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ZION'S PERSONAL PAGE

CONGRATULATIONS!

Andrew Weadock was accepted into the Junior High National Honor Society, Liberty-Benton Chapter. Andrew now needs to complete 15 hours of community service. If you have a need, please contact him.



MORE SCHOLARS

Bailey Rader made the all A Honor Roll at McComb.

Britta Fenstermaker is also a member of the National Honor Society. Congratulations!

DO YOU HAVE ITEMS OF INTEREST? Please submit them for publication to Marilyn Willford by the first Wednesday of each month. Thanks!



MINISTER'S MESSAGE

United Methodists often joke about the many organizational layers of church life, but, as members of other denominations have been heard to say: “If you want something done, get the Methodists to do it.” Followers of the Wesleys are indeed “methodical” about the ways they approach mission and ministry.

One reason United Methodists are able to accomplish great things is the church’s emphasis on “connectionalism.” It is common to hear United Methodist leaders speak of the denomination as “the connection.” This concept has been central to Methodism from its beginning.

The United Methodist Church, which began as a movement and a loose network of local societies with a mission, has grown into one of the most carefully organized and largest denominations in the world. The United Methodist structure and organization began as a means of accomplishing the mission of spreading Scriptural Holiness over the land. John Wesley recognized the need for an organized system of communication and accountability and developed what he called the “connexion,” which was an interlocking system of classes, societies, and annual conferences.

No local church is the total body of Christ. Therefore, local United Methodist churches are bound together by a common mission and common governance that accomplish reaching out into the world. United Methodist churches and organizations join in mission with each other and with other denominations. Connectionalism shows through the clergy appointment system, through the developing of mission and ministry that United Methodists do together, and through giving.

An example of connectionalism: Mission work around the world, whether it be a new university in Africa or bicycles for Cuban pastors, is the work of “the connection,” as opposed to the work of a single congregation.

It’s as simple as people coming together, combining their money to accomplish something bigger than themselves. United Methodists support apportioned and designated funds through their connectional gifts.

The General Conference establishes budgets for the denomination’s general funds. These are divided among annual conferences, based on a specific formula. Each annual conference, using its own approved formula, divides these fund requests, along with conference administrative and benevolence fund requests, among local churches. In addition, individuals, local churches, districts and annual conferences may make monetary gifts to the designated funds, of which 100 percent goes directly to a specific project or ministry. Together, apportioned and designated funds represent our connectional giving.

By combining several smaller gifts into a larger amount, we can effect change across the world. Individual churches can minister to a small area; however, as a connectional church, we can do big things, all in the name of Jesus Christ.

GREETER SCHEDULE

Nov. 20 - Dean & Kay Zeisloft, Brian & Angie Rader
 Nov. 27 - Joe & Harriet Adams, Faye Newman
 Dec. 4 - Ray Zeiter, Chris Hawkins, Jean Adams



ZION SERVANT – LEADERS

Ad. Board Chair	Denny Dorman
Vice-Chair	Gregg Fox
Secretary	Deborah Foust
Treasurer/Building Comm. Chair	Carl Grothaus
Finance Chair	Mel Fox
Financial Sec./Lay Speaker	Marie Eichar
Nurture Chair	Mel Fox
Outreach Chair	Barb Tidd
Witness Chair	Marilyn Willford
Prayer Coordinator	Ginny Geaman
Worship Chair	Roger Brown
Scouting Coordinator	Dean Zeisloft
PPR Chair	Joe Adams

TRUSTEES

2011	Denny Dorman Gregg Fox Deb Core
2012	Jan Morrison Harriet Adams
2013	Tom Brown Keith Willford David Hanrahan

PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS

2011	Joe Adams Tim Hooper Angie Rader
2012	Devin Harmon Rhonda Grothaus
2013	Chuck Eichar Jody Rucker

LEADER SELECTION AND DEVELOPMENT

2011	Harriet Adams Marilyn Willford
2012	Brenda Fenstermaker Tom Brown
2013	Faye Newman Brian Stennett

MISSIONS

November missions include Friendly Center, Smallwoods, Benevolence Fund, the Bishop's offering and jail Bibles. Extra funds this month will go to World Hunger. We are also collecting toilet tissue and laundry detergent for our next food bank.

W.O.W.

Will NOT meet on November 23rd due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Zion's Youth Fellowship for all middle school students will not meet on November 23rd. Meetings will resume in December.

UMW

We had another successful bazaar thanks to all who contributed and purchased items. In November our annual Thank Offering meeting was hosted by Midge Beck, Jean Adams, and Carl Etta Capes. The Thank Offering is part of our 5-Star Giving and goes to missions.

The United Methodist Women will host the annual Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 10th at 9:30 a.m. All the women of the church and their guests are invited. This year, instead of doing something for the local school children, we have a monthly mission for CHOPIN Hall. November items are cranberry sauce or a can of fruit.

CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE DURING THE SECOND SERVICE AFTER THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE. ALL YOUNGSTERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

As out-reach programs, Zion continues to collect coupons and Campbell's labels. The coupons can be expired. There are containers in the fellowship hall for both

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MINUTES



ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MINUTES November 7, 2011

Gregg Fox called the meeting to order and opened with a prayer. In attendance were Keith Willford, Marilyn Willford, Marie Eichar, Ginny Geaman, Roger Brown, Chuck Eichar, Brett Kelly, Mel Fox, Carl Grothaus, and Deborah Foust.

SECRETARY – Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

OUTREACH – Cards with needed items for Thanksgiving family are on the kitchen counter. Items are due by November 20th. Extra missions moneys in November go to World Hunger. Our next food bank has been paid for and we continue to collect toilet tissue and laundry detergent for that.

NURTURE – November 23rd will be the Thanksgiving Eve service at 7 p.m. Hanging of the Greens will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 26th. A shared brunch will follow. One Christmas Eve Service is scheduled for 8 p.m. and a combined Christmas morning service will be held at 10 a.m. There will be no Sunday School.

PRAYER COORDINATOR – The new prayer program is underway. Prayer volunteers will each have a list and will pray for the names on the list for one week. More volunteers are welcome. We will work on editing the list for new attendees and persons who are no longer at Zion. Letters need to be sent to obtain status. There will be Advent devotional books for Zion families. All are asked to think about what we are thankful for – which is sometimes more difficult.

U.M.W. – The annual bazaar was a successful. The November 13th meeting will be hosted by Midge Beck, Carl Etta Capes, and Jean Adams. November item for CHOPIN Hall is cranberry sauce or a can of fruit. December 10th is the annual Christmas Brunch at 9:30 a.m.

WITNESS – No report.

TRUSTEES – Nursery window seal is missing and the east window latch is broken. The spindle in the bell tower is missing and will need to be looked at in the spring. Thermostat in basement had batteries replaced – may need additional repair. Trying to work out issues with sanctuary thermostat. Buckeye-Rusco being contacted about warranty on front door. Looking into pricing to seal sanctuary windows.

PPR – Minister salary was approved with a slight (\$700) raise. Housing \$14,000 and act. reimbursement of \$5600.

FINANCE – No report.

TREASURER – We are paying bills, but need direction for apportionments. Filed for audit. Snow removal and yard work quotes will be sought in hopes of lowering costs. There will be an offering on Christmas Eve.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY – Without final costs, BBQ profit was \$1578. Money for the Building Fund. It was moved and seconded that we tithe 10% to be divided between apportionments. Approved. Brett will put a note in newsletter about the need for apportionments and what they pay for. \$181 went to Liberty-Benton School to help pay for children to attend Camp Storer. There is \$200 in Bible fund. The funds for the next food bank have been donated.

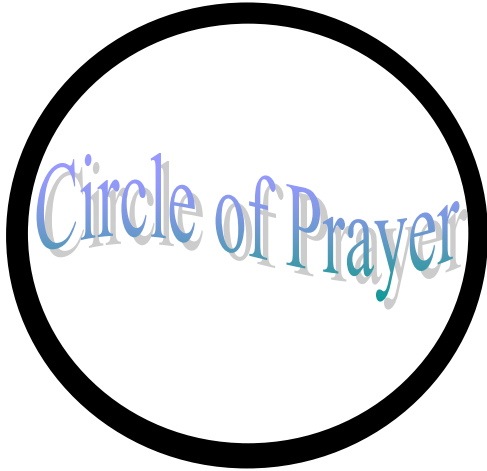
PASTOR'S REPORT – Leadership Development will meet on November 15th.

MISCELLANEOUS – Andrew Weadock in National Honor Society – needs 15 hours of community service. If anyone needs help, please contact him. Next meeting is December 5th. Britta Fenstermaker also in National Honor Society.

ADJOURNED – Brett closed with prayer.



PRAYER IN ACTION



If you wish to add or delete name(s) on this prayer list, please inform Ginny or Deborah.

Please remember in prayer: Jack Brown, Nancy Harmon, Dorothy Roy, Bill Stewart, Marilyn Willford, Elizabeth Snyder.

All those in our church family who are experiencing physical, emotional, and/or spiritual pain.

A Prayer for November

'Tis the season for Thanksgiving,
for Your grace upon our land;
in our hearts we are rejoicing
for the blessings from Your hands.

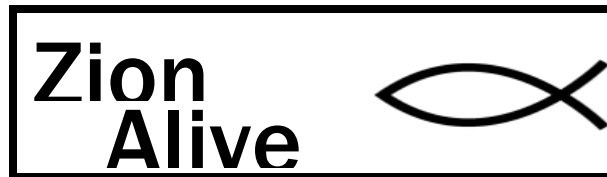
Amen


~Guideposts



Dear Zion Family,
Please watch for *A Season For Singing*, an Advent devotional booklet which will be available on the first Sunday in Advent, November 27th.
We hope you will use this booklet as an opportunity to deepen your spiritual life and prepare your heart for Christmas. A daily devotional calendar for children will also be available.
Blessings,
Ginny

EVENT CALENDAR



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOV 13	NOV 14	NOV 15	NOV 16	NOV 17	NOV 18	NOV 19
9 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Contemporary	6 p.m. Chime Choir 7 p.m. Choir					
NOV 20	NOV 21	NOV 22	NOV 23	NOV 24	NOV 25	NOV 26
BirthDay Sunday 7:15 Men's Breakfast 9 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Contemporary	6 p.m. Chime Choir 7 p.m. Choir		7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service			10 a.m. Hanging of the Greens – Carry-in brunch
NOV 27	NOV 28	NOV 29	NOV 30	DEC 1	DEC 2	DEC 3
1 st Sunday in Advent Building Fund Sunday 9 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Contemporary	6 p.m. Chime Choir 7 p.m. Choir					
DEC 4	DEC 5	DEC 6	DEC 7	DEC 8	DEC 9	DEC 10
2 nd Sunday in Advent Missions Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Combined Worship Carry-in meal	6 p.m. N.O. W. Teams 7 p.m. Ad Board					9:30 a.m. Women's Christmas Brunch

BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 12 – Keith Grothaus
 15 – Emily Stewart
 16 – Harriet Adams
 20 – Jacob Fenstermaker
 25 – Ron Zeisloft
 28 – Audrey Brown, Nancy Saam
 30 – Andrew Weadock, Dennis Zvoboda
 Dec. 2 – David Hanrahan
 10 – Brenda Fenstermaker



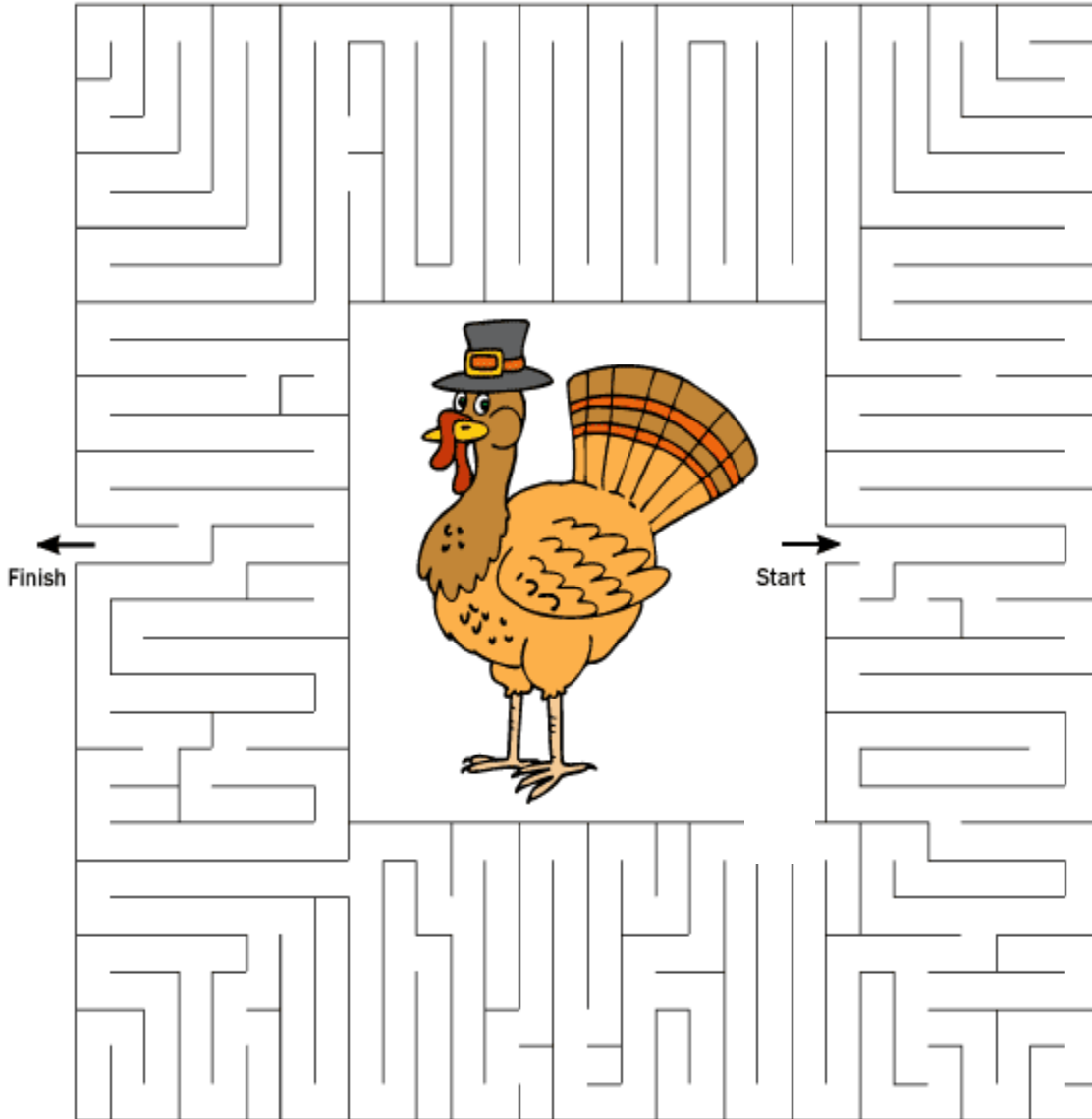
ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 18 – Richard & Jasmine Wells
 27 – Carl & Rhonda Grothaus
 28 – Joe & Harriet Adams
 Dec. 7 – Brian & Angie Rader
 Brenda & Randy Fenstermaker





Kid's Korner





THE LAST LAUGH

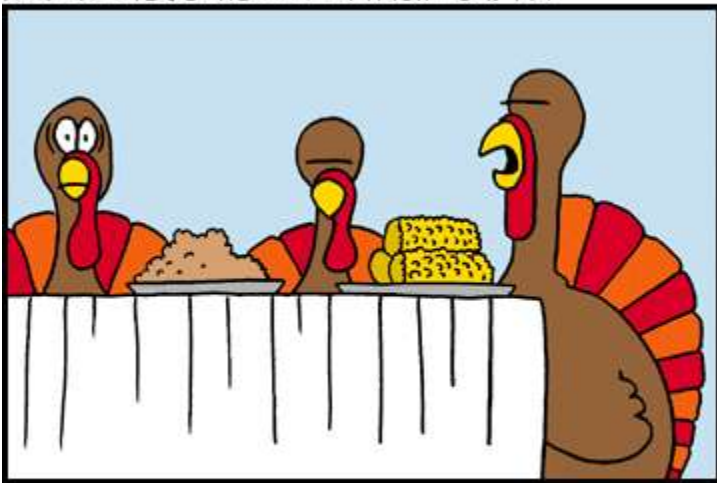
And the Lord created man as the only creature who could laugh...



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NICE WORK FELLAS ... IT'S BEEN A LONG WHILE NOW AND THEY ARE STILL REMEMBERING TO THANK ME

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