



Tower Views

A special 4 page Back to School edition!

Coming Up!

Sunday, August 6th

8:15—Early Service
9:00—Safe Sanctuary Training
9:30—Sunday School
10:30—Late Service
4:00-6:00—Pool Party at Artesian Park

Monday, August 7th

6:00—Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, August 9th

6:00— Staff Parish Meeting

Thursday, August 10th

6:00—Clinton Cool Cats

Friday, August 11th

9:00—UMW
8:00—Fifth Quarter!

Sunday, July 30th

8:15—Early Service with Sunday School Promotions
9:30—Sunday School
10:30—Late Service
6:00—Prayer-A-Van

Summer is still in full swing, but our kids will be going back to school soon and we have several special events planned:

Back to School Pool Party

Sunday, August 6 from 4-6 pm

Blessing Our New Kindergarteners

Sunday, August 13 at 8:15 & 10:30 Worship

Promotion Sunday

Sunday, August 13 at 8:15 Worship & 9:30 Sunday School

Prayer-a-Van to the Schools

Sunday, August 13 at 6 pm

This is a great time to invite your family, your friends and your neighbors – especially those with kids – to join us. The growing up years are a critical time for developing the faith of our children and youth.

Daily Bible Readings and Prayers

Sunday

1 Samuel 1:2-18
Give thanks for mothers & grandmothers

Monday

1 Samuel 1:19-28
Give thanks for answered prayers

Tuesday

Philippians 4:6-7
Confess those times you've worried instead of praying

Wednesday

Luke 12:22-32
Talk with God about your concerns

Thursday

Philippians 2:12-15
Confess those times you've been quick to complain

Friday

James 5:13-16
Pray for family & friends in need

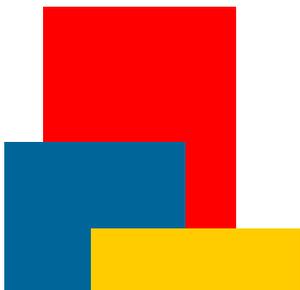
Saturday

Psalms 42:1-11
Pray for those who struggle with unanswered prayers



Prayer Concerns

Angela Garbee
Harold Lam
John Moore
Connor Moore
Jill Bernard
Wilbur Slocum
Joe Wagoner
Arnie Drendel
Sarah Duncan
Fred McAllister
Julia Carey
Mike Beaty
Nicole Fillipe
Gary Dubina
Mike Lester
Lucille Clayton
Marty Setzer
Paul Alldredge
Dan Glaspy
Rick Wolf
Sharlene Wirsig
Sharolyn Kirby
Katherine Fulton
Marlin Rein
Steve Coward
Jane Mautino
Shirley Stone
Rosie Banfield



Hey Kids!

Mark your calendar for the
Back To School Pool Party
This Sunday, August 6, 4-6 P.M.
at Artesian Pool

Picnic food supplied!
Come join in the fun!



Blessing Our Kindergarteners

Beginning Kindergarten is an import step in a child's life – and in their parents' lives. Thus, we would like to offer a special prayer of blessing of all of our kindergarteners before they begin school this year. We will be offering that blessing on Sunday, August 13, at both worship services. If you have a kindergartener to participate in the blessing, please contact Brad Reed or the church office.

Bible Adventures

Bible Adventures is a four-week program to introduce our children to the Bible. It is an opportunity for the students to learn how to find scriptures and stories in their Bible, how to read their Bible and how the Bible can guide them in their faith. It is open to children in the 2nd Grade and older elementary students who have not participated in the program before. We will meet on Wednesday afternoons beginning on August 23. Contact Brad Reed or Vivian Taylor to learn more.

Worship Assistants

Gathering Music:

8:15—Frances Harvey
10:30—David Cummings

8:15 Song Leader:

Zac Maggi

8:15 Ushers:

Jim & Sandi Cox

8:15 Greeters:

Carl & Angelia Entrop

Continental Breakfast:

Seekers Class

10:30 Greeters:

Dick & Nancy Fleming
Ashley Mosley

Children's Time:

Larry Dawson

Prayer-a-Van to the Schools

**Let's pray for
every school**



August 13 at 6 pm

You are invited to join us for a caravan of prayer to our schools. The group will leave the church at 6 pm and travel together to each school in our community to pray for the students, teachers and administrators as they prepare to begin the new school year.



United
Methodist
Women

United Methodist Women will meet Aug. 11 at 9:00 AM. Meeting is held in Fellowship Hall with refreshments preceding program and meeting. Karen Cullers, representative from Show Me Children's Home will present a power point program with regular meeting to follow. Please join us for this informative program. Please remember to bring items for Teacher's Warehouse and Samaritan Center. Sept. 8 will be date for next Harvestor's volunteer day. Mark your calendar. For more information, call Eunice Wright, 885-5164.



Please Take Our Survey!

Churchwide Survey

The Study Committee would like your input. They are exploring possibilities for expanding and enhancing the ministries of our church. They have been working to identify the strengths and the needs of our church and community. As part of that process they are taking a churchwide survey to allow everyone in the congregation to provide your thoughts and perspective. We encourage everyone to complete the survey and let your voice be heard. You can pick up a copy of the survey at church on Sunday in the entry, in the Green Room or from the church office during the week. Your input is important!

Ice Cream Social to Support Cancer!

On Sunday, August 20th at 6:00 at church, everyone is invited to a churchwide ice cream social to support the fight again cancer. Come enjoy ice cream, cake and cookies and make a donation to help the fight! If you can donate some homemade ice cream, call the church office or mark the Connect Card on Sunday.



Safe Sanctuary Training—This Sunday 9:00 AM!

If you volunteer in any way with kids here at church, you need to be certified every four years! It's painless and quick. Grab your coffee and doughnut on Sunday and head to the chapel. Jennifer will lead us in a quick 30 minute discussion. So if you help with youth, nursery, VBS, Angelus Choir, or are a Sunday School teacher, you need to be there!

Sunday School Teachers



Thank you to those who stepped up to volunteer. Still needed are teachers for the 3&4 year olds. We have an easy to use curriculum ready for them, we just need some adults. You could even teach once a month on a rotation! Contact Jennifer Kiely or Vivian Taylor if you can help in any way.

Because of your generosity...

Meaningful Support

On May 30, 2017, my husband, John, was scheduled for laproscopic gall bladder surgery. I was very nervous about this surgery for two reasons:

John suffers from memory loss and I feared not only the effect that anesthetic might have, but also how he would react to this out-of-routine situation.

Secondly, having flown to Dallas many years ago to take care of my brother Don, scheduled for laproscopic gall bladder surgery, I was afraid of the resulting situation. I waited for hours in Don's room wondering why it took so long only to find that gangrene had set in and the surgery had to be done manually. I dreaded the long recovery this would mean if that happened to John.

Both of these fears were forefront in my mind as John and I waited his turn in the operating room. Then Brad came to visit with us in the preparation area. His calmness and supportive conversation began to reassure both of us. He prayed with us—a prayer that laid our concerns in God's hands.

Sam Lucas attempted twice to come to the hospital to see John, but each time he wasn't available because of the preparation or we were finished and driving home.

In all the surgeries over the years that I have had and the few John has had, we were never visited by our former churches. I knew the surgeries were not life-threatening so I did not feel slighted. I made such a difference in our acceptance that God was watching over us and Brad had added John's name to the prayer list so our church family was helping us.

John went in to surgery at 10:45 and at 11:30, Rob Wetzel was assuring me that everything went extremely well. He recovered quickly so I was driving him home at 1:00.

He had a prescription for pain, but he had no pain and his incisions looked already nearly healed!! I was amazed at how remarkable he was doing. I attribute it to Brad and our church family and their prayers.

We moved from Jackson/Cape Girardeau after living there 50 years because I knew John needed to be with people with whom he shared long term memories.

Thank you, people of Clinton United Methodist Church. We indeed are surrounded with support and love.

Jean Graham

Dates Coming Up

Wednesday, August 23rd—UMYF for middle school and high school kids start. The Middle School will meet from 3:00-5:00 and High School from 5:00-6:30.



Jennifer and her helpers will be doing 5th Quarter after every home football game (except Homecoming). So youth are invited for pizza and pop after those games. The first one is after the Jamboree on August 11th and the next is after the game on August 25th.

ECE will start up after Labor Day. Meet the teacher is on the 5th and 6th and class starts on the 6th and 7th. Call the church office or talk to Anna Zink and Allison Schilling for more info.

Wednesday, September 6th—Chancel Choir starts at 7:00

Wednesday, September 13th—Angelus Choir will start at 3:30

Sunday, September 10th at 9:00 is a special presentation by Kent Cable and Don Turner about their trip with Rainbow Network.