

**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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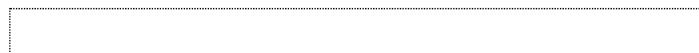


# Heritage Happenings

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**MAY VOLUNTEERS**

**Ushers**

**8:05 am**  
John Poole  
Nolan Broyles  
Myron Kirksey  
Scott Treece

**9:30 am**  
Tom Konert  
David Alexander  
Carol Ray  
Pam Thomas

**11:00 am**  
Justin Lovett  
Tim Schleiff  
Erich Bauman  
Carey Wilson

**Greeters**

**8:05 am**  
Malinda McSpadden  
Juanita Cone and Louann King

**9:30 am**  
Mark and Maria Sullivan  
Bill and Debbie Thomas

**11:00 am**  
Tammy and Curtis Gardner



**In Hospital:**

**At Home:**

**Gary Pittman, Mikal Seegers, Linda Seubold, David and Loretta Sossamon, Shannon Stamps, Elizabeth Wilkerson, Saylor Wilkinson, Mary Wrisinger**

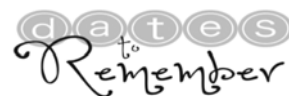
**Assisted Living:**

**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)**  
**Pike Robinson (Alma Rehab)**

**In Sympathy:**

**Robin Jackson and Family** in the death of her mother, *Carolyn Brewer*.



**Sunday, June 5**  
FIRST SUNDAY  
6 PM

**Monday, June 6**  
RV COMMUNITY PRAYER  
EASTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH IN FS  
7 PM

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



**FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... IT'S GOOD TO BE HOME!**

Allison and I had some great experiences in Portland, Oregon, representing Arkansas at the United Methodist General Conference. This is the legislative body of the international United Methodist Church that meets once every four years. We encountered some amazing and faithful Christians from around the world. We had some great worship experiences. We enjoyed the hospitality of Portland. And we witnessed the pain and divisions within our denomination. It was an honor to serve as your representatives. The church strengthened its pro-life stance and activities. We also elected strong Biblical voices to our Judicial Council and University Senate, and we maintained our Biblical stances on human sexuality.

One of the most significant decisions was to have the Council of Bishops appoint a special commission to look at our divisions as a denomination over human sexuality and to recommend a way forward. The motion called for a special General Conference in two years to deal with the issue. Rev. Dr. Adam Hamilton who spoke in support of this move believes that the probable outcome of this General Conference will be a separation of the United Methodist Church into two or three groups/associations based on theological and social convictions. So please be in prayer as we seek to discern God's will for the future.

**I Have a Friend Who ...**

Our focus at home will be the local church and "seeking to be the church of God's dreams." That church is a "team that seeks and saves the lost" in its community. This summer we are attempting to address the issues that keep our friends, family and co-workers from attending church. We are addressing the issues and questions that they are raising. This week, I'll address the statement, "I have a friend who thinks the Church is full of hypocrites." Do you know people who think this and that is why they do not attend? Well, **invite them to church this Sunday**, and we will address honestly this accusation against us and how we should respond to this charge. Pray for me as I prepare the message. It was the number one reason you gave for why the people you know say they don't come to church.



*Pastor Wes*

See you Sunday as we honestly deal with the barriers that keep our loved ones from affiliating with the Body of Christ. Introduce me to your guests!



## MEMORIALS

In memory of **THOMAS SULLIVAN** (brother of Charles Sullivan) by:

Doris Wortham  
Merle and Jan Katz

In memory of **JOE MARLEY** by:  
Mary Teeter

In memory of **DONNA PAPE** by:  
Mary Teeter

In memory of **J.L. LEWIS** by:  
Marilyn Lewis (FP)

In memory of **CAROLYN BREWER** (mother of Robin Jackson) by:

Bruce and Janet Jackson (BF)  
Mike and Malinda McSpadden (BF)

In memory of **Frank Pitezal** (cousin of Max Goins) by:

Mike and Malinda McSpadden (BF)

BF - Building Fund FP - Food Pantry

## PRAYER MEETING

The River Valley Community Prayer meeting is Monday, June 6 from 7-8 pm at Eastside Baptist Church in Fort Smith. Please join other believers as we pray for our community!

## WELCOME OUR YOUTH SUMMER INTERNS



### Landon Cates

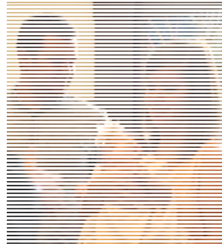
My name is Landon. I have served the Lord as a missionary in Brazil, India and Nepal. I plan to continue in the international mission field after this summer, probably full time. Although I would say I am already a full time missionary as I believe we are all missionaries all the time as ambassadors of Christ. I greatly appreciate the chance to serve Heritage through this internship. My prayer is that the Holy Spirit will grow me this summer and use me to positively impact my brothers and sisters in Christ here at Heritage.



### Sarah Kneeland

Hi, my name is Sarah Kneeland. I have grown up attending and being involved in Heritage Church. I am the daughter of Mike and Welcome Minister, Becki Kneeland. I currently attend the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville pursuing a degree in music in hopes to one day have a career in the music industry.

## CELEBRATIONS



Autry Kay  
Brown

Daughter of  
Joey and Erin  
Brown

Wendall and  
Mary Jo Kline



## BABY SHOWER

Baby Asher Blade Odiorne is set to arrive sometime in July! Join us for a shower honoring his parents, Bob and Carrie Odiorne on Saturday, June 11th from 10 am - 12 pm at the home of Jennifer and Erich Bauman. Men and women are invited. They are registered at Walmart, Target and Buy Buy Baby. RSVP to receive directions. Contact Jennifer Bauman at 410-2401 or Chelsea Hatman at 652-1997

## SINGLES' FELLOWSHIP

"Fellowship" is a new singles ministry at Heritage. If you are a 30+ single, please join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, June 7th at 6:30 in the Welcome Center. We will be discussing the dynamics of the group and how to get it going in our community. Light snacks will be provided.

## RUBIES WOMEN'S STUDY

Join us on Monday mornings in the Welcome Center from 9 - 11 beginning June 6th for our summer Bible Study, *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer.

## FIRST SUNDAY

Feeling disconnected? Want to belong to a life group or ministry at Heritage? Please join us Sunday, June 5th at 6 pm in the Welcome Center. As a part of Welcome Ministries, *The Deep End Life Group* has designed a curriculum to teach you what a life group is about.

## WHAT IS LEADERSHIP

If you lead a group at Heritage or you are interested in leading a group at Heritage--or anywhere else, we have a study for you! Join Pastor Wes, Dr. Mike McSpadden, and others for a discussion of leadership at Heritage. We will discuss things like working from your strengths; communicating vision; the mission, vision, and values of Heritage; missional leadership; and promoting your group. The study begins this week at 6:30 pm and continues weekly through July 27th. To reserve your seat or for more information, contact the church office.

## COME BE PART OF SOMETHING SPECTACULAR

Heritage Worship Arts announces open auditions for our 2016 Christmas musical.



## *The Christmas Miracle of* JONATHAN TOOMEY

Based on the Book by Susan Wojciechowski and adapted for the Stage by Chuck King

AUDITION DATE: Wednesday, June 15

5:00-6:30 pm in the Worship Arts Room at Heritage  
Speaking and non-speaking roles for Teens and Adults  
Also casting 10-12 Children ages 6-12

You do not need to be a member of Heritage to audition. Be prepared to read from the script and sing your favorite Christmas Carol. There will be some rehearsals this summer. The musical will be performed at the King Opera House December 1st-4th.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUMMER R.E.A.D.

This summer, Children's Ministry will be doing "Lifeway Summer R.E.A.D." (Reveal. Explore. Amaze. Discover,) for our Sunday evening programming from 5:30 - 8 pm beginning June 5th. God reveals Himself in Scripture, and as you explore His Word, you'll be amazed and discover more of Him. We want to help you and your family promote the love of reading in your home, as well as, encouraging the love of God's Word through reading His Scripture.

## HALO REPORT

Halos play first 9 inning game since before 1998. Heritage welcomed back Halo and gold glove, Travis Teague, to the line up. Momentum had the Halos on the ropes for the first 3 innings with a 6-2 lead. The Halos scored 4 in the top of the 4th to tie the game 6-6. The teams exchanged goose eggs until the top of the 6th when our boys scored 3 to break a 6-6 tie. Heritage was up 9-6 and finally put Momentum in a pickle. However, they responded with 3 of their own to knot things up at 9. Halos scored nada in the top of the 7th at the end of regulation. Momentum started the bottom of the 7th with a lead off double. Halo defense left that game winning runner stranded at 3rd to end the game in regulation innings. Extra innings is short a quick, called "one pitch." With one pitch the batter walks, strikes out or puts the ball in play. Neither team scored any runs until the top of the 9th when our men rallied for 4 runs. Momentum scratched the final inning and our heroes won 13-9 in a nail-biter. Game two the Halos played our brethren from Grand avenue. Solid defense by and

power at the plate put the Halo men out front early and in big fashion. Halos finish Grand off with a 16-4 win to remain unbeaten in 8 games.

The co-ed team, the flying Monkeys with Halos, beat Chaos for the third time in as many weeks, 14-2. Chaos was missing 4 regular players and this game was not the normal slugfest our men and women were used to with Chaos. Next up for The FM with Halos was the first meeting with "Old School." "Old School" put us on their bus and took us to school. It would have been best if we had skipped this game even though our co-ed had the lead until the bottom of the 4th "Old School" scored 11 to take a 13-9. They hit the ball up and down their lineup as if someone was throwing it underhanded to them. Halos didn't score any meanwhile "Old School" added 4 more as time expired. The Co-ed team is 7-7 on the year so far with games remaining June 2nd, June 9th and June 17th. The men have games scheduled for May 31 at 6:30 and 7:30 with four more games to be rescheduled.

## DINNER FOR 8

If you are looking to meet new people and to make new friends, make your reservations this week for *Dinner for 8*. A reservation booth will be set up in the Fellowship Hall beginning this Sunday. *Dinner for 8* is designed for us to connect and/or reconnect to one another. Begin the journey this summer! Space is limited. Don't miss out.

## WRITING MINISTRY

*Expressions* is a way for everyone to share the writing gifts God has given them. We meet once a month. Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 2nd at 6 pm in the Welcome Center. Anyone can submit a writing at anytime to Lu Ann Donahou at 479-259-3861. \*Our writings are published in a monthly newsletter that is available in the Great Hall.