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Worship, Grow, Serve to see transformed lives reflecting the love of Christ.



## Postcard Past & Present Sermon Series this summer

Send us postcards from your summer travels and activities. We are going to display them in the church to see where our Heritage family is living the Good News! God is with us wherever we are, and we are tied together through our faith. Stay connected this summer by sending postcards to the church from the places you travel. Staying home this summer? Send a KC postcard! Be the church wherever you are this summer. And don't forget when you are traveling, you can watch us online live on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am or anytime during the week on our YouTube channel.



**4th of July Sunday –  
Wear your RED, WHITE & BLUE  
to worship!**

# PASTOR'S PEN

*A word from the heart*

Speechless! Words fail me! What!?! I am never short of things to say or words to write. I can always put words on a page...always! But I started thinking about the last sixteen months, and suddenly words fail me. Yes, we were all there. We all lived it. But we lived it in an unusual way. "Apart Together" was a phrase I used a lot. In part because it made me feel better to think that wherever we were in our separate places, we were still together in spirit.

At first it was going to be over before Easter (at least in the privacy of my own mind). Yes, Easter 2020 we'd all be back together. Then, surely we'd be in the clear by the time August 2020 rolled around and our precious children could reclaim some normalcy. Then, in October things started to look up and we started practicing protocols for returning. Yay, we'd be together for Advent and Christmas. Numbers spiked and we were told that we should not have in-person gatherings. Christmas was going to be celebrated outside the sanctuary. You know the rest of the story. Winter was cold but praise God, vaccines started to be distributed.

And now...now we are gathering together! No, everything does not feel exactly the same but each week it gets a little closer to normal. I am so grateful to God that we were able to celebrate our Graduates. We even had snacks for the first time. The smiles on their faces and the people gathering in Fellowship Hall to congratulate them was priceless. The very next week, we celebrated Confirmation. Hallelujah, six students who had 'weathered the first ever all virtual Confirmation Class' were TOGETHER and led worship!



Each week there are little celebrations! People we have missed are returning to in-person worship. And at the same time, many continue to worship virtually alongside those worshipping in-person. Each week we can celebrate that we are able to gather and worship the God who never abandoned us. We can celebrate the God who inspired brilliant minds to push forward the work of finding cures and vaccines. We can celebrate that despite the challenges that we will continue to face into the future because of the loss of life, jobs, income, and stability, we as the people of Heritage UMC will celebrate our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary in October and we will truly celebrate!

We will also celebrate August 13-15<sup>th</sup>! Why? We want to celebrate our CONNECTION as a church family and invite our neighbors to celebrate with us! We want to be GOOD NEIGHBORS! We want to be the kind of neighbors (in our own neighborhoods and in our church neighborhood) that we want to have. It will take each one of us to make the CELEBRATIONS happen but what fun we will have!

Speechless...just for a moment until I begin to think of all the way God has blessed us and blessed me. Then, suddenly my joy overflows and I want to shout praises. I want to celebrate the God who has transformed us, may we never take our freedom for granted.

Grace to you and much joy+  
Pastor Maria




# HUMC FINANCE REPORT

INCOME & EXPENSE SUMMARY	May	Year to Date
Income	\$ 36,087.88	\$ 183,570.92
Expenses	(\$36,191.72)	(\$228,349.14)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(\$103.84)</b>	<b>(\$44,778.22)</b>


Mission Shares Paid	Month	Year to Date
		\$ 9,000.00

If you have questions regarding church finances,  
contact our Treasurer Brooke Fairchild at: [brooke.r.fairchild@gmail.com](mailto:brooke.r.fairchild@gmail.com)

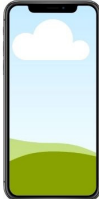
## Four Ways to Give to Heritage



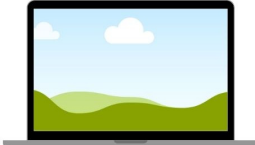
1. In person



2. Mail to the church office



3. Text  
844-610-0379



4. Online at  
[www.heritageumc.org](http://www.heritageumc.org)

Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app, at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select "Heritage United Methodist Church" as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They'll donate a portion of your eligible mobile app purchases to us.

How it works:

1. Open the Amazon app on your phone
2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
3. Select "Heritage United Methodist Church" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app

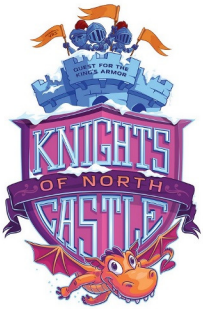
**New in the Amazon app**

Sign up to generate donations while you shop, at no extra cost







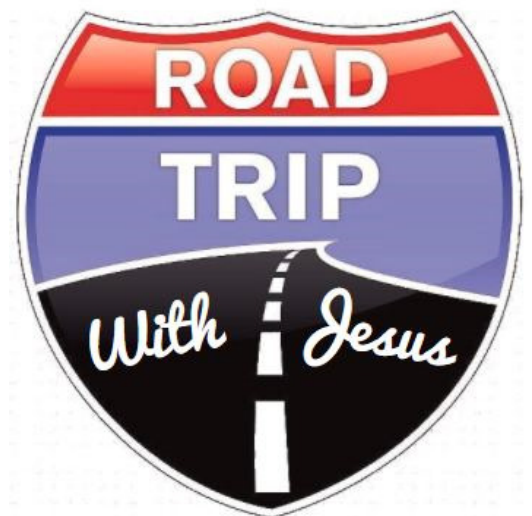


**VBS 2021 July 11-15 6:00pm-7:45pm**

Click on the link below to register for VBS. Registration is open for children from PK –5th grade and for all volunteers.

<https://heritageumc.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH  
FOR KIDS  
COMING THIS SUMMER!**



Our summer series, "Road Trip with Jesus" will kick off in-person on Sunday, June 6 for children ages 4yrs through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Children's Church will be held during the 9:30 worship service. More details to come.

Help Wanted: adult, parent, and youth "tour guides" to join us on the journey. For more information, please contact Elise Mashburn at :[elisemashburn@gmail.com](mailto:elisemashburn@gmail.com)

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A family room is currently available for parents with small children during worship. Room 115 is located off the hallway behind the sanctuary. The service is played live on a TV in this room for parents who might need a quiet place for children during the service.



The Missions Team is now accepting:

- Non-perishable food items for New Hope Food Pantry
- Hy-Vee Receipts and Box Tops for Mahaffie Elementary School
- Pop pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- Personal hygiene items for Hope Totes
- Diapers and diaper wipes for Growing Futures
- New & gently used coats of all sizes for The HUB

Drop off items on Sundays in the Missions Bin in Fellowship Hall or during weekly office hours.

Thank you for your support of our community partners.



## HERITAGE UMC MISSIONS TEAM

During the month of **July** we will be collecting NEW school supplies for Mahaffie Elementary School and the Olathe School District Foundation. Please fill a gallon size zip lock bag with any of the needed items listed below. Drop off filled bags in the Missions Bin in Fellowship Hall.

Questions, please contact Cindy Svec, [cindys@heritageumc.org](mailto:cindys@heritageumc.org)

Thank you for your support of our community partner!

#2 Pencils

Erasers

Markers (8 classic colors)

Glue (4 oz bottles)

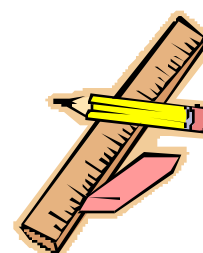
Backpacks

Box of colored Pencils

Box of Crayons (24)

Scissor (Fiskars-pointed)

12" Ruler





## MISSIONS & SERVICE TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Volunteer on Sundays 9:30-11am at Missions Curbside at Heritage House Parking Lot
- Volunteer once a month to help deliver food donations to the local food pantry
- Volunteer to replenish ice and water at the Water Bottle Ministry receptacles on the front lawn pick a day June thru August
- Volunteer on the 1st Saturday of the month and deliver Cross-Lines commodities boxes to community seniors in Overland Park
- Volunteer on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 10-Noon at Heritage House sorting donations and packing items
- Volunteer as needed to deliver congregational care meals to home bound members
- Volunteer quarterly writing congregational care cards to home bound members

Volunteers of all ages are invited and encouraged to participate and support our community partners.

**Contact Cindy Svec, [cindys@heritageumc.org](mailto:cindys@heritageumc.org), for more info and to sign-up for a shift to volunteer!**





## **Welcome Elise Mashburn**

**our new**

### **Director of Children's Ministries**

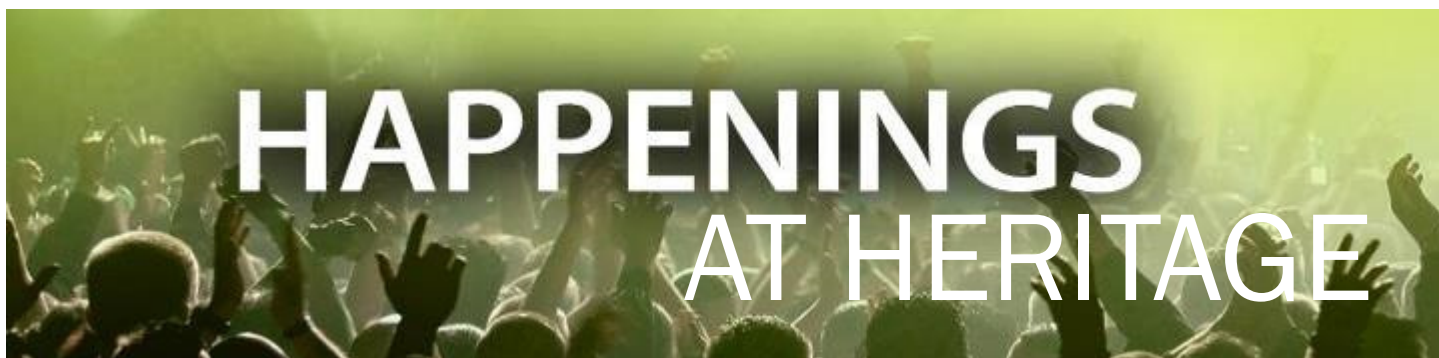
Elise Mashburn is the oldest of six children and was born and raised in Wichita, Kansas. She attended Kansas State University (Go Cats!) and graduated in 1996 with a B.A. in Pre-Law, French Literature, and Women Studies. She moved to Kansas City in 2000.

She currently works full-time as a Network Engineer for Dobson Fiber. Elise has been in the telecommunications industry for over 20 years, working at various companies including Sprint, which is where she met her husband, Darrell.

Elise and Darrell have six children: Danielle (22), Megan (20), Hayley (20), Dustin (13), Mazie (7), and Lauren (5). Elise and Darrell have been members of Heritage UMC since November 2019. Their first grandson, Troy, was baptized at Heritage in December 2020. Their son, Dustin, was part of the 2021 Confirmation class.

Elise served in various volunteer positions including preschool Sunday School teacher and VBS director at North Cross UMC in Kansas City. She has been a frequent VBS volunteer for several years at both Lenexa UMC and Heritage. Elise has also taught youth and children's Sunday School at Heritage. Prior to the covid outbreak, Elise was on staff at Heritage as a Nursery Attendant.

Elise will hit the ground running with the work she has already done planning Children's Church for this summer and VBS in July. She says that the goal of Children's Ministries under her leadership will be to give each child a firm foundation upon which to build their faith. She would also like everyone to know she is always looking for volunteers.



## Good Neighbor Experiment

### Water Bottle Ministry

The Water Ministry is BACK! The church needs your help this summer to keep the water cooler filled each day. If you would like to help be a Good Neighbor, sign up to fill the cooler with water bottles and ice. Please sign up using the Sign up Genius link below. We are very excited to start up the Water Ministry again and look forward to helping our community members stay safe while out and about in the summer heat. The Water Ministry will end on Labor Day. Questions, contact Erin Washington, [erin.washington5@yahoo.com](mailto:erin.washington5@yahoo.com) or Cindy Svec, [cindys@heritageumc.org](mailto:cindys@heritageumc.org).



Sign up today:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b44a4a722a2fd0-water>



## Adult Small Groups

Interested in getting re-connected at Heritage? Want to catch up and enjoy some fellowship? Ready to study the Word? Contact Cindy Svec, [cindys@heritageumc.org](mailto:cindys@heritageumc.org), for more information on fellowship groups, Bible studies and more Adult Small Groups and get re-connected today!



## Can you help us reach our neighbors?

We are working to boost our online presence to reach more of our neighbors and we need your help. Would you be willing to post a review on Google? Posting a review on google helps us improve our church's search ranking so that we can connect with more of our neighbors when they are doing "near me" searches such as "church near me". Please consider sharing a google review for Heritage United Methodist Church. Click this link to go there now: <https://g.page/r/CZe1pE2FUSc-EAq/review>



# Confirmation Sunday

Congratulations to the 2021 Confirmation Class at Heritage! What an awesome worship service they led on May 23.

## 2021 Confirmand quotes:

"We live the Good News by living our lives as examples of good with our actions so others can see" -Dustin

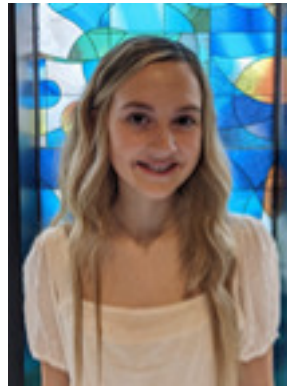
"God puts us in situations to make us stronger and gives us opportunities to grow a relationship with him and trust him. Follow God, because he is our salvation and guider." -Lydia

"We are called to spread the good news of Jesus, love God with our whole being and care for others as we want to be cared for." -Nate

"God created us in his image to do what he calls us to do. Whatever comes our way God is in control. He calls us to commit to him and our hearts." -Brynn

"God wants us to live in peace and harmony and to love each other." -Jesse

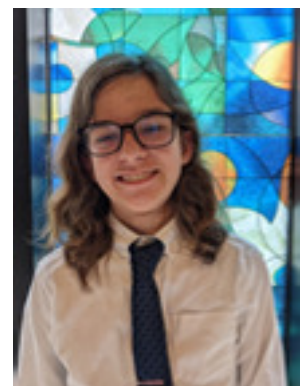
"God helps us love because he loves us. I know the Lord makes anything possible and I would love nothing more than to serve my God." -Greyson



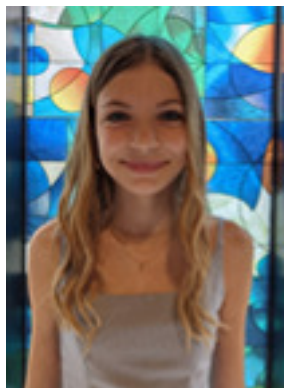
Lydia Ayers



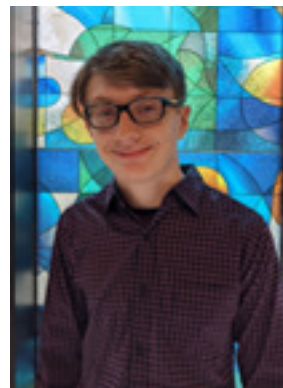
Nate Barnes



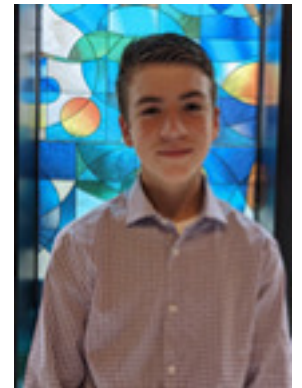
Jesse Loper



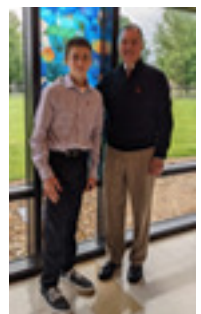
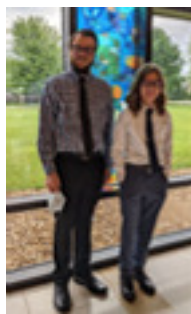
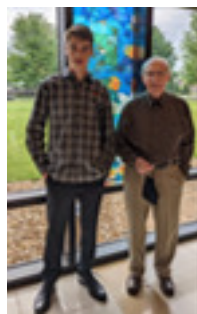
Brynn Marshall



Dustin Mashburn



Greyson Sayers



A special thank you to our wonderful mentors for walking this journey with our Confirmands this year. Thank you for your love and guidance and helping them to grow in their faith.

Confirmands with their mentors - Lydia and Linda Siders, Nate and Wayne Kramer, Jesse and Jake Weskamp, Dustin and Daryl Davis, Greyson and Bob Svec.



## Celebrating Heritage Sunday

Heritage Sunday in the Methodist Church is a time to reflect on our heritage and celebrate where the Church has been. We celebrate how the Church shapes our faith and calls us to be a part of transforming the world. "Heritage Sunday calls the Church to remember the past by committing itself to the continuing call of God." – umc.org

At Heritage UMC we would like to recognize those who have been members of the Methodist church for 50 years or more. What a testimony of faithfulness!

Congratulations!

Wilma Armstrong, Mamie Buchanan, Evelyn Cain, Keith Campbell, Dr. Pat Caruthers, Pat Chambliss, Margaret Cinotto, Karen Coffman, Gary Coffman, **\*Diana Dalen**, **\*Pam Fish**, Rod Gerdes, Peggy Grant, Wally Grant, Bob Hazeltine, Thelma Hazeltine, Gary Hazeltine, Lee Herring, Carolyn Holmes, Cheryl Johnson, Ann Keever, Jim Keever, Wayne Kramer, Dwayne Lagerstrom, Annette Lagerstrom, Pat McMillan, Wiley McMillan, Barbara Meyer, Ralph Meyer, Elsa Moneymaker, Bob Moneymaker, Larry Nokes, Ann Nyman, Bruce Nyman, Bill Perry, Jodi Picard, **\*Melissa Reinke**, Susan Seifert, Terry Smith, Kathie Smith, Evelyn Summers, Janice Taylor, Mattie Webster, Linda Whayne

**\* New this year**



## Welcome to our Newest Heritage Members and our most recent Baptism!

Chuck & Caitlin Sinks joined on June 6, 2021  
Caden Robert Sinks was baptized on June 6, 2021







July 01 Scott Hadley

July 01 Karen Coffman

July 02 Tracy Van Dyke

July 02 Jordan Fairchild

July 04 Ralph Meyer

July 04 Dakota Marshall

July 05 Melissa Charest

July 06 John Kummer

July 07 Luna McCarty

July 08 Erin Barnes

July 10 April Durnell

July 10 Audrey Raney

July 11 Kelsey Hassig

July 12 Ann Keever

July 12 Dolores Johnson

July 13 Laura Salitros

July 13 Ava Graves

July 14 Daniel Salitros

July 15 Brooke Adams

July 16 Ashlee Ruster

July 19 Paul William

July 19 Lauren Marcucci Gravino

July 22 Austin Beck

July 22 Barbara Meyer

July 23 Kal Loper

July 24 Julie Dragoo

July 24 Terri Newkirk

July 24 Jaymi Anson

July 24 Donovan Cook

July 25 Jenny Hallam

July 26 Mindy Welland

July 27 Scott Welland

July 28 Dwayne Lagerstrom

July 29 Kylan Elliott

July 30 Paxton Burt

July 31 Nancy Vaughn

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

*Want on or off the mailing lists? Call 913-897-6446 or email [melissab@heritageumc.org](mailto:melissab@heritageumc.org)*

**\*\* 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.\*\***



# July 2021 HUMC Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Spiritual Wisdom	2 Those traveling on vacation	3 Young Adults
4 Freedom	5 Kindness	6 Those suffering from dementia	7 Married couples	8 To know God better	9 Those suffering from HIV/Aids	10 Sharing God's love
11 Those who are lonely	12 Simplicity	13 Those who are unhappy in their jobs	14 Church family	15 Obedience to God's will	16 Those suffering from depression	17 Politicians
18 Quality time	19 Summer	20 Those suffering from heart disease	21 Family reunions	22 Spiritual guidance	23 Those suffering from multiple sclerosis	24 Self care
25 Parents	26 Happiness	27 Good works	28 Those suffering with hepatitis	29 Interns	30 Friendship	31 Counting blessings

## Heritage United Methodist Church Staff

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**New Office Hours 9am-3pm Monday –Thursday**  
**Office Phone 913.897.6446**