

Ministry Opportunities

SUNDAY, October 9

8:00-11:00 am: Come and Go Communion
 8:00 am: Praise Team Practice
 8:30 am: Choir Practice
 9:00 am: Worship
 10:15 am: Sunday School
 10:15 am: Children's Sunday Sing at Angelwood
 8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Building

MONDAY, October 10

8:30 am: Staff Meeting
 6:30 pm: Annual City Wide Women's Guild & Salad Supper, Fellowship Hall
 7:00 pm: Administrative Council Meeting
 7:00 pm: Boy Scouts
 8:00 pm: AA meets in McBurney Bldg

TUESDAY, October 11

12:00 pm: Loaves and Fishes
 5:30 pm: Finance Meeting
 6:30 pm: Foster Parent Association Meeting, Fellowship Hall
 8:00 pm: AA meets in Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, October 12

12:00 pm: AI Anon Meeting, Library
 12:00 pm: Pray for Rain, First Baptist Church Chapel
 12:00 pm: District Bible Study, District Office
 5:30 pm: Handbell Practice
 6:30 pm: Youth Group
 6:30 pm: Choir Practice

THURSDAY, October 13

4:00 pm: Free Medical Clinic
 6:00 pm: Trustee's Meeting

FRIDAY, October 14

8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Bldg.

SATURDAY, October 15

SUNDAY, October 16, New Consecration Sunday

8:00-11:00 am: Come and Go Communion
 8:00 am: Praise Team Practice
 8:30 am: Choir Practice
 9:00 am: Worship
 10:15 am: Sunday School
 8:00 pm: AA Meeting in McBurney Building

*Deadline for submissions to "The Sower" is 4 pm on Monday of each week.

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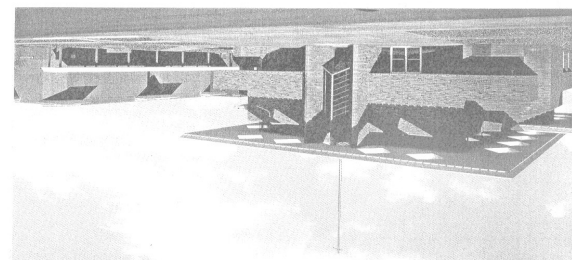
Fall is in the air, and a number of very important events are coming up on the church calendar. Sunday, October 16th is Consecration Sunday. This is the Sunday when we make our financial commitment to the church for the next year. Consecration Sunday is a day of joy and thanksgiving, so we will have a Celebration Brunch right after church on that Sunday. It will not be a potluck, rather it is a meal that is provided by the church. So we need for you to RSVP for the meal by signing one of the cards in next Sunday's Worship Service or by calling the church office anytime this week (323-3179). Please let us know one way or the other as soon as possible because the Administrative Council will make calls to all of our active members that haven't already turned in a card by October 10th, so it will save us much effort if you have already turned in your RSVP. If you haven't already filled out a card, please take a moment to call the church office with your intentions as soon as you have finished reading this Sower.

Wednesday, October 26th will be our monthly Family Fellowship Night and Bible Study. I want to encourage you to come and participate in both of these activities. The Family Life Committee will provide a great meal and I will be teaching from the Book of James so mark that date on your calendar and plan to be blessed with good food, fellowship and food for your soul.

One of the great outreaches of the church is coming up at the end of the month, "Trunk or Treat" will be Monday October 31st from 6:00p.m.-8p.m. "Trunk or Treat" is a block party provided by the church to be an outreach for the children of the community. Last year we served free hotdogs and hamburgers to over 600 people and handed out a lot of candy as well. I want to encourage you to come and help us make this be an even bigger event than ever before. We need you to help and as you do you will find that it will be one of the greatest blessings in your life. We will also need candy and food donations but we also need active participants to help get it all ready and to serve. God wants to do great things in our lives and in the life of our community, let's join with Him and help Him accomplish the positive change that is possible through His leading!

In Christ's Service,

Roland



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It's time to plan for Trunk or Treat!

We are now accepting donations of:

- ◆ Halloween candy
- ◆ Hamburger meat

Please bring your donations by the church office.

Last year we had over 600 little ghosts and

goblins come by the party, so we will need lots of candy to give away with a smile!

Annual City-Wide Salad Supper



Our church, in partnership with the First Presbyterian Church, will host the Annual City-Wide Women's Guild & Salad Supper on Monday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. All women

of the area are invited to attend. Please bring one salad for every two women. Invite your friends. If you can arrive early to help set up, that would be greatly appreciated! If you have any questions you may call Georgine Jackson (323-0945).

YOUTH HELP WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Youth has been going so well - we had a record number, 28, last Wednesday! I have been bringing kids from Thomas each week and I'd like to thank Kristi Flies for going with me to take the kids home and taking the van back to the church - this saved a lot of time for me! Thank you to C.B. and Sheri Ingham for taking home Clinton kids who needed rides. We were up early Saturday to help with Special Olympics at the bowling alley in Clinton. I was really proud of them for giving up their Saturday morning. The kids were so good with the athletes, we were "huggers" assigned in groups of two to one person for the day. We helped them bowl and then traveled by bus to Acme Brick Park for bingo, music therapy, pizza and crafts. Pat Cornell came by with Patrick and Craig Hunter so we had extra help for part of the day. We meet Wednesday nights at 6:30. Any help is appreciated - Sheri Ingham is with us every week, but with a large group, it's nice to have extra adults. - Julie Cornell



PRAYER



CONCERNS

As a result of feedback from a number of persons in the congregation that have been having trouble hearing the "Joy's and Concerns" part of our worship service, we are working to implement a better way of doing that part of the service. In the next few weeks, we will have prayer request cards for you to fill out in the Narthex as you come in, if you have a joy or concern that you would like to share. The pastor or liturgist will read these during the "joys and concerns" part of the service so that everyone will be able to hear these important messages. Thanks for your help with this in these next weeks of transition.

Opportunity Knocks!

Two volunteers are needed to babysit at the Foster Adoptive Association meeting next week, October 11th, from 6:30-8:00 pm. This will be a continuing need on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

If you can help, please contact Jalynn Youngberg.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You can easily judge the character of a man by how he treats those who can do nothing for him.

— James D. Miles



Thank you to all those who helped make Children's Sabbath a wonderful celebration of God's precious gift of children. I was really proud of our kids for helping with the worship service and for leading the church in song. Special thanks to Jack Carpenter for mentoring the boys as they helped with offering and communion; to Nancy Rodolph and Yvonne Carpenter for helping lead the children as they sang; to Marsha Taylor for helping sponsor the "Sunday Sing" every month; and, to the Family Life Committee for hosting the delicious cinnamon rolls and juice afterwards. What a great time of fellowship! Thank you also to Mary Anne Stermer for the wonderful job she does of not only teaching the kids the traditional Sunday School songs, but also the meaning of the lyrics and the Bible stories they tell. Thanks also to Angelwood Assisted Living Center for giving us the blessing of singing each month to your precious residents. We are truly blessed to be a blessing! - Jalynn



Be sure to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of Clinton FUMC...

Susan Donley and Katie Lopez

They come to our congregation via transfer of membership from Victory UMC in Guymon, OK.



I really appreciate all the positive feedback from Sunday's service. It really was a great morning of music and I know that everyone involved certainly appreciates the kind comments. I especially loved the bell choir's performance, Nancy does such a great job preparing and rehearsing them and they always sound fantastic! We have some wonderful music planned for this Sunday in both the choir and praise team. "Give Me Your Eyes" is one of the praise team's favorites, as well as mine. I am always touched by such meaningful lyrics. The song is basically a prayer asking for the ability to see deeply into people and situations that you normally ignore or are unaware of. It is about asking God for the compassion and wisdom to understand and love your fellow man, to understand that everyone's situation is unique, and to realize that you can't see everything about a person on the surface. The song was written by Brandon Heath, a very wise young man. I hope you can be with us this Sunday for what will be a fantastic worship service! Scott Lowber



10/10	Gary Cruson
10/11	JoAnn Robison, Kathy Green
10/12	Martin Smith
10/13	Grayson McCullough
10/14	Lanette Clark
10/15	Julie Littke
10/16	Carol Allison

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers for those in the nursing home or assisted living

Ruth McCampbell	Mary Anne Stermer
Goldie Pettle	Ruth Brinkley
Peggy Metheny	Udell Jones
Margie Brown	C.W. Atha
R.M. and Mary Lou Preston	Winona Madison

Prayers for healing or for comfort in difficult circumstances

Scott Morris	Harold Rehwaldt
Brenda Boyers	Tricia Riley
Les Dawson	Amanda Eaton
Carol Allison	Larry Holder
Press Small	Brett Gubit
Terry Wheeler	Mary Edgar
George Powers	Beverly Henson
Lib Rosenbaum	Carolyn Yearwood (cancer)
Denton Payne	Glenn Douglas
Chelsea Brantwein (brain tumor)	Ryan Parman
Dave Anthony Rouse	Dash Marshall Day
Bob Shulz (Chad Lyon's stepdad)	Melissa Goodblanket (Mother sick)
Jenae Standingwater (back surgery)	Shawna Ayala (cancer)
Alma Mae Bennett	Matthew McCornack
Lisa Lott	Kitty Fisher
Billy Barnes	John Jordan (back surgery)
Mike Garthright, Jr.	Jeanette Atha
Christa Miller	

Prayers for ministries

Mother's Day Out	AA and AI Anon
Our Church	Foster Care Assn
Visioning Task Force	Dan Day (Worship Service at VA)

If you have a prayer request, please call the church office at 323-3179 or mail clintonfumc@cableone.net Our prayer list will be updated on a week to week basis. Please make submissions no later than noon on Monday.



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