

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 14

also available on the church website, medfordumc.org

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

The Pineland Players will be using the FLC on Sunday through Saturday this week.
Please see our online calendar for details.

- Sun. 14th** 8:15 am Communion Service – Sanctuary
9:30 am Contemporary Worship – Family Life Center
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am Traditional Worship – Sanctuary
1:30 pm CROP Walk – Freedom Park
5:00 pm Chime Choir – Sanctuary
5:30 pm Family Dinner Night (3rd – 8th grades)
6:00 pm Confirmation
- Mon. 15th** 7:00 pm Cub Scouts – Room 105/6
7:00 pm Caring Team 2 – Room 104
7:30 pm N.A. – FLC Meeting Room
- Tues. 16** 6:00 pm Yoga – Bowker Hall
6:30 pm Celebration Ringers – Sanctuary
7:00 pm SPRC
7:30 pm Jubilation Ringers - Sanctuary
8:30 pm Wesley Choir – Choir Room
- Wed. 17th** 9:00 am Toddler/Parent Class – Room 105/6
12:30 pm H.O.P.E. Grief Support Group – Room 105/6
7:00 pm Worship – Room 104
7:00 pm Cub Scouts – B4/5
- Thurs. 18th** 7:00 am Capital District Clergy
9:00 am Music Together – Room 105
10:00 am Women's Bible Study – Room 104
4:15 pm Jr. Choir – Choir Room
6:45 pm Daniel Plan Lifestyle – FLC Meeting Room
7:00 pm Witness – Room 104
7:00 pm Connections Team
7:15 pm Youth Choir – Choir Room
8:30 pm Garwood Choir – Choir Room
- Sat. 20th** 8:00 am Men's Bible Study -- Bowker
7:00 pm Family Trivia Night -- Bowker
- Sun. 21st** 8:15 am Communion Service – Sanctuary
9:30 am Contemporary Worship – Family Life Center
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
3:00 pm Chimes
4:00 pm Trunk or Treat
6:00 pm High School Youth Group Gathering

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 8:15 = 51; 9:30 = 143; 11:00 am = 85; Total = 279

Sunday School: 8 Adults; 7 Nursery; Total = 15

FLC Update: \$813,415 / \$1,013,520 (80% of commitments)

Amount Received Last Week: \$4,212

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF SERVICE AT MUMC

WITH CAROL REILLY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2018: We will begin the evening at 5:00 pm with a catered dinner in the FLC and continue with celebrations of this great milestone. Reservations are required for the dinner. Please refer to the invitation you received in the mail to learn how to secure your invitation. If you did not receive one, please contact the church office (609/654-8111). The dinner menu includes gluten free, vegetarian and children's options. The deadline for reservations is Sunday, October 21, 2018.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE & GIVE

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE CHURCH, YOU MAY NOT HAVE HEARD OF THE

REPS (RETIRED ENERGETIC PEOPLE WHO SERVE). This group of retirees provides maintenance and inspection services to the church and Preschool. Their activities include but are not limited to—painting, replacing lights and fixtures, inspection of fire alarms and extinguishers, replacing ceiling tiles, and just about any other light maintenance activities that the church staff or Trustees deem necessary. They meet most Wednesdays at 9:00 am over coffee and donuts in Room 104 behind the Pastors' offices, and after solving local and world problems get down to the serious business of church maintenance. If you are interested in sharing your skills with the church and joining in good Christian fellowship, please call John Schoenberg, 609/410-4875; Eric Scheffler 609/234-1591 or Lisa in the church office.

TRUNK OR TREAT- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 4:00 - 6:00 PM: Come join in on ALL the fun and treats as this year's Trunk or Treat is right around the corner. There will be Food, Fun, Fellowship.....and of course, CANDY! If you would like to participate and have your TRUNK be a part of our festivities, please have your car at MUMC by 3:00 pm that day. We are also looking for donations of candy (no nuts, please!). Receptacles are located outside the sanctuary. Would you like to help? Questions? Please contact Manny Estevez, manuel.estevez1@verizon.net OR George Trauger at gtrauger@comcast.net. Hope to see you on the 21st!

CHURCH CHILDCARE PERSON needed for three hours on Sunday morning, two-three weeks per month. The perfect person is 18 years or older, loves children and is ready to be an example of God's love for all. This paid staff member will also be required to have a background check and Safe Sanctuary training to adhere to the Medford UMC policy. Contact the church office for more information.

ARE YOU SOMEONE WHO ENJOYS HANGING OUT WITH KIDS? We are always looking for volunteers who would enjoy spending time with any of the three age groups of Youth (3rd-5th, 6th-8th or 9th-12th) for Sunday Evening Youth Fellowship. You don't have to be a teacher, you don't have to be available every Sunday night and you don't have to have children that are currently in the program either! We would love for you to join in the fun of Sunday Night gatherings. Please email Bethany Carl at bethany@medfordumc.org to get more details.

****If you would like to make a gift to Hurricane Michael victims** through the United Methodist Committee on Relief, please mark your envelope or check with "UMCOR." You can use the blue offering envelopes in the pews for this purpose. 100% of your gift goes to help those in need.

WORSHIP AND SMALL GROUPS

NEW SERMON SERIES "WITH" FROM OCTOBER 14 – NOVEMBER 18:

It's hard to know how to relate to a being who seems unknowable, far away and shrouded in mystery. And yet, we teach that God is close to each of us. Sometimes we create our own stumbling blocks to relationship with mistaken notions of who God is and how God works. In this series, we'll explore four common ways people approach God and describe the strengths and weaknesses of each before turning to an approach that will change the way you think about God for good. Join us at 8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 beginning today.

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: All women of the church, and their friends, are invited to come together on Thursday mornings, 10:00-11:30 am, for a Bible Study facilitated by Pastor Kathleen. We generally use the Revised Common Lectionary for our readings supplemented by the Upper Room Disciplines, an annual book of daily devotions. This is a drop-in class, so come when you can. Readings for October 18 - Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45. Questions? Contact Pastor Kathleen.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS:

Third through eighth grade youth and their families are invited to our first Family Dinner Night at 5:30 pm TONIGHT in Bowker Hall. In place of regular Youth Fellowship time this week, we want to encourage Families to come, eat dinner together, and enjoy a time of fun and music. Please bring \$3 per person to help offset the cost of the meal. Please let Bethany Carl know you are coming by emailing her at bethany@medfordumc.org.

Eighth graders will meet with the Pastors at 6:00 pm (after dinner) for Confirmation.

High School Youth are participating in the Crop Walk as a group TODAY. Meet at Freedom Park at 1:30 pm. Don't forget to bring your donation! We'll go to the Pop Shop after our walk.

All this information, and more, is available through the Youth Email Blasts. If you are not receiving them, please contact Bethany Carl at bethany@medfordumc.org to be added to the email list.

TRIVIA NIGHT: The church's third annual Trivia Night, hosted by the United Methodist Women, is on Saturday, October 20, from 7:00-9:00 pm in Bowker Hall. Teams will compete for trophies and bragging rights, so grab some friends and family and put together a group of no more than six. 100 questions will be from ten different categories. Entry fee for each team is \$25; all proceeds go the World Thank offering which funds the total program of mission and advocacy in the United States and around the world. Reserve a table now! Contact Suzy Cress at 856/797-8601 or cress13@comcast.net. Snacks and drinks provided.

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WiFi: MUMC Guest; password = godsgrace

Sermon Podcast: medfordumc.buzzsprout.com

YouTube Video Archive: [Medford UMC Messages](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMmMmMmMmMmMmMmMmMmMmMm)

Facebook: [facebook.com/medfordumc](https://www.facebook.com/medfordumc)

Our 9:30 service is streamed on Facebook Live each week. When you're in the building, check in so people will know that MUMC is your church home.