



# Tower Views

## Brad's Message

We have discovered that one page of the Study Committee report was omitted from the printed version distributed at church on Sunday Morning. It was a one-page summary of the committee recommendations. I apologize for that omission. We have included a copy of a summary with this newsletter. It highlights the six action areas the committee has identified to strengthen our church:

Lay Leadership Development  
Worship  
Small Groups  
Communications  
Youth Ministry  
Facilities

In preparation for a vote on these recommendations, the Study Committee is hosting three town hall meetings to provide an overview of the proposals and answer any questions you may have. They will be:

Sunday, January 28 4 pm  
Tuesday, January 30 Noon  
Thursday, February 1 6 pm

We will hold a Church Conference on Sunday, February 11, at 9:30 am to vote on the adoptions of the Study Committee recommendations and the creation of a committee to explore our options for building renovation and/or construction. Copies of the Study Committee proposals are available in the Green Room.

I am excited about the ministry areas the committee has identified. They are an ambitious and exciting set of steps for us to be fully engaged in connecting people with Christ and the church. I am excited about what these proposals can mean for the health and vitality of our church!

## Coming Up!

Saturday, January 27

7:30—UMM

Sunday, January 28th

8:15—Early Service

9:00—Continental

Breakfast

9:15—Confirmation Class

9:30—Sunday School

10:30—Late Service

4:00—Town Hall Meeting

6:00—Witness Committee

Monday, January 29th

6:00—Bell Practice

Tuesday, January 30

12:00—Town Hall Meeting

6:00—Nominations

Wednesday, January 31st

10:15—Bible Study

3:00—UMYF Middle School

3:30—Angelus Choir

5:00—UMYF High School

6:00—Outreach

6:00—Chancel Band

7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 1st

6:00—Town Hall Meeting



## Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

### Sunday

Hebrews 10:23-25

Give thanks for those who encourage you in your faith

### Monday

Matthew 18:20

Pray for the people of our church

### Tuesday

1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Give thanks for the variety of people in our church

### Wednesday

Acts 2:42-47

Pray for all the different ministries of our church

### Thursday

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Give thanks for your Christian friends

### Friday

Romans 12:9-16

Ask God to show you who needs your love and support

### Saturday

1 Peter 3:8-9

Ask God for the grace to always be a blessing to others

## Sunday Worship Assistants

### Gathering Music:

8:15—David Cummings

10:30—David Cummings

8:15 Song Leader: Karen Switzer

### 8:15 Acolytes:

Ayson Zink and Cale Zink

### 8:15 Ushers:

Ross & Melinda Fulton

### 8:15 Greeters:

Carroll & Judy McVeigh

### Continental Breakfast:

Young Adults class

### 10:30 Greeters:

Berry & Judy Beebe

Janet Mansfield and

Susan Hutcherson

Children's Time: Melinda Fulton

### Nursery helpers

8:15: Susie Wetzel

10:30: Carolyn McAllister



## Flower Chart

We still have a lot of openings on the 2018 Flower Chart. It is up by the prayer wall in the library area. Sign up for a Sunday to remember, honor or dedicate altar flowers. You'll get a reminder call the week before and simply visit a local florist to have them delivered!



## Easter Reading Challenge

The Children's Easter Reading Challenge for toddlers through 2nd Graders goes through Easter

Sunday. Prizes will be drawn with each book checked out from 9- 10:30 am each Sunday through Easter.

## Dinners for Eight

Do you want to enjoy some good food and good friends? Dinners for Eight is a great way to share some good fellowship with your church family.

Everyone who signs up will be placed in a group of about 8 people. These groups will get together once a month for four months to share a meal together. Meals can be in homes, restaurants, or at the church. The emphasis will be on fun and fellowship, so you don't have to be a gourmet cook to participate. Please sign up on the Connect Card or the list outside the church office to join our first set of groups.



## Summer Camps Through the Missouri Annual Conference For ages 8-18

Check out [www.nextgencamps.org](http://www.nextgencamps.org) for a list of camps.



*Creating opportunities for children and youth to encounter Christ one camp at a time.*



## Prayer Concerns

Judy Beebe  
Aggie Heaton  
Rick Mosley  
Arnie Drendel  
Arlene Portwood  
Linda Griffiths  
Carlene Lowe  
Treasure Yoder and her family  
Sharlene Wirsig  
Casey Duncan  
Sharon Warnaca  
Veronica Flor  
Hildreth Cash  
Semler family  
Tom Stark  
Peggy Younger  
Melvin Dennis  
Wylie Brown  
Tracy Guppy  
Rosemary Hardinger  
Wilbur Slocum  
Sarah Duncan  
Guido Santero  
Teresa Jones  
Connie Briggs  
Jill Bernard  
Angela Garbee  
Fred McAllister  
Julia Cary  
Gary Dubina  
Mike Lester  
Lucille Clayton  
Marty Setzer  
Rick Wolf  
Jane Mautino  
Shirley Stone  
Rosie Banfield



## Thank You!

To all UMC Cookie Bakers, Thank you very much for donating cookies for the Donor Canteen and Volunteer/Red Cross Staff Hospitality Room during the Officer Gary Michael, Jr. Memorial Blood Drive. Your outstanding support and participation is greatly appreciated!

Blood Drive Coordinating Committee  
David and Sandie Sorbo and Dian Brown



## Want to Learn to Strum a Guitar?

We are looking at getting a group together—kids, youth and adults to learn to play some simple chords on the guitar. Are you interested in learning? Do you have a guitar to donate to someone who doesn't have one? Call the office if you'd be interested in joining this group! Watch the bulletin and newsletter for more information.