

Newsletter

First United Methodist Church , 608 South Grandview, DeWitt, Arkansas 72042

August 2017

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*Please join us for a Bridal Shower honoring
Erin Walton & John Gillen*

**Sunday, August 6
1:00 - 2:30 pm**

First United Methodist Church
DeWitt, Arkansas



The bride and groom are registered at:
Dean's
The Registry
Wal-Mart
Bed, Bath, and Beyond



Church Potluck Luncheon



**Sunday, August 13
11:30 am**

Meat Provided by the August social committee.
Please bring a side, salad or dessert.



**Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
Thursday, August 10
11:00 am - 1:00 pm**



Our Church will begin hosting the weekly grief share support group on Monday, August 14. Meetings will be held in the Parlor on Monday nights, from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm, with a light meal provided.

Anyone that is interested is encouraged to come, please spread the word. This is a great environment to share about your grief journey and your loved one.

For more information, please contact the church office at 946-2328.



**Emmaus Reunion Group
August 14, 7:00 pm**

Prayer Warriors will meet Monday,
August 7 at 9:00 am.

Social Activity Committee

CO-CHAIRS: Chris & Kortney Counce and Bob & Jill Bisswanger; Lowell & Norma Jean Counce, Bud Bisswanger, Jessie Relyea, Wynn & Tami Strain, Steve & Stephanie Bradley, Gary & Connie Hudson, Jess Essex, Duane Long, Mark & Teresa Cyr

My Vow to God: *I will be loyal to First United Methodist Church & uphold it by my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service & my witness.*

OUR PRAYERS: Shane Adams, Edna Bennett, Dominique Cyr, Teresa Cyr, E.K. Dillion, Bytha Dulin, Terry Fuhrman, Eddie Griffie, Clarence & Dottie Gunnell, Barbara Jackson, Warren Jennings, Sr., Lakelann Kimbrell, Reta Kirkpatrick, Michael Leyva, Larry Martineau, Kay Mitchell, Gary Morris, Jeff Moyer, Tammy Pfaffenberger, Johnny Purdy, Sonya Rieves, Ronnie Shepherd, Glenn & Barbara Stroh, B. T. Wallace, Jack Williams, Scotty Williams

OUR PRESENCE: Sun, July 23: Worship: 85
Sunday School: 34

Loma Essex College Student Ministry

We are ready to start a new year for our college students. We need current addresses for each one. Call the church office at 946-2328 or email to fumcdewitt@centurytel.net.

We have helped the youth in this church with their trips, Tanako week and food for the activities. All of that is possible because of the generosity of this First United Methodist Church.

We will continue to support our college students in every way we can find. If you have any suggestions of something more that we can do, please leave that suggestion in the church office.

In Christ we serve
The Loma Essex Ministry

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, July 31
3:00 pm—7:00 pm
First United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall

August Birthdays

Kay Eldridge (2) Roger Rieves (3) Bradley Rodgers, Clarence Gunnell (6) Brie Alter (8) Cara Hudson Coleman (10) Marilyn Braswell, Susannah Pace (11) Mary Carr, Amy Rieves (12) Jacqueline Rader (13) Lisa Franks, Arden Lee Relyea (15) Warren Jennings, Jr., Mavis Ferguson (16) Sam DeBerry (17) Curt Bell (18) Dean Bell (19) Patrick Hudson (20) Larry Thompson, Stacy Carr (21) Sue Currie (22) Matt Stubblefield, John Neukam (25) Dale Bennett (26) Jake Rieves, Mark Joseph Cyr (28) Danita Cotton, Brian Denman (30) Heath Holbert (31)

Children's Choirs

Carol choir, Pre K - 2nd grade, meets Tuesdays after school until 3:45. Festival Choir, 3 - 6 grade, meets Wednesdays until 4:15. Registration forms will be available soon. Choirs will begin Tuesday, September 5th and Wednesday, September 6th.

Van Drivers Needed

We are in need of volunteer van drivers to pick up the children on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If you would like to volunteer, please call or email the church office at 946-2328 or fum-

Trustee Committee will meet in the conference room after Worship on July 30.



Please join us Sunday, August 13th at 6:00 p.m.
for a Prayer Walk around our schools.

We will meet on campus & walk around the DeWitt High School, DeWitt Middle School & the DeWitt Elementary School praying for them, the teachers, the administration, the staff & our students.

We would like to encourage ALL school teachers/faculty/staff to attend because there is something special planned for you all.

Our DeWitt Police Officers will be joining us to walk in prayer as well.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with the Prayer Walk, please contact Heather Morgan (8709-946-6266).

PLEASE ATTEND TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!!

Will and Sarah Storey presented their son,
Joshua Wade, for infant baptism
and Mike Merritt made a
reaffirmation of faith on Jul 9.



Makayla and Kyler Counce, Caleb Neal, and Dare Whitmore
at Camp Tanako this summer.



Dear Church family,

Thank you very much for all of your thoughts and acts of kindness for me these past months. You have warmed my heart and lifted my spirits during a most difficult time in my life. I truly appreciate you.

May God bless you,
Barbara Stroh



CHURCH STAFF

Bishop

Rev. Gary E. Mueller

Southeast District Superintendent

Rev. Mark K. Norman

Minister

Rev. Tony Hill

Choir Director & Organist

Mrs. Marjorie M. Jenkins

Pianist

Mrs. Debbie M. Briggs

Church Secretary

Mrs. Sarah J. Storey

Treasurer

Mrs. Gena M. Jennings

Buildings & Property

Mr. Duane Long

Webmaster & Photographer

Mr. Jimmy Fly

Childcare Attendant

Ms. Leslie Rone

Custodians

Ms. Diane Fisher, Ms. Juanita Holbert, & Mrs. Brenda McCarty

Prayer Requests:

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For your safety, carrying a handgun is prohibited in any of our church facilities.

August Fellowship Calendar

Mon, July 31: 3:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive
Wed, Aug 2: 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
Sun, Aug 6: 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
1:00 pm Bridal Shower—Erin Walton
Wed, Aug 9: 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
Thurs, Aug 10: 11:00 am Teacher Appreciation Lunch
5:00 pm DeWitt Schools Open House
Sun, Aug 13: 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Church Potluck Luncheon

Mon, Aug 14: First Day of Public Schools
5:30 pm Grief Share
7:00 pm Emmaus Reunion Group
Wed, Aug 16: 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
Sun, Aug 20: 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
Wed, Aug 23: 6:00 p. Handbells
7:00 pm Chancel Choir
Sun, Aug 27: 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship
Wed, Aug 30: 6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Chancel Choir



Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 13

Children are encouraged to bring their backpacks to church on Sunday, August 13th. After Children's Moments, a special "Blessing of the Backpacks" prayer will be offered for our children, parents, teachers, and schools for the upcoming year!



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Our Mission:

Jesus said, "Go, and make disciples of all nations..."

Matthew 28: 18-20.

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