

TO KNOW CHRIST, TO GROW IN CHRIST, TO GO SERVE CHRIST



MARCH 2015

Medicine Lodge United Methodist Church



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LENTEN MEALS

Tuesday, March 3

6:00 pm @ Christian Church

Speaker: Dwain Richert

Tuesday, March 10

11:45 am @ Community Bible Fellowship

Speaker: Juanita Catlin

Tuesday, March 17

11:45 am @ Catholic Church

Speaker: Firmin Kyaw

Tuesday, March 24

11:45 am @ UMC

Speaker: Tom Walters

Tuesday, March 31

11:45 am @ Christian Church

Speaker: Rodney Worsham

A Free Will Offering will be taken for Ministerial Alliance to help with community needs.



Easter Flowers 2015

If you would like to purchase a flower (spring blooming plants) to be used in the Sanctuary during Easter, please fill out the form and return it with payment to the church office.

Deadline: March 25, 2015

Cost: \$20.00

Placed By: _____

In Honor of: _____

or

In Memory of: _____

Going Away Celebration
For
Pastor Dale and Connie

Sunday, March 22
2:00 - 4:00 pm

On the Main Floor of The Grand

Come and Go

Come share memories
and wish them well.



LIVING PROOF

LIVE WITH BETH MOORE

worship by travis cottrell

BECAUSE YOU ARE LIVING PROOF OF GOD'S LOVE

Saturday, September 12, 2015

9:30 am-4:15 pm

Intrust Bank, Wichita, KS

If you would like to order with our group at the early bird price (\$59) bring your money to the church office by May 3.

Living Proof Live Rally

April 28, 2015 @ 6:30 pm

First Mennonite Brethren, Wichita

We have a group planning to go. If you would like to join in contact the church office.

THANK YOU!

Thank You!

- 👉 Cindy Christensen for changing the cross drape and decorating the sanctuary
- 👉 Tom & Sue Lee for opening up on Sunday morning
- 👉 Gary Dean Crosby for turning on lights Sunday morning and for helping spread salt on the sidewalk
- 👉 Judy Phipps for organizing the food bank
- 👉 Sue Lee for taking minutes at the Administrative Council Meeting
- 👉 Sue Lee, Andrea Fisher and Melea Oxley for taking minutes at the Charge Conference
- 👉 Tyce Lonker for cleaning the snow off the sidewalks after worship

A huge thank you to those who supported the MYF at the Spuds of Love Luncheon. Thank you for the fellowship, support, and generosity! The youth will be heading to Branson the last weekend in March, and plans are in motion for a summer Mission Trip.

Thank you to Extreme Kids Club for the Valentines card and to everyone who has been sending cards. I really appreciate you keeping in touch.

Love,
Van Mitchell

Thanks to those who helped load the truck the other day: Stephanie Hawkins, Randy Mae, Jim & Marti Sheetz, Larry Brittain, Lynn Packard, Jed Hill, Ryan Bedwell, Dorothy Stutler and Rick Swayden. Special thanks to Tammy Keimig for coming over to help pack boxes.

Pastor Dale & Connie

Administrative Council Meeting

Sunday, March 8

1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1-Dorothy Stutler, Linda Rickard
- 2-Tesha Wampler
- 5-Brendan Pfeifer
- 7-Leslie Wedel
- 8-Barbara Dubbs, Trent Strong,
- 9-Robert Shriner, Bobbie Lonker
- 10-Talon Phipps, Ryan Hill
- 11-John Dawson, Monty Rickard
- 13-Jodi Lonker, Pat McCullough
- 14-Kaiden Wampler
- 15-Linda Wheelock, Sue Lee
- 17-Ron Hill, Theron Wedel
- 18-Jeannie McCullough
- 21-Bonnie Dubbs
- 22-Garrett Kolb
- 23-Betty Buell, Liz Forsyth
- 24-Jayne McDonald
- 25-Lesley Hill
- 27-Bob Smith, Donna Hudson
- 30-Phyllis Krehbile, Tyler Ward
- 31-Rick Dirks



Our Deepest Sympathy

To the families of
Brock Nichols
Maxine Nixon
Bob Rutan
Peggy Silcott



UMW NEWS

Faith Circle

will meet on March 9 @ 7:00 pm at the UMC with Nancy Sinkbeil as hostess and co-hostess. Mary Lou Hinz will have devotions and Betty Buell will have the program.

Mary Martha Circle

will meet on March 25 @ 7:00 pm at the UMC with Barbara Hawkins will be hostess and also have the program.



This is the day that Lord has made, Praise God for this day, after many things, many situations and circumstance I got victory in the Name of Jesus...for this day I want to give thanks to our **almighty GOD**. I want to give thanks to my mom and dad for their prayer support in every area of my study life that I finished my M.Div, Really it's my heartfelt thanks to **Pastor Dale Thiele** and the Church members of **Medicine Lodge Church (USA)**. Because of their helping in

spiritually when I worry and weak and financially when I need for Study and out-reach ministry, thesis, and many more times when I need for study purpose and Glory to GOD, because of them I was able to finish my **Master of Divinity**.

Please pray for me continually. In the month of May-June I am going Nepal for a revival meeting as a guest preacher, there will be more than 500-600 young people please hold me in your prayers for that meeting. May the HOLY GHOST lead me and speak to me and conduct the whole meeting. Pray for financial need for this Meeting And please pray for my ministry that GOD may show me the place where, when, how, shall I serve HIM. As I am going home (Hooghly, West Bengal, near Kolkata city) my parents and sister they are serving with village people in Sunday school ministry and evangelist work-Mercy Ministry. I am going to join with them. Please pray for this ministry. It's a Muslim and Hindu area. It is difficult to share with strong Hindu and Muslim people so please pray for our protection and may God provide for our family and things needed for Ministry. Thank you so much for all of your prayers and support... **GOD BLESS YOUALL**.

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Administrative Council Meeting February 8, 2015

Tammy Keimig opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the October 12, 2014 meeting were read and approved.

Congregational Care

Mary Lou reported this committee has met and have things in place to call on shut-ins, those hospitalized and inactives. She said we need to be deliberate and intentional to show we care. They welcomed Melea Oxley to the committee. We all need to inform Mary Lou of needs when we know about them.

Education

Andrea reported there are over 40 kids from the community signed up for the trip to Branson March 27-29. Extreme Kids will conclude on April 29 and Andrea thanked all who help. We need another Sunday School teacher as Jodi Lonker is the only one right now. A coordinator for VBS is needed and the date will be set when that person is found. Kicking Bear is in pre-planning with the dates being May 29-30. A community meeting will be held soon for that. It is hoped that Ray could speak in our church on Sunday morning. Kelly is doing the confirmation class. The downstairs adult Sunday school class is just starting a Lifetree series.

Endowment

Dave Oxley reported that January had been a better month and dividend stocks are doing better. The St. Francis Hospital bond is a good rate.

Evangelism

Lesley Hill shared a 30-day devotional "Remember the Future" written for leaders of the church. The District Supt. is a fan of this book which could get us thinking and presents an outward focus instead of inward. It was mentioned we have church cups that we could fill with a brochure, letter and candy for those who are first time visitors. It is very important to acknowledge visitors; communication is crucial. We also need to remember to pass the sign-in book each week. Dave Oxley mentioned that some organizations are creating cell phone calling lists because of people not using landlines as much.

Hospitality & Fellowship

No report although it was mentioned this is a big job and expensive for those on the committee.

History & Arch

No report; information can be obtained from Sharla. Mary Lou shared there are two books which have been written about our church: "Blest Be the Tie" by Regina Allen, 1877-1977 and "A Glimpse of History, 1977-2007" updated by Van Mitchell & Jennie Seyfert.

Lay Leader

Dr. Stucky announced we will be having a retired minister filling in several days a week beginning next Sunday. She will actually arrive on Saturday and housing has been found for her. Her name is Juanita Catlin. Dean will meet with the interim minister Saturday afternoon. On March 1 the service will be conducted by a group from Southwestern College and they will need places to stay. Congregational Care will take care of this. Sharla will be asked to inform everyone to bring extra food for the potluck.

There was a change in what the DS said at charge conference and we will be paying Dale's salary through June 30. Dale has also asked that we pay for a meeting he wishes to attend which is most likely the worship leaders' conference at COR. Dale has \$400 worth of sound equipment he would like to sell to the church. Consensus was to purchase these items. Health insurance will be paid by the conference. Staff-Parish will plan a farewell open house for Dale. Dale would like to rent a U-Haul instead of having the conference movers do the job.

Discussion was held on lowering the salary to provide a better array of potential ministers. We need to let the DS know immediately that we are going to adjust the salary range because they are in the process of appointing ministers at this time. Mary Lou moved to set the range from \$24,000-36,000 with benefits appropriate. Dorothy seconded the motion. Motion carried. NOTE: this amount was increased to the DSA/pastoral rates upon checking the conference website.

We will need another charge conference ASAP to validate this change in the budget.

In the discussion, Lesley suggested that we use some of these extra funds for an education/youth/outreach position.

Bob Larson

Bob Larson shared his wishes for Charlene's memorial. It is the Methodist symbol of cross and flame and will be placed on the bell tower. It is 5 1/2 ' wide and 10' tall and made of aluminum and vinyl. The project will cost \$3,076.50 and funds are available for this. This project has been approved by the Trustees. Mary Lou moved to approve; Andrea seconded the motion, which passed.

Memorial

A chairperson is needed for this committee.

Missions

Andrea shared there are plans for a youth mission trip this summer. EKC has been taking water well donations. The Love Fund provides for local needs. We have a relationship with Park City, our sister church that is a give and take. In regard to our overseas missions, it was suggested we do planned mission collections several times a year and provide information as to where the monies are going. Other ideas were shared, such as UMCOR, Native American Sunday, etc.

Scholarship

Sharla will send out information to seniors.

Stewardship

No report.

Trustees

Tom Lee shared that he has recently found that the Trustees are the legal entity of the church. He has had conversations with the DS and a pension fund representative from Topeka, trying to iron out misconceptions since the information we received at charge conference was incorrect. The following items are needed: a disability policy in place for short-term disability; job descriptions for all employees (completed by Staff-Parish) and an organization chart including committee chairs.

New batteries are need for all hand-held items and we need a supply of them so we have them when they go dead.

Other

Mary Lou asked about the reasons for turning down the opportunity to host the Daddy/Daughter dance that was held this weekend. This would be a great opportunity to get people in our church.

Elisa Stone was suggested for worship chair.

In closing, Tammy said the following items would be carried over to the next meeting:

- Covenant of Conduct—how we conduct ourselves (in writing)
- Operational Checks & Balances

Tammy complimented the committee for working together.

Respectfully submitted
Sue Lee, Acting Secretary

Present: Tammy Keimig, Dean & Jean Stucky, Lesley Hill, Andrea Fisher, Kay Steckman, Dorothy Stutler, Mary Lou Hinz, Dave & Melea Oxley, Don Lonker, Tom & Sue Lee, Bob Larson

WARRIOR

Sunday Schedule

- 9:30 am - Worship
- 10:45 am - Fellowship Time
- 11:00 am - Sunday School
- 12 noon - Covered Dish Dinner
(1st Sunday of the month)

Wednesday Schedule

- 6:30 am - Men's Bible Study
- 3:50 pm - 5:15 pm
Extreme Kids Club
- 7:00 pm - Jr & Sr High MYF

Ushers

Dale, Cade & Tyce Lonker

Greeters

3-1 Dallas & Patty Lawrence
Rest of month - Tammy Keimig

Acolytes

Ian & Sophia Dawson

Readers

Sophia Dawson



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 6:30 pm - Lenten Study Southwestern College Selah in Worship Service	2 10 am Food Bank 3:00 pm - Lenten Study at the Indian Hills Lodge	3 6:00 pm - Lenten Supper @ Christian 6:30 pm - Beth Moore Revelation Study	4 <i>Reg Wed Act</i>	5	6	7
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins 1:30 pm - Adm Co 6:30 pm - Lenten Study	9 10 am Food Bank 3:00 pm - Lenten Study at the Indian Hills Lodge	10 11:45 am - Lenten Lunch @ CBF 6:30 pm - Beth Moore Revelation Study	11 <i>Reg Wed Act.</i>	12	13	14
15 6:30 pm - Lenten Study	16 10 am Food Bank 3:00 pm - Lenten Study at the Indian Hills Lodge	17 11:45 am - Lenten Lunch @ Catholic 6:30 pm - Beth Moore Revelation Study	18 <i>Reg Wed Act.</i>	19	20	21
22 6:30 pm - Lenten Study	23 10 am Food Bank 3:00 pm - Lenten Study at the Indian Hills Lodge	24 11:45 am - Lenten Lunch @ UMC 6:30 pm - Beth Moore Revelation Study	25 <i>Reg Wed Act.</i>	26	27	28 Youth to Young Christians Weekend in Branson
29 6:30 pm - Lenten Study	30 10 am Food Bank 3:00 pm - Lenten Study at the Indian Hills Lodge	31 11:45 am - Lenten Lunch @ Christian				



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 Spencer Wartman, Lee's grandson
 Joey Ludwick (son of John & Heather Ludwick)

2015 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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 Ron & Judy Phipps 739-4722

Education -Andrea Fisher 930-2049

Endowment-David Oxley 886-5783

Evangelism-Linda Vick 915-449-8149
 Lesley Hill

Hospitality-Emerald Bedwell 886-5320

Lay Leader John Platt, 886-2003

Dean Stucky 886-3485

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Memorial -

Missions - Andrea Fisher, 930-2049

Scholarship-Bob Packard 886-3006

SPRC Relations -

Dean Stucky 886-3485
 Dorothy Stutler 930-2020

Stew/Finance- Dale Lonker 886-3311

Brandon Phipps

History & Archives -

Worship/Music & Arts -

Elisa Stone 886-3030

Trustees - Tom Lee 930-2072

Jed Hill

Childcare Facilities-

Emerald Bedwell 886-5320

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Schedule

Worship	9:30 am
Fellowship Time	10:45 am
Sunday School	11:00 am
Covered Dish Dinner (1st Sunday of the month)	11:45 pm

Monday Schedule

Food Bank	10:00 am
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Tuesday Schedule

Beth Moore Revelation Study	6:30 pm
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Wednesday Schedule

Men's Bible Study	6:30 am
Extreme Kids Club	3:50 pm
Jr MYF	7:00 pm
Sr MYF	7:00 pm

