

Celebration Service

November 18, 2018
9:00 AM

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFO ABOUT:

- Sunday School
- Wednesday Night Activities
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- What UM Christians believe
- Committing My Life To Christ
- Being Baptized
- Becoming A Member
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**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 18	9:00 am	UMW Bake Sale
	9:00 am	Celebration Service
	10:00 am	Communion in the Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Blessing of the Ark Reception in the Fellowship Hall
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:10 am	Traditional Service
	5:00 pm	Connexion Group (Stephens)
	6:00 pm	Connexion Group (Reisbeck)
	6:00 pm	Connexion Group (Taylor)
MONDAY 19	6:30 pm	Connexion Group (Atkins)
	TUESDAY 20	
TUESDAY 20	7:00 pm	Connexion Group (Eisenberg)
	WEDNESDAY 21	
WEDNESDAY 21	10:00 am	Connexion Group (Comfort-Lowerre)
	12:00 pm	Prayer Time in the Chapel
THURSDAY 22	Thanksgiving Day! Church Office Closed	
	12:00 pm	Community Thanksgiving Meal (Fellowship Hall)
SUNDAY 25	Fourth Sunday Food Drive	
	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	Nursing Home Ministry
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
November 18	Cheryl Comfort	Lynn Oliver	Ann Lowerre	Peggy Dorsey
November 25	Cheryl Comfort	Lynn Oliver	Katie Rennard	Peggy Dorsey
December 2	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Janel Bedor	Katie Rennard
December 9	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Janel Bedor	Katie Rennard

SERMON

**Noah & the Ark:
A Cute Story with Serious Theology**

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WELCOME

Message from the Pastor

In an era of instant gratification I find it refreshing that for once we celebrate delayed gratification or should I say delayed gratitude. For five years the children of our Timothy Team Children's Ministry (Pre-K-6th grades) have been bringing their coins and dollars each week (along with the occasional boost from the congregation) in an effort to raise \$5,000 for an "Ark" of animals through Heifer International. The "Ark" which consists of 16 different pairs of animals represents the largest giving opportunity to Heifer International. All along the way the children have been learning just what an impact these animals will make in the lives of the families around the world who will receive them and how one cow or a pair of chickens can go a long way toward addressing hunger and food scarcity in a family or a village.

As we approach the week of Thanksgiving what an appropriate time to give thanks to a steadfast faithful and loving God for inspiring our children and church to give and to give thanks to God for our steadfast and faithful community for its commitment to this ministry over the past five years.

We're glad you've joined us on such a special day. Following this service we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a special "Blessing of the Ark" Reception and present a check to representatives from Heifer International for \$6,000 (yes, not \$5,000, but \$6,000 because our kids are overachievers!). So, please stick around for the celebration. We're glad you're here!


Rev. Clark

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:

Faithful God, you called all creatures into being, and you care for each one. Send your grace upon your people gathered here, that we may follow your ways of truth, and walk in the paths of steadfast love, proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. 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 many new confidential prayer concerns.
- Isaiah Anchondo requests prayers that they can get the new house so they will have room for people to come.
- Isaiah Anchondo requests prayers for his Uncle who had a stroke.
- Steve Peters' mother is in Hospice care. Also we need prayers for health issues in the family, and a job.
- Georgia Francis requests prayers for her nephew, Jose Jones.
- Elisha Comfort requests prayers for those in California who have lost everything from the fires.
- David Graves has been admitted to Bentonville hospital to treat pneumonia. Prayers for a speedy recovery.

Joys:

- Next week's birthday honorees for 11/19 - 11/25 are: Cassandra Arnold, Michael Hayes, and Debbie Hill. [If your birthday is coming up and you are not listed we do not have it in our database - let us know!]
- Jesse and Curtis Bedor celebrate the arrival of their son, Jackson!
- Cheryl Comfort is praising Jesus! She passed the NCE test! Now she can move forward to receive her counseling license!

Continuing Concerns:

- Prior weeks prayer concerns.
- Pray for healing [Those on this list have ongoing medical issues and doctor appointments]:
 - Barbara Akins
 - Sylvia Burnett
 - Cheryl Comfort
 - Liam Comfort's grandparents
 - Sue Farley
 - Daisye Howell
 - Paul McVay
 - 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 ARK

Today we celebrate with the Timothy Team kids in reaching their goal of purchasing the Heifer International Ark of Animals! A representative from Heifer will be on hand to recognize this accomplishment, during our 10:15 AM Fellowship Time. We will have cake!!

UMW BAKE SALE

Today the UMW ladies will be hosting a bake sale in the Fellowship Hall before and after services! All donations will go toward missions projects.

THANKSGIVING MEAL SIGN-UPS

Thanksgiving is this week!!! Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall for all the ways you can help with the Thanksgiving Community Meal this year. Let's all come together and share with each other in grateful heart. See Manny Anchondo if you have any questions.

ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree will be set up in the Narthex beginning next week. Please consider selecting an Angel to bless with gifts this Christmas! Donations will need to be dropped off under the tree by December 9th.

WEEKLY PRAYER TIME IN THE CHAPEL

Wednesdays from 12-1pm the Chapel at FUMC is open for individual and intercessory prayer. This is a "come and go" format. Instrumental music plays 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.

CHILI SUPPER & PARADE NIGHT

Saturday, December 1st we'll be having our annual OMP Chili Supper fundraiser from 3-8pm during and after the parade. Students need to help volunteer to get credit towards OMP. If you would like to donate a pot of chili, or a bag of fritos, please drop off your food by 3pm on Dec. 1st. This year we will also have a chili cook-off in conjunction with the supper. See Manny to sign up if you think you have what it takes to win!

CHRISTMAS PLAY & POTLUCK

Join us on December 16th at 5pm for our Annual Christmas Play and Potluck! Please bring a dish to share. We will even have a very Special Guest joining us!

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2018:

	October	Yr to Date	
Income (Gifts)	27,232	302,748	
Expenses	35,454	315,406	
Net Gain/<Loss>	-8,222	-12,658	
Conference Tithe still due		6,742	
Adjusted Net Gain/Loss YTD		-19,400	
General Checking Balance 8/31/18		15,905**	
Monthly income amount needed to meet budget		32,304	
	YTD Due	YTD Pd	YTD % Pd
2018 Conference Tithe	31,449	24,708	78%
District Apportionments	3,059	3,059	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.*