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# **UPCOMING DATES**

Sunday Aug. 25, 2024
AWESOME AUGUST
BAR SOAP SUNDAY
8:45 am IGNITERS FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am WORSHIP
11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP
11:10 am CHILDREN'S SUNDAY
SCHOOL

<u>Friday Aug. 30, 2024</u>

Monday Aug. 26, 2024 8:00 am SACK GROCERIES

5:30pm YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Saturday Aug. 31, 2024 8:00 am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Aug. 28, 2024

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY

Thursday Aug. 29, 2024

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY

9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY

6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

Tuesday Aug. 27, 2024

## **NEW FEASIBILITY STUDY**

On Wednesday, August 7, 2024, the New Feasibility Study Team to investigate possibilities of expanding the Child Care Center's ministry had its first meeting. The work on this past Wednesday was two-fold. The first piece of business was to elect a chairperson for the Feasibility Study Team...Kate Richardson (Thank You) was nominated and unanimously approved. The second piece of business was to discuss how we tackle the task of determining any future growth areas for the Child Care Center.

As a part of the nine person discussion, the team felt that the following areas would be in the scope of discovery: 1) do we expand the CCC in the framework of what we have by just increasing the number of children we serve in the current structure?; 2) do we incorporate a new after-school program under the CCC?; or 3) do we incorporate the addition of a new summer program?

The discussion was that the team's work would be to discover the greatest community need as well as greatest potential for participation in any one of the three opportunities. It was not part of the discussion of the Feasibility Study Team to do more than one of the above, but to seek knowledge on which of the three would/could be a "best opportunity" fit.

The Feasibility Study Team created five areas of research (which could grow) that will begin in order to determine if there is a future growth area for the Child Care Center. Those areas were: 1) Current Facility Potentiality; 2) Child Care Center Financial Feasibility; 3) a Community Need Assessment; 4) DHR Staffing Requirements/Ratio Needs; and 5) Possible Faith Based Teaching Curriculums.

There is still time to be a part of this important Study Team, and there is need of servants to be a part from the membership of the church. If you would be a part of this Study Team, please contact the church office or Kate Richardson as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from you to be a part of this work of ministry. Thank you!

~ Bro. John V.



Hello Friends,

Greetings! I pray you're well this week...what a great weekend our church had August 9-11, 2024, hosting the youth DNOW weekend (formerly known as Discovery Weekend). Thank you for your prayers, your participation, your contributions, your service, and your witness church. Eleven youth, as you witnessed Sunday morning, had a great weekend <a href="ENCOUNTERING">ENCOUNTERING</a> the Living God, and your support of the kids, your youth director, and the adult servants that gave their time through the weekend was amazing. It takes ALL of us in ALL ways to make such happen! Congratulations Church!

I am hopeful that you and I caught some of their fire from the <a href="ENCOUNTER">ENCOUNTER</a> weekend as we witnessed the Youth testify about God's love for them? Their learnings are a great time for us to remember our own <a href="ENCOUNTER">ENCOUNTER</a> with the Living God through Jesus Christ. Our <a href="ENCOUNTER">ENCOUNTER</a> with Jesus offers the same five things for us as our youth learned it offers in their lives: 1) It's not just a salvation moment or a "one-and-done" moment; 2) there is always a purpose to an <a href="ENCOUNTER">ENCOUNTER</a> with God / God is doing something in us; 3) it's transformative...Abram became Abraham, Jacob became Israel, Saul became Paul...you and I become Christian, taking the Name of Jesus; 4) God is moving us...forward! We don't stay in the same place, but we are growing in Jesus; and 5) our <a href="ENCOUNTER">ENCOUNTER</a> is just the start of God's transformation in our lives...it is a life-long journey. Friends, I pray that each of us are recognizing, realizing and responding to our <a href="ENCOUNTERS">ENCOUNTERS</a> with God, and are willing to testify just as our youth did.

Okay, one last week learning our scripture from Galatians, but with a twist...can you know fill in the blanks of our remembering and practicing our disposition of Jesus in daily living? Galatians 5:22-23, and reads, "22 But the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Spirit is l\_\_\_\_\_, j\_\_\_\_, p\_\_\_\_\_, f\_\_\_\_\_, k\_\_\_\_\_, g\_\_\_\_\_, f\_\_\_\_\_, 23 g\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_\_ c\_\_\_\_. Against such things there is no l\_\_\_\_\_. WE ARE being and becoming a living reflection of Jesus Christ to all we meet.

In Service to Christ,

Bro. John Verciglio



### ENCOUNTER T-SHIRTS

There are a few extra Tshirts from the D-NOW ENCOUNTER weekend. If

you would like a T- shirt, swing by the office, \$10 a shirt. We have: 2-small; 2-Medium; 1-XLarge; and 2- XXLarge.



#### THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS

"NATURE PRINTS" 6:00pm on 8/1/24. All supplies are included. Everyone is welcome! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED. We will roll ink onto stems you picked from nature & print them onto paper. Next we paint with opaque water colors. I will bring some stems I picked too. \$18.00 per person. Call the church office to RSVP. 205-491-3421. Or call Laurie Mc. at 205-401-3124.

## **Attendance & Contributions**

August 11, 2024

Sunday Worship Attendance.....127 Online Attendance.....1108

Budget Contributions 8/11/24.....\$7,659.00

**Year To Date Total Budget** 

Contributions as of 8/11/24....\$248,763.22

# **Special Prayer Request**

**Jan Towers** Susie Linholm Jack Moon Stuart McCrorie **Abby Parsons Sellers** Javne Hornsby **Ronny Duncan** Carol Maddrra

**Phil Vines Kenny Coston** Terry Horne Tammy Moody Ray Kilburn **Batton Terry** Marilyn Brown

## **INVITE A FRIEND SUNDAY** SEPTEMBER 22ND

Actually, this should be every week event... inviting our friends who aren't going to church! It's such an intimidating thing to do for some of us... invite someone to church. An invitation to someone we know isn't in church can often feel like we are saying to them, "why aren't you in church?"; "do you believe in God?"; "how long has it been since you've been in church?" These are just a few of those things we hear in our rationale to not reach out to others.

On Sunday, **September 22nd**, we are hosting a "Invite a Friend Day" here at First Methodist Church. The only way this will be a successful outreach to our friends, our family, and our community is if we don't reach out and invite someone. It really is all up to you and me!

I hope you will be a part of this great opportunity. I think we should also have a church luncheon on this day. What do you think? I hope you will decide to be a part of this great day, and that you will not be "shy" about inviting someone you know that isn't going to church...it doesn't matter if they are a member or not...just invite them!







# **MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM**

**BUDGET**– In Honor of Marilyn & Alan Brown. With Love, Lisa Scott & Family.

**RED Bird**— In Honor of Cheryl Finch & Kenny Coston. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Jane Hornsby. By The Adult Sunday School Class.

**RED BÍRD**– In Honor of Carlo Madderra and Marilyn Brown. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**BUDGET**—In Memory of Richard Norton. By John & Lvnda Swinev.

**BUDGET**– In Honor of Gil on His Birthday. Love, Jeff Higgins.



The season football and tailgating is upon us! What better way to engage our community than with our 2nd annual Tripe G-(God/Gridiron/Good Eats) Tailgate Cookout. September 15th, 4:00 p.m. here at the church. Has your group started talking about how you are going to be a part? If not, let's get talking. Please contact Andy Nolen as soon as possible to find out what you and your group can do to help make this a fantastic outreach to our community.

# **AUGUST & SEPTEMBER** CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sept. 2 ... Church Office Closed

Sept... 8-13, Redbird Mission trip.

Sept. 15... Tailgate Community Cookout, 4:00 pm, church grounds

Sept. 22... Invite a Friend Sunday, church lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Sept. 20-26...GMC General Conference Mtg, San Jose, Costa Rica

LET'S MAKE SURE WE GET THESE DATES ON OUR PERSONAL CALENDARS.