

# THE MESSENGER

## WINNEMUCCA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Our Mission Statement: "To be hospitable, to serve, and nurture the way Jesus did."

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**Our Annual Church Conference**, will be held on **Tuesday October 23rd at 7:30 PM** at the church. Everyone is welcome to attend the conference, but only official

members of the church may vote. Our new District Superintendent Blake Busick will be coming to get to know our church members and officiate the meeting. We will be voting on our church leaders for 2019, approval of our membership report, the 2019 Pastors' salary package, and approval of our Lay Servants, as well as listening to some oral reports. To prepare for the Church Conference, the following meetings will also be taking place: The **Finance Committee** will be meeting at **5:15 PM** on **Monday the 15th** at the church. The **Church Council** will be meeting at **6 PM** on **Tuesday the 16th**. And the **Staff-Parish Relations Committee** will be meeting with the DS at **12 noon** on the **23rd**. If you are a member of any of these committees please plan to attend.



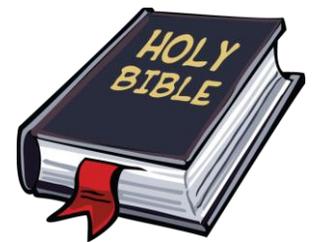
**Sunday, October 14, 2018** is designated as **Children's Sabbath Sunday** in the Christian church calendar. It is a time to recognize the

importance of our children in our church. This has become a tradition based on the lesson Jesus taught his disciples when he said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." This important message is recorded in three of the gospels: Matthew 19:14, Mark 10:14, and Luke 18:16

**World Communion Sunday** is this coming **Sunday October 7th**. This Sunday celebrates the unity of Christians across the global, remembering that we are part of a diverse body of people from every race, language, culture and nation. But we all come together as brothers and sisters around Christ's table. The **Special Offering** taken on World Communion Sunday is used **to assist graduate students from the U.S. and other countries and to support ethnic scholarships** for U.S and international undergraduates studying in the U.S. and ethnic in-service training. You can help promising scholars become leaders by giving to this special offering.



In recognition of our children in the family of God, the **Christian Education** committee takes this time to **present a Bible from the church to all the children who have just entered the 3rd grade**, as well as to any other children that may have been missed that are in the **4th and 5th grade**. This is done to not only recognize them for their importance in the life of the church, but to present them with their own copy of the Word of God to assist them in their spiritual journey, for a life time. **The bibles will be presented during worship service on Children's Sabbath Sunday, October 14th.**



We hope this year to present a Bible to Lacie Fentress, Mikayla Barnes, Hannah Fifield, Coby Thacker, Danica Coleman, Hayden Case, and Wyatt Thomas. Everyone, please come and support our children at this important milestone in their spiritual journey.

**UMW will be meeting on Thursday, October 18 at noon.** We will be meeting at Chihauhau's Restaurant

It is my pleasure to present The United Methodist Women officers for 2019:

Susan Hanel, President  
Debbie Stone, Vice President  
Shelly Noble, Treasurer  
Trudy Rollison, Secretary

Jackie Riggan volunteered to be the Reception Coordinator. Please give these women your support and congratulations.

Are your fingers happily crafting away? UMW is hosting a booth at the **Boy Scout Craft Fair November 10th** and donations are requested. Everyone in the church is welcome to participate. If you would like to work the booth for a few hours please contact Trudy at 623-4971. Coverage is needed from 9:00 to 5:00. This is a fun time with a great turn out from the community.

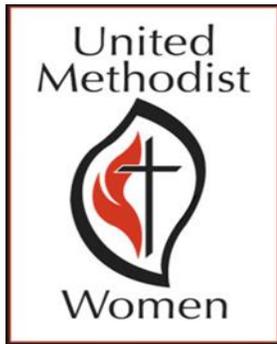
**Prayer Pals** continue with new assignments in January. Please fully participate if you are a Prayer Pal. You are being counted on.

Blessings, Trudy

A huge **"Thank You"** to our church family who donated **\$115** to the Bible Stick campaign. The



United Methodist Men donated that same amount, for a total donation of **\$230**. That amount was matched by an anonymous donor and will allow **Faith By Hearing** to provide **18 soldiers** (half a platoon) with Bible Sticks. Well Done! The **Military Bible Stick** project provides MP3's containing an audio New Testament and Psalms to our military men and women stationed overseas, as well as MP3 audio Bibles for their family members at home.



### Parents of the Children in Kindergarten thru 5th Grade

Last week a letter was sent to all parents of known children in our church who are in Kindergarten thru the 5th grade. Enclosed in the letter was a short survey asking for input concerning our present and possible other times the church might offer a **Christian education program**, to benefit all children.

If you, as one of these parents, has not had time to respond to this request, we hope you will do so this week. **Additional comments or suggestions** are also welcome. You could add these comments to the survey that you return. You should have received in the mailing also, a self-addressed stamp envelope for you convenience. We appreciate your time to assist the Christian Education Committee in developing the right program and timing for your children.



The **United Methodist Men** will hold a lunch meeting on **Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1 PM** at Sid's Restaurant. We will be discussing the recent Buckaroo

Breakfast, and other future activities.

**WUMC Soup Kitchen Night** is the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month. In **October** this is on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 PM.**

Pastor Judy is in charge and she is asking our **church youth and their families** to help serve.

This is a great way for us to serve the Lord together by helping some needier folks in our community!



*As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.*

## FINANCES

### August Checking Balance

Beginning balance on 08/01/2018	7,419.23
Deposits/Credits	5,100.13
<u>Withdrawals/Debits</u>	<u>7,736.17</u>
Ending Balance	4,783.19

## Operation Christmas Child

is a mission project of filling shoe boxes with toys, hygiene items and school supplies to be sent to children of other countries during Christmas time. When children receive these boxes they are filled with joy and there is an opportunity for them to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ. For the past 2 years our church has participated in this Operation Christmas Child outreach (a ministry of **Samaritan's Purse International**) which takes place in the month of November. Is this something our church would like to do together again this year? Please give Pastor Judy feedback and we will discuss it at the Church Council meeting on October 16<sup>th</sup>.



## Savings Balance

10,152.28



Please lift up in prayer those listed here

***Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus  
for you. Thank you, my Lord. Amen.***

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NRSV)

Amity Robbins / Lois Kingman

Marilyn Knipe / Stan Rorex

Cherrie Robinson / Helen Burnett

Family of Bernie Jackson

Sibyl & Wilbur Carlton

Eli Stone & Sadie

Johaunna Maloon

Carla Salla / Cresta Miller

Soledad Grey / Damian Latham

Liam Meyers / Janet Kennedy

Clem Sienkiewicz

The Blake Family

Fire Victims & Firefighters

Scott Kent / Bobby Barnes

Steve Dolphin

Emily (Margaret's relative)

Pam Barnes' Mom Sherry

## Prayers for Unsaved Loved Ones

- Lord, please remove the blinders from \_\_\_\_\_'s eyes and open his/her eyes.
- I pray that as \_\_\_\_\_'s eyes are opened that you would bring about situations and circumstances that would lead them to the truth.
- I ask you to turn and soften \_\_\_\_\_'s heart. Put a new spirit in him/her. Take out \_\_\_\_\_'s stony, stubborn heart and give him/her a tender, responsive heart.
- Lord, please draw \_\_\_\_\_ to you and give him/her a hunger and desire for you.
- Please send laborers from variety of sources across \_\_\_\_\_'s path. Let him/her see you wherever he/she goes, so much so that he/she cannot escape you!
- Please put a hedge of protection around \_\_\_\_\_ so that any ungodly influences around him/her would lose interest and depart.
- Lord, please break any chains, stronghold or barriers that bind \_\_\_\_\_ and free him/her from Satan's influence over his/her mind, will and emotions.
- I pray that \_\_\_\_\_'s mind, heart and life would be transformed and renewed.
- I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would be convicted by the Holy Spirit and that he/she would have your attitude toward sin.
- Lord, please let your kindness lead \_\_\_\_\_ to full repentance and help him/her to turn away from their sin.

*HappyHealthyandProsperous.com*



National Alliance on Mental Illness

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) **Family Support Group** meets every **Tuesday at 5 PM** in the church

conference room. Formerly the Family Connections Support Group, Pastor Judy and co-leader Pam Gubka completed the required training so that now the group is an official NAMI group. This is a confidential support group for those with loved ones struggling with mental illness or issues requiring



*“And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25*

We sisters and brothers in the body of Christ need each other! We need to regularly meet together and the most important time and place for us to do that is during our Sunday morning worship services. I have always believed that and have practiced that throughout my Christian life, way before I became a pastor. Not attending worship service on Sunday morning just feels strange to me; I want to be in God's house, worshipping the Lord and fellowshiping with other believers!

When Gary and I were parenting Amity during her elementary school years we were blessed that the churches we were pastoring at the time had a Sunday School which she attended with her church friends. We feel she received an important foundation during those years which we hope she'll come back to in years to come. This is something that every Christian parent should want for their child and this is why making sure your child attends Sunday School is so important!

Currently our church has a Sunday School program in which children are dismissed after the worship service children's message to attend it and we have teachers willing to lead it. All we need now are more children to attend it! And more parents and other individuals to come and participate in Sunday morning worship!

In our increasingly secularized culture so many recreational activities, work schedules, athletics, and clubs, end up intruding upon Sunday morning worship time. We may not have a choice when it comes to when we work, but we do when it comes to other activities. It just depends on our priorities and commitments. A lack of attendance in worship and Christian Education will impact us spiritually and cause a stunting of growth for us individually and corporately as a church.

them to need psychiatric care. For more information speak to Pastor Judy.

I think it's a real turn off for visitors when they walk into a church on Sunday morning and find there aren't many in attendance. How can we encourage them to keep attending when this is the case?

Therefore attendance in Sunday Morning Worship is of great importance for the vitality of our church! And I want to urge each of you to consider that when you make your weekend plans. Perhaps your presence in worship and your conversation with some visitor will be just the boost they need, just the encouragement they need to keep them attending and growing in Christ! And your own life will be enriched by this new acquaintance! Perhaps there are people in your daily life who don't have a church family and God is calling you to invite them to come worship with you at our church! Perhaps there are folks whom we haven't seen in worship for a while and God is nudging you to call or visit them to invite them back. This is how our church membership and attendance will grow!

Brothers and sisters, October is a great month for Home-Comings! If you haven't been to Sunday Worship for a while, it's a great time to come home to your church family! Let us heed the verse above, and let us not neglect meeting together during Sunday morning worship, but let us come together to encourage each other and provoke one another to love and good deeds. And if anyone of you would like to get to know me better or you need some encouragement or advice please don't hesitate to stop by to see me in my office, or call me for a coffee or lunch meeting, or if you want me to visit at your home. I would love it! God bless you all!

-Judy Robbins



### **Wedding Anniversaries for**

**October 2018**

7<sup>th</sup> – Ed & Gail Andrews

11<sup>th</sup> – Mike & Terrie Marsh

## October 2018 Worship Plans

Oct. 7: 20th Sunday After Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

Message: "Being Good Tenants of God's Vineyard"

Theme: As tenants of God's vineyard we must take our responsibility seriously.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 19

and Matthew 21:33-46

Key Verse: John 15:8

Holy Communion

Oct 14: The 21st Sunday After Pentecost

Message: "Who We Are Subject To"

Theme: We are subject to the governing authorities over us, but our greater authority is the Lord Jesus Christ and we should be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Scripture Readings: Matthew 22:15-22

and Romans 13:1-7

Key Verse: Matthew 22:21

Oct. 21: 22nd Sunday After Pentecost

Message: "That None Should Perish"

Theme: We need to keep on inviting people to the ultimate party: a relationship with Christ.

Scripture Readings: Matthew 22:1-14

and II Peter 3:8-9

Key Verse: II Peter 3:9

Oct. 28th: The 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

Message: "The Importance of Intercession"

Theme: We must pray every day in the power of the Holy Spirit and be open to higher levels of intercession.

Scriptures: Exodus 33:12-33

and I Timothy 2:1-6

Key Verse: I Timothy 2:1



### Birthdays for October 2018

8<sup>th</sup> – Skip Mayo

8<sup>th</sup> – Todd Lewis

18<sup>th</sup> – Cory Rorex

22<sup>nd</sup> – Wayne Beene

31<sup>st</sup> – Jacob Hernandez

Father God, thank  
You for the  
transformation  
power in Your  
Word! Thank You  
for giving me hope  
for my future.  
I choose to trust  
You, I choose to  
believe Your word,  
and I choose to  
declare Your truth  
and watch victory  
unfold in Jesus' name!  
<http://howtopraythescriptures.com>  
Amen. Romans 12:2

# October 2018

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	1.	2. NAMI Family Support Group 5 PM	3. Harmony Manor 10:15 AM  RAA Meeting 10:30 AM	4. Thursday Bible Study 6 AM	5.	6.
7. Worship Service 10 AM  World Communion Sunday  Special Offering	8.	9. NAMI Family Support Group 5 PM	10. Harmony Manor 10:15 AM  RAA Meeting 10:30 AM	11. Thursday Bible Study 6 AM	12.	13.
14. Worship Service 10 AM  Children's Sabbath Sunday  UMM Lunch 1 PM	15. Finance Committee 5:15 PM	16. NAMI Family Support Group 5 PM  Church Council 6 PM	17. Harmony Manor 10:15 AM  RAA Meeting 10:30 AM	18. Thursday Bible Study 6 AM  UMW Lunch 12 noon @ Chihuahua's	19.	20.
21. Worship Service 10 AM	22.	23. SPRC Meeting 12 noon  NAMI Family Support Group 5 PM  <b>Annual Church Conference 7:30 PM</b>	24. Harmony Manor 10:15 AM  RAA Meeting 10:30 AM  Youth serve Soup Kitchen 5 - 7 PM	25. Thursday Bible Study 6 AM	26.	27.
28. Worship Service 10 AM	29.	30. NAMI Family Support Group 5 PM	31. Harmony Manor 10:15 AM  RAA Meeting 10:30 AM			