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SELAH



Pause Think Reflect

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October was my father's favorite month. He loved the onset of cool weather. He loved the changing of the leaves. He cherished being able to rake the leaves when he eventually moved to New Jersey and had a lawn (only people from Brooklyn say that). He carefully tended his rose bushes and prepared them to endure the cold that would soon follow. Then as the month approached its end, we would celebrate his birthday with all the excitement of Christmas, New Years and the 4th of July rolled into one. My father loved life and was grateful for all he had been given!

As we journey through October, we are exploring **Selah** which is an opportunity to pause and reflect. We are pausing and reflecting upon God's goodness, grace, gratitude and giving. As we take the time to ponder God's wondrous blessings from the dawn of creation to this very moment in our lives, everything points to God's love for us. Out of God's goodness, we have been given all that we are and all that we have. Made in God's image, we are called to be good as God is good. What a **JOY** it is for me to serve as your pastor because Heritage demonstrates that we understand what it means to be **GOOD!**

We are striving to be **GOOD NEIGHBORS!** As we distribute Hope Totes, make sack lunches, and respond to the needs of those in need, we are answering God's call to love our neighbors. When the Mission Team sends out a **MONDAY CALL TO ACTION**, we respond because we have experienced God's goodness and love and want to share it. Like my father, we celebrate the abundance of blessings that have been given to us. We want to celebrate our blessings by sharing with others.

As we continue to Selah: Pause and Reflect on Grace, Gratitude and Giving, be open to what God is doing in your life. Recognize the amazing grace that truly does enfold you in God's love. It is God who empowers you to do all that he desires you to be and become. God's not only wants to draw us close but God actively works to make it happen. As God showers us with grace, God invites us to partake of even more grace by choosing to participate in disciplines that open us more to God (prayer, worship, fasting, sacraments, studying scripture, fellowship, serving).

Every breath is a gift from a generous and loving Creator. How can we give thanks for all we have received? Pause and reflect on your life. Think about each day and the many ways that God has shown up. God has shown up when you didn't even think to ask. Think about those moments you were desperate and cried out and you felt God's touch on your shoulder. Think about those you love who have been placed in your life. Pause and reflect and give thanks!

Giving is the response of a grateful people to a gracious and generous God. How will you respond? How will you offer your talents, time, treasure and service for all you have received? **CELEBRATE FOR GOD IS GRACIOUS AND GOOD!**

Peace and joy+

Pastor Maria



HUMC FINANCE REPORT

	<u>Sept 2020</u>	<u>2020 YTD</u>
INCOME: ALL SOURCES	\$ 38,614.65	\$ 394,868.38
EXPENSES:	\$ 41,267.32	\$ 352,082.58
Surplus (shortfall)	\$ (-2,652.67)	\$ 42,785.80

Income was down again for September. We used a portion of our cell tower bonus to pay \$10,000 towards our Mission Share this month and we will make a payment again in October. Finances are being closely monitored and our stewardship campaign is underway. The stewardship campaign is being handled with an understated and relaxed approach this year due to the pandemic.

If you have questions regarding church finances, contact the Finance Team Chair, Doug Grossenbacher at dgrossenbacher@att.net or the Treasurer, Jeff Hallam at jhallam312@gmail.com



ALL SAINTS RECOGNITION

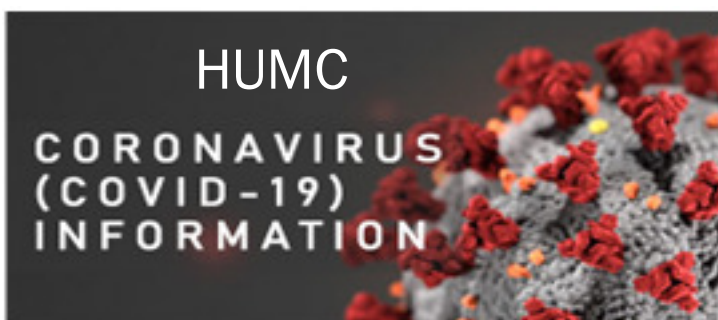
To honor the memory of those from our Heritage family as well as loved ones who have passed away in the past year, we will be listing their names in next month's newsletter. If you have someone you would like us to include please email susieb@heritageumc.org with loved one's name and relationship to you by **October 29**.

In addition, during worship on Sunday, November 1, we will be remembering those church members that have passed in the past year.

Congregational Care

Do you have a special prayer request? Need a fabric mask? Or have a need for a bag of groceries or help picking up supplies? Please let us help you during the quarantine. We have a team of volunteers who are able and willing to help.

Email Cindy Svec, cindys@heritageumc.org, with your request.



Watch the weekly e-note for updates on church office hours, building use and when we will be regathering in person. We are constantly monitoring the numbers and as the gating criteria is met, we will be reaching out to you with changes as they are made. If you have any questions, please reach out to Melissa in the church office at 913.897.6446



Children's Ministry

We are very busy in Children's Ministries. Sunday School is still happening with 3 options for families: Zoom on Sunday mornings, pre-recorded lessons or teaching the lessons from home. We had a fun **'Drive In' Bingo** event in the church parking lot to hand out our next set of curriculum. We had many of our church families join us for a fun day of Bible Bingo, Bible Trivia and a socially distanced 'treat walk'. For those that couldn't join us, Miss Susie delivered the new curriculum and got to say hello to many of her friends.



Fun playing Bingo!



Doing chalk art!



And a socially distanced 'treat walk'!

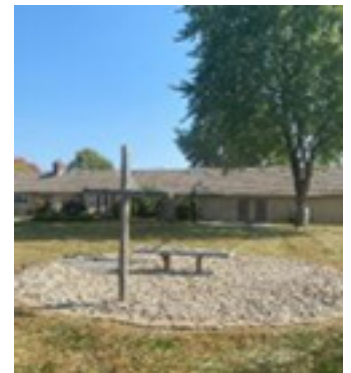
Children's Sabbath Service this Sunday

You will have a special surprise this Sunday during worship. You will get to see some of our amazing children at Heritage assisting Pastor Maria with worship 'virtually'. We guarantee it will brighten your day and you will be filled with praise and thanksgiving for our amazing God! A huge thank you to all of the families that helped make this happen.

Pet Memorial Garden

Children's Ministries and the trustees have created a very special Pet Memorial Garden for all of Heritage. Located on the west lawn of Heritage House, it is a place for you to sit and reflect about your lost pets.

We invite everyone to paint a 6' x 6' paver that can be found at most home improvement stores or Susie Bond will deliver a paver to you with all of the instructions. After you paint your paver with acrylic paints be sure to coat it with an acrylic coating or polyurethane clear coat. Susie Bond can also help with this process. Once your paver is done you can bring it up to the church and place it in the Pet Memorial Garden (anywhere within the circled area – just move the rocks and place it on the ground).



If you have any questions or need help in anyway please contact Susie Bond at susieb@heritageumc.org.





FIRE PIT DiYG

Sunday, Oct 18, 6:30 pm

Bring your own s'more makings for the fire pit at Heritage House on Oct 18. No food sharing, only fellowship sharing while social distancing! Bring a friend, bring your lawn chair and wear your mask for some fire pit fun. See you there!

HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

Sunday, Oct 25 time TBD - details coming soon!

FAITH JOURNALING

Let your creative juices flow in this journaling class for Youth & Adults. Next class is Sat., Nov 14 at 9am.

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram!



Weekly Youth Activities

Check your weekly email from Ms Dawn for changes to the schedule, updates & zoom links each week.

Sundays

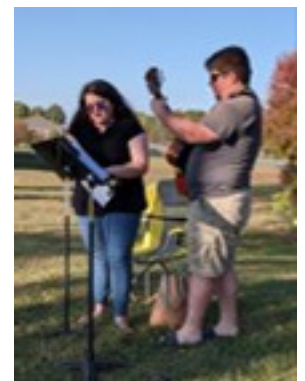
11:00 am Confirmation Class (Zoom)

DiYG/" Dig" (Drive-in Youth Group) - 5pm (unless otherwise communicated)

Wednesdays

5:00 pm Middle School Bible Study (Zoom)

8:30 pm High School Bible Study (Zoom) *HS Bible Study is now on Wednesdays



Questions, contact Youth Director Dawn Beck, dawnb@heritageumc.org.



Monday Missions Call to Action- Look for the weekly Facebook post for the Missions "Call to Action". Every Monday a new post on the Heritage UMC Facebook page will highlight needed items for our community partners and Missions team projects. Check it out and step up to meet the "Call to Action".

Missions Curbside Collection- Thank you for your continued support of our Missions projects. We will continue to collect Hy-Vee receipts, pop pull tabs, SCRIP orders, diapers and wipes, food pantry donations, sack lunches and more through our weekly Missions Curbside Drop Off at Heritage House Parking lot on Sundays 9:30am-11am.



Christmas Angels

Watch for more details coming soon about our annual Christmas Angel collection in November. Since we won't be able to have our Christmas Angel tree and gift tags available, we will be sharing the new ways for you to donate gifts in the weekly eNote, website, sign-up genius and more. It's never too early to pick up a few footballs, board games, toaster, crock pot, etc to support our local community partners. Items can be dropped off at the

Missions Curbside Drop Off at Heritage House Parking lot on Sundays 9:30am-11am.

SCRIP Orders Place a monthly SCRIP order and help support the Missions Team. SCRIP cards are regular gift cards you can use at local retailers and online. A percentage of each gift card purchased comes back to the Heritage Missions team and is used to support our ongoing projects. It is easy and costs you nothing more than the cost of the gift card to participate. Just place an order for a few cards to local retailers that you frequent and help support the missions team. Contact Cindy Svec, cindys@heritageumc.org for an Order Form. SCRIP orders and your check payable to Heritage UMC can be dropped off on Sundays at the Curbside Drop Off or mailed to the church office. SCRIP Orders are placed on the 2nd Sunday of the month and will be available for pick up on the 3rd Sunday at Curbside Drop Off. Great time to pick up a few for holiday shopping and Christmas gift giving!





Adult Small Groups

Adult Discipleship Small Groups- Zoom! Zoom! Zoom! We have many small groups gathering via zoom and there is room for you too! Contact Cindy Svec, cindys@heritageumc.org, for a complete list and to learn more about the Bible Studies and Adult small groups meeting via zoom. Additional small groups are re-gathering in person in the main church building following CDC guidelines. Let Cindy know what works for you as we adapt to our current life situation and join a small group today!



Welcome our 2020-2021 Class of Confirmands and their Mentors.

Please take a moment of your time and pray for this group as they start their journey together.

Confirmand – Mentor

Nate Barnes - Wayne Kramer
 Dustin Mashburn - Daryl Davis
 Greyson Sayers - Bob Svec
 Jesse Loper - Jake Weskamp
 Brynn Marshall - Kayla Eppel
 Lydia Ayers - Linda Siders

Forest of Trees in Fellowship Hall Coming this Advent season!

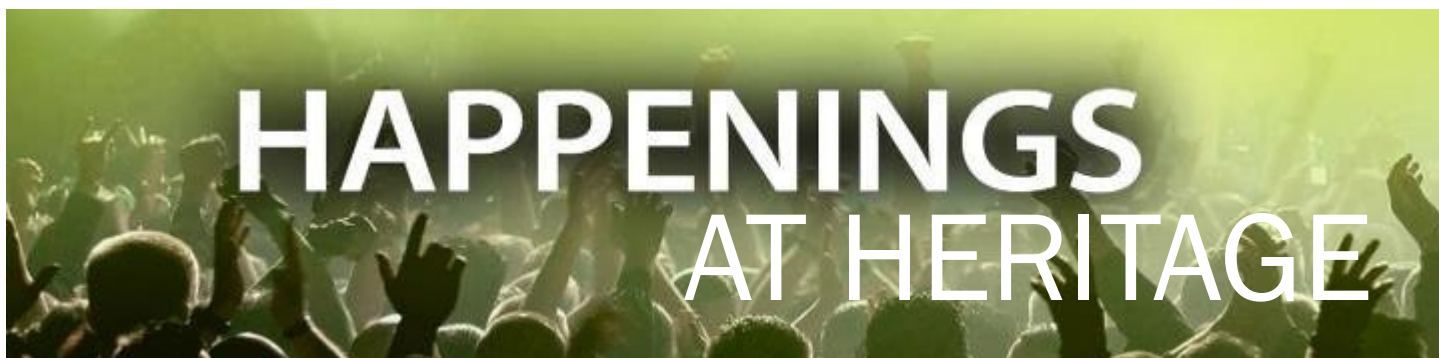
Look for sign ups and specific instructions in November to pick a time to decorate your tree. Our Forest of Trees will show the splendor of the season with a variety of decorated trees to fill Fellowship Hall.



Heritage UMC Prayer Wall

Stop by Heritage United Methodist Church and add a prayer or lift up a joy or concern on the PRAYER WALL. Baggies are clipped to the chain link fence around the playground. Bring a sharpie pen from home and write something you want to lift up in prayer to God. Simply write your message on the ribbon and tie it to the fence. When finished, please leave the empty baggie clipped to the fence for disposal.

We know God knows what is in our hearts and our prayers but this is a simple visual way to share our prayers with others and pray for each other's prayers too as the Prayer Wall is open to everyone. Let's show our community spirit by building a colorful prayer wall.



Heritage Info Pages

BABYSITTING

Mindy Welland (Senior at Olathe East '21)

Babysitting- Have babysat since middle school & I am babysitter certified!

Contact Info- Cell: 913-280-8943 Email: mjw@scottw.us Home: 913-397-9132

References: Have babysat/nannied for the Clarks

BAKER

Cindy Laaser

Baker - 9 years of experience

Email: cklaaser@gmail.com

Phone: 913-522-1762

References: Church staff, and many other members

ELECTRICIAN

DJ Hatton

Registered professional Engineer – Electrical.

Home electrical. Not a licensed electrician...but can get wiring done correctly!

Basic home improvement.

Way to contact – preferably both cell and email

dwjhatton@gmail.com

cell. 913 269 5306

References/past clients: Hopebuilders KC – electrical mods for door widening, adding lights, fixing outlet problems. Heritage UMC – wiring extension to chancel floor boxes. DJ's basement – new 100 amp sub panel. Wired/finished the electrical rough-in and device installation.

HVAC

Laura & Brent Gatza

Gatza Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.

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Some current and past HUMC customers: Susie Bond, Jim & Ann Keever, Evelyn Summers, Chad & Robin Weinand, Dwayne & Annette Lagerstrom, Gary & Karen Coffman, Chris & Michele Hakim

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November 01 Tracy Slimmer
 November 02 BJ Clark
 November 04 Dana Casto
 November 09 Kevin Brannan
 November 09 Jacob Eppel
 November 11 Ann Melton
 November 11 Bruce Nyman
 November 11 Tamora Kapeller
 November 12 Doug Van Dyke
 November 14 Sean Fulton
 November 15 Samantha Brannan

November 17 Denise Kimmich
 November 17 Russ Barker
 November 19 Dawn Beck
 November 20 Terry Smith
 November 21 Richard Francis
 November 21 Margaret Cinotto
 November 24 Penny Grossenbacher
 November 25 Robert Herring
 November 28 James Heavin
 November 30 Mattie Webster
 November 30 Kyle Kuhlman

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Sam Fulton, Chloe Hatton, Lainey Hutson, Maci Kuhlman, Max Kuhlman, Brooks Morgan, Aubrey Richter, Micah Rogers, Easton Sayers, Mason Weakley, Felix William

SYMPATHY

To the family of Elaine Hall, a regular attendee of Heritage who passed away on October 8, 2020.

If we missed your birthday or a sympathy, please notify the church office so that we can update our records.

**** All articles are due by 5pm on the published due date. All articles submitted are prioritized by date and relevance and are subject to editorial review of content and inclusion at the discretion of the editor.****

November 2020 HUMC Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Domestic workers	2 Stillness	3 Peaceful and positive elections	4 Co-workers	5 Those suffering from epilepsy	6 Native Americans	7 Stress awareness
8 STEM education (science, technology, engineering, & math)	9 Religious leaders	10 Aviation workers	11 Veterans	12 Warmth for those seeking shelter	13 Kindness	14 Restful sleep
15 Inspirational role models	16 Tolerance	17 Adoptees	18 Difficult relationships	19 Equal opportunity	20 Protection for our children	21 Lessons learned
22 Creativity	23 Strength after hardships	24 Finding God's purpose in our lives	25 Ending physical violence against women	26 Thankfulness for all blessings	27 Holiday shoppers	28 Small business owners
29 Beginning of Advent	30 Mercy					

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Next Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, November 8, 2020