



the Pulse

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hAPPY MOMENTS,
Praise God.
DIFFICULT MOMENTS,
Seek God.
QUIET MOMENTS,
Worship God.
PAINFUL MOMENTS,
Trust God.
EVERY MOMENT,
Thank God.



The weather is cool, the air is crisp, the leaves are changing, fall is here. Oops, someone forgot to tell the weather what time of the year it is. Hopefully this doesn't come back to bite us this winter or next spring. It seems sometimes we just get rolling along in life and everything is as it should be and then there is an oops. It is supposed to be cool right now. This warm weather is sure to throw nature into a tizzy. There will be effects that we are not aware of right now. We can't do much about it, so I guess we will just have to roll with the punches, so to speak.

This is true with the oops' in our own lives, the bumps in the road. Everything affects everything else. There is no oops without a ripple effect. How we handle the bumps that come along helps to determine the ripple effect that will happen. When we rely on God and give Him complete control of our lives, then the effects can be positive. We have hope and see the light at the end of the tunnel. We experience peace in the midst of the bumps and recognize God's love and actions all around us. People are watching. They are seeing how we handle the adversity in life and are either drawn to us or run from us. We want them drawn to us so that they, too, can experience life in Christ.

We can't change most of what happens to us or around us, but we can decide how we are going to react or handle it. We can't change the weather right this moment, but we can choose to make the best of it both now and later when the real effects come to light. We can't change how someone reacts to us or what ailment may befall our bodies or the loss of a loved one, but we can choose to walk in the Light and make the best of it.

Go ahead, roll with the punches and give God the glory!

*Pastor
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MISSION PROJECTS

Aperion: Please remember to bring in items needed at Aperion Care.
 Park Food Pantry: Food donations are always needed. Just a couple reminders about the donations: 1) No glass jars, please. We do not want a mess from one of the breaking; 2) please check the expiration dates on the donations. The food pantry is unable to accept donations of food that is past the expiration date.
 Your generosity if truly appreciated!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- October 18: Wong Soon
- October 20: Betty Hill
- October 25: Marion Richards
- Oct. 28: Reid Baker
- October 29: Chris Erickson



CONDOLENCES

We extend our sympathies to Dorothy Stutzman on the death of her brother, John Stutzman. You are in our prayers, Dorothy.



FALL BAZAAR

MORNINGSTAR FALL BAZAAR

Morningstar will be hosting their annual Fall Bazaar on October 7 from 8:00-1:30 pm.

If you would like to donate items for the garage sale, they can be dropped off anytime the week of the sale (October 1-6). You are welcome to donate baked goods for the bake sale, also.

There will be a bake sale, craft items, and a garage sale, along with games for children. All are welcome!



CRAFT FAIR
WESLEY
 UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 14
 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

502 E. Front Street
 BLOOMINGTON
 wesley-umc.com

PARSONAGE RENOVATIONS

The parsonage renovation is now complete. Tyrone Haynes, our custodian, is our new tenant. We welcome him to the neighborhood, and thank him for all the work he did to clean the house out, clean and paint!



Week of Oct. 1

- Oct. 1—Worship (9:00 am)
 Communion
- Oct. 1— Sunday school (10:00 am)
- Oct. 5—Bible Study (1:00pm)

Week of Oct. 8

- Oct. 8—Worship (9:00 am)
- Oct. 8—Sunday School (10:00 am)
- Oct. 12—Bible Study (1:00pm)

Week of Oct. 15

- Oct. 15—Worship (9:00 am)
 Communion in basement
- Oct. 15—Sunday School (10:00 am)
- Oct. 16—Raymond Food Bags (9:00 am)
- Oct. 19—Newsletter items due
- Oct. 19—Bible Study (1:00pm)
- Oct. 21—Men’s Breakfast - Shannon’s (8:00am)

Week of Oct. 22

- Oct. 22—Worship (9:00am)
- Oct. 22—Sunday School (10:00 am)
- Oct. 26—Bible Study (1:00pm)

Week of Oct. 29

- Oct. 29—Worship (9:00am)
- Oct. 29—Sunday School (10:00 am)

GREEN SCUM

Did you notice the green scum is gone from the front of the church? The parsonage and part of the church were recently power washed!

RAYMOND SCHOOL



There are several ways in which we can help Raymond school this year. The next food bag date is set for October 16. In addition, look for a donation box to help purchase books for the school; their book fair is scheduled for Oct. 23-26. Finally, the school would appreciate donations of socks, underwear (especially size XS), and tennis shoes for both boys and girls (sizes 8-12). Thank you

HAPPY 100th, REID!



Reid Baker will celebrate his 100th birthday on October 28. He worked at Miller Music and retired from ISU, where he was a piano technician for 25 years. Cards may be sent to him at 133 Eastview Dr, Normal, IL 61761. Let’s shower him with cards!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Boxes will be available Oct. 1 at church, and must be returned by Nov. 12. There are some new regulations such as no candy or toothpaste. There will be a complete list in the box. Shipping cost will be \$9.00 this year.

Hospitalized?

Please contact the church office (452-6255) if you are hospitalized. Privacy laws don’t allow hospitals to release your information. We’re happy to visit, but please keep us informed.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Our Thanksgiving dinner will be on Nov. 12 at noon. Turkey and main menu items will be provided. We are asking for donations of desserts. Please notify Dorothy or Shirley if you plan to attend and what dessert you can provide. Thanks!

In place of Blanket Sunday this year, we will be taking a free will offering for this mission at the Thanksgiving dinner.



We would welcome you to join us at 1:00 on Thursday afternoons for Disciple Bible Study.

