

Celebration Service

October 14, 2018
9:00 AM

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFO ABOUT:

- Sunday School
- Wednesday Night Activities
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Music Ministry
- What UM Christians believe
- Committing My Life To Christ
- Being Baptized
- Becoming A Member
- Joining a Connexion Group

**NAMETAG
ORDER FORM:**

Please PRINT your name exactly
how you would like it to be
written on your nametag:

- Clip Tag (Free) Magnetic (\$5)
(please place this card in the offering plate)

Comments or Questions

Any comments or questions about FUMCSS?
You can share them here:

CALENDAR

SUNDAY 14	9:00 am	Celebration Service
	10:00 am	Communion in the Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:10 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	Blessing of the Animals (Church Parking Lot)
	5:00 pm	Connexion Group (McCarver)
MONDAY 15	5:00 pm	Connexion Group (Stephens)
	6:00 pm	Connexion Group (Reisbeck)
TUESDAY 16	6:00 pm	Connexion Group (Taylors)
	6:30 pm	Connexion Group (Atkins)
WEDNESDAY 17	6:30 pm	Fellowship Ladies (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 pm	Connexion Group (Eisenberg)
	10:00 am	Connexion Group (Comfort-Lowerre)
	12:00 pm	Prayer Time in the Chapel
	5:30 pm	Timothy Team (Grades K-6th)
	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
SATURDAY 20	6:30 pm	Men's Group (Fellowship Hall)
	6:45 pm	Basement Student Services
	5:00 pm	Dinner Church
	9:00 am	Celebration Service
SUNDAY 21	10:00 am	Communion in the Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:10 am	Traditional Service
	5:00 pm	Connexion Groups meet

GREETERS:

Date	Sanctuary West 8:45 AM	Sanctuary East 8:45 AM	Sanctuary West 10:50 AM	Sanctuary East 10:50 AM
October 14	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey
October 21	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey
October 28	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey

SERMON

Enough: Wisdom & Finance

*The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance,
but everyone who is hasty comes only to want. (Proverbs 21:5)*

*Precious treasure remains in the house of the wise,
but the fool devours it. (Proverbs 21:20)*

Where Did All Our Money Go?

READ: Luke 15:11-16

From Jesus' description in Luke 15:11-16, we see that the prodigal son had the habits of squandering and spending. The word prodigal does not mean someone who wanders away or is lost. It literally means "one who wastes money."

There are many ways we waste money, but there are two primary money-wasters that many of us struggle with—I _____
B _____ & E _____ O _____.

What are some of the ways Pastor Clark cites that can help us avoid impulse buying and eating out too much?

Clarifying Our Relationship with Money and Possessions

What are two ways we can clarify our relationship with money and possessions?

- 1.
- 2.

Six Key Financial Principles

- 1. Put God first in your living and giving. (2 Cor. 9:6-7)**
Put God first in your living and your giving. Give your tithe and offering from the "top" of your paycheck, and then live on whatever remains.
- 2. Prepare a spending plan and track all expenses monthly. (Prov. 27:23-24)**
Creating a budget means developing a plan in which you tell your money what you want it to do. Tracking your expenses is like getting on the scales to see how you are doing.
- 3. Simplify your lifestyle; live below your means. (Matt. 6:19-33)**
Because this discipline is critical to the success of any financial plan, next Sunday's sermon will be devoted to this topic.
- 4. Provide immediately for an emergency fund. (1 Tim. 6:9-12)**
An emergency fund is an account separate from checking or long-term savings that is set aside specifically for emergencies.
- 5. Pay off all credit card debt; use cash or debit cards, not credit cards. (Prov. 22:7)**
As you are building your emergency fund, begin to pay off your credit card debt and start using cash or debit cards for purchases. If you must use a credit card, be sure to pay off the debt monthly.
- 6. Practice long-range saving and investing habits. (Luke 14:28)**
Saving money is the Number 1 wise money management principle everyone should practice. There are three types of savings we should have: emergency savings, savings for wants and goals, and retirement savings.

Enough

Wisdom & Finance



WELCOME

Message from the Pastor

Welcome! We're glad your here!

Today in worship we continue our series *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity* and we will look closely at biblical principles of money management and learn how they apply to our daily lives. We will review some common pitfalls and cultural traps and discover how to avoid them. We also will learn about the Six Key Financial Principles, which are summarized on the backside of the bulletin.

We hope you will take time this week to read these principles and Scriptures. They will make a great table devotional for you and your family. By practicing these biblical principles, all of us can find greater simplicity, contentment, generosity, and joy for our lives.


Rev. Clark

P.S. Our Timothy Team kids are less than \$500 from meeting their goal of raising \$5,000 for Heifer International and the purchase of an "Ark" of animals! This has been 5 years in the making. This Sunday in Worship we are going to take up a special offering to help them "put a roof on the the Ark" and get them across the finish line.

WHO WE ARE

Our Vision

We believe that God has put us here at this time to faithfully seek Him and make Him known through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Our Values*

Prayer, Love, Worship

Bible-Based Preaching & Teaching

Children & Youth Ministry

Discovering God's vision for our church

What We Believe

Many people believe they are Christian because they were born into a religious home or they go to church, tried their best, or are a moral person. However, the Bible teaches that these things do not make you a Christian. You become a Christian simply by:

1. Acknowledging that you, like all people have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. The Bible calls sin a desire to live independently of God. (Romans 3:23)
2. Personally believing that Jesus Christ died for your sins on the cross and rose again. (Romans 6:23)
3. Repenting (turning away from your sins), confessing, and accepting Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. (Romans 10:9)

You may express your desire and belief in prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving grace as God's gift to you. The Bible is clear that we all enter into a relationship with God through His mercy and grace.

**Bold = Focus of Today's Message*

QUIET TIME GUIDE

You can incorporate a little of today's worship into your daily quiet time as easy as 1-2-3-4.

1 = Begin with reading Inviting God's Presence and Action

2 = Read the day's Scriptures from the Feed on the Word list

3 = Pray through the Joys & Concerns

4 = Finish with the Benediction/Blessing

1. Inviting God's Presence and Action:

O God, we are seekers on the way to a deeper wisdom and a wider vision. Our lives are full of information and opinions, but in the midst of it all we long to hear the voice of wisdom – Your wisdom, God – cutting through the noise and teaching us how to live. We have come here this morning to learn wisdom from your Word, from your Holy Spirit, and from one another. We have come so that wisdom may call us out of the darkness and into the light. We have come to have the deeper, richer, wisdom-filled life that you have promised to each of us. Oh God, make us ready to hear the Words spoken to our hearts this morning. Call us to hear your wisdom and grant us the courage to respond. In your holy name we pray, AMEN.

2. Feed on the Word:

We are using a new way to read through the Bible using Seedbed's reading guide and devotional. To read the daily devotional, sign up at: www.seedbed.com/daily-text

3. Joys & Concerns:

Newest Concerns:

- There are several new confidential prayer concerns.
- Sarah Lee would like prayers for her parents (Jeff & Patty) for financial stability through a tough time.
- Allen & Flora Mae Heald would like prayers for their son Nathan who has health concerns.
- Ann Lowerre asks for healing prayers for Moe & Sharon Ghassami.
- Pray for those affected by Hurricane Michael on the east coast.
- Be in prayer for the coming elections.

Joys:

- Happy Birthday for the week of 10/15 - 10/21 are: Michael Rapp and Tiffnie Smith. [If your birthday is coming up and you are not listed we do not have it in our database - let us know!]
- Steve & Shirley Smith are thankful for the rain and cool fall weather!
- Jessie Bedor would like to thank everyone who helped with and attended their baby shower in preparation for Jackson's arrival!

Continuing Concerns:

- Prior weeks prayer concerns.
- Pray for healing [Those on this list have ongoing medical issues and doctor appointments]:
 - Barbara Akins
 - Jessie Bedor
 - Sylvia Burnett
 - Cheryl Comfort
 - Liam Comfort's grandparents
 - Sue Farley
 - Daisye Howell
 - Paul McKay
 - Joallen Moose
 - Karl Mounger's sister, Ruth
 - Randy Murphy
 - Mary Peters
 - Pam Rasmussen
 - Lila Shockley
 - Dale Sugg
 - Al Waggoner
 - Jane Waggoner's daughter, Nicole
 - Co-worker of Dawn Phillips

4. Benediction:

The Lord bless you, and keep you; The Lord make His face shine on you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance on you, and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - TODAY!

This afternoon at 3pm we will have a Blessing of the Animals in the parking lot. Bring your pets, and Pastor Clark will pray a special blessing over them!

PUT A ROOF ON THE ARK

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WEEKLY PRAYER TIME IN THE CHAPEL

Wednesdays from 12-1pm the Chapel at FUMC will be open for individual and intercessory prayer. This will be a "come and go" format. Instrumental music will play softly in the background for the duration of the hour to give privacy in your prayer time and lead you into a quiet time of worship to the Lord.

DINNER CHURCH

There are just two more Saturday Dinner Church events left for October! We hope you join us at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose is to approach the idea of church around the dinner table like Jesus first did with His disciples in fellowship and worship. If you are interested in becoming a Dinner Church servant, please contact Mallory Coffey (malloryecoffey@gmail.com).

CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

A Called Church Conference has been set for Tuesday, October 23rd at 6:30pm in the Wesley Room to be held in conjunction with the regularly scheduled Administrative Council meeting that evening. The purpose of this Church Conference will be to adopt a simplified structure at FUMCSS and to approve a slate of nominations for the simplified structure to begin on January 1, 2019. All professing members of the church may vote.

BASEMENT FALL WORSHIP NIGHT

November 7th the Basement Students will be having a Fall Worship Night at New Life Ranch. Meet at the church at 6:15pm to ride over together. Dress warmly!

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATES

If your information is not in the back of the church directory and you would like it to be included, or if your info is incorrect, please contact Susan Morris at litlady2@cox.net or 479-601-5962.

UMW SPECIAL MISSION RECOGNITION

The United Methodist Women would like to recognize Karen White for her excellent service in helping with the church finances. UMW will present her with a pin for this Special Mission Recognition.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2018:

	Sept	Yr to Date	
Income (Gifts)	34,784	275,516	
Expenses	31,293	279,953	
Net Gain/<Loss>	3,491	-4,437	
Conference Tithes still due		3,903	
Adjusted Net Gain/Loss YTD		-8,340	
General Checking Balance 8/31/18		24,126	
Monthly income amount needed to meet budget		32,304	
Good stewardship suggests we reserve approximately one month's operating expenses, and pay 100% of our Conference Tithes and District Apportionments.			
	<u>YTD Due</u>	<u>YTD Pd</u>	<u>YTD % Pd</u>
2018 Conference Tithes	28,610	24,708	86%
District Apportionments	2,753	2,753	100%

NURSERY

Childcare for infant, toddler, and preschool aged children is provided during both services. There is also a nursing mothers room located just off the Fellowship Hall. While the nursery is available for our youngest members, parents with school-aged students are encouraged to bring their children to the worship services. Kids activity packs are available on the table in the Narthex.

✦ EXTRA DOLLARS

There is a brochure with the story of the "Extra Dollar" in the Information Rack in the Welcome Center.

CONNECT CARD

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We are so glad that you are here and hope you feel at home as you join us in worship. Whether you are a guest, or a member, please fill out and return this card so we can know you were here!

Please Check Appropriate Box:

- First Time Guest*
- Repeat Guest
- Member
- My address has changed

Name: _____

Names of children ages 0-18 in attendance

today: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

- Check here if you would like to be added to our weekly email list.

Email: _____

Joys, Concerns, God Sightings: _____

- Check box if you do not wish to have your prayer requests published.

**If you are a first time guest today, we have a gift for you! Please go to the welcome table outside the chapel where your completed "Connect Card" may be traded for a gift certificate to Barnett's Dairyette.*