Lunsford, Haley Ostrander, Jason Lolley, Kathryn Osburn and Mitch Osburn were added to the roster. Relentless hitting and solid defense paved the way for the two wins.
Our Co-ed Halos play next on June 4th at 6:30 and 8:30.