

The Russell Report

Russell Memorial United Methodist Church

A Family Rooted in Christ and Reaching Out in Love



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Mother's Day at Methodist Day School

Betty Briggs helped Ms. Vanessa's class make Mother's Day gifts for their moms last month. They learned a little about potting the flowers, watering them and had a great time making these wonderful gifts. Special thanks to the Briggs' for their time and beautiful plants.



The UMW project for this year will be School Kits for UMCOR. (The Kit list is shown below.) The UMW is planning to provide 12 bags and will meet on June 9th to assemble the bags. So anytime you are out shopping, please select a few items (or everything) from the list below and join us.

School Kit

Value: \$11.00 per kit

School Kit Materials

- 1 **14x16 inch cloth bag** ○ Homemade or purchased bags are both acceptable ○ Heavy-duty fabric only, such as denim, corduroy, drapery fabric, etc. ○ No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols ○ Closures are optional but must be buttons, snaps, or Velcro sewn in middle of opening, if used.
- 3 **pads of paper** ○ Spiral- or top-bound pads 100-150 sheets of loose leaf can be substituted for one pad ○ Combination of spiral, top bound, side bound, or 1 subject notebook are acceptable No composition books ○ No 3 or 5 subject notebook
- 1 **24-count box of crayons**
 - Only 24-count boxes
- 1 **pair blunt scissors** ○ Rounded tip only ○ No plastic scissors
- 1 **2-inch or larger size eraser** ○ No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols, please ○ Cartoon characters are acceptable
- 6 **unsharpened pencils** ○ No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols, please ○ Cartoon characters are acceptable
- 1 **hand-held pencil sharpener** ○ Must be at least one-inch long ○ Remove from packaging
- 1 **30-centimeter ruler** ○ Hard or flexible
 - Cartoon characters are acceptable ○ No advertisements



Join us Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. for our Men's Bible Study of Max Lucado's *Glory Days*. It's not too late to start!



Hero Central - VBS 2018 - [June 10-14](#)

Penny buckets are filling up, votes are coming in, and VBS is only a few weeks off- now all we need are kids to fill our rooms! Please pass info along to family, friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome. Dinner starts at 4:30 and the program wraps up at 8:30 each evening.

Youth, please mark your calendars for an information session on June 8, 2018. We will begin at 6:00 p.m. and finish up at 10:00. Bring your appetites and energy for a fun night of learning what VBS week will be like. If you can't

make the information session, contact Dana or Leslie for alternative times.

Thank you so much for your support!

Leslie and Dana, VBS team helpers



We would like to send out a BIG thank you to all of you that participated in the Tiger Supply Run for the Back to School Fair. We had a huge turn out and the event was a great success. We couldn't have done it without the support of all of you. Thank you to the volunteers for your time and to the runners/walkers for your feet! We are looking forward to making next year even better!



We are already planning for the start of school for 2018/2019. The Back to School Fair for WPISD will be Saturday, August 11th. Our church has been asked to gather wide rule notebook paper. They are looking for SINGLE packs only (please and thank you). While you are out and about this summer and you see some notebook paper, please pick it up and drop it by the church office. Thank you so much!



Dates to Remember!

Saturday, June 2, 10:00 a.m. Cake at Crestwood
 Sunday, June 3, 5:00 p.m. Graduation Reception for Jared McDonald
 Wednesday, June 6, 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
 Friday, June 8, 6:00 p.m. Youth Informational Meeting for VBS
 June 10-June 14, 4:30-8:15 p.m. Vacation Bible School
 Monday, June 18 and 25, Office open until 12
 Tuesday, June 19 and 26, Office closed
 Wednesday, June 20 and 27, Office open until 12
 Thursday, June 21 and 28, Office closed
 Saturday, June 23, 11:00 a.m. Neighbor to Neighbor
 June 24-June 29, Mission Trip to Louisiana

Community Outreach Program

Neighbor to Neighbor Lunch
 11 am-1pm
 Fourth Saturday of each month
 Deen Building - George Hall
 OPEN TO ANYONE
 WHO CHOOSES TO COME
 Please contact the church for details
 (903-873-2569).



Happy Birthday!

Riley Moore	6-22
Glenda Miller	6-23
Katie McDonald	6-25
Rene Cartwright	6-4
Beau Poteet	6-7
Frosty Tunnell	6-9
Mary Keller	6-10
James Brown	6-11
Wayne Watson	6-11
Vera Lofland	6-12
Johanna Cartwright	6-13
Charlotte Youngblood	6-14
Amy Goodson	6-22



June Worship Assistants

Altar Guild: Kathleen Bobbitt (Chair), Judy Powers, Becky Hardy, Theresa Turner
Ushers: Sherri Rowe (Head), Lynn Rowe, Linda Poteet, Beau Poteet



Our Presence and Our Gifts

	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27
the early service	54	53	60	42
Sunday School	81	74	84	79
Traditional Worship	101	73	110	91
	\$9,086.46	\$7,072.00	\$5,108.09	\$3,260.00

Calendar of Events for June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Small Group Opportunity A new small group will be starting soon. It will be led by Rusty & Carol Miracle and David & Debi Carroll. It's geared for both married couples and singles in their 20's and 30's. Baby sitting will be provided at the church, free of charge. The group will meet weekly, hopefully starting by June 13th. Stay tuned for more details!</p>					1	2 10:00 a.m. Cake @ Crestwood
3 8:30 am Early Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 5:00p.m. Graduation Reception, Jared McDonald 6:00pm Men's Bible Study	4 10:00 am Ladies Prayer Group	5	6 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir	7	8 6:00pm Youth Informational Meeting for VBS	9
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Vacation Bible School 4:30 p.m.-8:15 p.m.						
17 Father's Day 8:30 am Early Service 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 2:00 pm Crestwood 6:00pm Men's Bible Study	18 10:00 am Ladies Prayer Group 5:30pm Auction Meeting Church Office Open until noon	19 Church office Closed	20 Church Office Open until noon	21 10:00am Spa Day at Crestwood Church office Closed	22	23 Neighbor to Neighbor Lunch 11 am—1pm
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Mission Trip to Baldwin, Louisiana June 24-June 29				Communion offering this month will go toward Kites with Cops.		



Take the Kubota for a “RIDE”

We are kicking things off for our auction with an awesome raffle item. We have a Kubota RTV500-H with a plastic canopy (like the one pictured). We are selling only 200 tickets for \$100 a piece. If you are heading out to an event this summer (ie. First Monday), and would like to load up the Kubota to take with, please contact the church office and we can set that up for you.

Notes from the Loft -

The choir is officially on its summer schedule, when we meet once a month for rehearsal instead of every week, and, starting Sunday, June 3rd, we will not wear our robes on Sunday morning. It is a wonderful time to "try out" singing in the choir and please consider this your personal invitation. June's rehearsal will be the 6th at 7:00 p.m. (note that the time is moved up 30 minutes during the summer.)

CALLING ALL YOUNG MUSICIANS

If your child, grandchild, great grandchild, niece, nephew or friend plays an instrument or sings, please let me know. The congregation loves hearing young people share their talents on Sundays and you can be sure they will be well-received if they would like to participate in the service music. Have a great summer !

Bob

Thank You Notes

To the members of the RMUMC family,
Thank you all so much for my graduation gifts. I am blessed to have such a loving church family.
Thanks Again,
Jared McDonald

I'm sending you this little note to thank you and to say how nice it was to be thought of in a very special way.

Love,
Shirley Ippolito

Thank you for supporting the “All Fore Kids Golf

Tournament”. With your generosity, the Wills Point Rotary Club raised over \$7000 to help local children!

Wills Point Rotary

Dear Friends,
My sweet friend, Dee Lutzinger, put me on your prayer list. The shawl you sent me is so lovely and I'm sure it will blanket me with comfort, faith and healing.

Thank you so much for your kindness and prayers.

Judy Lewis

Remember in Prayer:

Family of Mary Helen
Castleberry

Family of Laquita Hall
Alice Kolb

Allen Thompson

Amy Alonzo

Angie Smith

Annette & Gerald Clemmons

Denny McCormick

Bobby & Lajuan Mayfield

Chris Conn

Chuck & Nelda Currie

Cliff Mayfield

Crestwood Nursing &
Assisted Living

Daisy Bates & Family

Darlane Fuller

Dave & Dee Lutzinger

David Cartwright & Family

Donna Whitehead

Gene Kilgo

Graduates

Methodist Church (RMUMC)

Homeland Security

Huff Family

Hurricane, VZ tornado victims

The James Brown Family

Jason Wortham

Jerry Bodin

Jimmy Wilson

Joanne Watson

John Buffington

Jane Webber

LaNell White

Lauren Null

Leon Lester

Liz Ellis

Marvin Carlisle

Maxine Page

Missionaries in Iraq

Our Armed Forces, Troops in
Korea

Mark Brown

Sharon Overby

Sherry Walker

Students, Teachers &
Administrators

Valerie Pearson

Virginia Cockerham



Memorials

In memory of
Mary Helen Castleberry
Given by

Helen Lawrence, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Lawrence,
Susan Crow, Dorothy Bruster, Jean Miracle,
Rusty & Carol Miracle, Mr. & Mrs. Will Dennis,
Mr. & Mrs. Rocky Miracle, Judy McLeod Powers
and family, Sandra McLeod Moon and family,
John & Jeanie Buffington, Ted & Denise Deen,
Molly Lee Castleberry, Betty M. Pratt, Vickie
Pratt Arnold & Joe Arnold, Maxine Page, and
Charlotte W. Thompson.

In memory of
Laquita Hall
Given by
Molly Brittain.

In memory of
Jackie Ragan
Given by
Molly Brittain.

In memory of
Jimmy Hollon
Given by
Molly Brittain.

In memory of
Theil Shastid
Given by
Norma Klaus and
Linda Woodruff.

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Rev. David Cartwright, Pastor
Nancy McDonald, Office Administrator
Theresa Turner, Ladies Hand Bells Director
Kristy Adams, Pianist
Erin Galope, Youth Bell Director
Amy Goodson, Contemporary Prayz Band Leader

Dr. Bob Gilbreth, Music Director
Fritz Gilbreth, Organist
Kelli Huff, K6 Kids Coordinator
Jackie Cockerham, Financial Administrator
Jerry Don Huff, Youth Director

Join us Sunday Morning!

Contemporary Worship @ 8:30 Sunday School @ 9:45 Traditional Worship @ 11:00

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday

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