



Friday September 08, 2023

Reminder: Please have information for the weekly newsletter by 9 am on Monday mornings! Send to office@umcburg.org.

The Office will be closed this Friday September 8, 2023.

Congratulations on Reese and Madeline Timmerman's baptism and their parents Aaron and Kelly becoming new members this past Sunday!

Please remember the Jeffries family in your prayers. Mike passed away this past weekend. The visitation will be 1:00 pm in the Atrium on Sept. 16, 2023, with the service at 2:00 pm here in the Sanctuary. A graveside service will be at Sunset Hills Cemetery with snacks and/or dinner afterwards at the church.



The Office has learned of Wilma Jarvis' passing, on Aug. 1, 2023. Don Jarvis was a former pastor here and he wanted people here to know about it, who remembered them. Cards can be sent to Donald Jarvis 4949 Wornall Rd. Kansas City, MO 64112.

Due to a family funeral out of state, Paulette Moore has **postponed** the Usher training meeting on this Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023.

Pastor Peter will be gone to St. Louis from Sept. 07 to Sept. 09, 2023. Shelby Seelinger will be available for pastoral care, 660-441-1076.

Save the date! There will be another Sign-up Day on Sunday October 1, 2023, for Volunteers.

Attention all Sunday coffee and water drinkers! **Please** use the reusable cups that are provided in the Coffee Corner on Sunday mornings. We are saving money, and the planet, too, by **not** using disposable Styrofoam cups! These cups poison the ground water and do not dissolve away. Thanks so much!

Attention Parents: Don't forget the upcoming Children's Bible Sunday on September 17, 2023 at the 9:30 am service. Children ages 3 to 5th Grade will be recognized and given a New Bible or Bible storybook to take home with them!

September Disciple Giving: United Women of Faith: September has been designated as UWF Disciple Giving month. We are the official women's organization of The United Methodist Church. Our vision is turning faith, hope, and love into action on behalf of women, children, and youth around the world. Our unit meets Feb.-Apr. and Sept.-Nov. on the 3rd Tuesday and on the 1st Saturday of December. Our meeting times are changing, with the Tuesday meetings beginning at 2:30 PM and the Dec. 2, 2023, Saturday meeting at 2 PM. We welcome any women to join. There are no age requirements or church membership requirements. Only a willingness to engage in mission, study, personal growth, and social action. We provide a community of women who nurture and support each other and opportunities for spiritual growth. To help support part of our mission work, we will again sponsor a Candle Burning for Mission this month. The congregation may donate money for missions in honor or in memory of a loved one and those named will be recognized during the Candle Burning ceremony on Sept. 24th. Donations can be mailed to the church, put in the offering plates, or made online, with the option of selecting honorees. Last year, with our congregation's generous support, we were able to support the Janacia Mission, Christmas Store, Next Generation Ministry, Della Lamb, Johnson County Food Center, Survival House and Journey Home.

Preparing for worship: *Please 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: [UMChurg](#)*

EB. Upcoming Sermons & Scripture Passages:

Sept 10 Grandparent's Day: Wisdom from Our Seniors: Esther

Sept 17 Children's Bible Sunday Esther Part 2

Sept 24 **Running the Race of Faith** 1 Corinthians 9:24-25
Oct 1 **How to Invite a New Person to Faith (1)** John 1:35-51
Oct 8 **Sharing Your Letter of Faith (2)** Acts 1:8 John 1:43-5
Oct 15 **Blessed with Enough: Earn All You Can**
Oct 22 **Blessed to Live Within Our Means: Save All You Can**
Oct 29 **Special Service: Blessed to Give: Give All You Can**

Where In The World is First UMC?

Have you ever wondered what the church does during the week? The answer in part can be found in the Atrium. Stop by the map and look where First UMC is in the world. The church supports many people and ministries in the local community, throughout the state and around the world. First church is not just located at 141 E. Gay Street. It is part of a much larger organization that uses people and resources from many, many congregations to support the mission Christ gave the disciples and also extends an invitation to us. Go forth and make disciples for God. Whether it is raising money for the local food pantry or helping people in Mozambique get fresh water from a new well, First UMC is engaged in making disciples for God. Shelby Seelinger

New Small Groups:

Grief Share: A new adult group that will be exploring grief, sharing stories, and identifying grief support available in the Warrensburg area. **Contact Cindy Martinez 618-319-0332.**

Open Discussion Bible Study: We have been studying scripture for thousands of years. In all those years there is so much we still are trying to understand. I invite you to join us in a study where we all share what the scriptures mean to us, ask questions about those same scriptures, and how they may affect our daily lives. The group is open to all persons from 16 and up. Beginning 10 September, we will meet in the Library (across the hall from Aldersgate) at 8:30 and 9:30 for about 45 minutes. I look forward to seeing you there and learning from each of you. Shelby Seelinger 660-441-1076.

Current Small Groups: Young Families: Meets **once a month** on the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm in Room 240 for dinner, fellowship and Bible study. A Sunday group meets once a month every fourth Sunday from 10:45- to 11:45 am.

Childcare is provided upon request. **Contact Katharine Brookes-Norton**
katharine.b.norton@gmail.com

Women's Study: Biweekly on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm. Study will be on current books and/or videos about Bible topics pertaining to today's women.
Contact Annette Robinson 660-441-5910.

Dining Dimensions: Next meeting is Monday September 14, 2023. Plans are to go to Raging Bull restaurant here in Warrensburg. If you have any questions, please contact **Wilma Bushmeyer 660-747-3854, Jana Miller 660-909-5802 or Steve Mills 660-441-8309.**

Aldersgate Class: Wanted: Interested people to share an hour of stimulating conversation and fellowship that will bring us closer to God and to each other. Meets first through fourth Sundays from 9:30 to 10:30 in Room 141 (Aldersgate Parlor).

The BibleProject (Podcast): The BibleProject group will listen to and discuss a podcast from the team at the BibleProject who try to help people experience the Bible in a way that is "approachable, engaging, and transformative" and to understand that "the Bible is a unified story that leads to Jesus". This fall (starting Sept 10, 2023), we will begin listening to and discussing the BibleProject's recent series on the theme of the firstborn. This group meets each Sunday at 10:35 am and is open to ages 16 and up. **Contact Ashley Bergman ashley.bergman622@gmail.com**

United Women in Faith: (United Methodist Women) Meets the third Tuesday each month at 2 pm. (Sept. to November, and Feb. to April). The next meeting will be **Tuesday Sept 19, 2023**, at 2:30 pm in Room 141 (Library). (Note the time change). **Contact Vicki Ollison 660-362-0044.**

United Methodist Men: Meets the third Monday of each month at 6:00 pm. Contact Steve Mills 660-441-8309

Youth Group: This group meets weekly on Wednesday evenings, 5:30-7:30 pm. They will have a Movie night on Wednesday September 6, 2023, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. On the UCM Campus **Contact Pastor Peter peter@umcburg.org for more information.**

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UWF CANDLE BURNING FOR MISSION 2023

United Women in Faith will sponsor a Candle Burning for Mission on **UMW Sunday, September 24, 2023**, during both worship services. Members of the congregation may donate any amount of money to UWF Mission Giving in honor or memory of a loved one. The names will be listed on the screen on UWF Sunday. During worship service a candle will be lighted and allowed to burn for as many "official" minutes of money that has been donated. The "official" Mission Minute is the amount of money equal to the cost of funding one minute of Mission work through the UMW National, which varies each year. The amount for 2023 is \$18.52 per minute. **UWF members will be accepting donations for the Candle Burning Ceremony until September 20.** Please use this form to fill out your donation. More forms and envelopes will be available at each sanctuary entrance. Please make checks out to FUMC and designate CANDLE BURNING on the memo line. UWF Mission Giving dollars are at work in the U.S. and around the world supporting programs that improve life and help empower women, children, and youth. Thank you for your generous support. Please call Vicki Ollison (660-362-0044) for more information.

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