

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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AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
Jane Sanders
Rick Sanders
Gary Podgurski

9:30 am
Bob Merchant
Dorvan Wiley
Charles Sullivan
Smockey McPhail
Roy Elkins

11:00 am
Rick Rauser
Russ Aikman
Ron Morrow
Jerry Pittman

Greeters

8:05 am
Drew and Marlene Cone
Max and Leanna Garrett

9:30 am
Mikie Wiley and Doris Wortham
Nina Sullivan and Pam Thomas

11:00 am
Bobby and Diana Boyakin
Karrie Papacoda



In Hospital:

Connie Warren (Methodist H & R)

At Home:

Cory Carter, Barbara Hahn, Georgia Hutton, Gary Pittman, Mikal Seegers, David and Loretta Sossamon, Shannon Stamps, Elizabeth Wilkerson, Saylor Wilkinson, Mary Wrisinger

Assisted Living:

Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Gerlinda Dibble (Willowbrook)

In Hospital:

Geraldine Hurst (Pink Bud Home)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Maxine Fahrner (Ashton Place)
Warren Taylor (Methodist Village)
Pike Robinson (Alma Rehab)

In Thanksgiving:

Mason, Josie and Joy McSpadden in the birth of their son, *Miles Joseph*. Proud grandparents are Mike and Malinda McSpadden.

In Sympathy:

Gailene Park and Family in the death of her mother, *Charlene Widener*.



Sunday, August 14
EDUCATION APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Sunday, August 28
MAJOR GENERAL DOUGLAS CARVER

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

FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... I HAVE A FRIEND WHO STRUGGLES WITH BEING SINGLE.



I do not know what it is like to be single. Allison and I have been dating or married since we were 16. However, my heart goes out to singles within the church. Last Sunday I visited with one who was single for 52 years. She says, "People have no idea how hard it is to go home after church and eat alone!" In America today, the single largest population of people who do not go to church are young singles, especially men. This Sunday we have a special message called, "I Have a Friend Who Struggles With Being Single." We will have personal sharing from members who are single as well as information on our recently revitalized Singles Ministry -- River Valley Singles Fellowship and how you can get involved (if you are single). Our singles ministry and leadership team has people from many different congregations.

This would be a great time to invite a friend who is single to attend worship with you! Let's find ways to reach out to and encourage our single friends, co-workers, and family. Let us be FAMILY to one another. This person with whom I visited, said one of the most helpful things her church did when she was single was to have the opportunity for groups of singles and married couples in the congregation to do things together.



It's going to be a special Sunday at Heritage. Can't wait to see you here!

WE ARE FAMILY ... united by the blood of Jesus!

Wes

P.S. I forgot to mention on Sunday that the outlines on the message I did on **heaven and hell** are on the tables outside the office and welcome center. Take as many as you like!

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of **HOLDEN SCOTT LENZ** (son of Lynsey Stumbaugh, grandson of Shawn Stumbaugh and great-Grandson of James and Ellarene Crowley) by:

Bruce and Janet Johnson (BF)

In memory of **STACEY WALKER** by:

Benton and Juanita Cone (CM)

CM - Children's Ministry BF - Building Fund

EDUCATION

APPRECIATION SUNDAY

We are blessed at Heritage with an abundance of people who work in our local school districts, preschools and homeschools. Join us Sunday, August 14th in all

three services as we honor and pray for them. Greg Werner, head football coach for the Van Buren Pointers will give a special testimony.

We also encourage all children to bring their school backpacks with them to church that day for a 'BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS' during each service. Invite your friends to join us.



BIRTHDAY LIST

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

SUMMER CELEBRATION

We have been enjoying *Pool Party: Making a Splash with Jesus* in Children's Church every week! We will celebrate the series with a Children's Ministry Family Night at the Creekmore Park Pool THIS Sunday, August 7th! *Children need to be accompanied by their parent(s).

WELCOME



Kim Strange joined Sunday.



Dan and Sojeong Lee joined Sunday. They have two children, Owen and Madeline.

THANK YOU

Our Heritage Friends, Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers during the recent loss of our loved one, Wally Hays. *Elliott and Sherry Hays and The Hays Family.*

HEALTHY

CONGREGATION DAY

Come to the office this Sunday, August 7th between 9 and 11 am and have your blood pressure and sugar level checked.

WRITING MINISTRY

Expressions' next meeting is this Thursday, August 4th 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.

THANK YOU

Dear Heritage Church Pastors and Friends, Thank you so much for providing the wonderful luncheon after Joe's funeral. I know many prayers have been said for us. That, along with the support we received during his illness means more than we can say. I feel truly blessed to call Heritage my church home.

Sincerely, *Joyce Marley*

NOW IS THE TIME

Thinking about getting involved in Worship at Heritage? Now is the time! Combined rehearsals are coming up for a special service at the Van Buren Fine Arts Center. Join us Wednesday August 17 and 24 @ 6:30 pm in the Worship Arts Room. We would love for you to join us! Come check us out!

MISSIONARY OFFERING

If you have a birthday in August, you are invited to place an offering in our little, white church on the chancel rail during the announcements this Sunday. Currently, all birthday offerings go to support the Rupp family ministering in East Asia.

HERITAGE RUBIES' WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

We are trying something new! Anyone that would like to participate is encouraged to read Liz Curtis Higgs' book, *Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn From Them*. We will then meet Monday, August 22nd in the Welcome Center from 9-11 am to discuss at least the first two chapters. Join other women as we learn about women in the Bible. Childcare is not provided during this meeting. Our fall study will begin Monday, September 12th.

MATTHEW 25 PROJECT

Heritage is participating in a community-wide back to school give away called the Matthew 25 Project. Many local churches are participating, some with food, some with clothing and some with prayer. Our goal is to fill a truck bed with pairs of new socks to give away to local boys and girls as they gear up for the first year. You can help by bringing pairs of new socks and placing them in the yellow bus located in the Fellowship Hall between now and Friday, August 12th. The event will take place on the evening of August 12th from 6-8 pm at The Current Church in downtown Van Buren. There will be bounce arounds, live music and much, much more.

TT AND TINY TIMS

It is not too late to register for Timothy Team & Tiny Tims! (children 2 yrs. old through 5th grade as of 8/1/16). Forms are available at the computer check-in stations and in the Great Hall. **Deadline to register is THIS SUNDAY, August 7th.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, August 24th:

- Mandatory Parent Meeting for Timothy Team/Tiny Tims at 6 pm in the Sanctuary
- First night of Timothy Team/Tiny Tims at 5:45 pm

HERITAGE PRESCHOOL

Preschool is just around the corner! Register today! Enrollment forms are available in the church office or contact Shawna at 474-6424. *Open house is Thursday, September 1st at 6 pm.

4TH AND 5TH GRADERS

Join us for a serving opportunity on Monday, August 8th from 1-6 pm in the Backyard. F.I.S.H. will be assisting with the Backpack Program. Lunch will be provided.

BRAZIL MISSION TRIP

Interested in going to Brazil with Rick Bonfim in August or October? Informational brochures and registration forms are available in the Great Hall.

YOUTH WITH A MISSION

YWAM is offering a four-week study at their campus in Ozark. Come fall in love with Jesus (again) through the pages of the Old Testament. For more information and for other studies, go to ywamozarks.org.

MOMS IN PRAYER

Prayers of mothers are powerful. Children of all ages need prayer. If you would like to connect with a Moms in Prayer group, contact Monica Steele at 479-474-8165.

FIRST SUNDAY

Want to belong to a life group or ministry at Heritage? Please join us this Sunday, August 7th at 6 pm in the Welcome Center.

LOVE TO SING

Worship Arts is looking for new voices and fresh faces to join us in the Sanctuary Choir! Rehearsals resume Wednesday, August 17th at 6:30 pm in the Worship Arts room! No experience necessary - just a heart for worship and a willingness to make a joyful noise!

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Interested in helping with the Healthy Congregation Ministry? We check blood pressure and blood glucose the third Sunday of every month. Please contact Debbie Bretch at 632-0585 if you would like to volunteer.

CONTRIBUTIONS

You can contribute to the ministries of Heritage by placing your gift in the offering on Sundays. Envelopes are available in the pew. You can also give on line at www.heritage.church. Another option is to give using your smartphone using the QR code or by texting HERITAGEVB to 73256. You can even give using your debit or credit card at our giving kiosk in the Great Hall.



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SATURDAY 8AM - NOON

Russ Aikman
President of So. Oaks Men's Fraternity

Douglas McCarver
Captain Major General

Jason Amerson
Worship Leader

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