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# The Informer

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**JUNE 2013**

**Matthew 11:16-19 (NRSV)**

<sup>16</sup>“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

Have you ever had a tough decision to make? Have you ever let someone else make decisions for you without deciding for yourself whether or not it was wise or even good? Have you believed something bad about a friend without trying to find out whether or not it was true? The passage above challenges us to listen for God’s guidance in our lives, to turn to God and pray for discernment when confronted with ambiguity and confusion.

I used to think of praying for discernment as problem solving with a spiritual dimension; we simply included God in the process of rational decision-making. I have since realized that discernment is not an activity we undertake but a gift we receive from God. Praying for discernment means we simply express our willingness to engage in a process of listening for God’s desire in our lives. We listen with all of who we are for what is true and wise and loving. Praying for discernment should be a way of life for a Christian. God calls us to live a life of willingness to listen, to listen for God’s will for our lives.

All of us make decisions every single day, some of them are the right decision and some are the wrong decision. Sometimes we won’t know until years down the road which were the right decisions and which were the wrong decisions but decisions that are made with God at the center are always better than the ones made without God.

As I leave pastoral ministry, I pray that this is the right decision and trust that the decision was made with the guidance of the Holy Spirit both by me and by the cabinet. I know how hard the cabinet has worked this last appointment season and my prayers are with both churches moving forward with the help of your new pastor. You have been a blessing to me personally and all of you mean the world to me. May God be with you all.

Blessings,

*Rev. Candace*

*Please join us for*

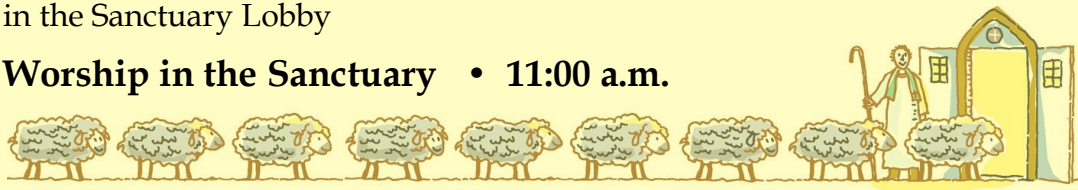
**Sunday School • 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

Classes for Adults, Youth, & Children

**Fellowship Time • 10:30 a.m.**

in the Sanctuary Lobby

**Worship in the Sanctuary • 11:00 a.m.**



## Vacation Bible School

Everywhere Fun Fair is coming to Geyer Springs United Methodist Church June 25-27. Dinner will be served at 5:30 each night and will highlight the country of that night's theme! We will be enjoying cuisines of Japan, India, and Mexico!

This year, we are requiring one (1) adult remain with his/her child. There will be a Bible study available for adults after the opening ceremony each night in case some adults don't want to participate with their children. Or, if you are an adult with no/grown children and want to come for just the Bible study, you will be more than welcome. Carol Danner will be leading the adult Bible study.

Registration forms are available at the church or can be emailed to you upon request. Everyone, even Bible study participants and volunteers, need to fill out a registration form so enough food can be prepared.

## Worship Assistant & Teaching Schedule

Sunday, June 2

Liturgist	Drucille Gilbert
Fellowship Host	Karen and Martin
Children's Time	Margaret LeClair
Acolytes	

Sunday, June 9

Liturgist	Drucille Gilbert
Fellowship Host	Becky and Robin
Children's Time	Dr. Barron
Acolytes	

Sunday, June 16

Liturgist	Drucille Gilbert
Fellowship Host	Youth
Children's Time	Margaret LeClair
Acolytes	

Sunday, June 23

Liturgist	Drucille Gilbert
Fellowship Host	Kathy and Kathy
Children's Time	Chuck Reaves
Acolytes	

Sunday, June 30

Liturgist	Drucille Gilbert
Fellowship Host	Anna and Terri
Children's Time	Chuck Reaves
Acolytes	

If you would be interested in serving as Liturgist or Fellowship Host, please contact the office and your name will be added to the rotation.

**JUNE Birthdays and Anniversaries are listed on the monthly calendar. If your birthday or anniversary has been omitted, please contact Margaret.**

## Prayer Concerns

Please continue to let us know of your prayer joys and concerns: Dr. Candace Barron, 501-251-7492 or email Barroncandace@aol.com.

## Rehab & Nursing Centers:

Mary Ridgeway

## Treatments & Concerns:

Hugh Adcock	Deanna Adcock
Sherry Bethea	Vivian Bencick
Benetta Bellew	Gussie Bridges
Wilandra Dean	"Grandma" Dunaway
Corinne George	Kelsey Harris
Archie Griffin	Katie Hithe
Kelly Johnston	Tom Kelly
Rose Kelly	Silas Lantl
Rita McClure	Linda McCown
Fay O'Donnell	Don Ridgeway
Mary Ridgeway	Johnny Simmons
Nicole Kelly Smith	Leslie Stane
Rodney Swaty	Charles Turley
Mary Turley	Elaine Watson
Father of Chuck Reaves	Helen Webb
Pete Price	Wolfgang May
Hildegard May	

Those serving in the Armed Forces & their families

**Prayers go out to the people of Oklahoma affected by the recent tornadoes. If you wish to make a donations, mark your check/envelope with UMCOR, Advance #901670**

**Wednesday Night Fellowship**

## Wednesday Evenings at 5:30 pm

*Adults: \$3 Children: \$1 Any of the host groups welcomes your help.*

June 5 – Host: Myers Class

June 12 – Host: Blackwell Circle

June 19– Host: Mary Gantz Circle

June 26– Host: Blackwell Class

## *Fathers then & now*

**In 1900**, a father's horsepower meant his horses.

**Today**, it's the size of his minivan.

**In 1900**, fathers could count on children to join the family business.

**Today**, fathers pray their kids will soon come home from college long enough to teach them how to work the computer and set the VCR.

**In 1900**, fathers pined for old country Romania, Italy, or Russia.

**Today**, fathers pine for old country Hank Williams.

**In 1900**, if a father had breakfast in bed, it was eggs and bacon and ham and potatoes.

**Today**, it's Special K, soy milk, dry toast and a lecture on cholesterol.

**In 1900**, fathers were never truly appreciated.

**In 2001**, fathers are never truly appreciated.

**From the Trustees**

The locks have been changed on the outside of the church. The only doors accessible from the outside are the door next to the office, the right hand door to the hallway by the drink machine, and the door going to the outside at the back of the kitchen. If you wish to get a new key, please contact Lloyd Wilson. He will tell Margaret, and you will be issued a new key with a number stamped on it. Margaret will not distribute keys without Lloyd's approval. If you received a key before it could have a number stamped on it, please come by the office and your key will get a number stamped on it and your name assigned to it. A log will be kept of who has keys both permanent and temporary.

*You are invited to a bridal shower for Megan Motley, granddaughter of Anna Hart on June 9 at 2:00 pm in the Parlor at Geyer Springs United Methodist Church*



WOW!! From the Mother's Day donations, the Food Pantry is able to purchase 6000, yes six thousand, pounds of food! Thank you to all! Our coffers and cupboard were bare! Now, let's see if we can do the same for Father's Day! Let's have a "Dollars for Dads" collection for the Food Pantry in honor/memory of the fathers out there!!

#### **Stewardship News**

Those extra dollars add up! As of May, we have paid 24.4% of our total apportionment bill!



*Your presence is requested on June 15, 2013 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at Geyer Springs United Methodist Church to celebrate The 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Anna and Randall Templeton*



Join us as we celebrate the July birthdays of Drucille Gilbert and Jim Washburn on June 29 from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the Family Life Center. Your "presence" is the only "present" requested. Please RSVP to 565-3175 by June 15 so enough food can be prepared.

#### **Youth Corner**

We will continue with activities during the summer and will assist with Vacation Bible School as usual. As of this time, other than VBS, the only activity on the schedule is a trip to the Humane Society on June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30. We will have lunch after Worship Service, then go to the Humane Society for an educational lesson, then time with the animals. We are collecting donations of small, medium collars, dog and cat toys, and leashes to take with us.

# June 2013

- Church birthday & anniversary
- US Holidays
- Christian Holidays
- Non-church
- Church
- Untitled
- Margaret
- UMC2012

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Fellowship time 11:00 AM Worship	27 Lily Young Memorial Day office closed 8:30 AM Exercise Class	28 6:30 PM 4-H & CLOVERBUDS	29 Katelyn Jones Scott Grizzell John F. Kennedy's Birthday 5:30 PM WNF 6:15 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	30	31 Lee Pool 8:30 AM Exercise Class 10:00 AM ESL Class	1 Andy & Chanda Adams Carol Haskins
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16 Father's Day 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Fellowship time 11:00 AM Worship	17 Loran Page 8:30 AM Exercise Class	18 Mildred Chenault 1:30 PM Edna Blackwell Circle	19 10:00 AM Mary Gantz Circle 5:30 PM WNF 6:15 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	20 9:00 AM Food Pantry 4:00 PM Newsletter Article Deadline	21 Holly Haskins 8:30 AM Exercise Class 10:00 AM ESL Class	22 Chuck Reaves
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