

2015



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

Medicine Lodge
United Methodist Church
108 E. 2nd Ave., Medicine Lodge, KS 67104

Hi all!

I'm enjoying being at Medicine Lodge UMC! It's been great meeting you all, getting to know you a little bit, and getting around town and the area a little bit (thank you to all who have invited and taken me to various wonderful get-togethers, dinners and tours!). It's also been great beginning our worship of the Lord together here!

I've heard several themes/areas for possible focus in terms of ministry as a church at this point. These have been things such as: Children and Youth, Getting ready for Kids Club and making sure that is well set up for another successful year, Having Ministries that are Outward-Focused (that is, seeking to reach new people with God's love in Christ; example – Ways to connect more with the parents of Kids Club attendees. I heard one great idea here already! Do you have thoughts for a good Outward-Focused ministry to our community and/or to the unchurched?)

A new small group or groups is a possibility. (I love small groups and think they are great for a church!) Maybe a new Sunday school class for people not already in a group? A young adult or adults-with-children group of some sort? A new Fast Track Disciple Bible Study group? Do you have an idea for a group where people can grow together in their faith OR in their service? A mission/ministry focused small group?

I'm just sharing ideas and themes I have heard repeatedly so far, or that I've wondered about myself. I'm also enjoying our opportunities to bolster and enrich our worship time together! Thank you to all who are helping with that!

It is a great blessing to be here! I'm trusting the Lord will lead us together into the good things He has for us and for others through this church.

And one more HUGE thing for us to keep remembering: Our effectiveness as a church in our Outward focus is in direct relationship to our love for one another Within the church!

So to that end, I encourage everyone to be reading Ephesians 4:1-16 and Colossians 3:1-17 on some sort of a regular basis (weekly?), and seeking to put that into practice in treating one another with love in the church!

(Jesus said) By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:35).

That others will know!

Grace and peace to you all,

Love in Christ,

Pastor Paul

THANK YOU!

Thank You!

Thank You!

- ✦ Ron Phipps for taking the cardboard to recycling
- ✦ Cindy Christensen & Tina Andrews for running the computer for worship
- ✦ Jody Mullican for getting the newsletters ready to mail
- ✦ Kelly Stockwell for hanging the tv in the library and fixing a toilet

United Methodist Church,
Thank you very much for the scholarship and the opportunity to continue my education. I plan to take full advantage of it and work hard this year. Thank you again!
God Bless,
Matthew Johnson



- * Computer Operators and sound techs for worship services
- * Newsletter editor
- * 4 yr old-6th Grade Sunday School teacher/teachers

If you are interested in serving in any of these areas please contact the church office-886-3903.



To Meghann Cline and Ross Keimig on their marriage July 25 at the UMC.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1-Dave Oxley, Michael McLemore
- 2-Brooklyn Petardi
- 3-Carrie Forsyth, Sheri Weeks
- 5-Larry Dubbs
- 6-Ryan Bedwell, Shirley Thomas
- 7-Tiffany Hughes
- 8-Byron Hummon, Jamie Lonker
- 10-Carrie Lane, Brenda Dirks
- 11-Alexavier Nittler
- 12-Mike Keltner, Pam Packard, Bill Slinkard, Torrey Lonker
- 13-Shiloh Carr
- 14-Diana Moore, Joann Watkins
- 16-John Nixon
- 17-Jim Sheetz
- 18-Jon Oxley
- 20-Amy DeMage, John Wright
- 21-Barbara Keltner, Jessie Byers
- 24-Jake Fisher
- 30-Teresa Farrar



Congratulations to Matt & Carrie Forsyth on the birth of their daughter, Landry Jan born July 27th. Grandparents are: Tim & Janet Chance, Brad & Liz Forsyth & Lisa Forsyth Great-Grandparents are: Joann Watkins, Jan Forsyth & Don & Barbara Lonker,



Food, fun, fellowship around beautifully decorated tables describes the UMW Mother-Daughter-Sister Friend Salad Supper

held on June 28, 2015. The evening began with the usual delicious meal followed by the recognition and celebration of special guests. Ada Mitchell won all honors by being not only the eldest mother, but, also, by being surrounded by her beautiful daughter, granddaughters and great-granddaughters! What a blessing to have four generations of loveliness around her! Barbara Hawkins, Amy Anderson and Cheryl Wampler followed closely with their three generations of beauties!

We welcomed many friends from area churches and Sue Lee had the joy of bringing her longtime friend, Sherry Brothers, from Quincy, Illinois. Linda Vick won the honor of having the newest friends of the evening as well as having two pretty granddaughters as guests, one from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The anticipated entertainment was indeed the highlight of the evening. "The Dooley Sisters," and their daughters, thoroughly delighted those present with their amazing voices. Their talent and Christian witness was an inspiration and blessing. They left everyone wanting more and with the hope that they might bless us with an encore performance in the future.



August 24th
12 noon—6 pm



- Sunday Schedule**
 9:30 am -Worship
 10:45 am - Fellowship Time
 11:00 am-Sunday School

Wednesday Schedule
 6:30 am - Men's Bible Study

Ushers

2-Tom Lee & Mike Roe
 9-

16-

23-

30-

Greeters

Tom & Sue Lee

Acolytes

2-Stone Boys

9-

16-

23-

30-

**Contact
 Elisa Stone
 or the church
 if you can
 serve on any
 of the empty dates.**

Readers

Kelly Long

Children's Time

2-Linda Vick

9-

16-Will Schmucker

23-Melea Oxley

30- Elisa Stone



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	10 am Food Bank		6:30 pm-"The Best Yes" Study			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	10 am Food Bank	6:30 pm Before Amen Study	6:30 pm-"The Best Yes" Study			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	10 am Food Bank	6:30 pm Before Amen Study				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
PROMOTION & CONFIRMATION SUNDAY	10 am Food Bank 12-6 pm - Bloodmobile	8am-1:45 pm- Bloodmobile 6:30 pm Before Amen Study				
30	31					
12 Noon - Administrative Council						

**Happy moments,
 Praise God.
 Difficult moments,
 Seek God.
 Quiet moments,
 Worship God.
 Painful moments,
 Trust God.
 Every moment,
 Thank God.**



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Weekly Schedule

Sunday Schedule

Worship	9:30 am
Fellowship Time	10:45 am
Sunday School	11:00 am

Monday Schedule

Food Bank	10:00 am
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Tuesday Schedule

Bible Study	6:30 pm
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Wednesday Schedule

Men's Bible Study	6:30 am
"The Best Yes" Study	6:30 pm

PRAY FOR OUR

MILITARY

Natasha Florian
 Rodney VanRanken
 John Ordonio
 Blazer Walker
 Brian Larsen, Marilyn Fox's son
 Spencer Wartman, Lee's grandson
 Joey Ludwick (son of John & Heather Ludwick)

