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**Pineville First United Methodist Church
September 2019 Newsletter**

*“Embrace, Engage,
Encourage, Energize”*



One of the powerful ministries in this church is the **CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM**. Team members range from young adults to seniors, men and women alike, as well as those who are retired while others are still working.

Teaching a class or singing in the choir may not be for you but there remains the desire to make a difference. Check this out. Here are some ways our **CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM** truly makes a difference in lives...

The **HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME VISITATION TEAM** consistently touches, through phone calls, personal visits, or cards, those whom find it difficult to make it to church.

The **CALLING TEAM** makes follow-up calls to church members recently discharged from the hospital or who might be experiencing a prolonged illness.

The **PRAYER TEAM** meets each Wednesday at 10 AM at the church for a dedicated time of intensive, intercessory prayer.

The **HOSPITAL VISITATION TEAM** is a part of a rotation schedule who visit church members in our local hospitals.

The **CARD TEAM** sends cards for those who might be experiencing a season of grief or illness or disappointment. They also send cards on those joyous occasions like birthdays & anniversaries.

The **PRAYER SHAWL-COMFORT CROSS TEAM** crochets beautiful shawls and crosses designed to offer encouragement and comfort.

To learn how you can be a part of this powerful ministry, contact Louise Butterfield ([318-640-7338 or butterb8@gmail.com](mailto:butterb8@gmail.com)), Patti Woods ([318-442-8881 or pdwoods@suddenlink.net](mailto:pdwoods@suddenlink.net)) or one of your pastors.



Pastors Ed & Jo Ann

Welcome New Members!



Thomas, Sharon, Kaitlyn, Mikayla, & Kelsey Eikenberry



Joyce Michael

UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS



United Methodist Men Breakfast
Sunday, September 1st
7:00am, Fellowship Hall

Our guest speaker will be Jessica Victor from Manna House.



The church office will be closed
Monday, September 2nd
in observance of Labor Day.



Coffee and Conversation with Women (CCW)
Thursday, September 5th
Carpool leaves from PFUMC at 9:00am

We're going to Mt. Olivet Cemetery and Chapel for a tour of the cemetery and graveyard. Afterward, we'll have lunch at Word of Mouth Cafe. All ladies are invited!



Join Pastors
Jo Ann and Ed Cooper
and other Louisiana churches
as they journey to the
Holy Land
January 21-30, 2020.
For more information, please
contact the Pastors or pick up a
brochure in the office.

There will be a "Holy Land 2020"
meeting on
Sunday, September 8th at 5:00 pm
in the Fellowship Hall



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE
FAMILY • FELLOWSHIP • FAITH
PINEVILLE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MEALS & FALL CLASSES
BEGIN SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2019
Meal: 4:45-5:45
Activities: 6:00pm
CHILDREN AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES
ADULT STUDY CLASSES



Friday Night Jesus And Music
Children K—6th Grade
September 13
6:30 pm—8:30 pm
\$5.00 per child
High-Energy Activities!
Devotion!
Pizza! Popcorn! Freeze Pops!



Estelle Dameron-
Betty Cummings Circle
will meet Tuesday, September 17th
at 10:00AM in the Parlor.
Hope to see some of you ladies.



We need volunteers to serve at
Manna House
Friday, September 27th
from 11:00 am-1:00 pm
2655 Lee Street in Alexandria
If you are able to serve, contact the church office.



Christmas in September??!!
No, but in preparation for Christmas, we are asking for donations of Christmas trees of all different shapes and sizes. (These trees may be lightly flocked.) We'll be using them in different places throughout the Family Life Center and Fellowship Hall. Please call Debbie Miguez (318.201.2704) or Leslie Fritch (704.915.9469) if you are able to donate, and Thank You!

Focus on Caring



Assisted Living Friends

Brookdale, Shreveport, LA—Marcy Bowen
Christus St. Joseph Home, Monroe, LA—Joyce Lofton
Homestead Assisted Living, Houma, LA—Elaine Conerly
Marigold Place, Alexandria, LA – Mary Maddox
Montclair Park Assisted Living, Shreveport, LA- Patti Wisenbaker
Savannah Grand, West Monroe, LA—Elaine Telfifero

Nursing Home Friends

Matthews Memorial, Alexandria, LA—Belinda Carner
Naomi Heights-, Alexandria, LA- Bob Nash
Summit, Alexandria, LA—Annie Hutchinson
The Oaks, Pineville, LA – Cecil Hammond
Tioga Manor, Pineville, LA—Francis “Bo” Smith
Out of State– Willa Vee Messer, TX

Homebound Friends

Elaine Beck
Ayme Beeson
Irma Brown
Rick Bryan
Geneva Clark
Barbara Drago
Bernie Misner
Joan Payne
Marie Reece
Virginia Smith
Fred Tannehill



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1– Alexander Morrow
- 2– Bretta Lutz, Doris Lofton
- 3– Betty Morgan, Randy Crawford, Bernie Misner
- 4– Richard Kretzsinger, Harold Corley, Sr.
- 5– Zoe Folarin, Jay Slayter
- 6– Maggie McWaters
- 7– Judy Bruce, Ray Bennett
- 8– Rick Adams, Jenny White
- 9– Erin Stroud, Judie Barnette, John Sewell
- 10– Ritchie Martin
- 11– Caleb Stanfield, Sylvia Kerry, Jeff Meilleur, Dickie Robinette
- 12– Hannah Hoyt, Bob Nash
- 13– Michelle Hoben, Barbi Kokemor
- 14– Alice Wood, Barney Ford, Gracelyn Farrar
- 16– Jackson Price
- 17– Susan Grand, Chase Slayter
- 18– Ginnie Locke
- 19– Noland Marcantel, Nicole Weir, Melba Keiser, Peggy Martin
- 20– Jerrie Stehr, Randall Keiser
- 21– Crystal Miller
- 22– Anna Hill, Jeanie Simmering, Virginia Smith, Wilma Bratcher
- 23– Connie Gates, Sue Lee
- 24– Ben Stewart
- 25– Layne Verheyden
- 26– Patricia Cain
- 28– Glenn Lacour
- 29– Laura Miller, Roy Walker, Deanna Hodges, Catherine Wiley
- 30– Jim Hurst



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2– Tom & Binnie Gauthier, Billy & April Nugent
- 4– Charlie & Niki Hoyt
- 6– Larry Owen & Nita Taylor, John & Claire Dauzat
- 7– Hal & Inez Ward
- 13– Henry & Mary Leckie
- 14– Greg & Lila Jeter
- 17– Dale & Judie Barnette
- 22– Dale & Tammy Bordelon
- 27– Phillip & Cori Tassin

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Musically Speaking...

George Gross
Director of Music

Huge thank you to everyone who “joined” the choir the 3 Sunday’s in August. We had almost 60 people each Sunday. It makes me think and dream about what we could do with a choir that size every Sunday. It was great seeing your smiling faces and hearing your voices all combined together. Maybe singing with us has tugged your heart a little bit. Stop making excuses and just come to rehearsal on Wednesday night and let’s see what happens. Maybe it’s for you and maybe not, but you’ll never know till you try.

If you want to know more about the choir, DON’T ask Judy or me. Yes, that’s right, ask one of the choir members. Let them tell you “their why.” Dr. Kelley Pears shared with the 8:30 and 11:00 services on August 11th his “why.” Many of the choir members have been part of the choir for years, but some are fairly new. Ask them why. Many times it’s not really the music that draws them. It’s the family, the smiles and at times the tears. We really need YOU. And just maybe, you might need us.

We’ll start Christmas music in September, so it’s a great time to check us out. Many people started with the choir singing Christmas and they just stayed. (Maybe you’ll stay and maybe not. Again, don’t know till you try.)

Hope to see you this Wednesday or any Wednesday.

Love, George

Church-Wide Potluck Supper

(as we say goodbye to Niki Hoyt and family)



Youth Focus

Julie Lafosse
Director of Student Ministries

Our Junior High Mission Retreat was amazing!!! These kids helped 2 families with yard work & built our NEW “Ga-Ga Ball” pit.



Our Glow Night was a huge success!! We had 30 students attend and not only was it super fun but we talked about ways to be the light of Christ to those around us. We will do this again soon!!! Thanks to all of you who helped chaperone, set up, and clean up!

We are excited to keep the summer momentum going with our Wednesday Night Live, Small Group series: **Rhythm, Real Friends and Worlds Apart.**

We are so thankful for our **Small Group leaders** who have signed up to lead for the Fall session. *Quincy Hodges, Bretta & Bryan Lutz, Beth Bratcher, Ritchie Martin, Lauren Gross & Joni Findlay.*

If you feel that nudge to help in this meaningful and rewarding Ministry with our youth, please let me (Julie) know. All we need is your willingness, availability & your presence. We will train you and provide everything you need to make a difference in the life of a teenager. 😊

“**Donuts & Devo**” at Harlow’s will begin on Thursday, September 12th at 6:30am for our 7th-12th grade students. Everyone will grab a donut, scone (my favorite), biscuit, etc. we will sit together for a few laughs and a short student- led devo.

Regular Wednesday Night Youth begins 9/11 at 5:45pm – 7pm & Sundays 4pm – 6pm. JOIN US!!

UPCOMING:
9/1 – NO Youth. Enjoy some quality family time to celebrate Labor Day.
9/12 – Harlow’s Donuts & Devo (every Thursday at 6:30am for 7th-12th grade students & adults)
9/22 – Youth will go to Los Portales after the 11am service together and then head back to the church for an afternoon of movies & popcorn. 12pm – 6pm
9/22 – Parent Meeting 5pm – 6pm.
9/29 – 5th Sunday District Youth Gathering (here at PFUMC) 4pm – 6pm.



September 22 @ 5:00pm
Join us to find out what is new, to ask questions and get information about upcoming trips, events & outings.
Youth will meet from 12pm–6pm (Los Portales & Movies)



FALL 2019 WNL YOUTH SMALL GROUP SERIES

SPiritual HABITS
Mark 12:30
Week 1: A relationship with God requires rhythm.
Week 2: Worship is about connection, not perfection.
Week 3: You can worship God with your rest.
Week 4: You can worship God with your mind.
Week 5: You can worship God with your talent.

FRIENDSHIP
Proverbs 12:26
Week 1: Be the friend you want to have.
Week 2: Guard your inner circle.
Week 3: You can be friendly without being friends.

SCIENCE & FAITH
Colossians 1:17
Week 1: Science asks how. Faith asks who.
Week 2: You can trust someone before you know everything.
Week 3: Build your faith on what matters most.

YOUTH & CHILDREN’S PICS



Kids’ Focus

Leslie Frietch
Interim Director of Children’s Ministries



A Look Back.....
I can't believe that summer break is over and the kids are back to school! I have enjoyed hearing all the excitement in the kids' voices as they tell all about their new teachers, classes and friends. We celebrated this new beginning on Promotion Sunday with pancakes and sausage served during Sunday school, presented Bibles to rising third graders and enjoyed a church-wide Scavenger Hunt. Everyone had a great day together!

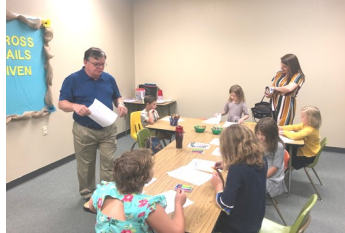
A Look Ahead.....
This month the theme for First Look (Preschool-Kindergarten) is God Made Everything and the theme for 252 Kids (First – Sixth Grade) is Trust: You Can Trust God No Matter What. The themes will be presented during Sunday School with follow up activities during Children’s Church and Wednesday Night Live.

Wednesday Night Live resumes September 11. Please be respectful of our volunteers' time. Children may not be signed in until 5:45 pm and should be picked up promptly at 7:00 pm.

Make sure you don't miss our very first Friday Night JAM on September 13 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. The kids and volunteers will enjoy dancing, games and pizza while discovering how God can take away our fears (specifically superstitious fears). After all, we will be enjoying Christian fellowship on Friday 13th without any fears of it being a bad day!

There are several ways to stay informed. Please make sure you are connected to us with Facebook, Remind and Parent Cue in addition to the bulletin and newsletter.

Family Moment....
Transitioning the lazy summer days to busy structured school schedules can be tough, but let’s encourage each other to make every moment count with our families by spending time talking, listening, reading the Bible and praying with them.



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