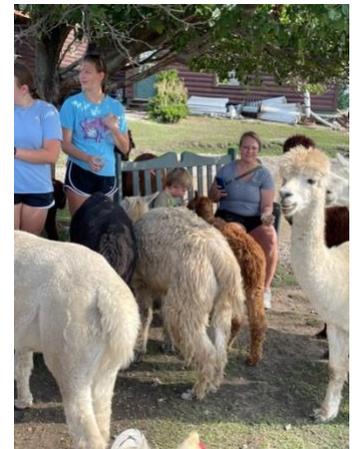


Green Meadows Alpaca Farm

Did you know that there is an alpaca farm in the county? Did you know that they welcome visitors? Did you know they even have a bed & breakfast?

Well, the youth and a number of our church family all went out to visit the alpaca's on Sunday, July 31, and discovered a that not only were there alpacas, there were goats, sheep, chickens, guineas, turkeys, and even llamas!

Located just outside of Holden, the farm also serves as a rescue sight for some of the animals. For instance, one alpaca had been a 'house' pet but the family dog had bit it, causing damage to its lip which is how they gather their food into their mouths.



Church worship services

Upcoming Messages:

- August 7 Greater Things: Accept These Truths
- August 14 Greater Things: Come and See
- August 21 Greater Things: Miraculous Signs
- August 28 Greater Things: Believe

Service times for in-person and online worship

9:30 a.m. Praise Service and 11 a.m. Traditional Service

Preparing for worship

Scriptures for the coming week:

- Monday, August 8 John 1:35-39
- Tuesday, August 9 Matthew 4:18-22
- Wednesday, August 10 Mark 1:16-20
- Thursday, August 11 Mark 3:13-19
- Friday, August 12 Luke 6:12-16
- Saturday, August 13 1 Timothy 1:12-16

Praying for our church family

Bob Hookey

Please keep them students and the school staff in your prayers as we prepare for a return to the school routines.

Celebrating our church family

Birthdays for the coming week:

- Sun. Aug. 7 Bryan Hunt, Kimberly Stevens, Kelly Weinberger, Marjorie Simmons, Megan Tando
- Tues. Aug. 9 Vada Postlethwait, Felisha Brown
- Wed. Aug. 10 Dan Lucas
- Fri. Aug. 12 Emilie Thompson, David E. Ewing
- Sat. Aug. 13 Andrea Whitehead

Anniversaries for the coming week:

- Mon. Aug. 8 Jim & Dee Hudson
- Wed. Aug. 10 Matt & Laura Chaney
- Thur. Aug. 11 Jason & Evelyn Baker, Ivan * Doris Rogers

Youth Group update

Sunday, August 7: Youth Group 6 p.m.

Faith is a catalyst for action.

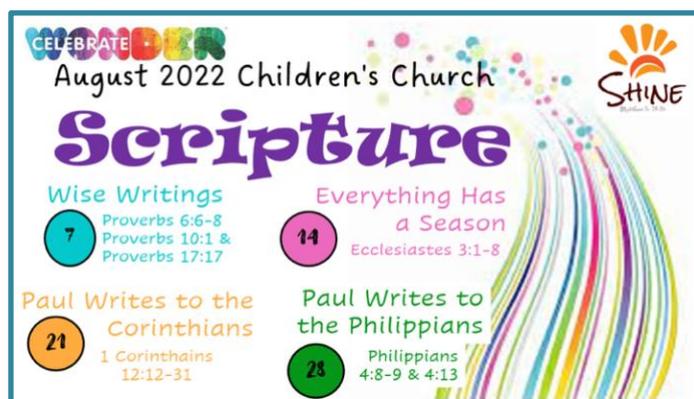
Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-22, James 1:22 & 2 Corinthians 5:7

Sunday, August 14: Youth Group 6 p.m.

The faith of others can be a catalyst on our journey.

Scripture: Hebrews 11:29-40 & 12:1-2, Exodus 3:10-12, Hebrew 10:24

Next Generation Minister: Kelly Weinberger
"Better Together"



Upcoming events

Check out umcburg.org for more information on upcoming events and opportunities for mission.

- **Food Pantry**—August's Disciple Gift needs volunteers and additional funds & food.
- **Emotionally Healthy Spirituality**—book study conversation on August 10 at 6 p.m. & 14 at 2:30 p.m.
- **Newcomer's Class**—August 28 at 3:30 p.m. for those interested to learn more about Christian faith and our church.

Small Group Reboot Aug. 21

On August 8, a brainstorming session will create a menu of small group options. Those meeting are ones who have experience in leading and participating in small groups.

Small groups are part of the Wesleyan theology and has evolved over centuries. As the culture changes, so did the structure of small groups.

Just as we were re-establishing the small group culture, the pandemic hit. Now it is time to reboot small groups and do it in a way that meets the needs or today's culture.

Each one of the church family is encouraged to participate in a small group that matches their interest, their schedule, and their needs. This is a time to consider where you are in your faith journey and find a way to grow spiritually.

Examples of small groups range from a traditional Sunday school class such as Aldersgate, or a private prayer group, a special-interest group similar to the Quilters' Guild, even the youth basketball group.

The possibilities are endless. If you have questions or suggestions, we need to hear from you. Please send an email to susan@umcburg.org.

On Sunday, August 21, you will have an opportunity to review options for small group and sign up. Please prayerfully consider what you will do to further your spiritual journey. –Pastor Susan

Giving to God's Work

Can you guess which items from the list below have been accomplished in 2022?

- Spiritual leadership
- Vacation Bible School
- Sound system improvements
- Youth mission trips
- Principal reduction
- Increased safety in the Rainbow room
- Musical excellence
- Youth bible studies
- Groundskeeping
- Phone system upgrade
- Safe sanctuary initiatives
- Confirmation class
- Revamped website

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Did you choose All of the Above? Your gifts to the Mission and Ministries of UMcburg supports all aspects of our church. Thank you for all you do to achieve God's vision!!

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