

umcburg
First United Methodist Church

Living that all may know Jesus



June 30, 2023

Thank you to Jim Downing for the wonderful message this past Sunday June 25th!

Reminder: Please have information for the weekly newsletter by 9 am on Monday mornings! Send to office@umcбург.org Thanks, Deb Brown

Due to the church office being closed Monday July 3 and Tuesday July 4, 2023, there will be no newsletter published for July 7th.

The Disciple Gift Committee is beginning to plan for next year's Disciple Gift recipients and are interested in any recommendations from the congregation. Please send any suggestions to glendagoetz@gmail.com.

Road Trip Opportunity: Please join us for an all-church family trip to see Queen Esther at the Sight & Sound theatres in Branson Missouri. We are planning to take the church bus and leave at 10:30 am on Saturday September 16, 2023, and will return after 8:30 pm that evening. Contact the office 660-747-8158 to reserve tickets by August 2, 2023.

July 2023 Disciple Giving: Undies Sundays: More information to come!

Upcoming Events:



United
Women
in Faith

Mission u July 20-22, 2023

Sponsored by United Women in Faith Registration deadline: July 1, 2023

For more information contact: office@umcburg.org or 660-747-8158

Active in ministry

Preparing for worship:

Join our church family in person on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Services are also available online through the church's Facebook page. Click here for the link: [UMCburg FB](#).

July 2 Fruit of the Spirit: **Patience** Galatians 5: 22-23, James 5: 7-11

July 9 Fruit of the Spirit: **Self-Control** Galatians 5: 22-23, James 3: 1-5

July 16 Fruit of the Spirit: **Faithfulness** Galatians 5: 22-23, Lamentations 3:22-23

July 23 Mission u Sunday Fruit of the Spirit: **Joy** Galatians 5: 22-23, John 15: 8-11

July 30 Fruit of the Spirit: **Love** Galatians 5:22-23, 1 John 4: 7-12

Special Invitation:

Do you remember those childhood days when you always went to Sunday School? Promotion Sunday meant that the children's classes literally moved up to the next class as you aged out of the previous class. Whether you experienced this or not, you get the idea. Most of the people in the **Aldersgate Class** probably remember that.

In the **Aldersgate Class**, we have been promoted to the "mature" class. We gather on Sunday mornings to do Bible studies and exchange concerns for others that need prayers. We laugh a lot too. Some of us are not able to do as much for our church as in the past, but God leads us to new paths. We are roughly in the age group of 60s to 90s but sometimes have had younger members. Anyone and everyone are welcome! We meet in the Aldersgate Room at 9:30 am on Sundays during the first service hour. If there is a fifth Sunday of the month, we do not meet but go to the first (or second) service instead. We are located between the elevators and the south entry doors by the playground. Come join us!

The Road Forward Committee Update:

The first meeting of The Road Forward kicked off last Thursday, June 15. Church Council Chair John Culp charged the group with prioritizing the missions, ministries and priorities of the church, considering how best to maximize energy and resources to bring the most people to Jesus Christ. He challenged the group to build on our strengths, trust God, overcome obstacles, to operate in the present and future, not the past, and above all, avoid 'doom and gloom'.

Members of the committee include Baird Brock, Sandy Davis, Jan Glover, Steve Mills, Jana Miller, Donna Olson, Steve Price, Don Riffle, Annette Robinson and Larry Yung. Committee chairs, Bob Muir, Mike Quimby and Robyn Criswell-Bloom and church treasurer John Yost are serving as resource individuals. Members shared three reasons for participating: regain our vibrancy, add perspective from other church experiences, and the opportunity to move our church forward with positivity and purpose. The team will frame decisions as "what is important for the church" and "what should the church do." Please share your thoughts and creative ideas with members of the committee – your voice is important!

**The next meetings for The Road Forward committee will be:
Thursdays June 29, 2023, July 6, and July 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in
Room 230.**

Children's Ministry Update:

**Next Listening session meeting Tuesday July 25, 2023 at 5:30 pm
in Aldersgate room.**

No Youth Group on Sundays until this Fall! Enjoy your summer!

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