



New Horizons News

A Newsletter from New Horizons United Methodist Church

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Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision: New Horizons United Methodist Church is a caring faith community that invites everyone to experience the love of Jesus Christ and grow in relationship with God and one another.

Our Priorities: Invite
Grow
Serve

ENGAGE YOUR HEART, MIND & SOUL IN WORSHIP!

Dear Friends,

Worship is at the very core of why we gather as a congregation. When we meet together each week to praise God for who God is, and to thank God for the blessings we have received, then God nourishes and strengthens us for the days to come. Our heart is revived, our spirit is refreshed, our perspective shifts, and we are made ready for the duties and responsibilities of the week ahead. Once we have been spiritually fed by our corporate worship, we are better prepared to shine the light of Christ into our homes and workplaces. Then, throughout the week, our individual devotions serve as a supplement to nourish us on a daily basis.

I deeply appreciate the laity's involvement in leading worship! Our ministries of Usher, Greeter, Liturgist (or Worship Leader), Acolyte, and Preacher of Messages for Children & Youth are a vital part of our Sunday morning worship experience. Marie Powell now will begin coordinating the scheduling of these groups.

Thanks to Rich Oliver's leadership and inspiration, our church will be focusing on answering and living the question "Why?" during the month of September. Many of our lay ministry leaders will be helping to plan and lead worship during this exciting worship series. They are in the process of considering what talks, vignettes, videos, songs or other creative additions to worship they may include when it's their turn to present.

"START WITH WHY" Worship Series:

September 1 - "Turning to God with Big Questions"

September 8 - "Why We Serve"

September 15 - "Why We Grow"

September 22 - "Why We Invite"

September 29 - "Living The Question"

As each Ministry Team leads one particular service this month, it is my hope that all team members will participate in various leadership roles. Even more, I am hoping and praying that the whole congregation will be inspired toward missional action in each of the three areas of ministry we have selected as our priorities. I invite each of you to fully engage your heart, mind and soul in this worship series, and bring a friend as well!

I look forward to seeing you in worship!

Sincerely,

The Rev. Heather Morgan

PRIDEFEST INTERFAITH SERVICE HELD

On Sunday August 18, 2013, Raina Linville, Rev. Heather Morgan and Rex Morgan attended an interfaith worship service held at Flat Branch Park during MidMo Pridefest. The theme was "Let your light shine." People of different faiths and different backgrounds gathered together to celebrate sexuality, faith and light. Four people gave testimonials about their faith journey before and after they "came out". Stephanie and Michelle Scott-Huffman, Robert Spark, and Melissa Bedford all had powerful stories. The word "love" continued to be spoken by all and resonated throughout the crowd. New Horizons UMC and Missouri Methodists were two of the churches represented there. Rev. Trista Soendker Nicholson, Sarah Klassen and Rev. Molly Gordon were three of the leaders that spoke on this beautiful, loving, and "light-shining" day.

BEAUTIFICATION THROUGH EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

New Horizons is being blessed through the efforts of Tate Dempsey as he completes his Eagle Scout project at our church. Tate will be working during the evening of Sunday, September 1st and on Monday, September 2nd to remove the rotted tie wall to the right of the entry (near the deck). He will build a decorative stone wall using stones that match those used around the base of the sign in the front yard. He will also remove a stump and refill the resulting hole with top soil and then mulch the area. Lastly, he will also replace the first row of railroad ties just past the concrete retaining wall and clean up and reseed the area around the base of the wall. Tate has already purchased a decorative "Welcome" stone to be placed near a small tree planted last year. (The tree was planted using funds given in memory of Fern Robey. Tate's work in this area will complete this memorial project).

Tate will have assistance from other scouts but anyone else who wants to help is welcome. Please contact Mark Dempsey if you want to participate by calling 881-4040.

Be sure to look for these improvements after September 2nd!

Thank you, Tate!

SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts are gearing up for another great year. This summer 20 boys and adults from the troop with 3 from Troop 4 traveled to northern Minnesota to canoe on the Great Lakes for a high adventure trip. All had a great time with some interesting adventures. Over 16 boys attended summer camps this year with most going to Camp Hohn, (Lake of the Ozark Scout Reservation) near Laurie, MO and 2 attending Bartle Scout Reservation near Osceola, MO. Many merit badges were earned with several accomplishing the mile swim, kayaking, shot gun & rifle shooting, winning the cardboard boat race and advancing in the honor scout programs at camp. Luke Waltman earned the Eagle rank this summer and several others are nearing completion or starting their projects this fall thru spring.

The troop is planning on helping the church with SERVE on September 7th and with other projects throughout the year. The next meeting will be on September 9th and a court of honor is scheduled for October 5th. Anyone interest in the troop is welcome to stop by. Please contact Mike Wise at 446-4814 with any questions.

SERVE 2013

On September 7-8, 2013, United Methodists across Missouri are joining hands and hearts with our neighbors for a statewide weekend of community service known as SERVE 2013.

New Horizons has chosen to work to clean up and pretty up at Cedar Ridge Elementary School. We will be working there on Saturday morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to clean up a garden area that is no longer being used and work on the bushes located close to the name sign, plus a few other projects. Some of the scouts will be helping us as well.

We need a pick-up truck to remove yard waste. Also needed are a few shovels and rakes to clean out the gardens.

There are still five t-shirts available to purchase. These t-shirts are a lime green with SERVE 2013 on the front and RETHINK CHURCH on the back. They are a bargain price of \$6.00 each. Those remaining are mediums, large, extra large. Pick yours up at church Sunday.

If you can volunteer or provide shovels/rakes OR Provide a truck OR would like a t-shirt, please let Lenora 886-0288 or 268-4363 / Luella 443-3709 or 673-7846 know.

GROW

On Sunday, September 15, we will recognize one of our teams working with the new structure of the church. The “Grow” Team has responsibility for Christian Education and Worship. Lucy Lee and Marie Powell co-chair the team.

This special Sunday will emphasize the words of Jesus as found in Matthew 28:19—20: “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

You will hear about the options of the ways we can “grow” in our Christian faith from worship and study. Lucy Lee will have a very special children’s time, as well as the blessing of Sunday School teachers.

Come and be a part of celebrating what New Horizons offers each of us in study and worship.

CROP WALK

The CROP Walk & 5K Run will be held Sunday October 6th. Registration is \$10 at Missouri United Methodist Church at 9th & Elm at 1:00 p.m. The Walk and Run both begins at 2:00 p.m. CROP is an acronym for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. Check out the website:

<http://columbiacrophungerwalk.webs.co> .

How can You help? CROP Hunger Walk is an annual event that combines fun and fundraising to raise money for hungry people throughout the world. Plan to walk or sponsor a walker this year. Join the 160,000 walkers around the country to help end hunger. Feed the Birthday and Blessing box on the week of September 15th when funds are collected for CROP walkers. Sponsor donations are \$5, \$10, \$20 or more or whatever you can afford. Anyone who wants to make a difference in the lives of hungry people is invited. Walkers come from the religious community, schools, businesses and nonprofit agencies throughout Columbia and surrounding areas.

Why walk? Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as 10 kilometers each day to get food, water, and fuel, and to take their goods to market. CROP Hunger Walk provides us an opportunity to “WALK with the World.” Walk to be in solidarity with their struggle for existence. Walk to make a difference.

Who receives contributions in Columbia? Contributions to the Columbia CROP Hunger Walk since 2001 have gone to the following agencies: Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen, Russell Chapel Food Pantry, The Latter House, Feed the Community Program Hosted by Fifth Street Christian Church.

Any questions? Contact Brad Boyd-Kennedy, 573-445-7931 or at brad@columbiaucc.co.

Pastor Heather plans to walk and would love to have you join her!

WHAT IS THE FESTIVAL OF SHARING?

Saturday, October 19th is the day that people of faith from many different denominations and from all over the state will gather at the Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia. The groups and families bring money that has been raised and “kits” that have been assembled during the year. Volunteers help to sack rice, beans and potatoes for distribution to Missouri agencies. In the afternoon state agencies bring their trucks and trailers to receive the kits, rice, beans and potatoes to distribute to their clients. Kits assembled for Church World Service (CWS) are loaded on a semi truck to continue their journey to other parts of the world.

The Festival generates approximately \$1 million annually. This interfaith event is an expression of mission support and involvement that has helped improve the lives of countless individuals in Missouri and around the world.

Packs that benefit Missourians are the: Baby Bundle Pack, Family Food Pack, Paper Products Pack, Personal Hygiene Pack, Readin’ & Writin’ Pack, Student Dental Pack, Backpacks of Love, Youth Personal Care Pack and the Women’s Prison Pack. CWS kits shipped internationally are: Health Kits, Layettees, School Kits, Safe Motherhood Kits and Medicine Boxes. Emergency Clean Up Buckets are most often used in the U.S.

Youth Fest (for those in the 6th—12 grades and their youth leaders) is held on Friday evening and all day Saturday. On Saturday there is a morning worship service and a quilt auction in the afternoon along with many other activities. Booths with information and items to sell and a Food Court are open throughout the day. **Put it on your calendarsave this day. You don’t want to miss it!**

LEADERSHIP RETREAT REPORT—MOVING FORWARD!

Members of the New Horizons Leadership Board and co-chairs of the Ministry Teams, (Invite, Grow and Serve) participated in a retreat on the Friday evening and Saturday of August 16th and 17th at the Shalom Spiritual Life Center, west of Columbia. The gathering was held as a time for spiritual growth, fellowship, brainstorming and planning.

Pastor Heather began the Friday evening program with a worship service, which included scripture reading, prayers and silence. Lee Walz led the next activity, an exercise called, “True Colors.” Participants responded to a series of questions to help them identify the qualities and characteristics of their own personality styles. There are four basic styles, each identified by a different color. Each person is a blend of the four colors but has one predominant color. There is no bad personality style. Understanding our own color as well as that of others helps us to understand ourselves as well as other people.

Saturday morning began with a devotion addressing our hopes and fears, led by Pastor Heather. We also shared our thoughts and feelings about the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for our congregation. Other discussions and brainstorming sessions throughout much of the rest of the day related to the question of “why.” “Why?” is an adaptive question. We won’t find quick answers. Discussion held related to finding our unique characteristics. What is it that makes New Horizons unique? We will continue to address this question in the months ahead.

Pastor Heather shared information from a book called, “The Five Dysfunctions of Team” by Patrick Lencioni. He offers a continuum that emphasizes the importance of trust, healthy conflict, commitment, accountability, and attention to results. Trust is first; it is a foundational component of all well functioning teams.

Lastly, the three ministry teams and three subgroups of the Leadership Team (Trustees, SPPR & Stewardship/Finance) met to plan for the months and year ahead. After a brief time of worship, Pastor Heather offered the benediction and the group was dismissed. What a joy it is to be moving forward!

For additional information about the retreat, please contact Pastor Heather at 489-7744 or heathermccainmorgan@gmail.com or Lee Walz at 489-6162 or at lwalz@moumethodist.org.

CONTAINER PROJECT

The Container Project is a regional ministry that provides gently used clothing to people in need. Other items are also sent such as sewing machines... pedal type, toys, baby layettes, bicycles, and other items. In some cases, clothing is provided to families around the corner or around the state.

The Container Project involves gathering resources needed to help meet basic needs of the 55,000 rural poor served by Rainbow Network. These resources are loaded onto a 40-foot container in Columbia and shipped to Managua, Nicaragua. A container was sent in January with plans to send a second container in November. Arch United Methodist Church in Hannibal sent a container in August. Springfield is also preparing to send a container in 2013.

The shipment funding is no longer available to the Container Project. The shipping costs to Nicaragua is approximately \$7,500. The Container Project is seeking funds from individuals and churches to continue shipments.

We are fortunate to have three members from New Horizons volunteer their time to assist with this worthwhile project.

The project is located at 1908 Heriford where the PETs are made.

Rick Ellsworth, a member of Community UMC, is the director and can be contacted at rcellsworth@mchsi.com, or contact Tom and Luella Adams or Carol Oliver for additional information.

NATIONAL GRANDPAENTS DAY

Did you know that Sunday, September 8th is National Grandparents Day? The following information about this secular holiday is from Wikipedia:

“Marian McQuade of Oak Hill, West Virginia, has been recognized nationally by the United States Senate—in particular by Senators Jennings Randolph; and Robert Byrd—and by President Jimmy Carter, as the founder of National Grandparents Day. McQuade made it her goal to educate the youth in the community about the important contributions seniors have made throughout history. She also urged the youth to “adopt” a grandparent, not just for one day a year, but rather for a lifetime.”

COMMUNITY AND CAMPUS MEET FOR HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

University of Missouri Chancellor Brady Deaton will be speaking at Missouri United Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 8th. His topic will be hunger and how the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD) is addressing this issue and also how it relates to the mission of Heifer International. Dr. Deaton was appointed as chair of BIFAD by President Barak Obama. Dr. Deaton's presentation will be followed by others who will share about current Heifer projects in the U.S. and around the world, the Ranch residential volunteer program, current resources and much more!

For further information, contact Carol Oliver at 446-6833 or at carololiver@centurytel.net.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>Sunday, September 1</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Worship</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Eagle project—Tate Dempsey</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Troop 7 Committee Meeting</p> <p>Monday, September 2 Labor Day</p> <p>Church Office closed</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Eagle project—Tate Dempsey</p> <p>Wednesday, September 4</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice</p> <p>Pack Committee Meeting</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p> <p>Saturday, September 7</p> <p>8:00—noon SERVE 2013</p> <p>Cedar Ridge Elementary School</p> <p>Sunday, September 8</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Worship</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>Monday, September 9</p> <p>8:00 a.m. PEO Meeting</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7</p> <p>Tuesday, September 10 Grandparents Day</p> <p>Wednesday, September 11</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice</p> <p>Webelos 1</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p> <p>Thursday, September 12</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Leadership Board</p> <p>Saturday, September 14</p> <p>8:00 a.m. UMM</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Small Church Initiative Meeting</p> <p>Jefferson Ave. UMC, Moberly</p> <p>1:00 p.m. Baby Shower—Angela Roberson</p>	<p>Sunday, September 15</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Worship</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>Monday, September 16</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7</p> <p>Wednesday, September 18</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 7</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p> <p>Friday, September 20</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Selby/Steinwand wedding rehearsal</p> <p>Saturday, September 21</p> <p>UMW Fall District Meeting</p> <p>Ozark Chapel UMC, Laurie, MO</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Selby/Steinwand wedding</p> <p>Sunday, September 22</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Worship</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>Monday, September 23</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7</p> <p>Tuesday, September 24</p> <p>6:30 p.m. UMW</p> <p>Wednesday, September 25</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice</p> <p>Webelos 1</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p> <p>Sunday, September 29</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Worship</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>Monday, September 30</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7</p>
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CHURCH INFORMATION

Sunday Services

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages

10:45 a.m. —Worship

12:00 —Fellowship

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Pastor's Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday

4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Our Staff:

Pastor—Rev. Heather Morgan

Administrative Assistant—Caroline Sechler

Director of Music—Christine Jarquio

Director of Bell Choir—Raina Linville

Custodian—Christopher Morgan

Administrative Assistant's Hours

Tuesday 4:00—7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 3:30—6:30 p.m.

Thursday 4:00—7:00 p.m.

Friday 11:30—2:30 p.m.