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## Sunday Services

- 8:30a Worship Service (Contemporary)
- 9:50a Sunday School
- 11:00a Worship Service (Traditional)
- 6:00p Teens for Christ (Grades 6-12)
- 6:00p Adult Choir Practice
- 7:00p Every FOURTH SUNDAY United Methodist Women



## Pastor's Corner — Rev. Jay Bissett



OK! So you've eaten the last of the Christmas dinner leftovers (why did I buy a 25lb. turkey?), returned that sweater from Aunt June that you probably wouldn't wear to Wal-Mart at 3 a.m. in the middle of a blizzard, waved good-bye to your cousin Eddie and his 3 darling kids who have broken 3 pieces of your Christmas china along with years 1983, 1997, 2002 and 2006 Hallmark Charlie Brown ornaments. As you collapse on the couch to enjoy a cup of coffee, your eyes fall on the calendar. New Year's Day is just a few days away. 2017!

If you are like most people, you look with hope to a coming new year. In the new year we see a fresh start; a chance to do better than the last year. Many of us turn to New Year's Resolutions as a way to better ourselves.

"I resolve to:

- Exercise more.
- Eat healthier.
- Stop smoking.
- Stop procrastinating (OK, I'll start that one next month!).
- Be calmer."

I don't know about you, but whenever I make these "resolutions", I find that they may last a few weeks, or a month or two at most. Then, in my inevitable weakness I crumble. I fail. I give up. If I can't stick to my resolutions, then it seems that they are no good, so why not just surrender?

Many people view sin like our resolutions. In the beginning, when we are inspired to do better, we think that we have the ability to resist sin (greed, anger, lusts, intolerance, refusal to forgive), but before too long, we find that in our human nature we fail. As Christians, though, we are called to do something other than to just surrender to our weakness and give in to sin. As Christians we are given the gift of grace and forgiveness.

In Romans 7 and 8 Paul discusses our human weakness and God's infinite grace.

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## WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

- 6:00p Praise Band Rehearsal
- 7:00p Bible Study—Children & Adults.



## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.—Friday: 8:30—1:00 p.m.  
Phone: (828) 396-2214



## Meetings

### Church Council

Church Council will meet on **Sunday, January 15th at 4:30 p.m.**

### UMW Holiday Party

We invite all ladies of the church to meet at Kim Ellis's house at **6:00 p.m. on January 8th for the UMW's annual Christmas Party.** Bring a \$10 wrapped gift and a finger food to share.

### Food Ministry

The Lord's Supper people will meet to fix and deliver another round of good food to our shut-ins and others on **Monday, January 16th at 5:00 p.m.** We welcome all volunteers to help. Contact Ricky or Shawn Baker for more information.

### United Methodist Women

The UMW will meet on **January 22nd at 7:00 p.m.** Nancy Sears will present the program. All women of the church are invited to participate.

### Feb. Newsletter Items

Please have information and articles for the February newsletter in by **Tuesday, January 17th**. Thank you—Editor

## EUMC Leadership Retreat

**Saturday, Jan. 7th  
9AM—3 PM**

All 2017 Church Council members are encouraged to attend this extended meeting as we plan out the coming year's ministries and goals. Please be prepared to offer up new ways to minister to our community in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served in the morning, and lunch in the afternoon.

## Something to Pray About

by Cindy Sears

"...Sing psalms, hymns, and sacred songs; sing to God with thanksgiving in your hearts. Everything you do or say then, should be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, as you give thanks through him to God the Father."  
--Colossians 16b, 17 GNT

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to my family; and, I give special thanks, to Ebenezer—my second family—for all your help. You have stepped up in a marvelous way to help me through my recent medical crisis. God has used you to bless me—and the blessings keep on coming. Thank you for living out the new commandment given by Jesus in John 13:34-35:

"And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples."

And you have proven that this is not a fake love by acting, instead of just talking; for as John the Apostle says in 1 John 3:16-18:

"This is how we know what love is: Christ gave his life for us. We too, then, ought to give our lives for others! If we are rich and see others in need, yet close our hearts against them, how can we claim that we love God? My children, our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action."

I thank you again, and continually pray for you and our church, that we will continue to give so that others can know the love of God through our actions, as well as, our words of witness. I know that I, personally, fall short in doing this myself. But, God continues to work on me; so thank you for being such wonderful examples of Christian love and caring.

Because of what has happened this year, though I hate to continue to "beat this dead horse," I cannot remain silent about God remaining true to his word in Malachi 3:10 (CEB):

"I am the Lord All-Powerful, and I challenge you to put me to the test. Bring the entire ten percent into the storehouse, so there will be food in my house. Then I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing."

It's true! It's true! It's awe-inspiring true!

I decided last year when I was financially strapped because of various emergency situations that, no matter what is going on, I will give 10% of my income to the Lord (and more when I can). Whenever I feel stressed by financial worries, or what is going on in the world, I remind myself that God is in control, that he owns the universe, and that he cared enough for me to send his Son to die a humiliating death upon the cross for my salvation. God says that he will take care of me—and he does and has. Sometimes his blessings come through other people; sometimes they come through my own previous actions (that at the time I did them may have seemed foolhardy or worse); sometimes they come, seemingly, out of the blue sky. Yet, come they

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## Special Giving

Ebenezer UMC and its members, gratefully acknowledge the following special gifts received in *November and December 2016*:

### **In Memory of Ranny Frye's Dec. 4th Birthday by:**

Barbara Frye

### **In Memory of Ranny Frye (Papaw) by:**

Sienna Foust

### **In Memory of Ranny Frye and Jack Frye by:**

Angie Frye

### **In Memory of Zetta Mae Frye, and Max Frye by:**

Barbara Frye

### **In Memory of Corinne and Charles Devries by:**

Barbara Frye

### **In Memory of Karen Goguen, My Sister by:**

Jacque Katsinis

### **In Memory of Inez, Paul, and Max Spencer by:**

Delores, Bill, Gary Paul Campbell

### **In Memory of Seth & Hester Stafford and Ulisses & Mimie Spencer by:**

Delores, Bill, Gary Paul Campbell

### **In Memory of Wayne, Lillian, and Kenneth Reid by:**

Gary & Ann Reid

### **In Memory and Honor of Our Veterans by:**

Delores, Bill, Gary Paul Campbell

### **In Honor of Teens for Christ by:**

Delores, Bill, Gary Paul Campbell

### **In Honor of Blanche Kohnle and Rachel Poe by:**

Delores, Bill, Gary Paul Campbell

### **In Honor of Barbara Frye by:**

Angie Frye

### **In Honor of Ebenezer UMC's Members & Affiliates by:**

Cindy Sears

## Church Council – November 21, 2016

Attendees: Boyd Johnson, Roy Hamby, Jimmy Stone, Bleaka Hollar, Judy McCrary, JoAnn Knepp, Becky Clark, Kim Ellis, Sonya Crouse, David Crouse, Keith Keener, Linda Moretz, Emily Johnson, Conner Johnson, Jeff Smith, Jay Bissett, Kevin Miller, Steve Kohnle, JoNell Harrison

Sonya Crouse opened the meeting with prayer. Boyd Johnson shared a devotional from Isaiah 40:31.

Jo Nell Harrison presented the **financial report**, and answered any questions regarding it.

The decision was made to move \$317 from the Bobby Little Fund to the Needy Fund.

We also moved \$7 from the Pairs and Spares Fund to the Stop Hunger Now Fund.

### **Topics of discussion:**

Jay Bissett discussed the date for the annual planning retreat - date selected for now is January 7th from 9:00-4:00.

Sonya Crouse talked about the upcoming Stop Hunger Now event that is scheduled for Jan 21st. Ebenezer is committed to pack 10,000 meals. Susan Keener advised us that South Caldwell Interact Club wants to join in and match the 10,000 meals.

We will have a special service Sunday, January 29th, to celebrate Blanch Kohnle and Rachel Poe's 100th birthdays. The Bishop will attend and preach that Sunday. We will share a covered-dish meal afterwards.

Jay mentioned there probably won't be a December newsletter sent out.

Jay Bissett brought up that he has received several letters from Justin Shoemaker asking if EUMC would help fund a class/degree in Abuse Counseling. The total cost is a one-time payment of \$997. After discussion, the Men's group voted to pay 1/3, Rainbow Sunday School Class will pay 1/3, and the Women's group will pay 1/3 - three payments of \$332.34 each.

Jay mentioned issues with the heat monitor not coming on at the parsonage. Keith Keener was going to check it out after the Council meeting.

Roy Hamby discussed the coming new Youth Pastor, Robert Edward Petree (Bobby), who will start January 1st, 2017. His pay is \$18,720 for 52 weeks at 20 hours per week, plus a 7% pension of \$1,310.

Jay Bissett suggested we give those that volunteered to work with the youth a token of appreciation. The unanimous vote was to give \$50 per couple to Natasha & Chris Haas, Terry and Scott Miller, and Candace and Jason Collins. This will be taken from the Youth Activity Fund.

Kim Ellis asked for help in setting up the new Chrismon Tree. Thanks to Steve Kohnle, Conner Johnson, Jimmy Stone, Keith Keener, Jeff Smith, and Linda Moretz for helping set it up. (Hope I didn't leave a name off....)

—minutes by Linda Moretz 

## Special Funds Update

We are doing a good job of contributing to our special funds. At this point the Stop Hunger Now fund needs to be a priority, because we need \$3,000 by January 21st.

We thank you for your continuing generosity and sacrifice to help others and help us to minister to people in our community and around the world. God bless you.

Stop Hunger Now: Goal—\$3000; Current \$'s—\$1,172.

**Van Fund: Current \$'s—\$17,408. We've bought the van!**

Habitat House Fund: Goal—\$5,000; Current \$'s—\$4,333.

Trust God and Give!



## Something, con't

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do. He is teaching me to trust him as I become more obedient to him. Righteousness is its own reward; though at times, it may seem to be a curse. Yet, God never deserts me or anyone who calls upon his name and his son's name—but his blessings abound even more for those who live according to God's truth.

Finally, I am accepting the truth that God is working for my good, while also training me to be good to others—and therefore better able to aid him in blessing others. I believe that God can redeem all bad things in my life—either here, or in the world to come. The riches he has in store for me, and all those who yearn for his appearing, are magnitudes better than anything I can ever acquire here in this fallen world. So, if I lose every possession, it won't change my love and gratitude to God. If I lose my health, it won't change my love and faith in God. If the world implodes tomorrow, it won't change my love and awe of my wonderful Savior and God—because none of these things will stop God from loving me, either.

I pray that all God's people will learn to trust him enough to be obedient to him in all things, so that he can use us more and more to constrain evil, to bless others, and to lead many more people to a saving faith in his blessed Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

"He's a good, good Father!" ✠

**The Creator gave burdens,  
also shoulders.**

— Jewish saying

## Memory Tree Gifts for Christ—Memorials

### In Memory of

**J. B. Coffey** by Patty Coffey and by Teresa Herman

**Ralph & Phyllis Collins, Leo & Polly McCrary, & Steve McCrary** by Jason & Candace Collins

**Zachary Cullop & Missy Mullinax** by Barbara Ferguson

**Bob Sears, Missy Mullinax, Myrtle Johnson, and Mother Sears** by Nancy Sears

**Keith Bradford** by Lindsay Bradford and Grace Bradford

**Jack Frye & Ranny Frye** by Barbara Frye

**Ronnie Satterwhite and Kathryn Teague** by Cindy Satterwhite

**Tom Harrison** by Jo Nell Harrison

**Glenn Bissett and Joe Price** by The Bissetts

**Our Parents, Paul & Agnes Hill & Wade & Wirginia McCrary, and Greg Hill** by Larry & Alice Hill

**Corinne deVries, Max Frye, & Brittany Chester** by Carolyn F. Davis

**Jim & Pearl McCrary, Doris Ann McCrary, & R. L. & Margie Hollar** by Bleaka & Monte Hollar

**Missy Mullinax** by her cousin, Tabettha Barker

**Lois & Max Watson, Carl Kohnle, Linda Hollar, Ken, Kohnle, Betty Rodriques** by Jerry & Marilyn Kohnle

**Sondra Crouse and Joe Blair** by David & Sonya Crouse

**Missy Mullinax & Dennis Mullinax** by Robert Mullinax

**Houston Adams & Charles Lick** by The Adams Family

**Frances Baker** by Ricky & Shawn Baker

**George Thomas Hutchinson, Dwayne Thompson** by Celeste Creaseman

**Zetta Mae Frye, Max Frye, Corrine DeVries, Charles DeVries, Jack Frye, & Ranny Frye** by Gerald Frye

**J. C. & Lois Ellis and Bob Sears** by Wayne, Kim, Jordan, & Tyler Ellis

**Ken & Rachel Parlier, and Irene Norris** by Roy & Tina Hamby

**Albert Miller, Oleta Miller, and Tiffany Miller** by Lyle & Angie Miller

**James & Betty Kirby, James & Rose Williams** by Bruce & Cathy Kirby

**Keith McCrary** by John & Kelly McCrary

**Keith McCrary** by Judy McCrary and by Kim Knepp

**Steve McCrary, Boyd, Allie & Mindie McCrary, and Alden & Louise Sheets** by Cinda McCrary

**Leo & Polly McCrary and John & Wilda Cole** by Randy & Marsha McCrary

**Gerald Miller, & Dorothy & Clyde Bowman** by Barbara Miller

**Clarence & Louise McCrary, Barry & Lou McCrary, Gary Shoemake, and Sue McDonald** by Will & Arlene McCrary

*(Honorary Gifts for Christ are listed on p. 7.)*





# January Celebrations



*Happy Birthday!*



- 1st—Mary Teague
- 4th—Rhyan Stone
- 5th—Jason Collins
- 10th—Juliette Haas
- 10th—Cole McCrary
- 15th—Emily Johnson
- 16th—Rosalind Kelley
- 18th—Chuck Adams
- 18th—Kasey Smith
- 19th—Lindsay Bradford
- 20th—Barbara Ferguson
- 20th—Keith Keener
- 21st—Kennedy Behmer
- 23rd—Tyler Ellis
- 25th—Dwight Kelley
- 25th—Dawn Yount
- 27th—Stephanie Shook, (Eric Lane)
- 27th—Amanda Simmons
- 27th—Weston Triplette
- 28th—Blanche Kohnle
- 30th—Kevin Sears
- 31st—Rachel Poe

*Happy Anniversary!*

- 27th—Anthony & Sherry Austin
- 27th—David & Sonya Crouse



## Quotable Quotes

“The reason (I surmise) that so many people claim to be spiritual rather than religious is that being spiritual imposes no discipline upon them, at least none that they do not choose themselves. Being religious, on the other hand, implies an obligation to observe rules and rituals that may interfere awkwardly with daily life.”

—Theodore Dalrymple, 2016

JWR Dec. 28.



## Acolyte Schedule - JANUARY

**1st** Kevin Miller

**8th** Savanna Creaseman

**15th** Cole McCrary

**22nd** Andrew Miller

**29th** Emily Haas

## Nursery Schedule - JANUARY

**1st** 8:30 Phyllis Minton & Teresa Simmons

11:00 Patty Coffey

**8th** 8:30 Bruce & Cathy Kirby

11:00 Tasha Haas

**15th** 8:30 Kim Ellis & Robert Mullinax

11:00 Doris Kohnle & Nancy Sears

**22nd** 8:30 Dwight & Rosalind Kelley

11:00 JoAnn Knepp

**29th** 10:30 Nancy Sears

## Our Military

Please pray for the men and women who protect our freedoms.

Nick Austin  
Kyle Blair  
Anthony Coffey  
Paul Coffey  
Dakota Fox  
Ethan Fox  
Andy Gaillard  
Ricky Garland  
Jason Gibson  
Trey Hefner  
Chris Kaisenski



Shane McRary  
Travis Miller  
Joey Moore  
Jamie Mullinax  
Michael Potts  
Alex Shealy  
Hunter Tolbert  
Josh Yount

## How do I hide God's word in my heart? Memorize it!

I will sing to the LORD all my life; as long as I live I will sing praises to my God. May he be pleased with my song, for my gladness comes from him.

—Psalm 104:33-34 GNT



## JANUARY Fundraisers & Events

### 3 on 3 Basketball Tourney

You think you're good.  
Prove it!  
Grab two of your friends  
and jump into a game of

**3 on 3  
Basketball**

**Saturday  
Jan. 14th  
All Day**

Call Kim Ellis  
at 396-1320 for  
more details and to sign up. Teams  
pay a fee to enter.

Hamburgers and hot dogs will  
be sold during the tournament. If you  
don't play, come and watch and eat!

For Belize Mission Trip.



### Winter Blood Drive

**Monday  
January 9th  
2:30-7 PM**

Our annual Blood Drive for  
the Red Cross is coming up soon.  
We will be serving hot soup and  
sandwiches and homemade sweets to  
our donors. We ask our members to  
help us by bringing pots of soup, etc.  
and volunteering to help with  
registration and working in the  
kitchen during this vital event.

Please contact Dawn Yount to  
volunteer or for more  
information. Pre-  
register online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org);  
sponsor code: Ebenezer  
UMC.



### Biscuits Sales

The *Rainbow* Sunday School  
Class will be selling ham, sausage,  
egg and gravy biscuits and bologna  
biscuits on **Thursday, January  
19th.**

Kitchen will be open from **6:00  
a.m. -9:00 a.m.** You can eat in or  
we will continue to deliver orders of  
10+ to area businesses, etc. Please  
**call early or pre-order large  
orders on Wednesday by calling:  
396-3935** (Bleaka Hollar).

Proceeds will support local  
missions. Please make your checks  
out to ART, which stands for *Area  
Response Team*.



**Yum! Yum!**

### Stop Hunger Now!

**Saturday  
January 21st  
10-12 PM**



We and other  
community helpers will be packing  
bags of food for the hungry on this  
Saturday. Our goal is to pack 10,000  
meals. Our group will be joined by  
the South Caldwell High School  
Interact Club, who will pack another  
10,000 meals.

We need \$3,000 to pay for the  
food and supplies for our meals  
goal. We currently have about \$970  
raised. To give, record the amount in  
the "Other" field on a church  
offering envelope, and write "Stop  
Hunger Now" on the memo line.

We hope you will also come on  
the 21st and help us pack. It will be  
lots of fun, and a great way to help  
others in need. See you there!

### Quilting Workshop

**Saturday  
January 28th  
9AM—3 PM**

At Monica's next quilting  
workshop, attendees will be making  
a lap/baby sized quilt. A supply list  
and sign-up sheet will be available  
soon.

Monica is compiling a limited  
number of kits for \$35 each, if you  
are interested; or you may use the  
supply list to shop for your own  
fabrics. Her favorite on-line site is  
[www.missouriquiltco.com](http://www.missouriquiltco.com) (daily  
deal tab).

Please contact Monica if you  
have any questions about this event  
or want to purchase a kit: tel. 828-  
545-8074; or email  
her at [monica.bissett@acsgmail.net](mailto:monica.bissett@acsgmail.net).



### 100 Years!

**Saturday  
January 28th  
5:00 PM**

We invite you to join Blanche  
Kohnle's family and friends as they  
celebrate her 100th birthday.

**Sunday  
January 29th  
10:30 AM**

We also invite you to help us  
celebrate the 100th birthdays of  
Blanche Kohnle and Rachel Poe on  
our ONE WORSHIP Sunday. If you  
can, please bring a covered-dish food  
to share after the service for a time  
of grateful fellowship with our two  
most mature members.

Sunday school meets at 9AM.

**Thank you, Lord for blessing  
us with these two lovely women for  
so long.**



## Memory Tree Gifts for Christ—Honorariums

### In Honor of

**Marilyn Bissett and Betty Price** by The Bissetts

**Barbara Ferguson & Barbara Frye** by Robert Mullinax

**Brian Knepp, Judy McCrary and Russ & JoAnn Knepp** by Kim Knepp

**St. Jude's Hospital and The Shriners** by Rex & Gwen Teague

**The Baker Boys, Judy Smith, and Donald Baker** by Ricky & Shawn Baker

**Paul & Edna Hart, and Emma Wade** by Grace Bradford

**Clemontine Hutchinson** by Celeste Creaseman

**Carson & Baylor Hamby** by Roy & Tina Hamby

**Jerry, Steve, Scott, Rhonda, & Samantha Kohnle, and Emily, Mackenzie, Iseral, Isaiah, Trinity, Ian Kohnle, & Amber & David Windsor, and Jerry Parson** by Jerry & Marilyn Kohnle

**The Miller Family** by Barbara Miller

**Judy McCrary, and Gary & Phyllis Minton** by John & Kelly McCrary

**Tammy Camp, John McCrary, Kim Knepp & Darren McCrary, and Cinda McCrary, Becky Clark, & Marlene Coffey** by Judy McCrary

**Louise Teague** by Will & Arlene McCrary

**Patty Coffey and Robert Herman** by Teresa Herman

## Pastor's Corner, con't

**7: 21 - 25** *"So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. <sup>22</sup> For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!"*

**8:1 – 4** *"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit."*

So, as the new year approaches, it is a good thing that we reflect on the past year. Celebrate the victories. Examine our failures. Think about how we can do better in the coming year. As Christians, though, let us be realistic about our ability to change ourselves. If we rely on our own strength, we will eventually fail. But, praise God, that is not the end of the story. As Christians, we rely on God's grace and God's forgiveness to pick us up when we fall.

As Methodists, we believe that with enough trust, enough faith, enough perseverance, that we can succeed in "going on to perfection". A perfection that doesn't mean we never fail, but a perfection that has faith in God's grace to pick us up when we fall down, to encourage us when we are discouraged, and to love us when our love fails. Thanks be to God! Let us rely on God for a joyful and meaningful 2017!

*Jay Bissett*

## 2017 Church Council

The 2017 Council members are:

Pastor Jay Bissett, Lay Leader Bleaka Hollar, Council Chair Boyd Johnson; plus, Jo Nell Harrison—Finance, JoAnn Knepp—Finance Assistant, Kim Ellis—Nurture Ministries, Cathy Huffman—Outreach, Barbara Ferguson—Witness, Libby McCrary—Church School Super., Steve Kohnle—UMM Chair, Connor Johnson & Kevin Miller—Youth Reps., Jeff Smith—Alt. Conf. Delegate, Judy McCrary & Becky Yount—SCCM Reps., Cindy Sears—Treasurer & Communications, Terri & Scott Miller & Jimmy Stone—Youth Leaders, Jeanette Teague—Church Historian, Sonya Crouse & Emily Johnson—Communion Stewards, Roy Hamby—Trustees Chair, Ricky Baker—SPPR Chair. Members at Large—Robert Mullinax, Cinda McCrary, Marilyn Kohnle, Becky Clark, Gerald Frye, Seth McCrary, Leonard Teague, Chris Haas, and Wyll Baker.

Pick up a copy of the complete Council list and all committees on the table in the hallway.



## Ebenezer UMC Budget for 2017

<b>PASTORAL STAFF TOTAL</b>	<b>86,994</b>	<b>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TOTAL</b>	<b>4,050</b>
Pastor's Salary	60,136	Vacation Bible School	3,400
Pastor's Retirement	7,549	Christmas Program	650
Pastor's Travel Expense	3,000	<b>MUSIC TOTAL</b>	<b>495</b>
Pastor's Cont. Education	500	Choir	50
Pastor's sHealth Insurance	10,483	Music Supplies	85
Pastor's Pension	4,876	Copyright Licensing	360
Pastor's Christmas Gift	450	<b>EVANGELISM/OUTREACH TOT.</b>	<b>8,625</b>
<b>SUPPORT STAFF TOTAL</b>	<b>24,870</b>	Community Outreach	1,600
Admin. Assistant's Salary	17,000	Speaker Expense	200
Musician's Salary	5,200	Revival Speaker(s)	200
<b>EMPLOYER EXPENSES TOTAL</b>	<b>2,800</b>	Special Events	2,600
Payroll Taxes	1,700	Senior Adult Ministry	175
Workers Comp. Insurance	1,100	Teens for Christ Ministry	2,500
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXP. TOTAL</b>	<b>7,345</b>	Children's Ministry	1,350
Office Sup., Postage, CP HDW	4,355	<b>MINISTRY EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>10,550</b>
Phones, Internet, Website	2,990	Kitchen & Church Supplies	3,650
<b>BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>100,590</b>	Books & Literature	6,900
Mortgage & interest payment	54,600	<b>OTHER EXPENSES TOTAL</b>	<b>400</b>
Propane	2,325	Conference Lay Delegate	400
Electricity	16,500	Conference Clergy Delegate	0
Water/Sewer	800	Misc. Expenses	0
Insurance	6,400	<b>TOTAL LOCAL BUDGET</b>	<b>246,719</b>
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE</b>		WNCC Apportionments	20,696
Garbage Pick-up	300	CC Pregnancy Care Center	200
Pest Control	65	CC Hospice	1,000
Cleaning Service	7,500	SCCM	1,400
Repairs & Maintenance	6,500	Caldwell Prison Ministries	200
<b>GROUNDS MAINTENANCE</b>		<b>TOTAL Local Missions/Apportionments</b>	<b>23,496</b>
Lawn Service	4,500		
Repairs & Maintenance Equip.	1,100		
		<b>TOTAL LOCAL BUDGET</b>	<b>244,049</b>
		<b>TOTAL LOCAL MISSIONS</b>	<b>3,800</b>
		<b>TOTAL WNC APPORTIONMENTS</b>	<b>20,696</b>
		<b>GRAND TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>268,545</b>
		<b>AVERAGE NEEDED PER WEEK</b>	<b>5,164</b>



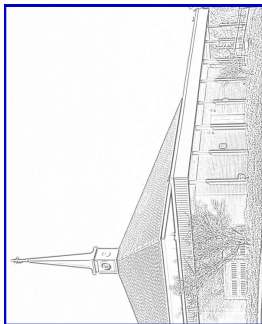


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Every Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:50 a.m. Sunday school 11:00 a.m. Worship	2	3 See p. 4 for Nursery and Acolyte Lists	4 Every Wed.: 6 pm: Praise Band 7 pm: Children and Adult Bible studies	5	6	7 Leadership Planning Retreat—9:30:00 PM, see p. 2
8 UMW Christmas Party at Kim's—6 PM, see p. 2	9 Blood Drive—2:30— 7:00 PM, see p. 6	10	11 	12	13 	14 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament—All Day see p. 6
15 Church Council— 4:30 PM	16 Lord's Supper Ministry—5 PM, see p. 2 	17	18	19	20	21 Stop Hunger Now Event—10-12:00 PM, see p. 6
22 UMW—7 PM, see p. 2	23	24	25	26	27 	28 Quilting Workshop—9 -3:00 PM, see p. 6 Kohnle Party, 5-8:00 PM, see p. 6
29 ONE WORSHIP Sunday, 10:30 AM, see p. 6	30	31 