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share Christ's Love*

The United Voice

News from
El Dorado First United Methodist Church

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Church Conference

Sunday
December 12
3 p.m.

All encouraged
to attend



"All tithes
from the land,
whether the seed from the
ground or the fruit from the tree,
are the LORD's; they are holy
to the LORD." Leviticus 27:30, NRSV

You are invited to join us for:
Holy Happiness:
Reaping the Benefits
of Joy in Mind, Body and Spirit

A Women's Retreat
Saturday, October 23, 2010
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Registration Fee: \$25.00
(includes Breakfast)

Sponsored by:
Matfield Community Church
Located
2 blocks east of Hwy 177
at Bocock Street in Matfield Green

Do you feel happy and satisfied for no particular reason?
Do you feel alive and energetic?
Do you feel love for yourself?

Whether you answered yes . . . or no . . . it is possible to create more authentic happiness in your life! Using Marci Shimoff's book, *Happy for No Reason*, as the foundation for this day's event, Rev. Billie Blair will offer "Holy Habits," intentional actions that allow and encourage more happiness in mind, body and spirit. There will be time for eating, singing, laughing, sharing, and growing in our relationships with God, self and others.

Schedule

8:30a.m. - 9:15a.m. Registration
Breakfast will be served in Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Session I
10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Break
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Session II
12:15 p.m.- 12:30 p.m. Communion.

Leave refreshed, renewed and reconnected to God, self, and other

For more information, contact
Barbara Armstrong: 620.753.3453
or Rev. Billie Blair: 620.753.3465
tallgrassretreats@wheatstate.com

To register, send \$25 (check or money order) to:

Barbara Armstrong
204 Mercer
Matfield Green , KS 66862.
Please register by October 13, 2010



“More with Less”

2011 will be a unique year for our church!!

First: We have a new look and feel at Lord’s Acre. October 23 is the big day and I encourage every member to find a way to attend and/or participate. It has been the creativity of the people over the years that has made Lord’s Acre such a success. All the crafts, baked goods, quilts, silent auction baskets and unique ideas of something to auction. All of this work and its proceeds enable us to do ministry and works that are not funded by our “budget”. We could use your support. We would like to see this year’s Lord’s Acre one to remember.

Secondly: “More with Less” is the theme the finance committee has set for our budget process.

This year everyone is asked to help reduce our budget by 10% which will shrink the budget by over \$30,000.

Those missions and works not funded in the budget may be raised by special projects or fundraisers. We will need Lord’s Acre more than ever. We want to keep the programs going but use less budget.

Third: You won’t want to miss Church Conference this year. Sunday, December 12 at 3 p.m. we will start in Fellowship Hall. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Gary Brooks wants to help us to something special. The focus will not be on “budget and business” but on “mission and ministry”. He is helping us shape the meeting through God’s power and blessing and wants to help us ask strategic questions.

You must plan to come. You will be challenged to share. You will be encouraged to dream.

Doing less with more sounds like double speak, but it sounds like Jesus. “Faith the size of a mustard seed” “A little yeast can leaven” “A child shall lead them”.

Our salt isn’t “in” the budget. With God’s help we can do “all things”, “great things” - we can do more with less.

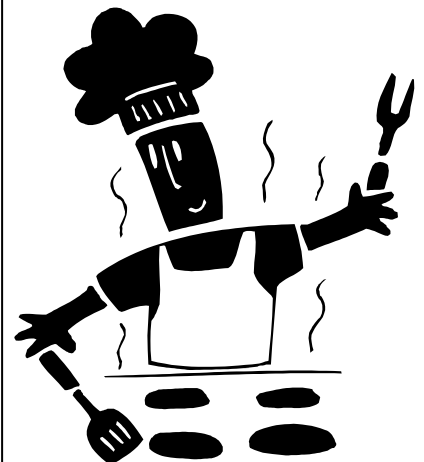
In his love,

Pastor Mike

New this year at Lord’s Acre

Chris Cakes is the original pancake catering company that flips flapjacks... by the millions! Developed in Poca-hontas, Iowa in the late 1960's, Chris Cakes uses a custom designed grill and dispensing unit that allows them to feed large and small groups extremely fast and efficiently. Add a dose of humor and some fancy pancake flipping and you have a one-of-a-kind event that people just love to watch while they enjoy delicious pancakes!

Youth and scouts will be selling tickets for the pancake supper at this year’s Lord’s Acre. For \$7, adults will enjoy juice, sausage and all the pancakes they can eat. Children 7 and under tickets are \$6.





Would you prefer to receive the newsletter electronically?

Would you like to receive weekly updates by e-mail?

Would you like receive timely church information by e-mail?

Send an e-mail to the church at:

eldoradofumc@gmail.com

and we'll add you to the list.

World Communion Sunday October 3

World Communion Sunday is celebrated in [Christian](#) congregations around the world, annually, on the first Sunday in October. World Communion Sunday was originated in [Shadyside Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh](#), by The Rev. Dr. Hugh Thomson Kerr, in 1933. 1933 was the darkest year of the [Great Depression](#). The storm clouds of [Nazism](#) and [Fascism](#) hovered all over [Europe](#) and threatened the entire world. As a faith response to these concerns, a group of leaders at Shadyside Presbyterian Church sought to do something both real and symbolic to proclaim that God is God indeed, in spite of politics, economics and future shock.

Davitt S. Bell (the late Clerk of Session and church historian at Shadyside) recalled that Dr. Kerr first conceived the notion of World Communion Sunday during his year as moderator of the General Assembly (1930). Dr. Kerr's younger son, the Rev. Dr. Donald Craig Kerr, who is pastor emeritus of the Roland Park Presbyterian Church in [Baltimore](#), was sixteen in 1933. He has related that World Communion Sunday grew out of the Division of Stewardship at Shadyside. It was their attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity—in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of [Jesus Christ](#) is, and how each congregation is interconnected one with another. On the subject of the spreading of the idea of World Communion Sunday, Donald Kerr has said, "The concept spread very slowly at the start. People did not give it a whole lot of thought. It was during the [Second World War](#) that the spirit caught hold, because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

The day has taken on new relevancy and depth of meaning in a world where globalization often has undermined peace and justice – and in a time when fear divides the peoples of God's earth. On this day we celebrate our oneness in Christ, the Prince of Peace, in the midst of the world we are called to serve – a world ever more in need of peacemaking.



News in Brief

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry group will meet on October 19th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ida Mae Waite, 815 Troon. Please bring your knitting needles and crochet hooks and join this group for fun, laughter, coffee and lots of sharing in this worthwhile ministry. If you know someone who is in need or would appreciate the caring of a prayer shawl contact Norma Johnson or Glenda Taylor or Judy Ginder.

Welcome New Staff Members

We welcome new staff members, Darcy McCoy and Sheila Smith.

Darcy assumed Christian Education Director on September 1 and has many exciting ideas for Christian Education at all age levels. You'll see Darcy on Sunday mornings and Wednesdays during the week.

Sheila Smith is the new coordinator of Nursery Services. Sheila oversees care of our little ones on Sunday morning and will be the one to notify when nursery services are needed for special events.

Reminder

The large upright kitchen freezer will be defrosted on Thursday, September 30. Any food not dated will be tossed. If you have any treasures that need to be saved, make sure they are marked before the 30th. Each group has a designated shelf. Make sure you are using the shelf designated for your needs.

2011 Planning Begins

The various committees are completing budget needs for 2011. The 2010 budget was \$329,381. With the anticipated 10% downsizing of the budget, the estimated 2011 budget will be \$296,000.

The finance campaign to provide for budget funds will begin later this fall. Please be in prayerful consideration of how you will support the church by your time, your talent and your tithe in 2011.

All is forgiven

In his short story "The Capital of the World," Ernest Hemingway writes of a young man named Paco who had been kicked out of his home. Paco was wandering Madrid's streets, hoping to become a bullfighter.

Paco's father, desperate to mend the rift between them, resorted to putting an ad in the local newspaper. It said, "Paco, meet me at the Hotel Montana at noon on Tuesday. All is forgiven!"

On Tuesday, 800 young men named Paco showed up at that hotel, longing for restoration and forgiveness.

Like Paco's dad, our heavenly Father takes the first step. He invites us prodigal sons and daughters to meet him at the empty tomb. God won't turn away or disappoint anyone. He offers total forgiveness, without conditions, to all.



Scheduled Meetings

- Finance - Tuesday, October 5, 7 p.m.
- Witness - Wednesday, October 6, 4:30 p.m.
- Worship - Wednesday, October 6, 5:30
- Education - Monday, October 11, 5:30
- Endowment - Monday, October 11, 11 a.m.
- Missions - Wednesday, October 13, 4:15 p.m.
- Trustees - Wednesday, October 13, 7 p.m.
- Evangelism - Monday, October 18, 7 p.m.
- Ad Council - Wednesday, October 20 15, 6 p.m.
- Staff Parish - Wednesday, October 27, 6 p.m.



OCTOBER

Regular Schedule

Sunday

- 8 - Chancel Choir Warmup
- 8:30 Worship
- 9 - Fellowship Coffee
- 9:30 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Coffee Time
- 11 - Glory & Grace
- 3 - Celebration of Freedom
- Choir Practice
- 3 - 7:30 Scout Meetings

Monday

- 10 - Bible Study
- 7 - Boy Scouts

Tuesday

- 8 - TOPS
- 1 - Quilters

Wednesday

- Noon - Brown Bag Bible Study
- 3:30 - Staff Meeting
- 5:30 - Wednesday Nite Supper
- 6 - Cantata Practice
- (Starts October 20)
- 6:30 - Choir Practice
- 7 - Glory & Grace
- Worship Team Practice
- 7:30 - Celebration Ringers

Thursday

- 7 - Men's Prayer Group -
- Double D's Restaurant

Friday

- 9 - Quilters

Special Events

- Saturday, October 2 - Wedding
- Saturday, October 9 - Wedding
- Saturday, October 23 - Lord's Acre

October 2010

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October Sunday Morning Coffee Hosts

Administrative Council



October Lay Readers

October 3

8:30 - Valecia Scribner
Glory & Grace - Loretta Whitney

October 10

8:30 - Charlotte Flores
Glory & Grace - Nancy Wagner

October 17

8:30 - Jeff Eastman
Glory & Grace - Susan Harsh

October 24

8:30 - Teresa Eastman
Glory & Grace - Glenda Taylor

October 31

8:30 - Kathie Monroe
Glory & Grace - Janece English

UMW General
Thursday, October 7
10:45 a.m.

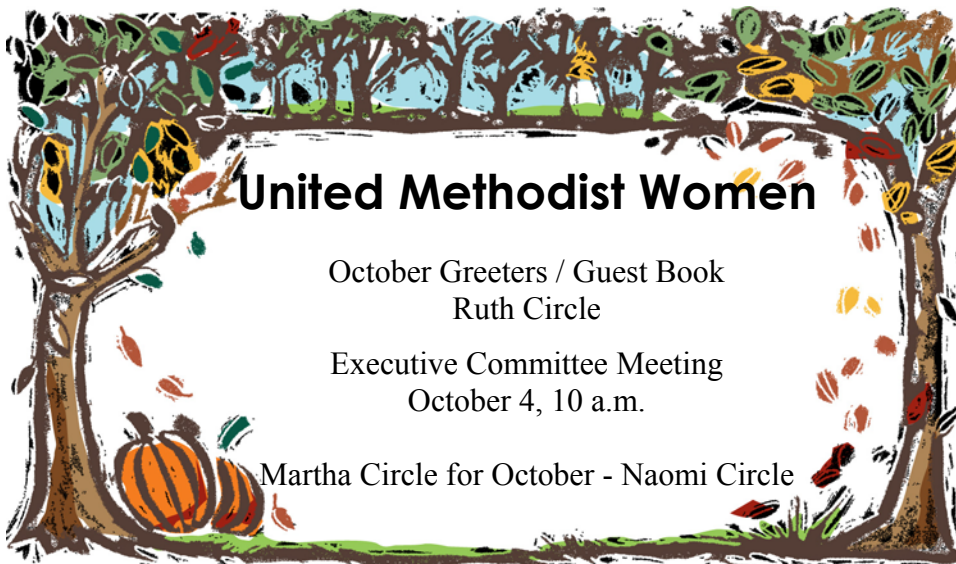
Esther Circle
1:30 p.m. Thursday, October 14
Shirley Nelson, Hostess

Lydia Circle
7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 14
Mary Ketley, Hostess

Miriam Circle
1:30 p.m. Thursday, October 14
Audine Balman

Naomi Circle
7 p.m. Tuesday, October 12
Yvonne Yee, Hostess

Ruth Circle
1:30 p.m. Thursday, October 14
Doris Seglem, Hostess



United Methodist Women

October Greeters / Guest Book
Ruth Circle

Executive Committee Meeting
October 4, 10 a.m.

Martha Circle for October - Naomi Circle

Acolyte, Ushers, Greeters Schedule



As our church prepares for the Advent/Christmas season, the Chancel Choir is getting read for the Christmas cantata. We have selected "One Small Child" as our musical offering for this holy season. "One Small Child" is a wonderful cantata arranged by Benjamin Harlan who weaves some contemporary songs into this celebration of Christ's birth. Besides the title song, we will incorporate "Here I Am to Worship", "Agnus Dei" as well as "Go Light Your World".

Rehearsals are slated to start on Wednesday, October 20, at 6 p.m. Attendance is *not* required at every rehearsal but please try to make every one that you can. Life happens and we understand! Put this on your calendar and join us.

The music programs and chancel choir strive to promote the United Methodist, "Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors" belief.

Let's fill the chancel area as we pause and wonder at the birth of one small child, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Hope and the Chancel Choir

October 3

Acolyte-8:30 - Taran Day
Acolyte-Glory & Grace - Youth
Ushers-8:30 - Dick Zieman, Jim Stauffer
Ushers-Glory & Grace
Greeters-8:30 - Chris & Michelle Day, Jim & Shirley Moreland
Greeter-Glory & Grace - Linda Swan

October 10

Acolyte-8:30
Acolyte-Glory & Grace -
Ushers-8:30 -
Ushers-Glory & Grace
Greeters-8:30 -
Greeters-Glory & Grace -

October 17

Acolyte-8:30
Acolyte - Glory & Grace -
Ushers-8:30 - Dick Zieman, Mike Bellesine
Ushers-Glory & Grace - Dave Matthews, Harold Kling, Wayne Fowler
Greeters-8:30 - Patty McDermeit
Greeters-Glory & Grace - Ramona Clanton, Virginia Bennett, Anne Kling

October 24

Acolyte-8:30
Acolyte-Glory & Grace - Trey Duran
Ushers-8:30 - Dick Zieman, Ben Dreher
Ushers-Glory & Grace - Greg Joyce, Ramona Clanton, Virginia Bennett
Greeters-8:30 - Sharon Funk, Luanne Vides
Greeters-Glory & Grace - Patty Grove,
Loretta Whitney

October 31

Acolyte-8:30
Acolyte-Glory & Grace -
Ushers-8:30 - Dick Zieman, Gene George
Ushers-Glory & Grace - Doug & Julie Jensen,
Gaines Bell
Greeters-8:30 - Ava Wedel, Cindy George
Greeters-Glory & Grace - Ann Bell, Dick Morris



Teachers' Meeting



Young Adult Sunday School Class

On Sunday, October 3 we will be launching a brand new young adult Sunday school class. This class is for you if you are college age thru middle 30ish. Everyone that comes to the first meeting of this new Sunday school class will be able to express their views on what they would like to choose as curriculum for the class. The class will begin with your input and your input is how the class will evolve. There is a core group of young people that have already expressed their interest and these young people would like you to join them. This new class will meet in the bridal room at 9:30 a.m. and this room is located in the basement level close in the northwest corner of the fellowship hall. If you need more information or have any questions please email Darcy McCoy, Christian Education Director, on her church email and she will be glad to answer your questions.

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation

If you have taught Sunday school this last year we would like to honor you. You deserve the highest praise for answering the call to this mission and we appreciate you.

Please join us on Sunday, October 17th during either service as we give you a token of your commitment to the Sunday school classes in our church. Further, if you are a teacher in the children's, middle school, or high school classes we will be having a very short teacher meeting after the second service on the same day.

Thanks, Darcy

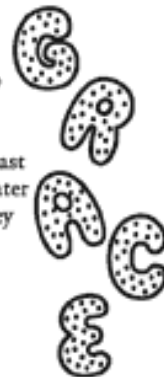
A TASTE OF GRACE

Because Jesus died and rose for us, we have the free gifts of forgiveness and eternal life. That's the meaning of grace: "God's Riches At Christ's Expense."

Celebrate God's grace by "spelling it out" with this fun, nutritious recipe.

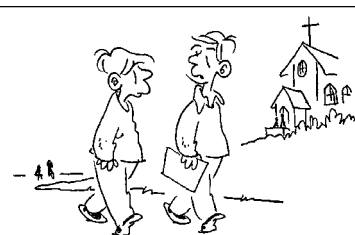
What you need:

- An adult to help
- 2 bowls
- Mixing spoon
- 1 Tablespoon yeast
- 1/2 cup warm water
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 1 1/3 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Cutting board
- Cookie sheet



What you do:

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees.
2. In a small bowl, stir the yeast with the water and honey. Let the mixture sit for five minutes.
3. In another bowl, stir the flour and salt together.
4. After five minutes, add the bubbly yeast mixture to the flour and salt mixture.
5. Stir everything together, first with a spoon and then with your hands. The dough is ready when it's still a little crumbly.
6. Put the dough on a cutting board with a little flour. Knead it into one big ball.
7. Divide the dough into 12 pieces, and roll each piece into a snake shape.
8. Form the letters G R A C E (twice). Then form the two extra pieces into any shape you choose.
9. Bake your letters and shapes on the cookie sheet for about 10 minutes. Let cool, and enjoy!



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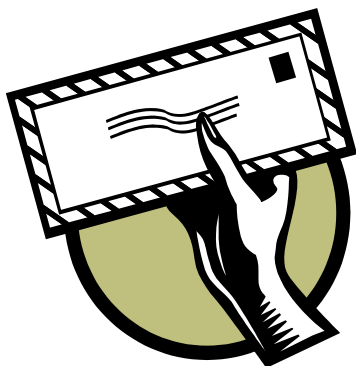
"He Googles you ... that's how God knows all about you."

October Birthdays

We need current addresses for the members listed below:

Austin Arnett
Laurie Bancroft
Herb Broadaway
Wade Hamilton
Nancy Hammond
Bryan Hess
The Pakalski family
Larry & Pat Powell
Matt & Tricia Legleiter Ross
Michael Stokes
Ben Wrench
Sarah Wrench

Please call at 321-6220
or reply by e-mail to eldo-
radofumc@gmail.com
if you can help us out.



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- 1 - Cliff Spires, Ramona Clanton, Diane Carver
2 - Shirley Nelson, Vic Marshall, Ben Helferich
6 - Katy Burton
7 - Hazel Lynch
9 - Wayne Miller, Diane Kirkpatrick, Ginger Glenn
11 - Jonie Sanders, Roy Voth, Fred Rando, Hope Helferich,
Joe Fritschen
13 - Richard Herrin, Sarah Wrench
14 - Fern Lucas, Gaines Bell, Dwight Hulse
15 - Wayne Fowler, Marilyn Reiserer
16 - Jann Ziegler
17 - Joyce Parker
18 - Warren Barber
20 - Nancy Green
22 - Pam Banion, Deb Karst
23 - Ava Wedel, Turner Day
24 - Kim Van Deusen, Greg Joyce, Levi Waite
25 - Mary Jo Grant, Lora Meirowsky, Katie Miller
26 - Matt Wagner
27 - Sharon Funk
29 - Dorothy Willhite, Katelyn Hageman
30 - Jamie Neely, Bill Johnson
31 - Paul Beaman

October Anniversaries

- 3 - Jay & Andrea Patterson
8 - Gerald & Rosa Marie Fillmore
15 - Kevin & Chris Grove
20 - Andrew & Kimberly Kendall
26 - Dana & Mary Ruth Korkki
28 - Victor & Nancy Marshall



[News & Features](#) on the Kansas West Conference web site. Go to kswes-tumc.org to read these articles in full

- [African churches desire equal voice](#)
- [Give a Bible to a seeker through Rethink Church](#)
- [Help flood victims in Pakistan](#)
- [Ellsworth pastor finds trip to Zimbabwe rewarding](#)
- [Celebrate Rural Life Sunday with local food](#)
- [Retirement community residents grateful for good Samaritans](#)



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Sunday Worship Services

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

11 a.m. Glory & Grace Praise Service

Nursery Provided

Sunday School Classes at 9:30 a.m.

Youth meetings - Every Wednesday

Middle School - 5:30 / Senior High - 6:30

Church Staff

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|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Rev. Michael McGuire | <i>Pastor</i> |
| Jason Taylor | <i>Youth Director</i> |
| Darcy McCoy | <i>Christian Education Director</i> |
| Paula Fritschen | <i>Treasurer</i> |
| Sandy Cooper | <i>Finance Secretary</i> |
| Kathie Monroe | <i>Church Secretary</i> |
| | <i>Newsletter editor</i> |
| Bobby Edwards | <i>Minister of Music</i> |
| Chelle Ewards | |
| Hope Helferich | <i>Choir Director</i> |
| | <i>Bell Choir Director</i> |
| | <i>Children's Choir Director</i> |
| Marge Marsh | <i>Pianist</i> |
| Susan Zieman | <i>Pianist</i> |
| Sheila Smith | <i>Nursery Attendant</i> |

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Your family information will be corrected to reflect the change and you will be removed from our mailing list.



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Monday through
Thursday
8 a.m. to noon /
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday
8 a.m. to noon

Our Mission

We are called by God to encourage and support one another through -

Spiritual Growth

Faith in Action

Vital Worship

Acceptance of Change

and

Sharing our faith with others.