

# HUMC

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Newsletter of Harrodsburg United Methodist Church  
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### October is Pastor Appreciation Month

The idea came from Timothy 1 (5:17) when Paul said the elders of the church deserved a double honor. In 1992 the second Sunday in October became Pastor Appreciation Day. At HUMC we hope each of you will take time to offer heartfelt appreciation to Allen and Lori by attendance, cards and other ideas throughout the month. Thanks Allen and Loris for all you do!

The SPPR Committee



### Dates to Remember

October 2	SPPR Meeting 6:30 PM
October 9	Mountain Mission Truck
October 11	Community Meal 5-6 PM
October 14	Martha Robertson-Bible Study @ her house 6:30 PM
October 15	Doris Davis Circle Mtg 10:30 AM
	Methodist Men Mtg 6:30 PM
October 21	Finance Meeting TBA
October 23	Lead Team Meeting 6:30 PM
October 28	Martha Robertson Bible Study @ her house 6:30 PM

### Other dates for your calendar!

November 6—Charge Conference 7 PM HUMC

December 2—Hanging of the Greens

December 4—Wesley Dinner

December 21-22—Food Basket stuffing and delivery

Note from the Bishop:

There are moments in life when perspective rocked by reality shakes us from our personal agendas, causing us to truly understand and live into what it means to be passionate spiritual disciples of Jesus Christ. Those times are especially prevalent “When the storms of life are raging....”

The waters have come in devastating fashion to North and South Carolina, and the people called United Methodist will respond as we always do. We will not be responding for the cameras or the media, but simply because it is who we are. It is who we are called to be as water washed, spirit born children of the living God. We will respond because the love of Jesus Christ compels us. We are the hands and feet of Christ standing with our brothers and sisters, who in most cases have lost everything; some are even grieving the loss of loved ones. We will stand by them, first, with our prayers, making true the words of the hymn writers, “When the storms of life are raging, stand by me; When the world is tossing me like a ship upon the sea, thou who rulest wind and water, stand by me.” (Charles Albert Tindley, 1905)

I have no doubt in my mind that generous people of Kentucky will answer the call. If you ask me how I can be so certain, it is because in the two short years of traveling around our annual conference as your bishop I have found people, churches, and communities of faith who possess hearts that respond generously and give whenever and wherever a “Macedonian” call is made. The call comes as the cries of God’s people are even now rising from flood waters. We in Kentucky will respond. I know many of you already have done so. We will not only pray, but in our prayers we will seek God’s will as to how we can practically respond in the days, weeks, months, and dare I say, even years to come. UMCOR will be our initial way of response; however, I can also say with certainty that when the time comes we will travel with teams as well. We will be the hands and feet of Christ. It’s in our spiritual DNA. It is who we are and what we do when we have been transformed by the love of Jesus Christ. Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy.

From the desk of  
Bishop Fairley  
bishop@kyumc.org



### Trustee Report

- ⇒ Health and Safety and Security Program well received Sunday. September 16. Please read and study the insert in the Steeple
- ⇒ Bell tower clean up under contract. Work will begin soon
- ⇒ Concrete pad poured and new pipes laid outside alcove. Rain water draining well.
- ⇒ Beginning work on 2019 budget
- ⇒ As we begin to look forward, please sign in your church key in the office. If you need/use it in 2019 , otherwise turn it end at of 2018
- ⇒ Next meeting October 21, 2018 at 2PM in Pairs and Spares Classroom



I'm writing this on the last day of Summer (September 21). Outside my window, Joe Hubbard is cutting the church grass. The temperature is still at mid-summer levels (although there's a change coming next week, they say!)

I like Autumn's cooler, drier air. I love when the trees change into colorful paintbrushes against the blue sky. I like that I can begin to rotate my wardrobe, bringing out the softer, more comfortable clothes of fall and winter.

I enjoy the change of seasons.

We're experiencing a change of seasons here at Harrodsburg UMC. Of course, I'm part of that—I've been here about 3 months, the length of a season. I'm feeling more comfortable, more at home, and more and more like a Harrodsburg-er. But other seasonal changes are occurring as well. New leadership is being nominated for our church, as part of the Nominations Committees work. Some who have led us well for the last year or last several years are stepping aside, and others are stepping up. This change in leadership will take effect in January of 2019, and I'll be working with these incoming leaders to make sure they're up to speed and ready to go beginning January 1.

As I write this, we're preparing for a "vision meeting." A group of about 20 will meet on Saturday September 22nd to talk about and dream about the possibility of an after school ministry that would be housed in our youth building. We may be ready to plan and move forward with that, or we may want to wait for a new youth leader to be brought on board. We are working to develop a list of candidates for the job of youth, children's and family ministry coordinator and hope to have that person on board by January 1 as well. But even if we choose to wait, we will wait in active mode—learning and planning and preparing for whatever expanded youth, children, and family ministry looks like.

The Triple Cross Cowboy Church, which meets at our property on the bypass, is also in a season of change. We're trying to find pastoral leadership for that church that can be consistent and long-term, in order to give them the best chance to thrive. I'm also meeting with church leaders in the area to broaden the base of support for this new faith community. Perhaps in 2019, they'll become better established and begin to grow again.

Some changes are more solemn. During my first six weeks here, we lost three members to death—Bill Conover, Henry Anness, and John Landrum. Their deaths affected our congregation in many ways, and their families in deep ways. In the coming year, our congregation will live into a future without their leadership and presence, and that will be a different experience for our church.

Finally, I am beginning to dream of something new for our congregation. I have noticed that our members' homes are clustered in several different locations, from Salvisa in the north through various areas of Harrodsburg and extending into the southern Mercer county area. As I pray over the map of our homes, it occurs to me that there might be some opportunities for home-based groups that can serve our needs in several ways. These groups can be places of study and discipleship, as we learn more of the love God has for us in Christ. They can be places of nurture, where we form deeper relationships with one another. And, they can serve as comfortable "first steps" for new persons who want to experience what Harrodsburg UMC is all about. At present, this is a dream—perhaps it will become a vision for some future ministry here at HUMC. But I invite you to pray and dream with me, as in the coming several years we learn to ask God what our next steps might be, and then to trust God to give us the ability to take those steps into the future God is creating for us.

Summer turns to fall. The past becomes the present, and points to the future. But through it all is the presence of God, as we read in James 1:17: "Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." Change is inevitable in our lives, but God's love for us perseveres and prevails through it all.

Blessings! Allen



# ***HUMC - A SAFE PLACE TO BE***

## **OUR HEALTH, SAFETY, AND SECURITY**

### **OUR HEALTH**

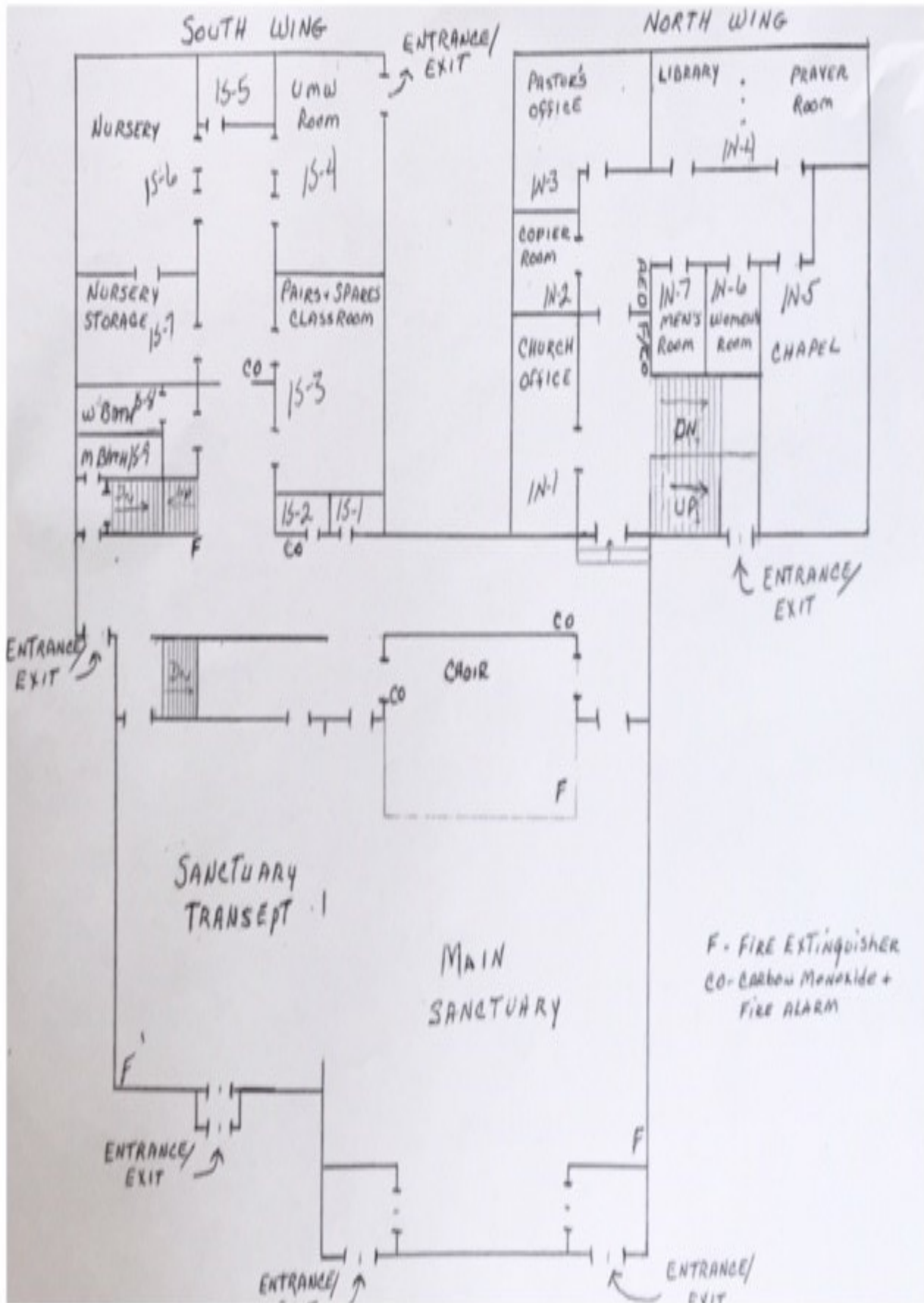
- Successful spring cleaning of most departments
- Hand sanitizers located throughout building
- Hand washing signs located in bathrooms and kitchen
- Fellowship Hall lighting improved
- Sanctuary doors closed during week to maintain constant temperature for organ and piano
- Continued and new beautification of church and parsonage grounds
- HUMC History properly protected and filed for the present and the future; includes pictures, documents and more
- Improved flooring in parsonage

### **OUR SAFETY**

- AED (Automated External Defibrillator) device installed in office hall
- Planned staff training for AED usage
- Planned CPR training
- Updated fire and carbon monoxide alarm system installed
- Sunday nursery provided
- Inventory of buildings ongoing
- Bell Tower cleaning contract in place
- Outside alcove undergoing refurbishing

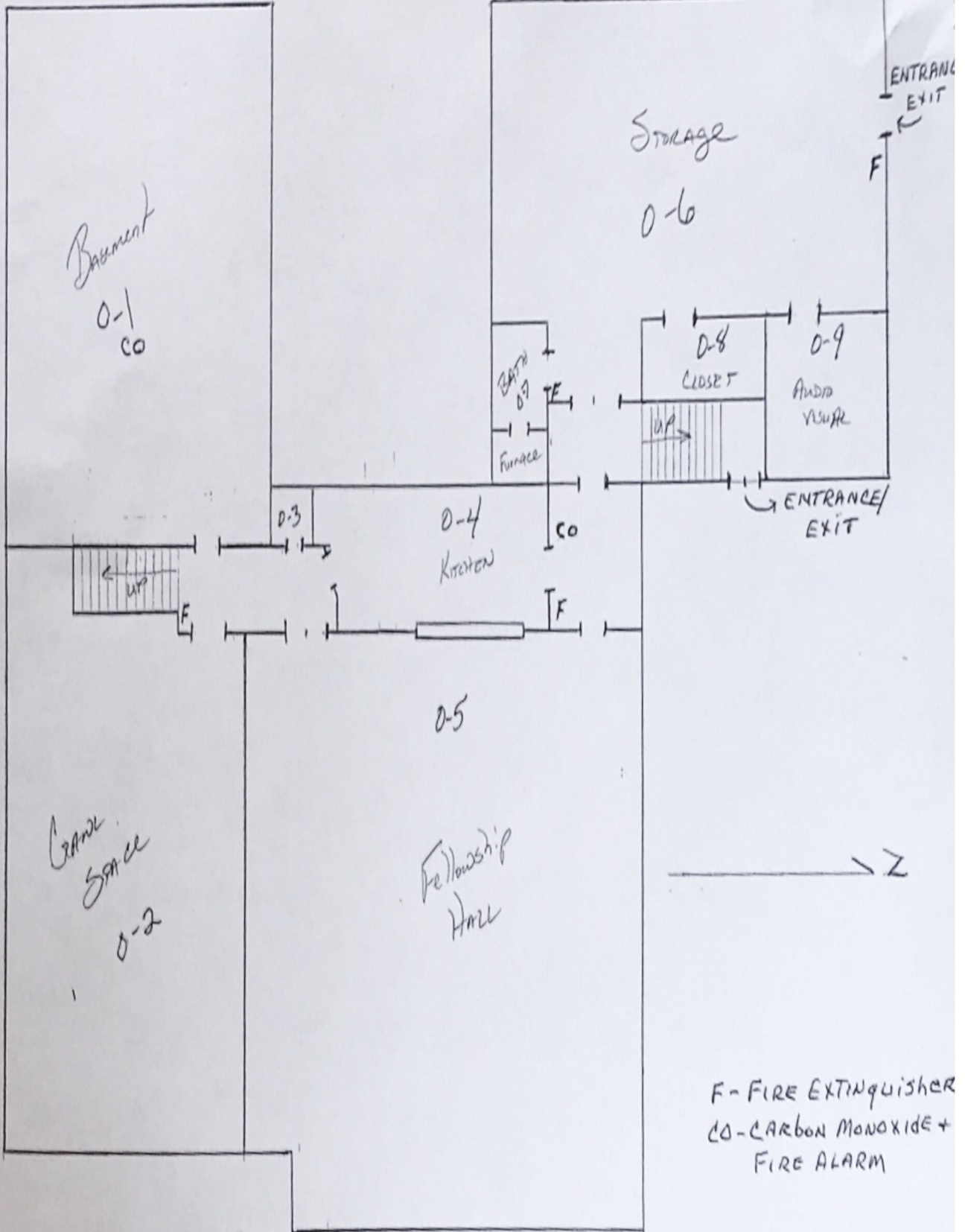
### **OUR SECURITY**

- Grounds tour and inspection with local police and firemen with subsequent detailed safety and security report
- Security cameras monitored by staff
- Protocol for locking entrance/exit during use of building
- Right front door open during Sunday services; all other doors checked and locked by ushers prior to services
- Doors locked during office hours. (Doorbell available at office entrance)
- For scheduled meetings members unlock and lock doors at their discretion. ( See maps for exit routes.)
- Staff training in event of intruder
- Usher and/or greeter at entrance doors (invite and accompany person to pew)



SOUTH WING

NORTH WING



F - FIRE EXTINGUISHER  
CO - CARBON MONOXIDE +  
FIRE ALARM



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Dear Staff and Congregants,

Thank you for partnering with us in ministry through your generous donation of \$3,000 towards client IR5754's home project. This is a tremendous asset as we continue the work of Hurricane Irma Recovery around the state.

We are currently working in the 5 hardest hit regions in Florida: North East, Tampa Bay, Collier County, Monroe County and Central. We anticipate working toward recovery in these areas for at least the next two years and in many places, probably much longer. That's why your generous donation is so important and so timely. It is allowing our team to do the hard, yet important, work of walking alongside survivors on their individual path toward recovery.

Thank you for being a part of God's provision. We praise God for your compassionate and generous heart.

*"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, ..."*  
Romans 15:13

Serving Him with you,

Pam Garrison  
Disaster Response Coordinator  
Florida Conference of The United Methodist Church

**#FloridaRestores**

*Your recent gift of a \$3,000 check was received by The Florida Conference of The United Methodist Church which is a 501 (c)(3) organization. We acknowledge that you received no substantial goods or services in exchange for this gift.*

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HUMC Community Dinner

Thursday October 11, 2018 from 5:-00-6:00 PM

We would like to thank everyone that has donated money, supplies, etc. for the Community Meal. Without your help this would not be as successful as it has been. We appreciate your support and prayers.

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Kroger Community Rewards Program

In the past years August 1st began the re-enrollment period. Effective immediately all participants currently enrolled will roll over and stay enrolled in their organization instead of having to re-enroll each year.

Enrollment for New participants will work the same way as the past. They can sign up on [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com) or call 1-800-KROGERS, option 3.

You will just use your Kroger Plus Card, save money and all your money will count towards the church's account. No loading, just spending! Easy as it can be. Go to [Kroger.com](http://Kroger.com) and register your Kroger Plus card and then pick Harrodsburg United Methodist Church as your Community Rewards Partner. When you check out on the bottom of your receipt you will see that a donation has been made to the Harrodsburg United Methodist Church.



**Make sure HUMC will get your rewards! This does not affect pricing or anything to do with your points. If you have questions see John or Carol Moffett.**

Thanks

**PLEASE SIGN UP NOW if not already!**

**Use Your Kroger Plus Card to Help HUMC (Wesley Food Baskets/Back Pack) programs Grow**

Helping HUMC is easy! Simply enroll your Kroger Plus Card online at [Kroger.com/community-rewards](http://Kroger.com/community-rewards). Once you've successfully enrolled HUMC will earn rewards on eligible purchases you make using your Kroger Rewards Card.



**Christmas is Coming...*Are you ready?***

Less than a hundred days and Christmas will be here, are you ready? For the church that is the ADVENT season, season of waiting for the Christ child to come into our lives. At HUMC that means Hanging of the Greens, Carol Singing, Wesley Dinner, Community Dinner, and Food Baskets, a REALLY busy time. Are you ready?

To get ready start your prayers and the Lord will help you get ready. Pray for a peace to come over you and not make you anxious during this time. Pray for time to enjoy ALL the activities and not be running from one thing to another. Slow down and enjoy the ride. It can be an adventure! *Are you ready?*





*Sunday School*  
*pre-school to high school meets Sunday 10:00 AM*



<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4caaab2ba57-Harrodsburg>

**—Use this link to sign up for helping in the Nursery—**

Help needed for Sunday School-1st through 4th grade-Contact Pastor Allen if interested

**NEED help—contact office!**



**YOUTH**

**See Pastor Allen for Information**



**Join the group for a GREAT Time learning about the Lord and his many works!**

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**IN NEED OF PRAYER—Prayer is a privilege to do in the name of others...**

**Concerns:**

Frances Alford, Don Cole, Martha Davis, Naomi Derringer, Richard Derringer, Joe Harlow, Gail Hawes, Linda Heathscott, Walter Johnson, Joe McClellan, Betty Milam, John Wayne Peavler, Tony Russell, Ruth Ann Smith, Casey Sparrow, Judy Sutter, Triple Cross Arena Cowboy Church, Sylvia VanArdsdall, those traveling and those victims of natural disaster, and first responders.

**Long Term Care:**

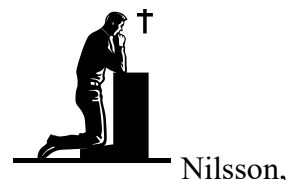
Helen Cole, Sylvia VanArdsdall, Martha Davis,

**Missionaries:**

Shelby Gillespie, Hanak Family, Jamie and Lisa Williams; Mike and Sherry Morrisey

**Serving in the Military:**

Will Beauchamp, Chad Huff, Daniel, Crowell, Chaz Garcia, Daniel Montgomery, Ken Geoffrey Peele, Jared Prather, Caleb Smith, Jeremiah Smith, Steven Wilson.



**College Students:**

Bailey Drew Angel, Savannah Barnett, Jae Blankenship, Alex Bosse, Meredith Brown, Dylan Carss, Jackie Cheng, Holly Hurt, Abigail Nillson, Brittany Pridey, Mary Kate Pridey, Brittany Sims, Hunter, Jenny Sutherland,

Please update the office with changes to the Prayer list

**Ask not what your church can do for you, but ask what you can do for your church...** (modified form John F Kennedy)



**Doris Davis Circle**

Meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 AM in church. Join us for a great meeting and lots of fun.

**Book Nook**

The Doris Davis Circle has given away approximately 1000 books in the past two years from 6 months to teens. Learning to read is so important. Research shows that close to 75% of prison inmates are considered illiterate. When starting to do your Winter cleaning bring your gently used books for the Book Nook.

# October 2018

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

	1	2 SPPR Mtg 6:30	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Moutain Mis- sion Truck 	10	11 Community Meal 5-6	12	13
14 Bible Study @ Martha 6:30	15	16 Doris Davis Circle 10:30 Methodist Men 6:30	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Lead Team 6:30	24	25	26	27
28 Bible Study @ Martha 6:30	29	30	31 			



**Nursery**

Check Nursery door or with Cindy Angel

See Cindy or Wanda to help in the nursery

**Birthday**

- October 2 Jamie DeHart  
Joe Hubbard
- October 6 Drew Angel
- October 8 Rhonda Peavler
- October 15 Leslie Bosse
- October 18 Paula Hubbard  
John Peavler
- October 25 Helen V Cole
- October 26 T.C. Reed
- October 29 Molly Reed
- October 30 Tony Turpin
- October 31 Amber Deitsch



**Anniversaries**

- October 2 Marion and Candace Souder
- October 9 Tom and Wanda Reed
- October 20 Bruce and Elizabeth Moffett

**Children's Church Leaders**

- Oct 7 Communion
- Oct 14 Betsy Fleischer
- Oct 21 Jerri Weitzel
- Oct 28 Kathy Shewmaker
- Nov 4 Communion





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Check out the prayer list and pray daily!



<u>Regular Worship Times</u>		
Sunday	9:00 am	Informal Worship
	9-10 am	Fellowship Breakfast
	10:00am	Sunday School
	9:45-10:30	Praise Team Rehearsal
	10:40 am	Praise Music
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
Wednesday	10:00	Adult Bible Study

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### Office Hours

Monday..... 9 am to 3 pm  
 Tuesday..... 9 am to 3 pm  
 Wednesday....9am to 3 pm  
 Thursday .....9 am to 3 pm  
 Friday.....9 am to 12 pm