

**From The Desk of...**

**The Director of Ministry**

*...Susan Hurley*

*With the arrival of cooler temperatures, it makes one think more about the approaching holiday season. On Wednesday, November 15, we are delighted to have Brown's Florist do a demonstration on "Decorating for the Holidays," at 5:30pm in the FLC Youth Room.*

*The churchwide study on the Lord's Prayer will end on the first Sunday in November. A new church wide Sunday School study, 'TRAVEL THE HIGHWAYS OF ADVENT,' by Stan Purdum, will begin Sunday, November 26. Each chapter in this book "will show you how to take what you learn from the Bible and apply it to everyday life while nurturing your faith development and spiritual growth as you journey down the pathway to Jesus." Books will be available in the church office for \$9.00.*

*This year, due to the way Thanksgiving and Christmas falls, our annual Hanging of the Greens Service will be held the first Sunday in December at 5:00pm, rather than the Sunday following Thanksgiving. Following the Hanging of the Greens Service, we hope you will plan on bringing a light snack and join us in the FLC for food and fellowship.*



The UMW and the Men of Faith will co-sponsor a **church wide indoor yard sale** on Saturday, Nov. 4 from 8 to 3. We need your donations (furniture, kitchen, tools, clothes, etc.) **Then on November 4 we need you to come buy some TREASURES!** There will also be a soup lunch for \$5. All proceeds will go toward the refurbishing of the sanctuary.


Arkansas Tech Wesley Foundation will be having their fall dinner theatre on November 9th, 10th, and 11th. This semester the A.C.T.S. cast will be presenting the play, "Chateau La Roach" written by Lauren Wilson and directed by Emily Patton. Doors to the Wesley Foundation will open at 6:00, and dinner will be served at 6:30. Please call (479)-968-4159 to reserve seats or bring \$20 for an adult ticket and \$10 for children ten and under. All proceeds are used for the Age to Age mentoring ministry at the Wesley Foundation.

Our United Methodist Youth (UMY) will be participating in United Methodist of Arkansas, 40 years of Ingathering, on Saturday, November 18. We will leave the church, Youth Room, at 8 a.m. We should return around 2 p.m. Youth need to bring money for lunch after the event. Youth may register online at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ingathering2017>. Youth need to register for 10:15-noon shift. Questions can be directed toward Ramanda Chappell at (479)754-8404.

**November Birthdays**



- 11/1 Dorothy Spencer
- 11/2 Ron Wylie
- 11/2 Cole Frizzell
- 11/2 Lily Kimbrough
- 11/6 Sherry Rowbotham
- 11/8 Brenda Payne
- 11/8 Greta Strobel
- 11/10 Jacob Skiles
- 11/13 Marie Bishop
- 11/13 Margaret Wylie
- 11/13 David Pridgin, Sr.
- 11/14 Joe Talley
- 11/14 Clark Gray
- 11/15 Bill White
- 11/17 Bobby Cook
- 11/17 Jane Barrett
- 11/19 Carla Krohn
- 11/20 Francis Pitts
- 11/24 Makayla Smith
- 11/24 Breagan Hull
- 11/25 Heather Johnston
- 11/27 Janie Chappell
- 11/27 Donna Ford
- 11/28 Elaine King
- 11/28 Braden Nelson
- 11/30 Susan Hurley

 Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent Blood Drive. There were 33 donations which is EXCELLENT. Thank you again. The next Blood Drive is Tuesday, December 19.



We are having lots of fun with your children at Kid's Club. I would also like to say a huge Thank You for all the people who help make this ministry possible. If you have a child in kindergarten through sixth grade, who would be interested in joining us. It is a free after school program. We meet after school, on Wednesday's, from 3:00-5:00. Transportation from Clarksville schools is available. For more information contact Liz Hull at (479) 979-7171.



<b>*WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1</b>	
Kid's Club	3:30 PM
Kid's Bell/Chimes	4:30 PM
WNL	5:00 PM
Children's Ministry Committee	5:30 PM
Joyful Sound Practice	6:00 PM
Prayer & Communion	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir	7:00 PM
<b>*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5</b>	
<b>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b>	
Worship Service (Sanct)	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Worship Service (Sanct)	11:00 AM
Youth Bells Practice	3:45 PM
Ad Council	4:00 PM
Youth Choir	4:30 PM
United Methodist Youth	5:00 PM
<b>*MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6</b>	
SPRC Meeting	6:00 PM
<b>*TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7</b>	
UMW Executive Meeting	11:30 AM
<b>*WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8</b>	
Kid's Club	3:30 PM
Kid's Bell/Chimes	4:30 PM
WNL	5:00 PM
Joyful Sound Practice	6:00 PM
Prayer & Communion	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir	7:00 PM
<b>*THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9</b>	
Mustard Seed Potluck (Youth Room)	12:00-2PM
Glory Circle	6:00 PM
<b>*MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13</b>	
Den Meeting (FLC)	6:00 PM
<b>*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12</b>	
<b>STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY</b>	
Worship Service (Sanct)	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Worship Service (Sanct)	11:00 AM
Youth Bells Practice	3:45 PM
Youth Choir	4:30 PM
United Methodist Youth	5:00 PM
<b>*TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14</b>	
UMW Mission (church office)	10:00 AM
<b>*WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15</b>	
Kid's Club	3:30 PM
Kid's Bell/Chimes	4:30 PM
WNL	5:00 PM
Joyful Sound Practice	6:00 PM
Prayer & Communion	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir	7:00 PM
<b>*THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16</b>	
Grace Circle	10:00 AM
Power Circle	2:00 PM
Finance Committee	5:30 PM
UMW Fall Luncheon (FLC)	11:30 AM
<b>*SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18</b>	
MOF	8:00 AM
<b>*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19</b>	
Worship Service (Sanct)	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Worship Service (Sanct)	11:00 AM
Youth Bells Practice	3:45 PM
Youth Choir	4:30 PM
United Methodist Youth	5:00 PM
<b>*MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20</b>	
Joyful Sound Chimes Practice	6:00 PM
<b>*WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22</b>	
No Activities	
<b>*THURSDAY/FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23,24</b>	
The Office will be closed for Thanksgiving	
<b>*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26</b>	
Worship Service (Sanct)	8:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Worship Service (Sanct)	11:00 AM
Youth Bells Practice	3:45 PM
Youth Choir	4:30 PM
United Methodist Youth	5:00 PM
Hanging of the Greens	TBA
<b>*MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27</b>	
Den Meeting (FLC)	6:00 PM
<b>*WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29</b>	
Kid's Club	3:30 PM
Kid's Bell/Chimes	4:30 PM
WNL	5:00 PM
Joyful Sound Practice	6:00 PM
Prayer & Communion	6:00 PM
Chancel Choir	7:00 PM



# The Focus

## Clarksville FUMC Newsletter

*Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*  
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### On Track With Bro. Larry...

...Pastor Larry Kelso

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**THINE**  
IS THE  
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Over the past several weeks, we've been encouraged to "Pray Like Jesus" as we have studied the prayer we call "The Lord's Prayer."

Praying like Jesus can lead us into living like Jesus – with a purpose closely linked to giving God the glory for all that is. One part of every Christian's purpose is to give in the same way that God has given. We don't give because the church needs money. We don't give as a result of some pressure. Our biblical understanding of Christian generosity is that we give so that God can be glorified. And we give in order to nurture our own spiritual growth.

Sunday, November 12, 2017, is our congregation's Stewardship Sunday. Plan now to attend Sunday morning worship on that day. Everything about the day will be designed to enrich our biblical understanding of Christian stewardship. The experience will treat you as followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of spiritual development that will demonstrate your discipleship. See you then!

Grace and peace – Bro. Larry