



BelleRinger



Belleview United Methodist Church
(352)245-2100

July/August 2017

Vacation Bible School



July 17-21, 2017 5:30pm-8:00pm

If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Cindy Monroe at cam9508@embarqmail.com or (352) 208-2976.

If you know someone Ages 5-12 that would like to sign up, they can go to our church website and register www.belleviewumc.org

If you can't help out at VBS, I will be leaving some craft projects on a table in the narthex for you to pick up and take home. They are mostly cutting out shapes and making paper chains. All you have to do is take them home, complete the project and bring back to church. We use these to decorate the many rooms that we use during VBS week.

Thank you to all those who have already taken projects home and completed them!
We couldn't do it without you!



From the Pastor's Desk

Summer...a Time to Catch up on some Great Reading

Many of our ministries are on recess for the summer, but that doesn't mean that we stop growing in our faith. One of my favorite way to grow in Christ is to read books that encourage, strengthen and challenge me to go deeper in my faith with Jesus. Need a recommendation? Try a few of these! They are available for loan in my office.

A great devotional book?

My Utmost for His Highest

Come away my Beloved

God Calling

A book on history?

The Garden of American Methodism

Red Hot & Righteous (Story of the Salvation Army)

On breaking bad habits and becoming free of past hurts?

Life's Healing Choices

Unbound

On the heart of God for women? Captivating

On the heart of God for men? Wild at Heart

On living a full Christian life

Purpose Driven Life

On the Sabbath?

Rest of God

Keeping the Sabbath Wholly

On holiness?

The knowledge of the Holy

Whatever happened to worship?

A Christian classic?

Hinds Feet on High Places

Mere Christianity

On Fresh Expressions?

The Shaping of Things to come

A Biography?

Born again (Chuck Colson)

Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Poet, Martyr, Spy

A book to rock your world?

Irresistible Revolution (creator of The Simple Way ministry)

On prayer?

The Circle Maker

2000 Years of Prayer

AND MANY MORE! Come and peruse - I know you'll find something that will strike you. Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 3:18

Pastor Kris



Prayer & Witness Ministry

We meet Thursdays @ 10 a.m. in the church library. All are welcome.

"DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED.
TRUST IN GOD; TRUST ALSO IN ME." (JOHN 14:1)

Therefore, "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled."

Let not your heart be troubled,
Give your worries and cares to Me.

I am your Heavenly Father
Who suffered and died for thee.

There are times throughout your Earthly life
When you are filled with doubts and fear.

Always come to Me in prayer
And know that I am near.

The love I have for you, dear child,
Can never be bought or measured.

It's a gift I freely give to you.

It is My most precious treasure.

When sorrow or pain come your way

And life seems to be unfair,

Let not your heart be troubled...

Just come to Me in prayer.

Poet, Shirley Hile Powell

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A Note From Sharon Leino

Our church is full of many wonderful ministries that have the potential to not only care for our current members, but also to reach out to our community and offer a cup of cool water in Christ's Name. These ministries can only meet their potential when they are supported by the power of prayer. We also need to pray about the finances of the church and for important decisions being made. All of these can be greatly impacted by the dynamite power of prayer.

The Church and its leadership needs your prayers on a daily basis. I am proposing that we spend 4-6 weeks this summer meeting in small prayer groups in people's homes. I am opening my home for such a group.

If you would like to meet for prayer or want to open your home for prayer, please call me at 906-553-4852 or email me at

honestfinn@gmail.com.

Here at MOPS, we are on a mission to celebrate motherhood.



We build circles of women who love each other like family, because raising humans is beautiful and hard, and having each other to lean on is life-giving. That's why we connect moms all over the world to a community of women, in their own cities, who meet together to laugh, cry and embrace the journey of being a mom.

This is motherhood, and together we can change the world in all the best ways.

MOPS International encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus, and in partnership with the local church.

There will be a MOPS group starting at our church in the fall. We will need volunteers to watch children while the mothers are in their meeting.

From the Finance Committee - Our Record of Faithfulness

Scripture Thought to Ponder - God Provides

When it was already quite late, His disciples came up to him and began saying, "The place is desolate and it is already quite late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But He answered and said to them, "You give them something to eat!" And they said to Him, "Shall we go and spend two hundred denarii on bread and give them something to eat?" And He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go look!" And when they found out, they said, "Five and two fish." And He commanded them all to recline by groups on the green grass. And they reclined in companies of hundreds and of fifties. And he took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up toward heaven, he blessed the food and broke the loaves and he kept giving them to the disciples to set before them; and He divided up the two fish among them all. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they picked up twelve full baskets of the broken pieces, and also of the fish. And there were five thousand men who ate the loaves (Mark 6:35-44).

Attendance May 2017 - 131
 May 2016 - 142

	<u>May 2017</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Giving	\$14,799.28	\$88,467.78
Operational Expenses	<u>\$18,247.14</u>	<u>\$134,864.12</u>
+/-	\$3,447.86-	\$46,396.34-
Roof Replacement	<u>\$40,300.00-</u>	
+/-	\$43,747.86-	

Year to date our giving has totaled \$88,467.78 while our operational expenses were \$134,864.12 leaving us a year to date deficit of \$46,396.34.

It was imperative that the roof be replaced before the rainy season. The roof was paid for by borrowing from the interest on the Building Fund. We will be tithing our income to replace cost of the new roof. We are going into the summer season and church attendance has dropped considerably which indicates that our giving amount (income) will be less. We will need to be very studious about restricting any unnecessary expenses.

July Birthdays

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| 01 Tina Bourassa | 27 Barbara Erekson |
| 01 Gerrylee Ritchie | 27 Joseph Rosenthal |
| 02 Ann Coulthurst | 28 Stephanie Barry |
| 04 Tracy Domas | 28 Mark Croto |
| 05 Dick Thomas | 28 Linda Dankert |
| 08 Fallyn Mundy | 30 Mollie Richards |
| 09 George Sousa | 31 Steve Craven |
| 12 Chase Plasters | |
| 14 Claire Picking | |
| 15 Jean Glass | |
| 15 Wayne Monroe | |
| 15 Beverly Rosenthal | |
| 16 Laverne Russell | |
| 17 Shirley Stewart | |
| 18 Daniel Graham | |
| 19 Margene Hopper | |
| 22 Angelina Barry | |



August Birthdays

- 01 Joseph Davis
- 01 Dean Harris
- 06 Juanita Applegate
- 08 Pete Pauze'
- 09 Connie Craven
- 10 Nate Lewis
- 11 Roxann Fichtner
- 12 Chris Tripp
- 14 Katie Kenyon
- 15 Norman Erekson
- 15 Rachel Howard
- 22 Kenneth Winstanley
- 24 Tina Burgess
- 27 Bess Dalke
- 27 Zoey Meahl
- 28 Wyatt Monroe
- 30 Tim Chevront

July Anniversaries

- 01 Daniel & Patsy Graham
- 01 Mike & Kris Shonewolf
- 04 Steve & Jeanne Craven
- 13 Terry & Rachel Howard
- 21 Kevin & Mary Davis
- 21 David & Christine Gibbs
- 28 Stan & Flo Ross



August Anniversaries

- 17 Ron & Dawn Tripp
- 27 Greg & Diana Lewis
- 28 Dick & Bonnie Green
- 30 Carlos & Melanie Sanchez
- 31 Mitch & Mary Jo Ward

The arthritic bone-spur filled hip is gone. God is so good.

And so are my friends who have sent cards, who have sent flowers, who have prayed, who have called, who have visited, and, Jim's favorite, who have cooked.

Thank you.
Juanita Applegate

Thank you to everyone who celebrated with me on Sunday, May 28th with good food, gifts, cards and hugs; lots of hugs. It will probably take some time for me to realize that I don't have to head out on Monday afternoons for choir rehearsal and I will truly miss it.

Keep on doing all the things that you do so well to make BUMC a warm, welcoming, caring family of God.

Sally Farro



Congregants gather for a sacred weekly meal where the conversation serves as the sermon and freshly baked bread provides nourishment, communion and income. Other churches are using their template to replicate the experience.

When the five last members of North Grafton United Methodist Church in Massachusetts voted to close and sell their building four years ago, they had no idea what would happen.

Denominational officers told them, "We're going to send you a planter," said Sue Novia, 73, one of the last five at North Grafton UMC. "We thought, 'What is a planter?'"

But Grafton-area residents are now embracing a fresh style of worship at the three-year-old church plant called Simple Church([link is external](#)), a United Methodist congregation where 30 to 40 share the Lord's Supper every Thursday over dinner. The church is also pioneering a revenue model that puts less strain on parishioners by generating income from a trade -- in this case, bread baking.

The format has caught on in other states and Canada, with 11 affiliate congregations now practicing table-centered worship and often relying on trade-based enterprises for revenue. Simple Church is gearing up to plant its first daughter church nearby in central Massachusetts later this year.

Simple Church pays almost nothing for dinner ingredients. This is partly because members bring potluck contributions. They also receive in-kind gifts of vegetables and meat from the hilltop farm where the 28-year-old pastor, the Rev. Zach Kerzee, volunteers. The farm is next door to the parsonage, which the North Grafton church retained after selling the meeting house.

The Rev. Zach Kerzee volunteers on the farm next door to the parsonage, so the farmer donates produce for the meal.

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Pondering theology in the fields, Kerzee sees a metaphor for a cycle of church life playing out in Grafton.

"In order for us to eat, something has to die, whether it's an animal or a plant or a microbe," said Kerzee, a Texas native and son of a Methodist pastor. "Something has to give us life in order for us to live."

A new model based on an old model

What's unfolding in Grafton is new to congregants, who had never before worshipped in a sacred-meal format, but the form isn't altogether new for Christians. Early Christians shared the sacrament in homes in a context of eating and singing hymns.

Nor is the revenue model unprecedented. Just as monks have for centuries plied trades from beer brewing to jam making in order to cover monastic overhead, Simple Church leaders bake and sell bread to generate proceeds for the ministries.

They partner with Grafton Job Corps, a vocational training program for youth ages 16 to 24, to bake in a kitchen they rent (along with worship space) from the Congregational Church of Grafton. Their crusty loaves, retailing for \$7 each for subscribers and at farmers markets, clear a tidy profit from ingredients that cost just \$1 per loaf.

"It buys us credibility," said LyAnna Johnson, Simple Church's church planting apprentice, who will lead its soon-to-be-planted daughter church. "At farmers markets, people can't believe that two pastors are out there in the heat selling bread."

"Bread that they baked themselves," Kerzee said.

"Especially when people are so distrustful of institutions," Johnson said, "it really helps."

Do you agree that an act such as bread baking could help reduce skepticism of institutions? Are there gestures or actions your church leaders could employ to ease that tension?

As much as Simple Church is grounded in tradition, what congregants experience is unlike anything they've experienced before -- at least in church. Kerzee likens it to a weekly dinner party, noting that it's much easier to invite someone to a dinner party than to a traditional worship service. St. Lydia's in Brooklyn has pioneered the model.

In New England, where 70 percent of Methodist congregations can't afford a full-time pastor, its foreignness from church-as-usual and its low entry bar hold much appeal.

With folksy hymnody and simple prayers, dinner church in Grafton strikes a chord with the early-18th-century Methodism of founder John Wesley, said Rick McKinley, the director of congregational development for the UMC in New England. He said traditional churches across his region could easily add dinner church worship to their repertoires.

Dinner church "has the highly relational nature of early Wesleyan movements," McKinley said. "People were face to face. It wasn't about consuming a particular product in the way that modern churches consume Sunday morning worship or consume the programming that we're offered. Simple Church is going back to this understanding of living into a relationship that starts with God."

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						1 Thrift Shop 9-12 Men's Group 9am
2 Worship 8:30 Sunday School 9:40 Worship 11:00	3 Thrift Shop 9-12	4 OFFICE CLOSED Bible Study 10 am	5 Bible Study 6:30pm	6 Thrift Shop 9-3 Prayer Group 10 am	7 Thrift Shop 9-3 Parents Night Out 6pm	8 Thrift Shop 9-12
9 Worship 8:30 Sunday School 9:40 Worship 11:00 Open Table 5pm	10 Thrift Shop 9-12	11 Bible Study 10 am Emmaus Gathering 6:30pm	12 FOOD PANTRY Bible Study 6:30pm	13 Thrift Shop 9-3 Prayer Group 10 am	14 Thrift Shop 9-3	15 Thrift Shop 9-12
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August 2017

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		1 Bible Study 10am	2 Bible Study 6:30pm	3 Thrift Shop 9-3 Prayer Group 10am Girl Scout Leaders 6:30pm Trustees 6:30pm	4 Thrift Shop 9-3 Parents Night Out - 6pm	5 Thrift Shop 9-12 Men's Group 9am
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Bible Study/Small Group Opportunities

Sunday 9:40am: Wired Word—looking at a current headline and applying scripture and life application. Room 304. Facilitator: Mike Schonewolf

Sunday 9:40am - Pastor Kris' Sunday School class studies scriptures relating to each Sunday's message, enabling the members, through discussion, to go deeper into the study of the day's topic. Fellowship Hall.
Facilitator: Pastor Kris

Sunday 9:40am—Bible Study on 1st and 2nd Timothy, Titus, Philemon and Hebrews. Facilitator: Sandy Hood

Sunday 9:40 - Women's Bible Study in Room 301 is still meeting for the summer. Come join us as we work through weekly topics until we start a new series in August! Contact Cindy Brodie for more information of just show up!

Tuesday 10am - Bible Study on Luke in Room 302. Facilitator: Pastor Kris

Tuesday 10am - Bible Study - Psalms. Facilitator: Sandy Hood

Tuesday 2pm - Finding Hope in the Headlines - Pasta Faire

Wednesday 6:30pm - Bible Study on Exodus - Facilitator: Pastor Kris

First Saturday of every month at 9am - M.E.N. (More Encouragement Needed)

Memorials

A donation was made to the Food Pantry by Cindy Polcyn in memory of her father Ray Stowell.

A donation was made in memory of Noreen Kenyon by Terry and Laurie Kenyon

A donation was made in memory of Noreen Kenyon by James and Joan Marriott.

A donation was made in memory of Velma Lockhart by Shirley M. Silver.

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Worship
Schedule

Worship
8:30 am & 11:00 am
Sunday School
9:40 am