

# FALL NEWS

## At the River

2019

We hope you all have been praying about what you might add to the vitality and life of Little River UMC, next year and over the next few years. Remember that each one of you is unique, God made you that way, and he is thrilled that you are plugging into Little River UMC. You have amazing gifts that few others have, and those gifts will inspire many of us to do things you might think are simple, but others of us find challenging and downright daunting! Many of us find doing some things completely impossible, but if y'all will teach us, the talents can be multiplied, and we can accomplish much more for God's glory!

### Your Voice Matters

We will have two all-church meetings in October to learn what you think we need to be doing and what you think about a proposed budget. Come out for interesting hour-long meetings on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, immediately after worship. We will have a light lunch of chili and stuffed baked potatoes and then talk about what we want to do. If you can't come, then please plan on coming Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 5 pm. We will review our meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> and consider other new ideas. At 6:15 we can enjoy Wednesday night supper. I hope you will plan on coming one of these dates or both. You will make new friends and learn new ways to serve. Love, Pastor Gale



### Monday Morning Prayer Group

The Monday Morning Prayer Group continues to meet every Monday @10,30am. We have lots of dedicated folks who come every time we meet. Thanks to the support of our church family with generous gifts of cards stamps and money we are able to send lots of cards without bothering the church budget. We have sent almost 600 cards to date. Continue to pray for our group. Any requests can be directed to Pastor Gale, Jenny or Sandra or fill out a request on Sunday morning. God bless.

Jenny@ 770.926.3172 or Sandra @  
770.926.3595 [Sandrawehunt1@yahoo.com](mailto:Sandrawehunt1@yahoo.com).

Drawing for  
3 Lucky  
Winners

Prize: Free Meal the  
following week!

Wednesday  
Night  
MEALS

Returning  
this fall.

6:15PM

If you have not been coming on Wednesday nights, please make plans to attend this fall. We would love to have you and any friends you would like to invite to join us! We have a good meal and fellowship at 6:15 PM, and at 7:00 PM you are welcome to attend one of our Bible Studies, as some folks move upstairs in the education building for a great time study with folks who have questions just like you. Young children may sign-up to attend our Christ's Kids group from age 4 thru elementary school. This group signs in on the playground at 6:15 and if there is bad weather, we will have check-in in the Long Room attached to the Fellowship Hall. Your middle and high schoolers can also sign-up to attend a Bible Study and discussion group with our Youth Minister, Jessica Porter at 7:00 PM. This new study is for students who are eager to learn and discuss seriously. If you have small children, we have a nursery staffed by Pam King and Megan Adams from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Each week we have a drawing for three free meals for the following week from tickets we pass out at the cashier's table. As you can see, we have lots going on Wednesday nights, and we sincerely want you and your family to become a part of it.



**October 2nd**

Taco Night – chips & dip, tacos and all the trimming,  
pinto beans, Mexican rice, dessert and drink.

**October 9th**

Pork roast, Dana's pineapple extravaganza, green  
beans, macaroni and cheese, rolls, dessert & drink.

**October 16th**

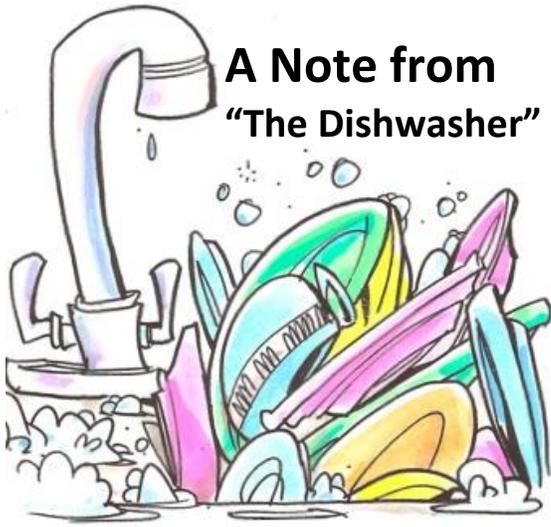
Bill Godard's country fried steak, mixed beans,  
creamed potatoes, slaw, gravy, biscuits, dessert &  
drink.

**October 23rd**

Homemade chicken pot pie w/ vegetables, broccoli  
w/ cheese sauce, garden salad, bread, dessert and  
drink.

**October 30th**

Grilled hamburger steaks, baked beans, baked  
potatoes, salad, Texas toast, dessert & drink,



## A Note from "The Dishwasher"

I wanted to start this article by giving shout-outs to just a few of our church family!

Diane Pendley is one of our Sunday School teachers. She never misses a Sunday, and sometimes I have the pleasure of assisting her carry her bag full of crafts and lessons she will be using that day. I often comment how heavy her bag is and what does she have in that bag..."rocks"? She smiles and tells me it's for her kids. We take a minute to talk and exchange nice things about life and our families. Her husband, Joe, is a great Southern man. Thank-you Diane for your mission of service teaching our young children as your precious Mother did. We know she is smiling.



### Carl McKinney

I was enlisted in the Army. Saying that, I know many brothers that also served this great country. This one deserves a shout-out for his service in a time of need as many others have. Carl, husband to Dorothy, pleasantly does our audio video for Little River 11 AM services every Sunday. Carl has a quiet demeanor, dedicated to his task every Sunday. He is also a secret member of our security team. Carl & I meet every Sunday morning before service begins to discuss our safety goals. If we were still in the Army, Carl would significantly out rank me, so I listen and carry out our mission for the day. We communicate with highly sophisticated walkie talkies. Carl will very nicely lower his head and stare straight into my eyes saying, "Tom you can do this!" Thank you for your service to Little River.

### The First Little River Dishwasher - Frank Lowry

Frank Lowry (married to the lovely Ruby), was the original dishwasher at Little River Wednesday Night Meals. Many men have washed the dishes over the years for Gail O's kitchen crew. She has a well-polished team that consistently produces the meals that generate funds for a variety of church activities. She is able to accomplish this with minimal chatter and sometimes all that is required is a look from Gail to communicate her direction. I guess that's why men have always been on dish duty. Call me crazy, but I like to be in the back, away from all the chatter. Currently Frank is at a Resort not far from his beautiful estate. He will stay there until his staff has had enough of his sweetness. When I saw him today, I told him I was working on the newsletter. He asked me if I would do a great favor for him? He wanted me to add something to the article. Teasingly, I told him I was unable to grant his request because everyone would want me to put something in the articles. Suddenly tears rose in his eyes! I broke down and promised him right then and there I would put anything in the article he wanted. He looked up at me and said, "promise?" I said, "anything you want." Frank looked in my eyes and said, "OK then. ROLL TIDE" Your dishwasher, Go Dawgs!



# Women's Retreat

**OCTOBER  
18, 19, & 20**



Pack your bag for a fun weekend in Augusta. We will leave Gail O's home at 9am on Friday morning and return Sunday afternoon. We will start our weekend with a stop in Atlanta to tour the Martin

Luther King Center, Reflection pool, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and then on to Augusta. We will do a 1 ½ hr. music cruise in a Petersburg boat on the Augusta Canal, eat at Big Daddy's, Boll Weevil, and other places, and do other activities. Sunday we will go to North Augusta, SC to "Colonial Times – A Day to Remember", attend the 10:30 18<sup>th</sup> century Anglican Worship Service, and other activities there. Then, have lunch and come home Sunday afternoon. Agenda and cost will be e-mail Monday night. Get ready for a great time!!

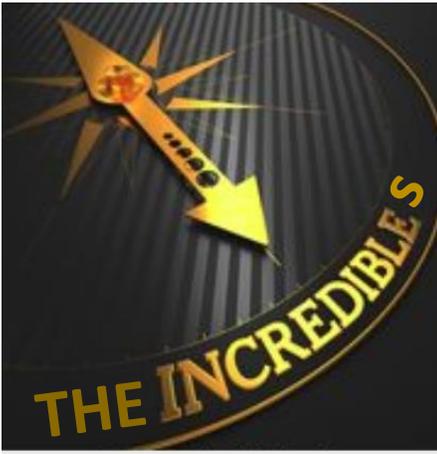


Contact Gail O at 770-926-9868 or 678-641-5486 for any questions.



*Colonial  
Times*

A Day to Remember  
October 19–20, 2019  
Admission is FREE



September was a busy time for the INCREDIBLES. On the 12th we went to our regular monthly breakfast @ Chick-fil-A with 6 of us. We had a good time and great food. Afterwards we went to see the movie, Overcomer. We had 16 in attendance. It was an inspiring movie. Thanks to Pat Andre for arranging for us. October plans are being finalized. Watch the bulletins for updates. You may call Pat @ 678.938.5235, Jenny @ 770.926.3172 or Sandra @ 770.926.3595. Come join us for lots of fun and fellowship. God bless.

LRUMC UMW Tuesday Morning Circle loves missions! For the last two months, we asked for donations of toiletries and small purses. At our September meeting, we made care packages for abused and homeless women and sent a whole bin of supplies to be distributed to the homeless in Atlanta. Thank you for your response! We could not have done it without our Church family ❤️.



**Game Night Success!** – Both of our game nights held this Fall have been a grand success! All of the members and friends/family had a great time. Many folks asked if this was going to be regular thing! Maybe we will have it once a month and even more people will get involved. There are several different games for you to play so watch for the next

date and come and join in the fun. If you like cards, dominoes, Rummikub, Scrabble, and tons of delicious snacks, then you should come!

# News from the Trail

September 2019

Good morning! It's a **GREAT** time for Scouting at Little River. In case you haven't heard, we made "a list". Yes I know—no good can ever come from you being on "a list" but let me try to change your mind. I share information from time to time with the lead Scouting Coordinator for the North Georgia conference and as of now, Little River UMC is tied for 4th place in the number of Scout units at a single church in the North Georgia conference. We're competing with some of the larger Methodist Churches and doing extremely well. Currently we support 8 units:

- 1 Cub Scout Pack
- 1 Boy Scouts of America Boy Troop
- 1 Boy Scouts of America Girl Troop
- 5 Girl Scouts of America Troops



You can be extremely proud of all the leaders, young men, and young women represented in our Scouting organization. Our new Scouting year has begun and although many Troops "have just started", they are already very active.



## Pack 625:

- Completed fall recruiting, added more than 25 Scouts to the Pack.
- Held a Raingutter Regatta (a boat race in rain gutters). All hands returned to dry land although a pirate (or two) were spotted.
- Participated in a local event—Adventure Quest—where they had an opportunity to learn to shoot a BB Gun, Bow and Arrow, fish, arts and crafts, and visit with the Sheriff's Office and Cherokee County Fire.
- Completed building bird houses, with the kits being cut by the United Methodist Men, to donate to the Pediatric Brain Cancer group at the Aflac Children's Cancer Center of Atlanta. Children at the Cancer Center will paint and decorate the birdhouse before offering them for auction in the spring.

## Troop 625:

- They have been teaching the requirements for the "Scouting Adventure" badge to the 5th grade Scouts so that the younger Scouts can earn their Arrow of Light (the highest award in Cub Scouting).
- Completed their annual fishing / fly fishing campout.
- Went white water rafting with Troop 1208 (our new Girls Troop).

## Troop 1208:

- Worked on the Swimming Merit Badge with Judge Frank Mills and physical fitness requirements for their tenderfoot rank.
- Working on their first aid skills, CPR, and the First Aid Merit Badge.
- Learned to sharpen, care for, safety rules, and to use knives, saws, hatchets, and axes. They now have a "license" to use them at all Scouting events where appropriate.
- Completed a service project to help a church member move some furniture into storage.





### Troop 14612:

- The girls participated in a Cadette / Senior MEdia journey hosted by the local service unit.
- Lori Bouche from Right and Home visited and helped them understand dementia and memory loss for the elderly. They are doing a toilet paper drive to give to the seniors as they learn that it is an essential that some seniors cannot afford. They are also making Veteran’s Day cards to give to Ms. Bouche to give to the seniors.
- Camped overnight at the Tellus Museum to participate in the Cadette Night Owl event.
- **6 girls have completed their Bronze Award** (the 3rd highest award in Girl Scouts). They will officially be recognized in October by the Girl Scouts of America.

### Troop 20009:

- Our newest Daisy (K—1) troop began meeting with us in August.
- They have earned the Promise and Lupe petal badge and have learned about being honest, fair, considerate, and caring.
- They have built fairy houses among other activities.

### Troop 14665:

- Camped at Lake Allatoona.
- Attended the service unit’s annual pool party and recruiting drive.
- Preparing for their reinvestiture ceremony in October.

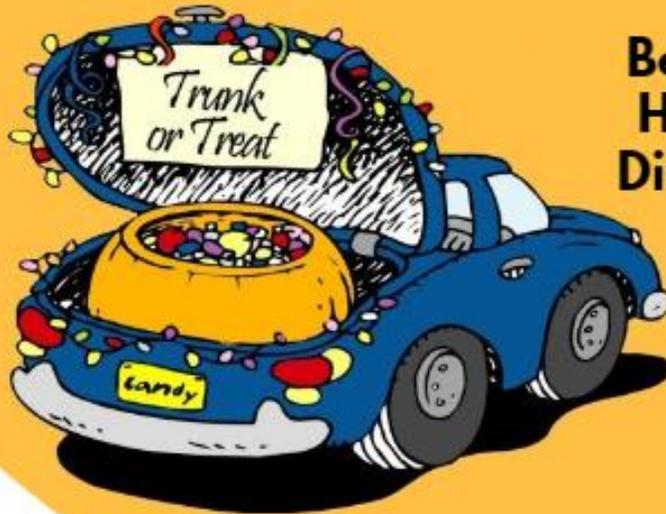


## Did you know?

- After the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Scouts set up first-aid stations and emergency kitchens, helped evacuate civilians, served as messengers, and manned 58 air-raid sirens around Honolulu.
- The very first Girl Scout Handbook was titled How Girls Can Help Their Country. Published in 1913, it was full of forward-thinking concepts; it even encouraged girls to learn trades, so that they could be independent and prepared to serve their country.



# Trunk or Treat



Begins @ 6-8PM  
Hotdog & Chili  
Dinner Available

\*Safe Trick  
or Treating  
for Kids

**OCTOBER 27th**

Little River UMC  
12455 Hwy 92, Woodstock