

# Messenger

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## *Living Each Day as a Steward!*



### **Daylight Savings Time Ends!**

Daylight Savings time ends this Sunday. Remember to move your clocks back one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, November 4, 2018.



This will be our **final** printed Newsletter in this format for the majority of our congregation. Many of you have been receiving the digital version either by email or text messaging. It is also available on Facebook. Please send us your email address or cell number so that you can continue to receive the Newsletter.

## THIS WEEKS CALENDAR



- 4. William Fenton Anderson IV
- 6. Heather Ledbetter
- 8. Alice Cobb
- 9. Ella Phillips, Phil Nichols

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- 7. Mr. & Mrs. Rich Knox,  
Mr. & Mrs. Jason Smith

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 5:00 p.m. Planet 456
- 6:00 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren
- 6:30 p.m. Youth

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market
- 6:00 p.m. Staff Parish

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

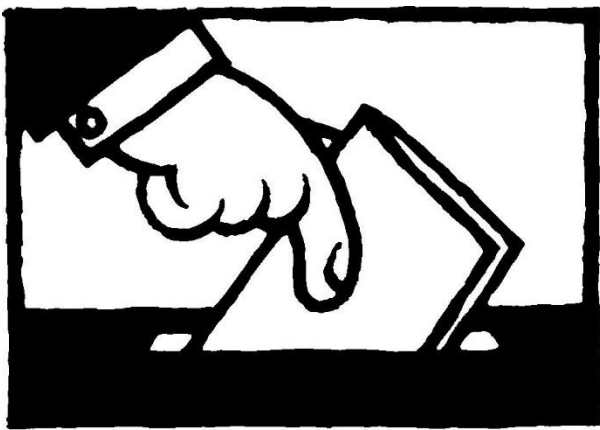
- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
- 4:30 p.m. Ladies' Handbell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren
- 6:15 p.m. Youth Small Group

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



# DON'T FORGET TO VOTE



### **Solid Ground Youth**

This month we will wrap up our study on Old Testament history. Last week we discussed the Kingdom of Solomon. After his death, Israel began to face many problems and soon found themselves as a divided Kingdom, Israel and Judah. The Kingdom Israel had 19 kings before the nation was invaded by the Assyrians and the Kingdom of Judah had 20 kings before falling at the hands of Babylonians. Sunday we will take a look at these kings and their leadership.

### **Sunday Night Youth**

As we continue our Sunday night series ***PROVERBS: How to be Wise***, this week we will move on to Lesson 3: *Communication*. This is an important factor in relationships. We often hear that communication is the key to a good relationship. This is true in our relationship with God also. We need to talk with God and take time to listen for His guidance. Hope to see you Sunday night as we dig deeper into this lesson.

### **Wednesday Night Small Group**

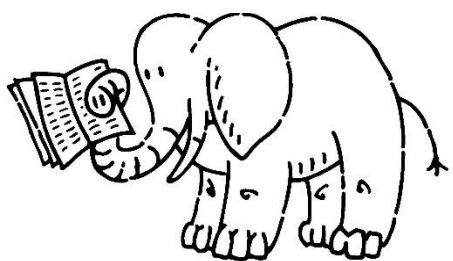
This week we will continue our study on **David**. In section 4 we will be discussing how God works in and through us during our struggles. Often times people think that being a Christian and following God will be easy. However, we as Christians find ourselves struggling against society and the world. We must always remember that God is working in our lives and is there to guide us.



poinsettia is \$15.

The youth will be selling poinsettias for Christmas and for decorating the church. There will be forms in each of the Sunday school rooms, as well as at the back of the church. Several of the youth will also be coming around to take orders and collect the forms. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, please ask a youth member, contact the church office or Tera Smith. The colors offered are red, pink, and white. Each

# Children's Page



## Memory Verse

"But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to abandon you, to turn back from following after you. Wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God'."

Ruth 1:16



Throughout the month of November, we will continue learning about families in the Bible. The next several lessons will explore the differences in families. Families come in many shapes and sizes. You don't have to be blood related to be family. Our story this Sunday is about two women named Ruth and Naomi.

Last week we had a fun night of carving pumpkins and we talked about differences. Each one of us took the time to carve out something special and unique. We talked about how we are like those pumpkins, and God created us all to be special, unique, and different. We were not made to be the same, but God knows we are all special and He has great plans for each of us. This week we will build on our talk from last week by moving into a new lesson on **Acceptance**. Often times in life, we find ourselves not always accepting people. Maybe it's because they look different, talk different, or maybe don't have the same interests as us. God accepts us just the way we are, and He wants us to accept others as well. We will meet at 5:00 p.m. in the Planet 456 room and begin with a fun game called "Don't lose your Marbles", before moving into our lesson. Hope to see you!



## ALL ABOARD THE CHRISTMAS EXPRESS!

Come along, hop on board and join us as we journey together to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania to celebrate our Savior's birth. You never know who God will place in this train on this wonderful night, and how it will unfold.

Our children's choir will present their Christmas musical, "The Christmas Express" on Sunday, December 2, at 6:00 p.m. They are working hard in preparation for this joyful journey !!!





Complete your Christmas Shoe boxes for the waiting children of the world. Please have them in the church by November 12, 2018. Remember, it isn't just the gift, but the Gospel that goes with it. Last year 3,361 boxes were sent from the Yazoo City area with a goal of 3630 for 2018. Our FUMC members contributed 65 boxes in 2017. More boxes mean more children will learn about JESUS CHRIST!



Our brothers and sisters in the Alabama/West Florida conference need our help! We know too well how difficult those first few days can be after a natural disaster. The area is still in the search-and-rescue process. It is important for us to pray for those affected by the storm as well as those who have begun the process of helping in the Alabama/West Florida area. One of the most effective means of helping is through our United Methodist Committee on Relief. Cash contributions through our church to UMCOR will get to those churches and individuals who have suffered damage and loss. Over the next three weeks if you can, please donate to those affected by hurricane Michael. We will accumulate our donations and forward on to UMCOR. We are called to help our friends in need, just like those who helped us in recent years.

Your Missions Committee,  
Van Ray

## **Volunteers serving Sunday, November 4, 2018**

|                |                                   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Greeters       | Dianne Vaughan/Millie Phillips    |
| Worship Leader | Rich Knox                         |
| Acolytes       | Mattie Burton/Caroline Swafford   |
| Scripture      | <b>Acts 28:23-31</b>              |
| Sermon         | <b>“The Rest of the Story”</b>    |
| Comm. Assts.   | Ed & Linda McDonald/Linda Ketchum |
| Security       | Albert Vandevere/Alan Swoope      |
| Flowers        | Bob & Linda Coker                 |

## **Attendance, October 28, 2018**

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| Worship Services | 180 |
| Sunday School    | 126 |

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## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### **NOVEMBER**

|                                 |                              |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>4. God cares for sinners</b> | <b>Luke 19:1-10</b>          |
| 5. A plea for help              | Psalms 17:1-9                |
| 6. My eyes shall behold         | Job 19:23-27a                |
| 7. Make a joyful noise          | Psalms 98                    |
| 8. God's promise of renewal     | Haggai 1:15b-2:9             |
| 9. Great is the LORD            | Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21        |
| 10. Stand firm in the faith     | 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 |