

OCTOBER 2015

SUNDAY 9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Youth Group

3rd Sundays Carry-in Fellowship Meal

MOND&Y Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for Homeless

WEDNESDAY 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm "Believe" Bible Study 7:00 pm Children & Youth Bible Study

FRIDAY 9:30 am Stay Strong Exercise

SATURDAY 10:00 am Al-Anon



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Pastor's Post

I was so surprised last week by the generosity of our churches and the financial gift that I received for my trip to Israel. Thank you to everyone for making this possible. This is definitely something I have wanted to do for a long time. Perhaps the biggest blessing for me was getting to share a meal with both of our churches in attendance! I believe this is something we should explore as a continual ministry so that we can learn who everyone is! I have always said that I am blessed to serve two wonderful congregations.

As of this date our charge conference forms are finished and sent to the Heartland district office. Charge Conference will be held at Grace United Methodist Church in Higginsville on Sunday afternoon, October 11th at 3:00 p.m. If you are a member of our PPR committee you need to plan on being there at 2:00 p.m. for training. This looks like it will be our first opportunity to meet our district superintendent Reverend Jim Simpson.

We are planning for Christmas services already to give us time to prepare and advertise. Something that excites me very much is that we will be holding a pre-Christmas Eve service at the New Lex in uptown Lexington! This is an area that I believe holds promise for reaching new people and also giving an option to our church members who might be out of town for our traditional Christmas Eve service. You will hear more about this in following newsletters and communication e-mails. I think that our future looks bright and our best days are still ahead of us. What will be your part in helping our community to know and experience Jesus Christ? I can't wait to hear your response to that question!

Yours in Christ, Terry Cook

Our Worship services are available LIVE on line (10:45 am Sundays)

at <u>www.reachingforyou.org</u> under "MEDIA". The videos will remain accessible for at least a month after their broadcast.

Number of people viewing our services:

Live	Recorded	Date	Live	Recorded
2	7	7-26	2	9
2	12	7-19	4	15
1	8	7-12	3	22
2	9	7-5	1	10
3	29	6-28	1	11
2	9	6-14	2	12
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October Birthdays

- 1 James Worthington
- 2 Andrew Goddard
- 2 Karen Yates
- 7 Zachary Goddard
- 18 Kelli Coggins
- 21 Susan Small
- 22 Mary Alice McFadden
- 23 Ginger Casto
- 30 Brent Zweifel

If your birthday is not listed, please contact the church office, patty@reachingforyou.org 259-2483.

Adventures in Mothering! for mothers of preschoolers We will be meeting at the church the 2nd Thursday of each month. We will be crafting or having a speaker or something fun at each meeting. Moms nights out and family events are also being planned! Checkout our FB page, Adventures in Mothering- Lexington, Mo. Childcare provided by the church!

For Newsletter From Sarah

"Dancing With A Star," the Women's Retreat, was a huge success. There were about 85 people in attendance and proved to be a great day for song, witness and of course dancing. A big thanks to all who helped make this day possible, and if you missed it, you missed out.

October 1 and 2, four of our leadership team are going to Church of the Resurrection to Leadership Institute. This session will equip our leaders with new tools that are tried and true. There will be speakers with fresh and innovative ideas with more than 80 different ministry workshops. After returning, this group will be sharing and practicing their experience with other church members on their teams.

October 6th, the LUMC Sunday School teachers will meet at 9:30 am. The purpose of this meeting is to check progress with our new curriculum as well as work on Safe Sanctuary procedures to be sure the welfare and safety of our children is being met.Teachers, please try to be there.

Charge Conference will be Sunday, October 11th in Higginsville starting at 3 pm. All church members are invited.

The Leadership Team of LUMC will meet in the Pastor's office on Tuesday, October 20th beginning at noon. If you want to bring lunch feel free to do so. Please try to be there!

Our LUMC men are planning a golf day on a Saturday in October. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer, so please indicate if you're interested and if so, a date that best works for you. We're working to get this going.

We are in need of a teacher's assistant in our Sunday School classrooms Sundays and/or Wednesday nights. If you could give us a hand, contact Sarah.

Migrant mission

One of our LUMC mission projects involves reaching out to serve Migrant families. Seven church members volunteered on September 14. LUMC will assist again with the Monday evening food & clothing distributions for the migrant farm workers on <u>October 12.</u> Volunteers work from 4 p.m. until approximately 7 p.m. at the UMOS Head Start building (former school district Success Center/Skating Rink). LUMC is also collecting bags of dry red beans and white rice (not instant) to donate, in addition to brown paper grocery sacks. Collection boxes are in the church entryway. If interested in helping, sign up in the on the table in the entryway, or contact Lynda Johnson at 259-3154 or call the church office.

Thanks to Kari Heisler and Terry Cook for helping with youth while the Yates were on vacation. We have decided the most important thing for youth group is consistency. There will be youth every Sunday night at 6pm! We are also very happy to be having the youth in charge of leading more during church! What a better way to grow leadership! Thank you for being so supportive of our fantastic youth group!!



SERVE 2015 – Saturday, October 3

WHERE: Forest Grove Cemetery (north on Golf Road near former Wentworth Golf Course)TIME: 8 a.m. to NoonLUNCH: Noon at Lexington United Methodist ChurchSPEAKER: 1 p.m. - Phil Dixon, History of the Negro Baseball Leagues & KC Monarchs

How would you like to be involved? (check all that apply)

- __1. Help trim brush & trees at cemetery
- ____2. Help pick up small branches & weed-eat
- ____3. Help clean tombstones with brush & bleach water
- ___4. Help prepare lunch (volunteers needed to help cook chili, etc.)
- ____5. Make a dessert (cookies, sheet cake, brownies, etc.)
- 6. Help with cleanup following lunch

Name:

_Phone:_____

Name:

List children participating in Serve 2015/or needing childcare:

LUMC in partnership with Mike Slaughter, Derrick Williams and Forest Grove Cemetery are planning a work day Saturday October 3, 2015. This will include trimming, cutting and hauling off trees and limbs to clear areas which have become overgrown at the cemetery. We will also clean tombstones that have mold and lichen growth. If you have your own tools such as chain saws, rakes, weed-eaters, gloves, etc., please bring them. Everyone is invited to help in the morning, starting at 8:00 and join us for a noon meal at the LUMC.

9-21-15 Ad Team Meeting Highlights

Pastor Terry had the members participate in small groups to discuss "Where did you see God this week" and shared a devotion.

Minutes from the July 28, 2015 meeting were approved. Teri James gave the Treasurer's Report. She will turn the 2015 parsonage utility expenses in to the Grace UMC treasurer for payment.

Old Business:

Larry Johnson reported the doors for the FLC are here and the Trustees will see that they are installed.

A reminder that the church calendar is available on-line. Notify the church office to add events to the calendar.

New Business:

Sarah Black approached the subject of a full-time pastor. Goals and the vision of the church were discussed as well as weekly attendance & giving.

The 2016 Budget process will soon begin. All requests for budget line items by groups or committees should be turned in to the church office ASAP.

Trustees:

Roger McFadden shared that the van was in dire need of work. Matt Coggins has donated the labor and the church will pay for the parts.

The church guttering drains have been cleaned out. The Trustees are working with the Building Inspector to determine a cover to keep the leaves out of the drain.

A sump pump has been installed in the basement.

Seth Seitz has chosen the church for his Eagle Scout Project. Sarah Black & Roger McFadden will work with Seth to determine an appropriate project.

SPR: (Pastor Terry was asked to leave the meeting.)

A replacement for the Pastor's cell phone service was approved.

The joint Higginsville/Lexington SPR met in the past month and presented a Pastoral Package with a 6.6% raise. (Pastor Terry had not received a raise since 2013.) The Package was approved, and has already been approved by the Grace UMC Ad Team.

Other items discussed:

Chili Supper, New door keypad, Responsibilities of those with access to the church, and Locking the audio/visual booth door.

The structure of the Ad Team was presented and members were given a list of responsibilities for their respective group. Mini break-out sessions were held for each group. Pastor Terry expressed his expectations for Ad Team members.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Members in Care Centers & Homebound

Bonnie Best (Care Center) Virginia Fetter (home) Pat Fisher, Leawood, KS Geneva Hamilton (nursing home in California) Alma Hicklin (hospice in Florida) James Lauderdale (Bristol Manor) Tootie Mason (John Knox Village, Lee's Summit) Dawn Meierer (Care Center) Mary Stephenson (Care Center) Ruth Wainscott (Colorado Springs, CO) Bob Warner (Odessa) Alice Wiley (Care Center) Roberta Wyatt (Care Center) The glass doors to Hicklin Hall are locked at 10:45 Sundays during Worship due to safety concerns for our children. The front doors remain open.



The Women of the Church will meet for a carry-in luncheon at noon Friday, October 9 ALL WOMEN INVITED!

Cemetery Clean-up October 3 ... Let's Find Bill Lindsay's Grave!

The Cemetery is the resting place for many auspicious people including a young man who played in the famous Negro Leagues. His name was Bill Lindsay. He was nicknamed "The Kansas Cyclone" and "Lightning". He was born, 1891 to Peter and Mona Mady Lindsay in Lexington Missouri and was one of nine boys and one girl. His brother Robert, "Frog" was a shortstop with several Kansas City area teams. Bill's death certificate claims he started playing ball at age 14 in 1905. During the early years he played for Kansas City Kansas then the Leland Giants. In 1914 he moved to the Chicago American Giants. He died in 1914. An article from a Chicago newspaper claims he was one of the five greatest baseball pitchers in America and that the nine brothers played baseball in Lexington, Missouri with their father standing at the gate and mother selling tickets.

Presentation

Author and co-founder of the Negro League Baseball Museum, Phil Dixon, said Lexington had a team called the Tigers who played from 1905 to around 1920. The Kansas City Monarchs appeared in Lexington August 24-25, 1920 and October 12-13, 1921. He will give a presentation at the church at 1 p.m. on October 3. Even if you are unable to help with the cleanup, you are welcome to attend Dixon's presentation.

Wikipedia states that researchers with the Negro Leagues Baseball Grave Marker Project have been looking for Lindsay's grave in Lexington, Missouri but it has not yet been found. Dixon plans to help with the cemetery cleanup and the search for Lindsay's grave on October 3. So let's find Bill Lindsay's grave!!

The Forest Grove Cemetery is located east on Country Club Terrace street and north on Golf Road. For more information please contact Janae Fuller $\underline{660-232-1955}$ or Mike Slaughter $\underline{660-232-1687}$.

Please plan to attend this special presentation Saturday, October 3 1:00 pm at the church

Miss a Sunday?

Our Worship Service is available online at:



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Baby Grace Remember to fill your baby bottle with change for the Baby Grace program to be turned in Oct 11 THANK YOU!

Seek Serve Share

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Lexington United Methodist Church "Where We Seek, Serve, and Share Christ"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sundays: 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Youth				1 5:30 am Workout Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout	2 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise 5:30 pm Workout Youth 5th Quarter at LMS after foot- ball game	3 8:00 am SERVE 2015 Noon Lunch 1:00 Program
4 World Communion Sunday 1:30 pm St. Xavier Migrant Service in FLC	5 5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for the Homeless 5:30 pm Workout	 6 5:30 a Workout 9:30 am Sunday School Teachers 5:30 pm Workout 6:30 pm Reaching New People 6:30 pm BS Comm 7:30 pm BS Dist 7:00 pm Serenity Seekers 	7 5:30 am Workout 5:30 pm Workout 6:00 pm Choir 7:00 p "Believe" Bible Study	8 5:30 a Workout 9:00 am AIM Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout 6:00 pm Fierce Warriors Cancer Support Group 7:30 pm BS Dist Committee	9 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise Noon Women of Church Luncheon 5:30 pm Workout	10 10:00 am Al-Anon
11 Return Baby Bot- tles for Baby Grace 1:30 pm St. Xavier Migrant Service 3:00 Charge Conf @ Grace UMC 3:00 pm Wind Symphony Practice	12 5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for the Homeless 3:30 Volunteer at Migrant Project 5:30 pm Workout	13 5:30 am Workout 5:30 pm Workout 7:00 pm Serenity Seekers	14 5:30 am Workout 5:30 pm Workout 6:00 pm Choir 7:00 p "Believe" Bible Study	15 5:30 am Workout Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout	16 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise 5:30 pm Workout	17 10:00 am Al-Anon Live! In Lexington
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25 Contemporary Service w/Band Youth serve @ Lazarus Table 3:00 pm Wind Symphony Practice 6:00 pm River City Square Dance	26 5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for the Homeless 5:30 pm Workout	27 5:30 am Workout 5:30 pm Workout 5:30 pm MVCAA New Directions 7:00 pm Serenity Seekers	28 5:30 am Workout 5:30 pm Workout 6:00 pm Choir 7:00 p "Believe" Bible Study	29 5:30 am Workout Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout Youth to Mercy Me Concert	30 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise 5:30 pm Workout	31 10:00 am Al-Anon TRUNK OR TREAT In LUMC Parking Lot



Answer: "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know What your right hand is doing." Matthew 6:3, NIV



Make these practical gifts to share blessings with homeless people and others in need.

What you need:

- Gallon-size zippered baggies
- Clothing (socks, mittens, scarves, rain ponchos)
- Travel-size toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, sunscreen, lip balm, lotion, tissues, bandages)
- Snacks
- Water bottles
- Paper
- Pencil

What you do:

- 1. Pack baggies with supplies listed above (and more, if desired).
- 2. Write encouraging notes (including Bible verses), and add them to the baggies.
- Keep the gifts in your car, and give them to people who are homeless or asking for help.