

YOUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

Sunday, Aug 19

COMMUNION

8 am Early Sunday School

9 am Worship

10:15 am Adult & Children's
Sunday School

Tuesday, Aug 21

FOOD PANTRY DAY

2 pm Stephen Ministers

Wednesday, Aug 22

9:30 am Upper Room Study,

Communion, then New

Testament Bible Study

NO CHOIR PRACTICE

6 pm CYC

7 pm Bridge

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, Aug 26

COMMUNION

8 am Early Sunday School

9 am Worship

10:15 am Adult & Children's

Sunday School

Tuesday, Aug 28

10 am Food Forum

Wednesday, Aug 29

9:30 am Upper Room Study,

Communion, then New

Testament Bible Study

NO CHOIR PRACTICE

6 pm CYC

7 pm Bridge

Commission on a Way Forward: 5 Things you need to know

[Taken from a UMC.org feature by Joe Iovino, see the entire article at

<http://www.umc.org/who-we-are/commission-on-a-way-forward-5-things-you-need-to-know>]

As a United Methodist, you may have heard about some of the things happening in our church today around the issues of human sexuality, and the work being done by a group called the Commission on a Way Forward. Their important work will help shape the future of the United Methodist Church. These five things offer an overview of the Commission on a Way Forward:

1. **Formation:** At General Conference 2016 in Portland, there were an overwhelming number of proposals dealing with issues surrounding same-sex marriage, the ordination of LGBTQ clergy, and related topics. The bishops returned later in the General Conference with a plan. They would create a group to research and advise them of ways to help us move forward. The group they brought together is the Commission on a Way Forward.
2. **Task:** The work of the Commission on a Way Forward is "to inform deliberation across the whole church and to help the Council of Bishops in their service to the next General Conference in finding a way forward". Their final report will be presented to a special session of General Conference, Feb 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, MO.
3. **Issues:** The United Methodist General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) invited scholars to discuss the issues. Following the gathering, GBHEM produced "Unity of the Church and Human Sexuality", a study guide based on the scholars' conversation. The study guide can be found at: https://www.gbhem.org/sites/default/files/study_guide_eng_final.pdf.
4. **Recommendations:** On July 31, 2018, the final report of the Commission on a Way Forward was released. The English report is available online at: http://s3.amazonaws.com/Website_Properties/council-of-bishops/news_and_statements/documents/Way_Forum_Report_-_Final_-_ENGLISH.pdf
5. **Who decides?** The report will be received and acted upon by a special session of General Conference. This worldwide gathering of United Methodists will only act on items around our deep divide over homosexuality.

Be still, and know that

I am God.

Psalm 46:10

Hear Ye

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JOYS:

Ruth and Thomas Q. were happy to have a surprise visit from **Randy and Carmen Emery, and the Woodwards** this morning who are long-time friends from when Thomas Q. was the pastor at University Park Church in Dallas.

Ruth shared with the congregation that **Thomas Q.** performed the wedding ceremony for Ruth's 90-year-old uncle **Waylon Howell and Vivian Philmore** this past week.

Susan Pokorski told us we have cheerful givers in our midst who supplied both a table and chairs and a bed for a family who recently moved here.

Mary Schutz reported that she took 166 lbs. of food contributed by our congregation to the food bank. Thanks to all who donated.

Merle Hughes grandson Andrew is on a mission trip to Ecuador, taking with him his grandfather **Avery Hughes'** old Bible.

Susan and Jay Suggs daughter Nicole Horn visited with us this morning.

Congratulations to **Patsy and Van Wagnon** who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

CONCERNS:

Van Wagnon's friend of 68 years, Dale Henderson, has had bladder cancer which has now progressed

to the point where he is going to have to have his bladder removed. Please pray for him.

Dudley Bumpass has recently been very depressed. **Terry** has introduced him to working with stained

glass which he enjoys. Please pray that creating objects of art will help ease his depression.

Emily, one of our Sunday School children, asks for prayers for her **Nanny** as she needs new meds.

Joanna Fritz asked us to pray for her as she drives **Clark** up to DFW airport for his trip back to WI. Daily prayers are needed for our faithful **Volunteer Workers** as they work on our new **Fellowship Hall.**

Susan Waldrip has asked that we pray for her friend **Rick Duncan,** who is in the ICU in Oklahoma City in critical condition.

We need to keep **Coleman Pitre (Dianna Kane's grandson)** in our prayers as he continues to heal. Coleman was nearly killed in an auto accident.

Kenneth Black asks that we lift his friend up in prayer, **Shawn Brand.**

Thank you, **dear Lord,** for the abundant rains and relief from heat which you have given us!!

Bible Study Each Wednesday

9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

Upper Room Study, followed by Communion, then Bible Study of the New Testament

Please mark your calendars!

FOOD PANTRY DAY

August 21st

INTERESTED?

Contact **Carole Stubblefield** for more information.

It's not too early to think about Operation Christmas Child!

SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS



In November, we will have a wonderful packing party to put together our boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Your gift shoeboxes will be sent all over the world! It is the **PERFECT TIME** to pick up great deals on **SCHOOL SUPPLIES.** Hit the stores and start collecting the following:

Hats, Gloves & Scarves: Can you knit or crochet?

Accessories: Combs, brushes, hair bows, elastic bands, watches, sunglasses

Quality Crafts: Easily created items with everything included to create a masterpiece!

Stuffed Animals: Make sure it can fit in a shoebox!

Hygiene Items: Towels, wash clothes, toothbrushes, toothbrush holders, bar soap (no liquids, no toothpaste).

TOYS! Slinkys, cars & trucks, action figures, GAMES, musical

instruments, anything that will fit in a shoebox!

Clothing: T-shirts, flip-flops, socks, underwear, shoes.

School Supplies: Hit those stores NOW!

Don't forget your WOW item! NO CANDY THIS YEAR!!

If you are not a shopper, NO WORRIES. Shipment costs for each box are \$9. Donations are great! Stay tuned for information on our packing party and how you can help.



CHUCK KNOWS CHURCH

Sometimes trolling around a web site uncovers some real gems! Check out "Chuck Knows Church" on the UMC.ORG webpage. You will find a collection of very entertaining videos about all things United Methodist! This video series is all about the objects, symbols and terms we often hear in church. There are more than 100 episodes available on a variety of topics. Each episode is between 2 to 5 minutes long. Very entertaining and you will learn something, too! Check them out at:

chuckknowschurch.com