

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
9:30 & 11:00 AM

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From Your Pastor's Heart: Two Wildly Important Goals and the Power to Accomplish Them!

I have shared with you already that our two Wildly Important Goals for Heritage this year are 1) **Get 51% of our congregation engaged in Accountable Covenant Discipleship** and 2) **Break ground** on the next phase of our facilities – a multipurpose building for contemporary worship, fellowship, Bible-study, recreation, etc. ... The only way this will happen in the way God wants it to happen is through **the power of prayer!** Lord, may we be a **House of Prayer for all nations! (Isaiah)**. Lord, "Teach us to pray!" Only then will we make progress in **"becoming the church of God's dreams."**

1) We have many new life-groups currently forming and current classes and groups are working on their group covenants and individual accountability questions. If you are interested in being in a group, please contact Becki Kneeland bkneeland@heritage.church or Bryan Tabakian btakian@heritage.church or pjames@heritage.church, 479-474-6424. We are hosting **Dr. Steven Mansker on Saturday, February 27, for a workshop on Covenant Discipleship Groups** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m, and we pray that many of you will make plans to attend. We'd like all class/life-group leaders to come or to send a representative from your class/group. Anyone who has an interest in accountable covenant discipleship is invited to attend. You don't have to be a current or prospective leader.

2) Our **Trustees** are in the process of working with our architect, Mark Evans, to gather the information he needs to complete the preliminary plans for our **next building phase(s)**. He will meet with the staff to get their input on February 2nd, with the Trustees on February 8th, then we will have a congregational meeting to get your input and ideas. He will take that information and present his preliminary plans to the congregation in early April. We are praying we will be able to break ground by the end of the year, but it is a lengthy process. Please keep Mark and the Trustees in your prayers!



Pastor Wes

It is a joy and pleasure to move forward in the LORD with you in the years ahead!

JANUARY VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
John Poole
Jerry Frederiksen
Brian Curd
Bruce Brown

9:30 am
Wayne Stewart
Mark Evans
Mark Stafford
Scott Weege

11:00 am
Daniel Chisolm
Nathan Elliott
Justin Sangster

Greeters

8:05 am
Kelly Curd and boys
Bruce and Janet Johnson

9:30 am
Anita Barnett and Carolyn Loyd
Vesta Everitt and Liz McFadden

11:00 am
Janalou Devers and Ruth Ottinger
Tracy Vanderbush and Terry Johnson



In Hospital:
Jim Terry (OKC)

At Home:
Saylor Ables, Mary Ellen Weidman-Burris, Amber Fimpel, Lee James, Lavita Middleton, Jeri Nash, Gary Pittman, Carolyn Scott, Mikal Seegers, Linda Seubold, Teenia Stein, Maria Sullivan, Alan Swaim, Tim Treece, Ken and Sandy Weifenbach, 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)
Warren Taylor (Methodist Village)

In Thanksgiving:
Ryan and Stephanie Banhart on the birth of their son, *Stephen Brody*. Baby brother to Austin and grandson to Tom and Jo Ellen Banhart.

Tyler, Lindsey and Jameson Treece on the birth of their son and brother, *Brandon Dean*. Grandparents are Scott and Pamm Treece.



Monday, February 1
COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING
AT FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
VAN BUREN
7 PM

Saturday, February 6
REVIVAL: AN EVENING WITH
DR. JANICE GILBERT
6:30 PM

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

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of **CHUCK KING AND RICK ENDEL** for their devotion and beautiful music for Heritage by:

Katy Marsh (WA)

In honor of **JOHN AND PAT POOLE** for their hard work and devotion to Heritage Church by:

Katy Marsh (BF)

In memory of **RICHARD (DICK) MARSH** by:

Katy Marsh (FP)

WA - Worship Arts BF - Building Fund
FP - Food Pantry

BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who gave blood in honor of Saylor! It was a huge success.

BIRTHDAY LIST

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

PRAYER MEETING

The River Valley Community Prayer meeting is Monday, February 1st from 7-8 pm at First Church of God in Van Buren. The church is located at 1819 Rena Road. Take I-40 exit 3, Lee Creek Road. The church is on the right. Please join other believers as we pray for our community!

BENEFIT

Support Hope Academy by attending their Hopeful Heart Dinner and Dance on Saturday, February 13th at the Senior Inn in downtown Van Buren. Tickets are \$30 per person. There will be a dinner, silent auction, door prizes and live music. Call 479-719-9465 for more information.

WELCOME



Tom and Roxanne Martin.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congrats to David Moore on his retirement from American Greeting.

YOUNG AT HEART

If you are 55 and older, please join us for a time of food and fellowship on the fourth Thursday night of every month from 6 - 8 pm in the Fellowship Hall beginning January 28th. Bring a dish to share!

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 10th we will begin the season of Lent with an Ash Wednesday Service at 7 pm. Rev. Bob Jeffries of New Hope United Methodist Church will bring the message. Timothy Team/Tiny Tim's, as well as the Adult/Youth Bible Studies, will still meet at the regular time but will dismiss early that evening so that everyone will be able to attend.

COLLEGE AND CAREER CLASS

Class has begun at 9:30 am on Sundays upstairs in the Student Life Center for college and career ages. This class encourages, equips, and effectively prepares our college students and young adults to defend their faith and grasp why they believe what they believe.

WOMENS' BIBLE STUDY

Rubies Bible Study will begin February 1st from 9 - 11 am. We will study Beth Moore's, *Children of the Day*. All women are invited and childcare will be provided.

ONCE UPON A PROM



Please donate your old prom dress so it can dance again! Please bring your dresses to the Van Buren Fine Arts Center on Saturday, February 13th from 10 am - 12 pm. Please make sure the dresses are clean and in good condition.

HEBRAIC ROOTS CLASS

Want to better understand the Hebraic roots of our Christian faith? Join us the first Monday of every month at 6 pm in room 121. Our next meeting is Monday, February 1st.

SPRING BREAK

If you are signed up to go with the youth to New York over Spring Break, you need to make sure you have at least \$250 in your account. If you aren't sure, check with Brian Seewald.

VALENTINE'S DAY

Children's Ministry is having a "Jesus Loves Me" Party on Sunday, February 14th from 5:30-8 pm for infants thru 5th grade. Enjoy a night out with your 'Valentine' while your children party with us!! *There will be NO youth activities that night.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Children's Camp for children entering grades 3-5 is July 27-29 at Pinecrest in Ozone, Arkansas.

BABY SHOWER



Please help us shower Erin and Joey Brown and baby Autry Kay with love and baby gifts this Sunday, January 31st at 1 pm in the Welcome Center. Hostesses are Shea Marsh, Ellyn Marsh and Rhonda Shook. They are registered at Walmart, Target and Amazon.com.

SOCIAL MEDIA

If you have a Facebook account, be sure you add Heritage UMC as one of your friends. We often post upcoming events and interesting information on our Heritage Facebook page. You may also wish to follow us on Twitter at Heritage_VB. Both are excellent ways to stay informed on the latest information and both of our sites welcome your comments!

DIVORCE CARE AND FPU

New classes of Divorce Care (room 133) and Financial Peace University (room 134) are now meeting on Sunday nights at 6 pm.

FORMS NEEDED

If you are a current life/ministry group or prospective leader, we need your information forms that you filled out during our leadership training meeting. Please return them to the office today!

CALLING ALL YOUTH

All youth, grades 6th - 12th, are invited to join us upstairs in the Student Life Center on Sunday February 7th from 4 - 9 pm for an Epic Super Bowl Party! There will be food, games and lots of prizes!

SATURDAY NIGHT REVIVAL



Join us Saturday, February 6th at 6:30 pm for an evening with Dr. Janice Gilbert. She will discuss Pursuing God! Dr. Gilbert is an endorsed candidate for bishop by the Black Methodists for Church Renewal. She is the Senior Pastor of St. James United Methodist Church in Beaumont, TX and has received several awards for evangelism and church growth. She has been a guest speaker at many Annual Conferences and churches. Prior to entering the ministry, she served as a speech pathologist, college instructor, public school administrator, and a consultant for families with special needs children. Dr. Gilbert will also speak on Sunday morning, February 7th, at all three services.

NEW SPRING CLASS SCHEDULE

Spring classes have begun! They meet each Sunday at 9:30 am. Classes available are:

- Heritage University
 - * *Scriptural Prayer 101* (facilitated by Kevin and Verna Belt - room 123)
 - * *Not Merely Christianity - An introduction to The Life and Works of C.S. Lewis* (facilitated by Michael Tursky - room 133)
 - * *Outlive Your Life* by Max Lucado (facilitated by Max and Leanna Garrett - room 134)
- Other Sunday Morning Classes
 - * *Basic Training* (facilitated by Daniel Chisolm - room 121)
 - * *A What or a Who* (facilitated by C.J. Mumbower - room 122)
 - * *The God Who Heals* (facilitated by Jennifer Bauman - room 124)
 - * *Hosting the Presence* (facilitated by Sue Barnes - room 130)
 - * *College and Career* (facilitated by Bryan and Traci Tabakian - The Block)
- Sunday Evening Classes
 - * *Divorce Care* (facilitated by Lisa Sharp - room 133)
 - * *Financial Peace University* (facilitated by Matthew Yancey - room 134)

WRITING MINISTRY

Expressions is a way for all to share their writing gifts God has given them. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 4th at 6 pm in the Welcome Center. For more information, email Lu Ann Donahou or Janice Podgurski at ExpressionsWM@gmail.com.

MISSING SOMETHING?

Please stop by the Fellowship Hall this Sunday if you are missing your bible, eye glasses or a multitude of other items.

TIME CHANGE

Please note that Timothy Team teachers' will meet at 4 pm instead of the regularly schedule time of 4:30 pm on Sunday, February 7th due to the Super Bowl.

LOVE TO SING?

Come join the Sanctuary Choir just in time for the Easter season! We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. No experience necessary - just a heart for worship and a willingness to make a joyful noise!