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...TO AN EXTRAORDINARY GOD!

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WELCOME

to our Contemporary service

“Tell those who are rich, not to trust in their money which will soon be gone. Tell them to use their money to do good, to give happily to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them. By doing this they will be storing up real treasure for themselves in heaven.”

1 Timothy 6: 17-19

CONNECTING TODAY:

Ushers

8:15am

Joe & Di Short, Barney & Margurite Sahene

9:30a.m.

Phil & Janie McNeill, Ron Harris, Stephen Cain



MAKING CONNECTIONS

“TRANSFORMING ORDINARY PEOPLE INTO
POWERFUL DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST!”

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November 4, 2007

FIRST CHURCH
United Methodist of Maumelle 

GET CONNECTED!!!



Come join us next Sunday, as we talk about our new virtue uniqueness and learn to see what God sees, because God sees the heart. November 11th at 11am in the Family Life Center. We'll see you there.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Rehearsal is TODAY at 1:30. It's not too late to get involved! If you or your child (1st-5th grade) would like to participate contact Teresa Baloun at 851-2377 as soon as possible.

BRING A FRIEND MONTH

November is Journey Kids Bring a Friend Month. We are challenging all children 1st- 5th grade to invite friends to church this month. We are also challenging parents to volunteer one Sunday with their child's class this month. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Teresa at teresa@fumcmaumelle.org.

TRUNK or TREAT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Thanks to everyone who helped out with Trunk or Treat! 500 people were welcomed into our church for a wonderful evening because of your generosity and support.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Thank you to everyone that made the Halloween party such a great success. Congratulations goes out to the 9th/10th grade guys who stole the show with their costumes and dance.

JUMP tonight- we will have a special guest preacher who served as a missionary in Mexico last summer. It will be a very powerful night.

LIFT- We begin a new series called Treasure Island which is based on the Spiritual Disciplines checkpoint.

Small group leader study meets this morning at 11:00 in Zeke's office. If you are a leader within student ministries you are invited to this study.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

The Mission Team will host a Greater Gift Sale here at the church today and next Sunday in the Front Lobby just in time for Christmas! Items will be available from all over the world and they make great Christmas gifts. Bring your check book and get ready to do some shopping. The Mission Team will also be collecting items for Ingathering. A list of items will be distributed to small groups & Sunday School Classes soon.

HOPE ALLIANCE

During the month of November, Hope Alliance will start a food drive for Thanksgiving meals. Because the applicants for assistance from Hope can only come once per month, we need to provide meals for those that come early in November. The suggested food items are on the brown paper sacks that can be picked up today in the Front Lobby. Please return the sacks of food next week. Giving a meal will fill the stomachs of those in need but just as important is your hunger to serve as a giving Christian.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

FUMC will begin a new pictorial church directory this month. **The following dates and times will be photography days here at the church: Thursday, November 15th 3-9pm, Friday, November 16th 3-9, Saturday, November 17th 10am-5pm, Monday, November 19th 3-9pm and Tuesday, November 20th 3-9pm.** Please check your calendars and make sure your family will be available to come on one of these dates. Please schedule your appointment online at www.signup.olanmills.com using contract/password # 25392. **The computer at the Welcome Desk will be available to schedule online appointments.** If you scheduled your appointment on the signup sheets in the Front Lobby and you need to change your appointment, please call Olan Mills at 1-800-866-2263. Pictures should be back in time for Christmas! Each family will receive a directory and free 8X10 photograph. We still need someone to coordinate the layout of the directory with Olan Mills. If you are interested, please call the church office at 851-2377.

LANDSCAPING POTLUCK DINNER

The Landscaping Team will have a potluck dinner next Friday, November 9th at 6:30pm at Nancy Mitchells house. If you are a member of the Landscaping team or would like to become a member, please join us for fun and fellowship. Call Nancy Mitchell at 851-8225 or Donna Smith at 851-7577 to RSVP.

PASTORAL CARE

Christy Van Reenen has a young friend that is in Arkansas Children's Hospital undergoing his second stem cell transplant. He is battling neuroblastoma. He will be in the hospital for 6 weeks and needs our encouragement. Please consider sending a card or note of encouragement. He loves getting mail! His address is: Arkansas Children's Hospital, Elijah Talley, Room 3141, 800 Marshall Street, Little Rock, AR 72202. You can follow his progress and story at www.caringbridge.org/visit/elijahtalley

November 4, 2007
“Principles to Live By”
Luke 19: 11-26

We generally receive from life exactly what we put into it. The same is true in the church. How much time, talent and treasures do you invest in the church?

I. The principle of use:

“The greatest use of your life is to use your life so that the use of your life will outlive your life”

In Luke 19 Jesus tells a story that illustrates how important it is to invest our time, talent as well as treasures into the kingdom.

God is deeply concerned about people who want to control themselves and what they possess because they can miss the exciting adventure of what is available to them. This is the main point in our Bible reading (Luke 19: 11-26). This parable teaches us the sin really is trying to control what is not ours to control.

-The question is not, “How many gifts do I have; but what am I going to do with the ones I’ve got?”

Spiritual gifts God wants us to use: teaching, giving, compassion, knowledge, wisdom, faith, healing, discernment, interpretation, helping, administration, evangelism, serving, hospitality, music, praying, leadership.

God loves us all equally, but gifts us differently.

Use it or lose it! That’s what this parable teaches us.

II. The principle of contentment:

Happiness isn’t for sale! Happiness isn’t getting whatever you want; it’s enjoying whatever you have. Everybody wants financial freedom and security. That doesn’t come through more money but fewer wants. The only way to break the grip of materialism is through generosity. Giving is not a step in getting closer to God; it is the result of being close to God. How close to God are you? Our money is the hardest thing to give up. God knows this and the Bible is very clear that if God doesn’t have your wallet or purse, God doesn’t have your heart.

Connect this week:



Sunday, November 4

- 8:15am Praise Worship Service—Family Life Center
- 8:15am Koinonia Sunday School Class-Room 103
- 9:30am Praise Worship Service- Family Life Center
- 9:30am Nursery, Discoveryland (2-5 yrs) Downstairs
- Journey Kids (1-5th Grade) Upstairs
- FLY, AM LIFT, CORE— Youth Room
- Adult Sunday School Classes –121, 113, 103 & Coffee Bar
- 11:00am Traditional Worship Service -Sanctuary
- 11:00am Student Ministries Small Group Leader Meeting—Youth Room
- 1:30pm Children’s Christmas Musical Rehearsal—FLC
- 3:00pm Student Praise Band Practice—FLC
- 5:00pm New Members Class/ Methodism 101— Coffee Bar
- 6:00pm Christian Believers Class—Room 103
- 6:30pm JUMP Sr. High—Youth Room

Monday, November 5

- 10:00am Hope Alliance
- 10:00am Monday Morning Bible Study—Choir Room
- 6:30pm Boy Scouts—Various Classrooms
- 6:30pm KIDstuf Rehearsal—FLC

Tuesday, November 6

- 10:00am Staff Meeting—Room 103
- 6:30pm GriefShare—Room 103
- 6:30pm Cub Scouts—FLC & Coffee Bar
- 6:30pm Trustees/Interfaith Hospitality Network Meeting— Sanctuary
- 7:30pm SPRC Meeting-Luke’s Office
- 7:30pm AI-Anon Meeting—Choir Room

Wednesday, November 7

- 5:30pm Student Praise Team & Tech Practice-Youth Room
- 6:30pm LIFT— Jr. High— Youth Room
- 6:30pm FUMC University Classes— Various Classrooms
- 6:45pm Choir Practice—Choir Room
- 7:30pm KIDstuf Rehearsal— FLC

Thursday, November 8

- 10:00am Women of Faith—Choir Room
- 6:00pm Praise Team Practice—FLC
- 5:30pm Weight Watchers—Coffee Bar
- 6:00pm Scouts: God & Me Course— Choir Room
- 6:30pm Ladies Book Club—Front Lobby
- 7:30pm Scouts: God & Family Course— Choir Room

Friday, November 9

- 6:30pm Landscaping Team Potluck— Nancy Mitchell’s House
- 7:00pm Adult Basketball—FLC
- 8:00pm Back to Basics AA Meeting- Choir Room

Saturday, November 10

- 9:00am Choir Cantata Rehearsal— Choir Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:15a.m.

Opening Song
"Glory"

Welcome & Announcements

All Sing Together
"Everlasting God"
"Sing to the King"

Prayer
"Heart of Worship"

Offering
"Touch Me Lord Jesus"

Bible Reading
Luke 19: 11-26

The Message
"Principles to Live By"

Holy Communion

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If you wish to profess your faith in Christ please come forward during the singing of the closing song. If you wish to become a member of First United Methodist Church please indicate this on your registration slip and Luke will contact you concerning the steps to membership.



A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Out of our desire to warmly welcome you, we invite **first time** visitors to stop by the Welcome Center in our front lobby and pick up a welcome gift. Please fill out a yellow first time visitor card in the attendance pad. FUMC has a variety of ministries and learning opportunities for all ages. We offer three worship services every Sunday morning and KIDstuf family worship for children and their parent's at 11:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center every other Sunday.

Our ushers/greeters and staff members are available to answer your questions. For more information, please call the church office at 851-2377 or email Pastor Luke at luke@fumcmaumelle.org.

***The Lord's Prayer**

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

PRAYER CONCERNS

✠ Mike Marcussen and family in the death of his father (Vic Marcussen); Leslie Seward's father (John Langrell); Sandy Payton and family in the death of her father (John Maddox); Candace Barker and family in the death of her father (Dewitt Sternberger); John Bumpers, Jack & Jane Burgan and family in the death of their daughter (Jennifer Burgan); Leslie Sim's father (Richard Hays); Jerry Sim's daughter (Karen Debrine); Charles Edwards and family in the death of his father (Paul Edwards); Barbara Edwards mother (Sue Trommler); Dave Green's sister-in-law (Linda Green); Rena Miller's niece (Rhonda & baby); Ron Harris's mother (Evelyn Harris); Pam Springer's mother (Lyda Hatcher) & sister-in-law (Ethel Springer); Elijah Talley.

✠ **Please keep those serving our country in your prayers:** Beau Donaldson, Barry Owens, Teresa Bruno's son (PFC Johnathan Nunnally); Luke Lowery, US Army, Kyle Gunn, USMC (son of Jerry & Leslie Sims); Phillip Jarvis, US Army, Kevin Washa, Michael James Murphy, Bryan Morris.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BEGINNING NOW, PRAYER REQUESTS WILL RUN ON A 3 MONTH ROTATION. PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PUT SOMEONE ON THE OCTOBER LIST OR SIMPLY FILL OUT A PRAYER REQUEST FORM LOCATED AT THE WELCOME CENTER, FLC OR SANCTUARY AND PLACE IN THE OFFER-



Would you or your family like to light the advent candles during worship on the following Sunday's? Please circle which date.

December 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd

8:15 am. Service:

Name: _____

9:30 a.m. Service:

Name: _____

Or

Monday, December 24th, Christmas Eve:

Contemporary Service in FLC 7:00 p.m.

Name: _____

Traditional Service in Sanctuary

11:00 p.m.

Name: _____