

### **FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN . . . . .**

Each week the bulletin carries a simple announcement – 9:00a.m. – Prayer Group. It doesn't seem impressive, but this may easily be the "life-blood" of our church. A group of ladies come together for study and prayer. While the rest of us are at work, this group gathers regularly.

If that was all they do, it would be important, but they do much more. They send out cards to those who are ill, they make phone calls to check up on people, they send out an email message with inspiring scripture to women who are working (and include the pastors), and they represent us to God.

They take their task very seriously. I hope they realize how important they are to the life of the church. The vitality of our church is directly related to their prayer and study. I thank God for their commitment. If you can be there, please join them. If you can't attend, why not pause about 9:00a.m. and say a short prayer to thank God that they "have your back."

Pastor Larry

### **MEN OF PARADISE**

The Men's Group will not meet during the summer months, but will resume meeting in the fall. At that time, we will continue our Bible Studies and the work God has for us to do.

### **OUTREACH/MISSIONS**

In May, we collected 254 rolls of bathroom tissue for the Food Pantry. The June collection for the Food Pantry is canned vegetable.

In June, we will also be collecting items for the Smithville Warrior Closet. They are in need of socks for boys and girls, as well as underwear (sizes small, medium, and large) for both boys and girls. A basket for the items will be placed at the back of the sanctuary, and we will collect the items now so they can be provided to the school before classes start in the fall.

Thank you for your continued support of these mission projects. If you have questions or suggestions regarding any of the collections or mission projects, please contact Linda East or a member of the Outreach and Missions Committee.

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

The Church Council will meet on Thursday, June 19, at 6:30p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Please join us for the next Fellowship Sunday, June 8, at 10:00a.m. for breakfast and an opportunity to catch up with your fellow church members.

The Sunday School class is finishing the study by Adam Hamilton in June. Please join the class for some great discussions on Sundays at 10:00a.m.

## **WORSHIP IN JUNE**

June 1 (Pastor Judy) – “**Humble Yourself;**”

June 8 (Pastor Larry) – “**Pentecost Today**” from Acts 2:1-21;

June 15 (Pastor Judy) – “**Therefore**” (a report from Annual Conference) from Matthew 28:16-20;

June 22 (Pastor Larry) – “**Sarah’s Intolerance**” from Genesis 21:8-21; and

June 29 – Laity Sunday

## **ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY**

Weather permitting, please plan to gather at the church at 9:00a.m. on Sunday, June 8, to pick up trash along Highway W. With enough help, we should finish in plenty of time to participate in the potluck breakfast that morning.

## **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Pastor Judy will be attending the Missouri Methodist Annual Conference June 6 through June 9 in Springfield, Missouri. She asks for your prayers.

## **ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

Mark your calendars! The annual Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Sunday, August 24. Please plan to join us and bring a neighbor or a friend. More details and a sign-up sheet for ice cream and desserts to follow as the event draws nearer.

## **MEMBERSHIP & MAILING LIST**

The church is in the process of updating its membership list and mailing list. If you, or someone you know, wishes to be removed from either list or has changed addresses, please let the church know.

Also, if you would be interested in receiving The Greeter and church calendar via email, please let Missy Heilman know. This would save the church postage and would provide for quicker and easier dissemination.

## **PRAYER PARTNER CONGREGATIONS**

At Charge Conference, the churches present were paired up as prayer partners for 2014. We will be praying for Weston United Methodist Church and the church in Plattsburg will be praying for us. We are to send two individuals to Weston to worship with them and pray for them. Plattsburg will do the same for us. So, please plan to add the Weston church and its members to your prayers in 2014.

## **MONTHLY REPORT**

The Monthly Report for May 2014, is as follows:

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| Beginning Balance: | \$18,453.34  |
| Offering:          | +\$4,050.85  |
| Expenses:          | - \$3,534.92 |
| Final Balance:     | \$18,969.27  |