

# **\$** Newsletter

First United Methodist Church 608 South Grandview DeWitt, Arkansas 72042

June 2017



## **Arkansas Annual Conference**

Sun, June 18—Wed, June 21

Bank of the Ozarks Arena Bishop Gary Mueller, presiding

Prayer Warriors will not meet during the month of June.



Congratulations to 2017 DeWitt High School Graduate Layne Ballew



On behalf of the Arkansans Gospel Singers, we would like to convey our sincere appreciation to you and the church for scheduling us to sing and witness God's Word in music and songs. The accepting hospitality we received upon entering the facilities was very welcoming and appreciated. We hope our special ministry of gospel music and witness met with your expectation. Should you ever entertain the thought of us returning, we would welcome the opportunity to be with you and the church again.

We wish to thank you for the love offering given to us, as we are a non profit group and take no salary. All funds given to the Arkansans go to cover travel and operating expenses. Please know we are very grateful of your financial support given in the love offering.

Again, it was a real joy and pleasure to bring our special service of music and gospel songs to your fellowship. May God continue to smile on you and the ministry you provide.

> Sincerely, The Arkansans Gospel Singers Dale Richards, Fred Hunter, Paul Shuffield

Emmaus 4th Day Gathering June 12th at 7:00 pm Grand Avenue UMC 705 S. Grand Ave, Stuttgart

If anyone would like to carpool, please let the office know. Everyone who has been to Walk to Emmaus needs to support this. De Colores

Anyone interested in a weekly Emmaus reunion group, contact Bro Tony or Barbara.

## **Social Activity Committee**

Jimmy & Ann Fly and Cooper & Connie Essex; John & Lou Cree Schallhorn, Johnny & Sue Currie, Debbie Briggs, Laura Essex, Rachel Mitchell

**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, Delbert Almond, Edna Bennett, E.K. Dillion, Bytha Dulin, Terry Fuhrman, Eddie Griffie, Clarence & Dottie Gunnell, Barbara Jackson, Shirley Jackson, Warren Jennings, Jr., Warren Jennings, Sr., Lakelann Kimbrell, Reta Kirkpatrick, Michael Leyva, Larry Martineau, Gary Morris, Jeff Moyer, Tammy Pfaffenberger, Johnny Purdy, Glenn & Barbara Stroh, B. T. Wallace, Terry Webb, Jack Williams, Scotty Williams

OUR PRESENCE: Sun, May 28: Worship: 82 Sunday School: 31

## **Congratulations College Graduates**



Ryan Holbert Arkansas State University

Fran Jennings University of Mississippi

Chandler Boyd-Mathews University of Arkansas

Loma Essex Ministry,

Mrs. Norma Jean, thank you so much for the gift. I greatly appreciate it and your thinking of me. Layne

Bereavement Committee,

We would love to thank each of you for your hard work on the day of mother's service. Besides making the Fellowship Hall inviting, assisting with flowers & pictures, and of course the wonderful meal, your words of comfort gave us strength.

The delicious meal afforded our family the time much needed with out-of-town family and friends. Everyone was SO complimentary of the outstanding food.

Again your overwhelming kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated. Thank you all for your comfort through this most difficult time.

The family of Gwen Alter

#### **June Birthdays**

Layne Ballew (1), Dona Bell (2), Rylie Jo Smith, Katie Koen (3), Josh Boyd (5), Ashley DeBerry Smith, Gary Hudson, Nathan Pittman (6), Olivia Stroh, Sarah Storey (7), Kristen Cazer (8), Debby Bowlin (9), Jimmy Hornbeck, Will Gunnell, Jon Claude Jenkins (11), Sarah Fuhrman, Amy Neukam (12), Cooper Essex (14), Karli Rieves (15), Kay Whitcomb (17), Shelia Currie (18), Chandler Boyd-Matthews, April Rodgers (19), Kim Nutt (21), Caty Bussey (22), Linda Gunnell (24), James Braswell (26), Amanda Martin, Vikki West, Taylor Koen (28), Debbie Briggs (29), Jerry Staton, Slade Patterson (30)

## FUMC family,

Just a note to say thank you for the support prayerfully and financially thru the dollars for scholars contributions! June 2, I will officially be graduated from seminary! My appointment in Calico Rock begins July 2. If you all are in the area, stop by and give us a shout. Again, thank you!

> Grace and Peace Laura Jo Prange

Dear First United Methodist Church,

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for letting us use your church as the "home" for our pork loin fundraiser. FUMC is such a blessing to our community. Our event, which raised more than \$3,000 for CASA, couldn't have taken place without your kindness. Numerous church members donated wonderful desserts for our bake sale making it such a success.

Stacy Nelson

FUMC & the Loma Essex Ministry,

Now that I have graduated from Ole Miss, I would like to sincerely thank you all for everything you have sent to me over the years! I have thoroughly enjoyed receiving the Upper Room bible studies and have always appreciated the gift cards that always seemed to arrive at just the right time! Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers, & support, I could not have survived without it all! It is a wonderful feeling to know you have such a strong and sweet church body at home. Thank you again for everything!

> Love, Fran Jennings

## Dear Bereavement Committee,

Thank you so much for providing our family and friends with refreshments and a meeting place to gather. Chris loved God, his family and friends and would have been honored by your kindness.

> Sincerely, Zada & family



