



FROM THE PASTOR

One of the first stories I remember hearing about Jesus was when He took a little boy's lunch and used it to feed over 5,000 hungry people (John 6:1-13). What is the sound of 5,000 stomachs growling at the same time?

I think I would've been extremely stressed trying to provide food for so many, yet Jesus goes about it all very calmly. Did He not feel the pressure to perform? Did He not realize what was at stake, that thousands of hungry people quickly turn into an angry mob? Did He not understand there simply wasn't enough food for everyone?

It occurs to me that maybe there wasn't such a grocery shortage after all. Out of several thousand folks, only one person – a child – thought to bring along something to eat? The gospel account tells only about the little boy willing to divide up his lunch; perhaps there were others not so willing to share – hiding and hoarding and keeping to themselves what they'd brought, saving it for the next day's breakfast. In any case,

the nameless little boy with the oversized heart offered up his five loaves and two fish to be divided among the masses.

I'm fascinated by what Christ did with that tiny food offering. The Bible says He took the meal and had it divided among the crowd, and as it was being shared, it multiplied in volume to the point all had plenty.

Multiplication by division? Is that possible? Over and over, we see churches begin to increase in size when they organize and sub-divide their people into small sharing and fellowship groups, growing larger by growing smaller. Could that happen at Brandenburg? Would our church family begin to multiply and grow strong if we divided up so that everyone was part of at least one small group?

Imagine sitting with a small group of trusted friends, sharing and eating and praying together. True, joining a group like our Brothers or Sisters in Christ, Emmaus or Chrysalis reunion group, or a Sunday School class does require sacrificing a bit of your time, risking some vulnerability, and showing others your real self. But wouldn't it be worth it if Christ used your "Yes, I'll do it" to nourish someone else starving for a place to belong?

– Bro. Jim



On Monday, October 31 (Halloween), Brandenburg United Methodist Church will host a Trunk or Treat from 6-8 p.m. There are several ways in which you can participate:

- ☛ Parents of young children are encouraged to bring their costumed kids for the event.

- ☛ Members of our church without young children are encouraged to decorate their trunks, tailgates or SUV hatches and hand out treats to the children of the community.

- ☛ Groups such as Sunday School classes, Brothers and Sisters in Christ and other small groups are encouraged to pool their resources to participate in this event.

- ☛ If you can't participate that evening but would like to help, donations of candy will be greatly appreciated. We ran out last year, so we're asking members to donate early and often. A donation box has been set up in the atrium for this purpose.

Please contact Amber Plemmons at 270-945-5138 for more information.



I feel like I start my article each month saying the same thing, "I love this time of year." While there are several months out of the year I do love, October is my hands-down favorite. It's my anniversary month (love ya, Honey!), the leaves are changing, football is in full swing, the days and nights are cooler, but not so much that you can't be outside enjoying God's creation. I hope you'll find time this month to take it all in. Go for a walk, visit a corn maze or just sit outside around a fire and gaze into the heavens and be reminded of how powerful and BIG our God is!

September was another great month for the Youth of BUMC. Halftime is now back in full swing and we've averaged about 50 students a week. Keep in mind, Wednesday nights are our Bible study nights. I think most people would assume our students would show up in larger numbers for the fun and games than Bible study, but our youth have proven that theory wrong. I continue to look forward to what God has in store for our students and our youth ministry.

Thanks to all who came out for our church-wide tailgate party before the Greenwave/Henderson Co. football game. It was also good to see former Pastor Willard Knipp and his family come back for a visit. I hope many of you had a chance to shake a hand and enjoy the company of your church family. After the game, we held a Fifth Quarter party for our youth and had roughly 50 students in attendance. They helped clean up any leftovers from the tailgate party and then participated in the First Annual BUMC Youth Fifth Quarter

MegaRelay Extravaganza. Several of the students attending were visitors, which I think is a powerful example of how we should all live our lives each day. Honestly... how many of us (adults) would give up our normal Friday night routine to not only go to church, but also bring a friend. Let our youth be an example!

I also wanted to thank everyone who came out and ate beans and cornbread at our youth fundraiser. It was great to see so many people staying after to fellowship together. Not because it raised roughly \$1,000 for our youth ministry, but because it was an opportunity for so many of our newer families who have either joined our church, or are on the verge of doing so, to spend time with our church family.

We don't slow down in October. Our Fall Youth Retreat will be held October 14-16 at Camp Salem. We'll start on the 14th after a Greenwave victory over Central Hardin with our Jr. High students. They'll have a night to themselves before the Sr. High group invades the campground on the 15th. I would encourage all of our students to attend as this is a great bonding time for our group. I currently need a few people to help chaperone. If you can help for a night or the entire weekend, please let me know.

Due to the demand from our students and the turnout at the first one, we will hold another Fifth Quarter party for the youth on October 28 following the Butler game. We will meet in the gym immediately following the game and will wrap things up around midnight.

We'll wrap up the month with our church family at our annual "Trunk or Treat" on Halloween night. I hope you'll consider joining in the fun whether you feel like dressing up or not. It's a great time to meet and spend time with those in our church family you don't know that well, while reaching out to the community with a safe trick or treat event.

Again, thanks to all who support our youth both spiritually and financially. It is an absolute honor to serve this church as Youth Director!

God Bless,
Barrett Howard aka "Bar"



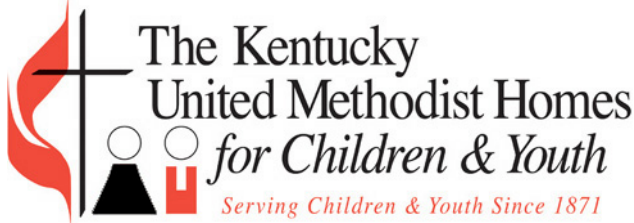
OCTOBER COMMUNION OFFERING

World Communion Sunday

World Communion Sunday is a churchwide special Sunday of the United Methodist Church. Your generous gifts on World Communion Sunday support the following:

- World Communion Scholarships, administered by the General Board of Global Ministries with at least one-half of the annual amount for ministries beyond the United States; and
- Ethnic Scholarship and Ethnic In-Service Training programs related to the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

Fifth Sunday Offering



Sunday, October 30, will be Fifth Sunday. Our special offering on this day will go to the United Methodist Homes for Children and Youth. This offering is vital in supporting the ministry to abused, neglected and hurting children and youth. It enables us to help give hope to these children for a brighter future. Please give generously and help our Methodist Homes offer these children a chance to live in God's grace and abundant love.

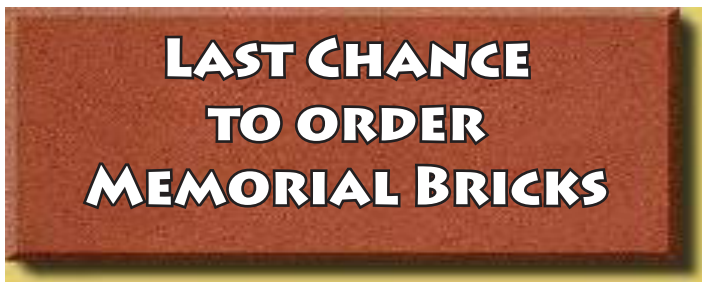


To date we have \$14,325 in the account to build the cabin (which has become two cabins) at Camp Loucon. The cost to build one cabin is \$8,000 therefore the cost to build 2 cabins will be \$16,000. We would like to continue with the option to build a second cabin. So, at this point, we are WAY AHEAD of the cost to build one and behind on building two. As requested before, if you find it in your heart to contribute, we would like to get to the \$16,000 mark before the construction date.

**Loucon Cabin Construction Date:
Saturday, 10/22/11**

If you are willing to help with the construction, we will meet at BUMC at 7:45 a.m. Saturday, October 22, and leave around 8:00 a.m. for Loucon. More to come on materials/tools needed if you are willing to help.

*Thanks for everything!
Scott Bogard*



The memorial bricks for the Prayer Garden are being inscribed now and should be ready in a couple of weeks. If you have forgotten or decide that you would like one, now is the time to do it. The cost is \$25.00 a brick. Each brick is limited to 3 lines or 39 characters (a space counts as a character). If you would like to order one, please call Pat Carlson at 422-5700.



Our first Stewardship Sunday will be
October 30, leading up to

Consecration Sunday, November 20, 2011,
when we will make our commitments for 2012.



Military News

– **Mary Beth McQuary**

Plans are well underway for this year's Veterans Day Dinner Event to be held on 11/11/11! I know all the veterans have this date marked on their calendars, so this month I am adding another date: 11/1/11, or 1 November 2011, whichever you prefer! This is your deadline date to let Rose, Hersh or me know you will be attending and the number in your group! Invitations will be going out soon. We have a wonderful evening planned for our veterans, so I hope all veteran members and guests will be able to attend this year's event!

Please make sure you turn in a picture of yourself – preferably in uniform – but any photo will be fine! We are also collecting information sheets on each veteran. See Don or Sharon Martin or turn in your photo and info sheet to the information desk in the parish hall.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for our mailings to our deployed military. Each Sunday school class also contributed cards for this, which the soldiers like. We collected enough for nine care packages! Thanks to Beverly Furnival, Sharon Martin and Sharon Haynes for getting the packages ready to mail. What a great team!

Note to new members or those who have been attending regularly: If you are a veteran, please let us know so we can add your name to our veteran roster. Call Rose at 422-2810 and let her know. We currently have over 70 veteran members on our roster!

Note to Prayer Warriors: Keep up the great work! Pray daily for your soldiers. They have just 3-4 months to go.

Military Ministry team meeting will be held Wednesday, October 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the library. Please plan to attend.



Due to fall break, there will be no Half-time meal on Wednesday, October 5. What a great opportunity to talk about how God calls us to fast! Since your regular Bible study class will not meet that evening, you are invited to come study what the Bible has to say about prayer and fasting and how it applies to our modern lives.

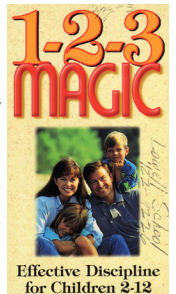
Get full from the Bread of Life and rejuvenate your physical and spiritual life.

Ken Tonelli will lead this one-hour discussion which will begin at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 5.



Amber Plemmons
Director of
Children's Ministries

On Saturday, October 15, Brandenburg UMC will host a 1-2-3 Magic training session led by retired school psychologist Patsy Thompson. If you are currently working and volunteering in our children's ministries, I strongly urge you to attend this training. It will not only benefit our kids at church but it can help you at home as well. 1-2-3 Magic is currently used in our schools district-wide and is proven to improve discipline.



Following the 1-2-3 Magic training, Charlotte Shepard will host a Safe Sanctuaries training for those who work with our children and/or youth and have not yet taken this training, which is required by the Kentucky Conference of the United Methodist Church.

A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Amber Plemmons by Wednesday, October 12, so we can plan for the number in attendance.

Trunk or treat will take place Halloween night from 6-8. If you plan to participate, please be at church no later than 5:45 in order to allow time to set up. We had an awesome turn out last year, and I strongly encourage you and your family to participate. This is a great way to shine the light of God to those in our community.



A signup sheet will be available closer to time, and there's a candy donation box set up in the atrium.



We are pleased to welcome Steven and Melissa Ward and their children to our church family.

Steven comes to us by profession of faith. He was baptized Sunday, September 18. Melissa comes to us by transfer of membership from Rock Falls United Methodist Church, Rock Falls, Illinois.

Steven is a budget analyst for the Resource Management office at Fort Knox. He enjoys camping, swimming and fishing. Melissa is a librarian assistant at the Meade County Public Library. She enjoys scrapbooking. Spending time with family and friends is important to them both.

Steven and Melissa have two children: Brenden, who is 15, and Emma, who will be 10 in November.



We are preparing for our service of remembrance on

All Saints Sunday, November 6.

If you have lost a loved one in the past year and would like to have that individual remembered on this special day, please contact the church office with information and a photo of your loved one.

Photographs are due by

Sunday, October 23,

in order for them to be included in the PowerPoint presentation.



Week 5 Monday, October 3

- Day 1** Exodus 13, 14, 15
- Day 2** Exodus 16, 17, 18
- Day 3** Exodus 19, 20; Psalms 31, 32
- Day 4** Exodus 21, 22, 23
- Day 5** Exodus 24, 25, 26
- Day 6** Exodus 27, 28, 29, 30
- Day 7** Exodus 31, 32, 33

Week 6 Monday, October 10

- Day 1** Exodus 34, 35, 36
- Day 2** Exodus 37, 38, 39, 40
- Day 3** Leviticus 1, 2, 3
- Day 4** Leviticus 4, 5, 6
- Day 5** Leviticus 7, 8, 9
- Day 6** Leviticus 10, 11; Psalms 33, 34
- Day 7** Leviticus 12, 13; Psalm 35

Week 7 Monday, October 17

- Day 1** Leviticus 14, 15; Psalm 36
- Day 2** Leviticus 16, 17, 18
- Day 3** Leviticus 19, 20, 21; Psalm 37
- Day 4** Leviticus 22, 23, 24
- Day 5** Leviticus 25, 26, 27
- Day 6** Numbers 1, 2, 3; Psalm 38
- Day 7** Numbers 4, 5, 6

Week 8 Monday, October 24

- Day 1** Numbers 7, 8; Psalm 39
- Day 2** Numbers 9, 10; Psalm 40
- Day 3** Numbers 11, 12; Psalms 41, 42
- Day 4** Numbers 13, 14, 15
- Day 5** Numbers 16, 17, 18
- Day 6** Numbers 19, 20; Psalms 43, 44
- Day 7** Numbers 21 Psalms 45, 46

SERVING OUR CHURCH IN OCTOBER

8:45 AM SERVICE

Ushers: Gwen & Jason Gallimore, Dave Mitcham, Ronnie Joyner

Greeters: Narthex - James Taylor

Parish Hall- Judy Stone

Atrium - Alec Stone

Information Table: Sue Mitcham

Communion Servers: Eli & Michele Dix,
Donna Funk, Sandy Howard

October 2: Children's Moment: No children's moment

Nursery: Lesley Wilson, Amy Haynes

October 9: Children's Moment: No children's moment

Nursery: Sandy Love

October 16: Children's Moment: Roxanne Miles

Nursery: Michelle Hobbs, Whitney Hobbs

October 23: Children's Moment: Eli Dix

Nursery: Nicki Banks, Michele Dix

October 30: Children's Moment: Amy Hamilton

Nursery: Maggie Wilson, Gwen Gallimore

11:00 a.m. SERVICE

Tellers: Glen Wilson, Scott Bogard

Ushers: Don Martin (Head Usher), Sharon Martin,
Al Lawrence, Steve Ward, Jimmy Wilson

Greeters: Narthex - Bruno Ilario

Parish Hall - Kay Thomas

Atrium -10:00 a.m. - David Wilson

11:00 a.m. - Rusty Lepley

Information Table: Karen Ilario

Communion Servers: Todd & Jennifer Saylor
Dave & Joan Wilson

October 2: Children's Moment: No children's moment

Nursery: Kim Robinson, Kelly Nelson

October 9: Children's Moment: No children's moment

Nursery: Karen Spry

October 16: Children's Moment: Jon Miller

Nursery: Melissa Vowels, Val Goins

October 23: Children's Moment: Amber Plemmons

Nursery: Pam Hamilton, Rachel Harreld

October 30: Children's Moment: Jessie Trotter

Nursery: Chris Wilson, Stephanie Stone

Unless otherwise noted, children ages 3 through Kindergarten may go to Cherub Church after Children's Moment.



I would like to say special thanks to Becky Crump, Beverly Furnival, Sharon Haynes, Mary Beth McQuary and Jessie Moore for filling in for me at the church office while I was on vacation.

Rose

OCTOBER EVANGELISM AND CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Evangelism Volunteers for first time guests

Jim & Pat Carlson

Medco and Beehive Visitation

Ara Lawrence

Shut-in Food Preparation

Week 1 - Ara Lawrence

Week 2 - Donna Funk, Pat Scott

Week 3 - Stephanie Stone, Judy Stone

Week 4 - Linda Dodson, Karen Keene

Shut-in Food Delivery

Week 1 - Ara & Al Lawrence

Week 2 - John Bruington

Week 3 - Jim & Pat Carlson

Week 4 - Rogene Wilson

If you are unable to serve on the day you are scheduled, please make arrangements, when possible, to switch days with another member.

ATTENDANCE and FINANCIAL REPORT as of AUGUST 31, 2011

DATE	S.S.	WORSHIP			
Aug. 7	150	8:45 a.m. 155	11:00 a.m. 134	Total	289
Aug. 14	116	8:45 a.m. 173	11:00 a.m. 117	Total	290
Aug. 21	129	8:45 a.m. 133	11:00 a.m. 125	Total	258
Aug. 28	152	8:45 a.m. 142	11:00 a.m. 146	Total	288

BUDGET FOR 2011:

\$461,550.00

(\$8,875.96 per week)

Budget income received as of August 31:	\$267,294.59
Budget income needed as of August 31:	\$307,680.00
Short of meeting Budget (YTD):	\$(40,385.41)

DESIGNATED OFFERINGS:

BASIC Sunday School Fund	79.00
Building Fund	50.00
Camp Loucon Building Fund	4,025.00
Children's Home	25.00
Christmas Baskets	20.00
Coffee Sales	45.00
Communion Offering	100.00
Golf Mission	500.00
Halftime	745.00
Love Offering	217.25
Pink Link	500.00
Wolfe Landscaping Fund	1.00
Youth Fund	1,210.00

Rick Nelson, Treasurer

The **United Methodist Women will meet Tuesday, October 25**, at 1:30 p.m. in the church library. The program will be given by Lea Ann Johnson who has visited Methodist mission work in Thailand recently.



**United
Methodist
Women**

Lea Ann says of this trip, "It has changed my life in a myriad of ways. I have learned that we cannot underestimate the power of prayer. When Christians pray together, even if the language is different, the Holy Spirit comes and speaks to us in a way that binds us together. The words 'least of these' have taken on a whole new meaning for me."

The program will be given at 1:30 p.m. and a business session will follow. All ladies in the church (and men) are invited. Kay Thomas is coordinating the program. Linda Dodson will serve as hostess.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

Regular Weekly Events:

- Sunday, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**
 8:45 a.m. Informal Worship Service
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 6:00 p.m. God's Hands
 7:00 p.m. BUMC Youth
- Monday, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**
 10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ (various homes)
- Tuesday, October 4, 11, 18, 25**
 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
- Wednesday, October 12, 19, 26**
 5:45 p.m. Halftime Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Preschool Choir, Children's Choir,
 Youth, Adult Studies, Sisters in Christ,
 Brothers in Christ
 6:45 p.m. Brothers in Christ (EDJ Bldg.)
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
- Thursday, October 13, 20, 27**
 6:30 a.m. Brothers in Christ
- Saturday, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**
 7:00 a.m. Brothers in Christ
 (Stone Law Office)
 9:00 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Work Day

Halftime Menus

(subject to change)

Wednesday, October 5

No Halftime - Fall Break

Wednesday, October 12

Pinto beans w/ham, cornbread,
 coleslaw, dessert

Wednesday, October 19

Chicken Las Vegas, broccoli casserole,
 mashed potatoes, dessert

Wednesday, October 26

Chili Cook-Off

New Events:

Monday, October 3

12:00 p.m. Ministerial Association
 Luncheon/Meeting

6:00 p.m. Mission Team Meeting

Tuesday, October 4

10:00 a.m. Parish Hall Reserved

Wednesday, October 5

6:30 p.m. Class discussion on Prayer and
 Fasting, led by Ken Tonelli

7:30 p.m. Military Ministry Meeting

Thursday, October 6

6:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

Sunday, October 9

4:30 p.m. Leadership & Team Meetings

6:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, October 11

7:00 p.m. Lay Leadership Meeting

Friday, October 14

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday, October 15

10:00 a.m. Safe Sanctuaries Training

1:00 p.m. FLC Reserved

1:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Monday, October 17

7:00 p.m. Lay Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, October 18

8:30 a.m. VA Officer

Thursday, October 20

1:00 p.m. NARFE

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday, October 22

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Monday, October 24

7:00 p.m. Lay Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, October 25

1:30 p.m. UMW

Sunday, October 30

8:15 a.m. Youth Pancake Breakfast
 Fifth Sunday Fundraiser

Monday, October 31

5:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat

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SUNDAY WORSHIP: 8:45 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

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(4) Ben Banks (5) Eli Dix Jr., Sandy Howard, Randall Lucas
(6) Zeke Alexander, Aaron Jackson (7) Bill Adams, Louis Godesa
(8) Bonnie Clendenin (9) Margie Jones, Cale Wilson (10) Alex Aikin,
Zach Bogard, Scott King (11) Curtis Barley, Kasey Dame, Madeline
Goins, Jim Haynes, Benjamin Hodapp, Patrick McDonald, Chad
Pickering (12) Leah Cannady, Jinx Furlough (13) El Boteler, Jeffrey
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(26) Macy Alexander, Keane Barger, Kristi Bonney, Becky Crump, Danae Powers (27) Matthew
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