

**OUR PRAYERS**

- Our Ministers            Our Church
- Our Leaders            Our Ministry Teams
- Our Children & Youth    Our Homebound
- Our College Students   Our Missionaries
- Our Police Dept        Our Fire Dept.
- Our City                Our Military

**Homebound and Assisted Care**

- Martha Allen    June Burton    Carolyn Escue
- Ray Escue      Mava Dell Fry   Earl Galloway
- Helen Griffin   Doris Hight    Marie Hughes
- Virginia Jones   Margaret Kenley   Ted Lewis
- Betty Ray      Bernice Shelby   Emmett Smith
- Betty Smithmier   Martha Wallace

**Baxter Regional Medical Center, Mt. Home, AR**

- At Home**  
 Marcelle Farrow  
 Wayne Lawrence

**Special Prayers** for  
..disaster victims

**OUR PRESENCE - January 8**

Sunday School	57
Worship	36
Visitors	2

**OUR GIFTS - January 8**

Offering	\$ 1,316
Month to Date	\$ 3,936

**OUR SERVICE - January 15, 2017**

- Greeters**..... Audrey Weaver  
 Margaret Ann Ligon
- Liturgist**..... Bruce Hughes
- Scripture**..... Jane Hight
- Children Time**... Andrew Baker
- Lock-up**..... Henry Blanks

**OUR WITNESS**

- January Scripture Readers**  
 22 Audrey Weaver  
 29 Tom Lockhart

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**OUR PRAYERS (con't)**

- Blumenthal Fam.    Kristen Boggs    Tom Boillot
- Palma Borgognoni   Jim Brazile      Brenda Brazile
- Melissa Cole      Jaunay Davis    Doug Dennis
- Corella Edwards   Gordillo Family   Andrew Hamilton
- Diane Harrison    John Hight      Mildred Hight
- Jeff Irwin          Mark Jones      Freda Lipford
- Ursula Lewis      G. Martin Family   Bill McClain
- Jesse McClerkin   Lillian McDonald   Glenn Moore
- Lou Ella Morris    Joe Moseley      Warren Petty
- Boyd Pilkinton    Moira Pomije    Claire Rainey
- Wade Reeves      Stephanie Roberts   Marie Souder
- Cindy Stanfil     David Weaver    Shannon Weaver
- John Williams     Margie Williamson

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**COURAGE AND STENGTH**

(Excerpts from Voice of the Martyrs)

Having courage doesn't mean running blindly into dangerous situations. During Jesus' ministry on earth, Peter sometimes spoke and acted recklessly, even denying Jesus three times when confronted by accusers.

Later however, Peter became a courageous apostle who was focused on a specific task — obeying the Great Commission.

When Peter and the apostles were apprehended for preaching the gospel, the high priest asked, "Did we not strictly command you not to teach in this name?" Showing no fear at all, Peter and the other apostles replied, "We ought to obey God rather than men...And we are His witnesses...and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him" (Acts 5:28-29).

The strength that God gives His family to do His work without fear is available to each one of us. How are you using it?

Blessings,  
*Virginia*

**Scriptures Readings:**

Isaiah 40:1-7

I Corinthians 1:1-9

Psalms 40:1-11

John 1:29-42

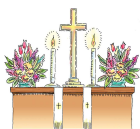


## LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 1/15	10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship w/ Dr. Joe Piercey Preaching
Mon. 1/16	Offices Closed in Observance of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday
Tue. 1/17	12:00p News Deadline
Wed. 1/18	10:00a <b>Asbury</b> Bible Study 6:45p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 1/19	9:00a <b>Asbury</b> Food Pantry 10:00a Bible Study 5:00p Girl Scouts 6:00p UM Men @ <b>Asbury</b>
Fri. 1/20	Offices Closed
Sat. 1/21	10:00a Sewing Group
Sun. 1/22	10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship 12:30p Trustees Meeting

## DON'T FORGET

...your Upper Room for Jan/Feb.



## REQUEST FOR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR 2017

It is not too late to sign up to be a Worship Assistant for 2017. Sign up sheets are on the office window for Scripture Reader, Liturgist, Children's Time and Greeter.

Liturgists and Greeters should sign up for one month at a time, Children's Time Presenters may sign up for a month, a particular Sunday each month or once or twice only. Scripture Readers will be assigned to the next available date beginning in May or could be called upon if the assigned reader is unavailable.

Be a blessing and be blessed by your time of service.

## REMINDER

Trustee Meeting on January 22, 12:30p.



## COMING SOON

Sunglasses Sunday will be February 5. Please bring new or gently used eye glasses and sunglasses to be given to Project 20/20 for distribution around the world to those who would not have eye care without your help.



SORRY—NO PETS ALLOWED IN CHURCH.



JOIN OUR  
**STUDY**

## ITS TIME FOR BIBLE STUDY

...with Adam Hamilton's "Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Do". Learn some simple phrases that sound Christian and hold some element of truth, yet miss the point in important ways. Join us January 19th at 10 a.m. as we search for the whole truth by comparing some common Christian sayings with the wisdom found in Scripture.



Ladies,

Let's gear up for the 2017-2020 quadrennium studies on climate justice, criminalization of communities of color, mass incarceration, economic inequality, and maternal and child health. All are relevant is today's society and promise to be eye-opening.

## Living the Vision

We provide opportunities and resources to grow spiritually, become more deeply rooted in Christ and put faith into action. Our structure is flexible, leading to effective witness and action. We equip women and girls around the world to be leaders in their communities, agencies, workplaces, governments and churches. Working for justice through compassionate service and advocacy, we are changing unfair policies and systems. We provide educational experiences that lead to personal change in order to transform the world. We are "Turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world."

Won't you join us?

## UM MEN NEWS

The Metro District Roundtable is soon! Originally scheduled for Jan.28th, it has been rescheduled for Feb.4th at Ellendale UMC. I look forward to your attending this gathering. Mark Griffy will be giving our devotional and our Metro District Superintendent, Dr. Harry Durbin, will be our guest speaker. Breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m. by the Ellendale United Methodist Men. The Roundtable will begin at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome and bring a friend.

All in His Glory,  
Steve Ragsdale  
President Metro District United Methodist Men

## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

### Memorial Fund

In memory of Virginia Kemp Jones by  
The Oxford Class

### Scholarship Fund

In memory of Virginia Kemp Jones by  
Keith Coffman  
Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold

### Maintenance Fund

In memory of Virginia Kemp Jones by  
Mary Robbins  
Cathy Boice



## ITS EARLY TO THINK ABOUT SUMMER CAMP, BUT.....

... you won't have to pay the entire fee all at once if you register online January thru March. You may pay \$50 when you register and the balance in installments over the next 3 months. There is also tiered pricing to help more children participate in this life-changing experience. Camps begin May 29. Age ranges for Lakeshore are 7-18 years, with one 2-day camp for parent/child, ages 5 to 9, in June, for younger children and those who may never have attended camp before. Feel free to email them at [office@lakeshoreuma.com](mailto:office@lakeshoreuma.com) or call 731-584-6102, with any questions.



## HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CALENDAR?

Calendar order forms are available outside the Sanctuary, in your Sunday School room and in the church office for our 2017 Church Photo Calendar. If you prefer, you may call the church office, 683-8861, to place an order. Calendars are \$15 each.