

New Church Mobile Directory!

So just a few short months ago we began the process of a new church directory. They are all finally done and available to all of you in our church office! In the last few years, since our last directory, technology has become even more advanced allowing us to have access to a new feature with a directory! Its an online Mobile Directory! It's an even easier way to stay connected one another! Benefits to families are:

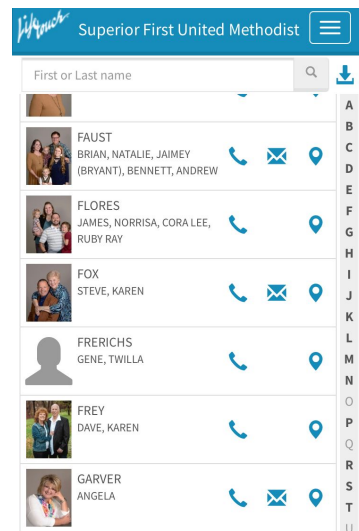
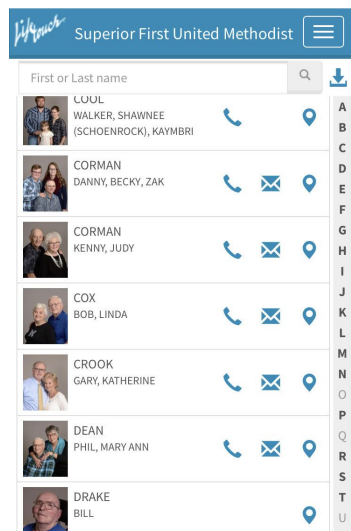
- Included with every program at no cost
- Access your families' information from any device
- Convenient communication with quick-links to phone and email, plus mapping to addresses
- Stay connected on-the-go

In order to access this amazing feature go to the following website on your computer or mobile device and save it as a favorite:

<https://mobiledirectory.lifetouch.com/556735/superior-first-united-methodist>

It will prompt you for an access code which is 68978.

Thank you for all of your help and participation in the new Church Directory! It's a lot of time consuming work, but it turned out wonderfully and will be something our future generations can look back to with smiles!



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Natalie's Notes

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

What does the Lord expect of me?

What "holy habits" should I cultivate in my life?

For six Sundays beginning in January, our entire church family is invited to enter a season of decision and commitment toward the goal of becoming fully devoted disciples of Jesus Christ. The theme will be Committed to Christ: Six Steps to a Generous Life.

We are hoping that every household will be present every Sunday during this season so that we can each commit to climb one step closer toward this goal. We will dedicate ourselves to the Lord and obey what the Lord has

commanded, in a spirit of gratitude for all that we have received.

On an introductory Sunday, January 13th, at the start of the program, we will be asked to make or renew our personal commitment to Christ. Each of the six Sundays following will emphasize a different area of faithful Christian discipleship: prayer, Bible reading, worship, witness, financial giving, and service.

We have enclosed a Six-step Brochure that will describe the program and show the various levels of commitment, ranging from limited commitment to full and unlimited commitment.

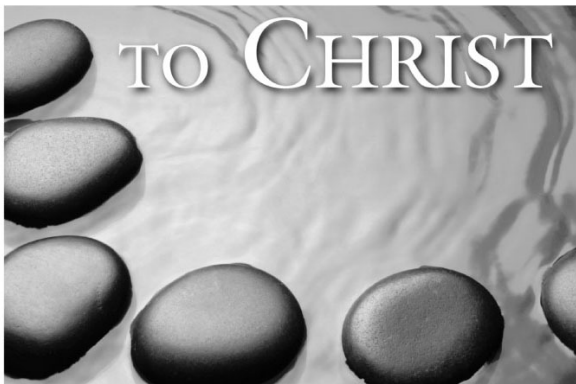
To celebrate what God is doing here at First United Methodist Church, the program will culminate in a special Ministry Celebration Sunday.

May God bless each of us as we commit together to become a fully devoted disciple of Jesus Christ.

Blessings,

Pastor Natalie

COMMITTED TO CHRIST



Six Steps to a Generous Life

We Need Your Christmas Tree!

Believe it or not, VBS will be right around the corner! We're already thinking about it and our theme this summer will be Rolling River Rapids. We want to create a forest in our church! So we thought it would be a great time, at the end of the Christmas season, while your taking down all those holiday decorations to let you know you could store them here at the church so we can use them this summer! Or if you have an old tree you don't want anymore, we will take it! It can be prelit or not, because we won't light them during the VBS. Make sure if you need your tree back that you label the container it's in and the tree in some way so that we make sure they all get back to the right place. Bring them into the church office anytime and thank you!



Administrative Council

The Administrative Council of the United Methodist Church met on December 18, 2018 at the Church. Present: Beverly Beavers, Sue Rose, Linda Cox, Jana Marr, Patty Studer, Judy Corman, Esther Martin, Jeff Guilkey, Sue Guilkey, and Pastor Natalie Faust. The minutes of the September 25, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Pastor Natalie opened the meeting with prayer.

The first item on the agenda was electing Beverly Beavers as Ad Council Chairman. A motion was made by Sue Rose and seconded by Sue Guilkey to name Beverly as Ad Council Chairman. Motion carried. Beverly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees

Jeff had received preliminary estimates from both Scott's TV & Appliance & Scott Wittke Heating on replacing the heating and air system in the sanctuary. Both were approximately \$15,000.00. The memorial bench for Merwyn Wyatt will be placed when the weather is warm enough to pour the concrete. The ceiling at the parsonage has been repaired. There was a water issue at the parsonage in Jaimey's bedroom. The rain and snow melt on the north side does not drain properly from the outside wall. The siding was removed and the area was sealed for now, this it is a temporary fix, more work will need to be done at a later date. The floor by the elevator in the fellowship hall is scheduled to be repaired by Dave Christiancy. The floor of the closet in the fellowship hall will have to be removed to see what is underneath before any repair can be made. Esher Martin indicated the closet needs to be cleaned out and the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts should use the shelves designated for them. Pastor Natalie reported that someone had been in the Happy Time Preschool room and had moved posters around and a bluetooth speaker is missing. The Trustees will try to find a way to lock the doors so they are not open all the time. The thermostats in Natalie's office and in the Kate Lyne Chapel have been replaced. Pastor Natalie will place a note in the bulletin regarding the importance of keeping the utility bills in check during the winter months. The thermostats are set on a time schedule and if you need to change them remember to reset them in the room when you leave. Please remember to shut off the lights also.

Education

Children's Sunday school has been well attended. Linda Cox reported she usually has 12 adults in her class. A 4 week Bible Study has been completed. The class was led by Avis Shaw, Patty Studer, and Pastor Natalie.

Memorial

Sue Guilkey reported that Gail Ann Aurand would be joining the committee in January. Memorial funds were used to pay for the youth camp. New music will be purchased for the bell choirs and choir. New bell folders, stand, and table foam will also be purchased. Sue will ask the committee if they had funds to help with financing the new heat and air system in the sanctuary.

SPRC

Patty indicated since Dan McKeown has been having medical issues that Jessi has been doing the custodial work. Beverly suggested that Brian take Dan's Christmas gift to Webber on Sunday, December 23rd. Patty reported the review of the minister had been completed. Beverly asked if the Conference had a document that indicated pastors salary packages in the Conference. Pastor Natalie said it would be in the Conference's journal.

Pastor's report

A Youth Conference is scheduled in Salina, Ks at the Bicentennial Center. Eleven youth and 2 adults will be attending. Shannon McCord has donated the use of Ideal Market's van which he will drive and one car will be taken. The conference will pay for the mileage. Beverly Beavers will give the sermon on the first Sunday in January. Communion will be held the second Sunday of January. Pastor Natalie will be starting a 6 week sermon series in January on Commitment to Christ. The Christmas open house was well attended.

New Business

Beverly Beavers and Bill Hamilton will be placing the luminaries. The Board decided to tune the piano in the sanctuary every year and the fellowship hall piano and the Kate Lyne Chapel piano every 3 years.

The time and date of the Ad Council meetings were discussed. No decision made. Beverly will chair a Mission Soup Supper on Tuesday, February 26, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.. Proceeds will go to the new heat and air system.

Sue Rose made a motion that the Christmas Eve offering be given to the Nuckolls County Food pantry. Judy Corman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pastor Natalie closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Marr, Ad Council Secretary

January Birthdays

Jan 3-Kaymbri Cool, Betty Zadina
Jan 4-Rhonda Edwards
Jan 7-Dick Hansen
Jan 8-Mary Ann Dean
Jan 9-Brantlee Woerner
Jan 10-Gene Frerichs
Jan 19-Shawnee Shoenrock
Jan 20-Adilynne Smullins
Jan 21-Lacey Langer
Jan 23-Mary Ray
Jan 26-Dylan Edwards, Michael Webber, Susan Williams
Jan 29-Karen Fox

Anniversaries

Jan 1-Jason & Emily Ray
Jan 16-Gene & Carmen Bruening
Jan 26- Steve & Karen Fox

Memorial Report

In memory of **Charleen Adcock**
Gerry Dunlap
Gale & Nancy Mikkelsen

In memory of **Larry Langer**
Linda Frerichs
Gale & Nancy Mikkelsen
Jason & Emily Ray
Marlan & Susan Watson

Upcoming Events

January Calendar

Office will be closed Dec. 31-Jan 2nd

Saturday Jan. 4-6: The OneEvent in Salina, KS

Thursday Jan. 10th: Chapel @ Good Sam @ 10 a.m.
Chapel @ Kingswood @ 4 p.m.

Monday Jan. 14th: Bingo @ Good Sam @ 2 p.m.

Jan. 15-17: Orders & Fellowship meeting in Kansas City. Pastor Natalie will be gone.

Saturday Jan. 19th: Men's Breakfast @ Webber UMC @ 8 a.m.

Sunday Jan. 20th: AdCo @ 9:15 a.m.
Kid's Choir @ 10:30 a.m. Service

Tuesday Jan. 22nd: Memorial @ 5:05 p.m.
Trustees @ 6:30 p.m.
SPRC @ 7:30 p.m.

Weekly Groups

Mondays-Yoga @ 7 p.m.

Wednesdays-Needle Huddle 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Confirmation 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Funday Leaders

January 6th: Leader-Shannon McCord
Helper-Esther Martin

January 13th: Leader-Haley Coffey
Helper-Jenny McCord

January 20th: Leader-Jana Marr
Helper-Julie Drake

January 27th: Leader-Angela Garver
Helper-Katrina Hansen

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