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**Dates to Remember**

- Oct 5 Finance Committee, 7:00 pm
- Oct 11 U.M.W., 11:15 am
- Oct 12 Administrative Board, 7:00 pm
- Oct 15 Arma Work Day, 8:30 am
- Oct 16 Charge Conference, 4:00 pm
- Oct 22 Vacation Bible School, 9:00 am

**October Birthdays**

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| <i>Oct 1 Linda Manion</i>   | <i>Oct 14 Teri VanBecelaere</i>  |
| <i>Oct 2 Dianne Reiken</i>  | <i>Oct 18 Stella Mosler</i>      |
| <i>Oct 3 Phyllis Hay</i>    | <i>Oct 20 Mary Cleland</i>       |
| <i>Oct 5 Judy Smerchek</i>  | <i>Oct 21 Dylan Turgeon</i>      |
| <i>Oct 6 Harry Brunk</i>    | <i>Oct 21 Ken Culbertson</i>     |
| <i>Oct 7 Mandy Camerson</i> | <i>Oct 23 Lorraine Chippeaux</i> |
| <i>Oct 10 Stacey Kramer</i> | <i>Oct 23 Henry Utermoehlen</i>  |
| <i>Oct 13 Cassie Jones</i>  | <i>Oct 26 Dan Boley</i>          |
|                             | <i>Oct 28 Patsy Finley</i>       |

*October Anniversaries*

- Oct 15 Kay & Rick Goodwin*
- Oct 26 Betty & Les Eurit*
- Oct 28 Wilrose & Sammie Bough*

**ARMA OCTOBER GREETERS**

- Oct 2 Linda Manion
- Oct 9 Muriel Stroud
- Oct 16 Youth
- Oct 23 Gerald and TammyWayman
- Oct 30 Judy and Laurence Smerchek

**U.M.W.**

The organization of Methodist Women is an important, inspirational and supportive organization for women in the Methodist Church. Our unit invites and encourages all women of our congregation to attend meetings.

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The next meeting of our unit will be October 11. We meet at the church at 11:15 am and go to lunch at an area cafe, then return to the church for a brief business meeting and an inspirational lesson.

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**GRACE NEWS**

The members of Grace had a joy on Sunday, September 25th. Blake Allen Goodwin, son of Bryan and Jill Goodwin was baptised. We also welcomed Bryan and Jill into our church family.

**LADIES DAY OUT**

**Monday, October 17th**, we will be going to Stella Mosler's to celebrate her birthday. She will be 97 years young. We will leave at 9:30 a.m.

**Monday, December 19th**, We will be going to the Creamery, Joplin, MO. We will leave at 10:00 a.m. If you plan on going on one or both trips contact Susie Taylor at 231-6148.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**

**Thursday, October 6th, SPAGHETTI DINNER: 11 am to 7 pm.** Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad or applesauce, bread, drink and pie. \$5.00/adult and \$3.00/children under 12.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER**

**Sunday, November 20th:** Grace's annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Arma and Mulberry Methodist Churches are invited. Dinner will start at 12:30 p.m.

**GRACE GREETERS**

- Oct 2 Phyllis Eagelton
- Oct 9 Eva Gartner
- Oct 16 Mike Seely
- Oct 23 Della McDaniels
- Oct 30 Pat Cummings

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***Bulletin for Arma Service***

The congregation of the Arma UMC wishes to thank Barry Bedene for providing the bulletins for Sunday worship.

***Sunday Services on CD or Cassette***

Anyone wanting a Sunday sermon on CD or cassette, please contact Murray Lockwood.

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**LIFT UP!!...**

**Your PRAYERS.**

**“Do not worry about anything;**

**Instead PRAYER ABOUT EVERYTHING.”**

**Philippians 4:6**

**A Message from the Pastor**

A teacher asked her class, “What is the shape of the world?” One little student replied, “My daddy says it is in the worst shape it has ever been in.” When the history of our times has been recorded, historians may or may not record our times as the worst. But no matter how history may record them, “These are times which try our soul.”

Years ago, the distinguished preacher, Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, said, “Christianity is at its best when the world is at its worst. It is at its best intellectually when the world is the most confused in its thinking.

It is at its best morally when the world has lost a sense of standards. It is at its best socially when men are at each other’s throats. It is at its best spiritually when the world has lost a sense of the presence of God. This crisis finds the Christian religion with a word of mastery and, if that word is heard and heeded, the crisis becomes a crisis no longer.” Christianity is at its best when the world, or your world is at its worst, because it has a word of hope, a word of redemption, a word of love, and a word of peace.

For these and many more reasons, “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord’!” (Psalm 122)

See you Sunday.

Don Foster, Pastor

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