

September 21, 2018

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UMCOR

Our hearts go out to those who are suffering from the effects of recent storms. UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) and our partners are currently responding to Hurricane Florence in the United States and Super Typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines. Our children have led the way in collecting money through our BLAST ministry to provide relief through UMCOR for those in need, but I know many of you are looking for ways to give as well. Let us join brothers and sisters in prayer for the areas affected and consider a gift to UMCOR Disaster Response. If you make a check out to the church and put "UMCOR" on the "for" line, 100% of your gift will go to help people in need. None of your gift goes to meet administrative costs.

Here is some recent information from the UMCOR website.

As of 8am on Sept. 20, UMCOR is pleased to report that conferences are as prepared as possible to respond to the damage caused by Hurricane Florence. We ask that those wishing to assist to please not self-deploy or donate unsolicited items. We anticipate additional updates related to Florence emergent needs and will provide such as we receive them.

UMCOR U.S. Disaster Response teams are hard at work, not only in the Carolinas, but across the country.

Some examples of this work include response to flooding in Pennsylvania, wildfires in California, Nevada and Colorado, and flooding in the Great Plains.

Early in and last out are guiding words for UMCOR and its partners. Therefore, as we continue to respond to disasters together we invite you to view a more comprehensive list of our ongoing response. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for regular updates on how you can serve.

Because of the connectional structure and nature of our world wide denomination, United Methodists have an excellent opportunity to respond fast and well when the world needs help. One of the reasons we do not need everyone to assemble flood buckets and health kits immediately, is that we have all done that in preparation for future disasters and they are already deployed. We will certainly need to provide more supplies for future disasters, but this is one of the excellent ways that we prepared to serve as the body of Christ together.



Robin

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Wednesday, September 26th
Make plans to join us for MIDWEEK!
5 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Supper
6 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Classes

Menu: Poppy Seed Chicken, Broccoli & Cauliflower Medley, Pretzel Salad, Dinner Roll, & Dessert

Supper Reservations due by Monday @ 10 a.m. Please register in one of the following ways:

Call the Church (334-745-7604)  Email: lauraboggs@fumcopelika.org

Online: www.fumcopelika.org  Fill out the Blue Pew Card

Jail Ministry

We are in need of empty shoe boxes.



In November, FUMC will prepare over 400 shoe boxes for the inmates at the Lee County Detention Center. We will fill these with Christmas gifts in November. If you have any shoe boxes that you would like to get rid of please bring them to the church.

Jail Ministry - September 18, 2018

Volunteers: Colleen Alsobrook, Donna Hamilton, Margaret Rogers

Inmates ministered to: 76 men

Bibles given: 2

Message: *Fishing & Freedom* - Danielle Fornea

We must be careful when exercising our freedom to make right selections not sinful choices.

Scripture reference: James 1:13-15 , Galatians 5:13

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday Morning Youth: Every Sunday morning on the 4th floor in the Cross Cafe from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Milk and cereal and God's Word!

Sunday Night Youth on September 23rd

One Accord Youth Choir from 4 - 5pm

Jr Hi from 5 - 6:30pm

Sr Hi from 6 - 7:30pm

Wednesday Night Youth on September 26th & October 3rd

5 - 6pm is MATT

6 - 7 are J Groups

Sunday Night Youth on September 30th

One Accord Youth Choir from 4 - 5pm

Cyber Zone Night! Jefferson's restaurant from 5 - 6:30. Cost is \$5.

Cyber Zone from 6:30 - 7:30pm! Cost is \$5.



SECURITY TEAM MINISTRY

If you are interested in serving in a ministry designed to provide a safe environment for our congregation to worship this fall, there will be a meeting on Thursday, September 27, at 6:00 p.m. We will discuss the responsibilities and duties for this new ministry. If you have any questions, you may contact Mike McKee at mckeedragons@gmail.com.



FLU SHOTS

Wednesday, October 10th

4:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall Foyer

Bring your insurance cards!

MEMORIALS

Carol Barlow: Lucinda Cannon; Mary Carol Hitchcock; Barbara Sims

Janie Wall: Lucinda Cannon

HONORARIA

A gift has been given in honor of **Stanley Melton, III** on his 85th birthday (September 23) by Barbara Sims & Mary Carol Hitchcock.



MY JERUSALEM

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6
IN OPELIKA & AUBURN**

We are so excited that FUMC is planning to serve on
Oct. 6th for My Jerusalem!

We are already hard at work putting together the details to bring everyone together to serve to rebuild the broken and restore the people who are in distress in our community. We believe these individuals and families will feel the love of Jesus as needs are met!

All ages are needed! On Oct. 6th there will be multiple ways to serve! To sign up to serve visit our website <http://theway2serve.org/> or fill out the form at Laura's desk.

LAITY MINISTRY THIS WEEK

Greeters

8:30 a.m.:
Blake, Lybbi & Walton Epperson
Becky Bailey & Glenda Bush

11:00 a.m.:
Jo Lovell & Margaret Walker
Fay Burns & John Rice

Gathering Music

Charles Bonner

Cross Bearer: 11:00 a.m.
Martha Pugh

Acolytes

8:30 a.m.:
Oliver Jordan & Myles Tatum, Jr.
11:00 a.m.:
Will Edwards & Shirley Pugh

Sound & Video

8:30 a.m.: Nathan Goff
11:00 a.m.: Will Levins &
Peter Elliott

Ushers

8:30 a.m.
Charlie Couey (Captain),
Jake Thompson (Co-Captain),
Ben Landers,
Jonathan Patterson,
Erik Speakman, & John Wilson

11:00 a.m.:
Bob Boothe (Captain),
Jason Halverson (Co-Captain),
Norris Alsobrook, Tyson Daffin,
Bill Levins, Don Lawrence,
Mike McKee, & John Rice

Welcome Letters

Pat Brown

Nurturing Notes

Louise Harris

Tuesday Office Volunteer

Barbara Sims

Flower Ministry

Nell Samford, Phoebe Branch
& Lorene Paschal

Hospital Visitation Ministry

September 24
Kevin Royal
September 25
Donna Moreman
September 26
Judy Smith
September 27
Rhonda Boothe
September 28
Margaret Whittelsey

Jail Ministry

Fay Burns
Ron & Sharon Rooks
Margaret Rogers
Danielle Fornea

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

September 16, 2018

Attendance

Sunday School: 189
Worship: 401
MIDWEEK: 178

Giving

Weekly Offering: \$20,814

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 23

8:30 a.m. - Worship
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
4:00 p.m. - One Accord Youth Ensemble
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Jr Hi Youth
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Sr Hi Youth

Monday, September 24

8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Sonshine Preschool
5:30 p.m. - Nominations Team Meeting
6:00 p.m. - Youth Ministry Team Meeting

Tuesday, September 25

8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Sonshine Preschool
5:00 p.m. - E Teen
5:15 p.m. - Wesley Ringers

Wednesday, September 26

7:00 p.m. - Men's Devo
MIDWEEK
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Supper
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Classes
7:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 27

8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Sonshine Preschool
5:15 p.m. - L.A.F.F.
6:00 p.m. - Safety Team Orientation

Prayer Concerns

EAMC:

Joe Groom
(Lindsey Owens & Emily Prescott's
grandfather)

Home:

David Alexander
(Marcia Alexander's husband)
Lori Botta
Mable Collins (Arbor Springs)
Bette Corley
(Nann Ogletree's mother)
Betty & Hal Cummings
Barbara Curry
Courtney & James Daniel
Catherine Davis
C J Dodd (Arole & Esther Marshall's
grandson)
Edgar Edwards
(Jo Ellen James' father)
Becky Gaston
Anne Grady (Camellia Place)
Trey Gafford
Barbara Hartley
(Marrell Hartley's mother)
Johnny Johnson
(Judy Smith's brother)
Hannah McDonald
(Shirley & Aaron Harrington's niece)
Donna Moreman
Dana Morgan (friend of Pam Hope)
Dot Norrell
Oscar Penn
Peggy Rawls
Fran Smith
Valerie Smith
Theron Sorrell
(Jake Thompson's grandfather)
Earl Summers
Jody Wilkerson
(Deborah Mitchell's brother)

Out of Town:

Mark Allen
(Debbie Allen's brother)
Evan Ashby (Macy Finck's cousin)
Mildred Beals (Hoover)
Scott Boggs
(brother of Kenneth Boggs)
Hartley Brabner
(Tina Roberts' infant great niece)
Shirley Brown
(Ginger Perkins' sister-in-law)
Ruth Chen (friend of Wei Beach)
Shannon Cook
(friend of Earle & Kenny Wilkes)
Greg Greaves
(friend of Sherri Rowton)
Traci Hart
(Pam Hope's sister-in-law)
Madeline & Sam Hayes, Jr.
(grandchildren of Sharon & Ron
Rooks)
Carolyn Hicks
(Lisa Abercrombie's mother)
Howard Hoch (Sue Bentley's father)
Glynda Holliman
(Sam Bailey's niece)
Graham Lane (friend of Sherry &
Richard Freeman)
Doug Letlow (Betty Letlow's son)
Allen Liu (Wei Beach's nephew)
Buddy Loyd (Laura Boggs' father)
Teri Meinhardt
(friend of Robin Wilson)
Lexi Melton
(great niece of Stanley Melton, III)
Bob Miller
(Sam Bailey's brother-in-law)
June Pyle (Ken Woolley's sister)
Ed Reynolds
(Kim Epperson's father)
Dot Rice (Pat Mayfield & Debbi
Thornton's sister)
Marian Rogers
(Emily Finck's grandmother)
Carolyn Sell (Jo Vaughan's daughter)
Gladys Shackelford
(Richard Shackelford's mother)
Jackie Spann (Terri Knight's sister)

Hilt Tatum, III
(Corinne Hurst's brother)
Leigh Ann Thompson
(Mike Gaston's sister)
Greg Wheelus
(Ginny Gaberlavage's father)
Bobby Woodruff
(Caroline Bush's uncle)
Natalie Woods
(Valerie Smith's sister)

Military:

Steven Alvarado
Beau Carroll (friend of the Perkins)
Tyler Carter
(son of Tommy & Lynn Carter)
Michael Fischer, & T J Fischer
(friends of Phyllis & Jim Mayfield)
Robert Groszmann
(Bob Ingram's nephew)
Garrett Guess
(Becky Bailey's nephew)
Paul Leonard (Fay Burns' cousin)
Will McKee (son of Mike & Ginger
McKee)
Chandler Norris (cousin of Mary
Virginia Norris & Louisa Wood)
Alex Pendergraph
(Janet Taylor's grandson)
Jacob Ramus
(Phyllis & Jim Mayfield's son-in-law)
Kennard R. Smith (friend of Anne &
Sheldon Whittelsey)
Ronnie Snyder
(grandson of Arden Snyder)
Bubba Sumrall (son of Leslie Sumrall)

Christian Sympathy. . .

. . . is extended to Wendy Counts and all
of the family upon the death of her
grandmother, Phyllis Crowe, of
Dayton, Ohio.