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News From the Triple L's: LIVING LONG & LOVING IT!



This month, on Tuesday, November 12, we will be going to LongHorn Steakhouse at 11:00 am. If you would be interested in this group or have ideas that would help to move this group forward, please contact Billie Wilhite or Ann Jolley!

We invite anyone over the age of 55, retired or not, to join us!



Children's Coordinator: Karla Lance 662-393-2999 (Landline)

KIDS FOR CHRIST

KIDS FOR CHRIST meets every Wednesday night at 6:15 pm. This is a time for your child to have fun while learning about God and the plan God has for their life. Note: There will be no Kids for Christ on Nov. 27 and the last night for 2019 will be Dec. 11

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3 - AFTER WORSHIP

There will be a Children's Ministry meeting on Sunday, November 3 after worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

> We will be planning our activities for the children's ministry for the coming year at this time. Everyone who is interested is invited to attend.

October 2019 **Average Worship Attendance: 134**

Oct.(as of 10/21) Oct. needed to meet Budget Income \$17,197 \$26,652

YTD Actual YTD Budget Ahead/(Behind) Income \$207,124 \$292,518 (\$85,394)

MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

In Memory of Alan Armstrong Danny & Candice Hendry Robert & Bess Nelson Charlie & Deb Purdon Dorothy Phillpy Wiley & Teresa Winter John & Ilene Hogan

Reminder: Lakita Fox and Operation Hope is a great resource for FREE one-on-one financial counseling. If you need help with budgeting, improving your credit score, etc...contact her at 662-292-2418 or email at lakita.fox@operationhope.com. Tell her Minor Memorial sent ya!

November Youth Happenings



Sundaus

Youth Sunday School @ 9:15 am & Worship @ 10:30 am Youth Sunday Nights @ 5:30 pm

Sunday, November 3 - Turkey Fundraiser Begins! Order forms are at the Welcome Center! Order deadline is Friday, November 22. Pick-up is Wednesday, November 27. Will need youth to assist with pick-up on Wednesday, Nov. 27!

MINOR MEMORIAL UMC YOUTH

SMOKED TURKEY FUNDRAISER ORIGINAL \$35 CAJUN \$40

THANKSGIVING DRESSING
(KATHY GARRISON'S RECIPE)
\$25 FOR HALF PAN APPROX. 12X9
ENOUGH TO FEED 15-20 PEOPLE.
TAKE AND BAKE. COMES WITH QUART OF



ORDER DUE NOV 22ND. PICK UP ON NOV 27TH.(AFTER 3PM)

SEE SARAH BRISTER OR JIMMY CAVALLO TO PLACE ORDERS.

Order forms are in the Narthex!

Wednesday Nights @ 5:45 November 6-20: Meal & Study

Wednesday, November 27 - Youth to assist with turkey pick-up day @ 3:00 pm. (No Wednesday Youth on November 27)

Special Events:

Saturday, November 2 - Haunted hay ride, pumpkin patch & corn maze at Cedar Hill Farms.

Cost: \$15. Time: 3:30 - 8:00 pm.

Saturday, November 16 - Youth Fellowship @ Mason's Home., 7-10 pm. Bonfire, games & fun. Meet at church @ 6:30 pm if need ride.

Saturday, November 23 - Thanksgiving Basket Delivery @ 10 am. All are welcome to help deliver!

Looking Ahead....

The Gathering 2020, a conference-wide youth retreat in Jackson, MS, will be held February 29-March 1. Cost to youth is \$60 with deposit of \$30 due by December 1. See Sarah if you need a scholarship! Hope that all of our youth are able to attend!

CHARGE CONFERENCE. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 3:00 PM

This year, our district is having multi-church Charge Conferences. We are hosting the Charge Conference for our area at Minor. We will worship together and celebrate what God is doing in our churches. Rev. Rickey Haynes, our District Superintendent, will be with us to lead the business section and there will be a time of refreshments afterwards. All are invited to come!

MESSAGE FROM ALICIA



At our Singing Sunday service on October 20, John Wesley's Directions for Singing were read. My favorite of these seven points is the last one: "Above all, sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing him more than yourself." I love hearing the congregation sing out on Sundays, especially on favorite hymns. I can tell that many are singing with their whole hearts in praising the Lord. May we sing all hymns with such conviction!

Beginning in January, I'm going to start incorporating a "hymn of the month." Hopefully this will educate us about the stories behind familiar hymns, help us learn new songs, and broaden our knowledge of our hymnal in general. I have several hymns in mind, but if you have one you'd like to know more about or to learn, please let me know. Contact info: 601-421-6244 or email: madammeowmeow@hotmail.com

2020 SUMMER MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

Iune 13-20

Spirit Lake Ministry Center in North Dakota

Team Leader: Jimmy Cavallo

Application & \$100 deposit due by Jan. 15. Open to all ages, however a parent must accompany any elementary or middle

school age.

June 29-July 7 District Mission Trip to El Salvador

Team Leader: Rev. Amanda

Application & \$250 deposit due by Jan. 15. Open to those 18 and older; space is limited.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Minor Memorial Church Family for all your thoughts and prayers during our time of loss. Your expressions of kindness, your generosity in giving memorials in memory of Alan, all the food and your calls and visits will always be remembered and greatly appreciated. Thank you so much.

Love, Pam Armstrong and Family





THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Minor Memorial will be providing Thanksgiving Baskets to those in the community in need of help this year. Donation envelopes to accept monetary offer- reeding the ings are in the sanctuary. The food will be purchased in bulk for best prices. Heather Cavallo will need donations by Sun., Nov. 17. The delivery will take place on Sat., Nov. 23 @ 10 a.m. All are welcomed to help in this meaningful tradition.

THANKSGIVING DINNER PLANS...

Minor Memorial UMC Youth will once again be selling smoked turkeys and/or dressing to help you with your Thanksgiving dinner! See info in Youth Section!

Hinds Chapel UMC will be having a Thanksgiving Casserole Sale with pick up on Saturday, Nov. 23. Pre-order cut-off date is Nov. 14. Order forms are at the Welcome Center.

ANGEL TREE



Angels will be ready for adoption on Sunday, November 24. We ask that you return the gifts by Sun., Dec. 15th UNWRAPPED. There will be a wrapping party on Tuesday, Dec. 17 from 5:00-9:00 pm. If you would like to help deliver the gifts to the families, please meet here at church on Saturday, Dec. 21th at 10 a.m. See Heather Cavallo with any questions.

THE THANKS GIVING TREE RETURNS!

The Thanks Giving Tree is back and you have the opportunity to place a light or angel on the tree to represent someone or something for which you give thanks. Acknowledgement cards will be available. A donation of \$10 per light and \$25 per angel will go to support the overall ministry of Minor Memorial. Let us give and decorate the tree as a visual reminder of all the reasons we have to thank our God! Begins November 3. Ends Dec. 22.

BADDOUR POINSETTIAS

The Christmas season is approaching and Baddour Poinsettias will soon be ready. This season, celebrate and decorate with some of the most beautiful poinsettias around. The Baddour Greenhouse team is made up of residents, and they take great pride in their work. To support the Baddour Center, we will order poinsettias from them this year. They will be in

the sanctuary by December 8 and available for pick-up after the Christmas Eve Service. A limited quantity (25) will be available for you to place in honor or in

memory of someone for the price of \$15 (8" poinsettia). First come, first serve. Order forms available in the office.

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Happy Birthday

11/2 Tracy Gregg

11/4 Gary Boisseau; Druan Elliott:

Ramona Vaughn

Andrew Jolley

11/8 Pam Armstrong; Lisa Owen

11/9 Karla Lance; Jackson Lumpkin; Eugenia Tanner

11/10 Doug Warren

11/11 Caden Cushman

11/13 Bob Medcalf

11/14 Mike Beasley;

11/15 James Cavallo; Chuck Jolley; Taylor Mote

11/16 Jim Dunn

11/6 Samantha Holland; 11/17 Audrey Aaron Sue Specht

11/18 Tina Patrick 11/19 Luke Baker

11/20 Ann Robison; Paula Jean Walton

11/24 Elizabeth Patrick

11/26 James Champion

11/28 Fred Foshee

11/29 Layne Mangum; Jase Scott

11/30 Garrett Taylor

11/8 Brent & Amanda Baker 11/15 John and Ilene Hogan 11/16 Billy & Polly Speed 11/27 Ronnie and Judy James



Suzanne LaHatte's new address: 7707 Falcon Circle Ocean Springs, MS 39564

LOOKING AHEAD:

*Sunday, December 8 - Blue Christmas & Compassionate Friends Service, 6:00 pm

*Wednesday, December 11 - Last Wednesday Activities before the holiday break.

*Sunday, December 15 - Children's Birthday Party for Jesus, After Church

*Sunday, December 15 - Choir Christmas Program,

*Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Service & Communion, 6:00 pm

ST JUDE MEMPHIS MARATHON WEEKEND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

The DeSoto Surgery Center where Kelly Lumpkin works has a Team Participating in the St Jude Race in December. They have invited Elliott Patrick and his family to be a part of their team and are trying to raise funds to support St. Jude.

If you would like to help St. Jude continue to save lives and be there for children like they were for Elliott, Steven and Elizabeth, you are encouraged to donate via Kelly's page. The link is long, so if it's easier, you can go to the St. Jude race page and search for her name or "Desoto Surgery Center":

https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/Heroes/Heroes? px=5855723&pg=personal&fr_id=105980



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MINOR NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 2019

GREETINGS FROM AMANDA

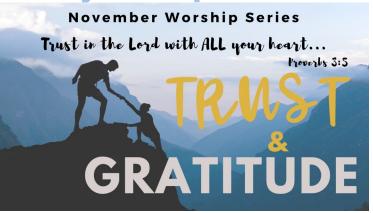
As November rolls around, our focus once again turns to Gratitude. This year, we will place a special emphasis on TRUST and Gratitude. If you have yet to attend, I would encourage you to check out the class that Kelly Lumpkin is leading on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am through the end of November on Trust: Learning to Trust God Always. If you can't make the class, I would encourage you to read a book by Brennan Manning entitled Ruthless Trust. I was truly blessed by reading it recently and will tie it into sermons in November; Kelly is also working it into her class. There's a statement in the book where Manning says, "The person with an abiding spirit of gratitude is one who trusts God. The foremost quality of a trusting disciple is gratefulness."

The wisdom of Proverbs teaches us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." (Proverbs 3:5-6) I encourage you to get your Bibles out and read beyond verse 6 to see how the writer of Proverbs calls us to practice our trust (and gratitude).

Speaking of gratitude, as I write just a few days past Fal Festival, I must say that I remain overly joyful and grateful for each and every one of you who worked so hard to insure that we had a FANTASTIC 2019 Fall Festival. I don't know how many of you stop and think of all the roles and tasks that must be covered at Fall Festival. I will likely leave something off of the list, but to pull off our Fall Festival, we have to have people to mark off vendor spaces, set up and take down tents, park vehicles, work in the Children's Area, bake items for Bake Shop, volunteer at Bake Shop, serve on the BBQ team, serve on the fish/fries/burger/hot dogs cook team, work in the Country Cafe, donate items for the cafe, help with the entertainment, serve in hospitality, set up the photo booth, secure silent auction items, set up and run the silent auction, collect and count money, clean during and after Fall Festival...whew! It's a lot!! So, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who stepped up and served. My heart was full seeing us work together as a congregation!!

> Have a FANTASTIC November! Amanda

Sunday Worship @



PLEDGE CARDS 2020

You can find the words, "In God We Trust," written on our money (for those who still carry cash!), yet I think most can admit that it is difficult to trust God with our money. The word, "tithe," means a tenth. There are various places in Scripture that speak to bringing a tenth of income to the Lord as an act of worship. (Consider a few references: Gen.14:19-20, Gen. 28:20-22, Deut. 14:22, 2 Chronicles 31:4-5, Malachi 3:8-12). When we get to the New Testament, the understanding is to begin with the tithe and work toward sacrificial giving. (Consider a few references: Matt. 6:19-21, Matt. 16:24 Mark 12:41-44, Lk 18:22, 2 Cor. 9:6-7)

This year, during November, we ask you to prayerfully consider what percentage of the gifts God gives you in 2020 (whether they be little or much), you will return to God as an act of worship. Our goal is to have 75 pledge cards returned as an expression of our congregation's TRUST in the Lord! More info to come!

ALL SAINTS DAY



All Saints Recognition will be on Sunday, November 3 this year. We will remember the members of Minor Memorial listed below who have passed away since last All Saints Day with a special candle lighting service during worship at 10:30 a.m.

Alan Armstrong Bill Hunt

Martha Baptiste Irene Morganti

SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

Our Second Sunday Social will be Sunday, November 10! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for a fun time of fellowship!





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