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NLR FUMC HAS NEW MEMBERS!

Ben & Renee Walker joined NLR FUMC in our WayPoint service on Sunday, July 9th, 2017. Ben & Renee have two children, Lillian and Bradley. Ben & Renee have joined NLR FUMC by transfer from another United Methodist Church. Please join us in welcoming the Walkers to NLR FUMC!



UMY REACH MANY DURING COLORADO MISSION TRIP

"Our Mission Trip to Denver was a great success," says Steven Carr. Steven and our youth appreciate all the support from parents, church members, and those who attended the event. In the next few weeks, there will be opportunities to hear about their amazing adventure. Please stay tuned for more information on those opportunities.



Operating Budget Summary for June 2017

	2017 YTD	2017	2016 YTD
	Actual	Budget	Actual
Operating Income	432,641	838,000	429,592
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Staffing	217,706	438,000	224,842
Office & Facilities	123,177	261,000	132,526
Programs	18,408	45,500	15,384
Apportionments	48,093	93,500	47,255
Total Operating Expenses	407,384	838,000	420,007
Net Income from Operations	25,257	0	9,585
Building Mortgage Fund Revenue	9,250		11,195

WayPoint

Contemporary Service 9:00

The Reverend Lynn Kilbourne

Sunday School 10:00



Argenta Service 10:30

The Reverend Will Choate

Sanctuary Service 11:00

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from our Associate Pastor >>>

What are we teaching our children today in regards to telling the truth no matter the cost? When regard for truth has been broken down or even slightly weakened, all things will remain doubtful. John Wesley made this statement: "I would not tell one lie to save the souls of all the world." I find that this is not what we see in many families today, or on the television screens, in the movies, nor in the newspapers. "The truth is what I say it is," was a line from a movie that I recently saw and I am slowly beginning to think that that is the truth. The newspapers are full of faux-truth stories which the spin doctors hope you will begin to believe if you see it enough times. We hear by the way of social media that you can't believe all that you read on the internet... We see political candidates rake their opponents over the coal, degrade their family members all for the objective of winning one more vote, becoming the leader of a pack, or worse, hiding our heads in the sand in order to not get

involved. In Our Daily Bread in 1991 we read that a USA Today poll found that only 56% of Americans teach honesty to their children. And a Louis Harris poll turned up the distressing fact that 65% of high school students would cheat on an important exam. Recently a noted physician appeared on a network news/talk show and proclaimed, "Lying is an important part of social life, and children who are unable to do it are children who may have developmental problems."

Tell the truth, no matter the cost, is something that I feel is necessary in our world, regardless of your ties with the individual, your political ties, and especially what your faith base is centered on. Jesus was one that held to the truth, and taught his twelve disciples that the truth, even though some didn't hold true to it, was the most important thing. This fact cost him and many of the twelve their lives, but it was the truth.



Rev. Brent Higdem

...from our Minister of Youth and Families >>>



Steven Carr

As we continue to move forward with our summer activities, here are some details for the next few weeks:

> **Sunday, July 23** - Travs Game - be at church by 4:15 or at the field by 4:30 - need 13 people - youth and adults
- No Sunday night youth

> **Monday, July 24 - Friday, July 28**
- Assembly at Hendrix College - "GROW UP"

> **Wednesday, July 26** - Travs Game - Be at the church by 5:15 or at the field by 5:30 - need 13 Adults and those not at assembly

Upcoming Events:

> **August 5** - Bake at the Lake

> **Mid August** - Schools back in session

> **October 1** - Pumpkins Arrive

> **October 25** - Harvest Party

Check out our UMY's website at www.nlrfumc.org/nextlevel for up-to-date information on upcoming UMY events and activities!



Our UMY NextLevel Youth work the concessions stands at Dickey-Stephens Park to raise money for youth trips and events.

So, COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT AT THESE UPCOMING TRAVS GAMES!

Sunday, July 23rd @ 6:10 pm
Wednesday, July 26 @ 7:10 pm

FYI, you can bring your church bulletin to Dickey-Stephens Park to Sunday games and your family (two adults and up to four kids 14 and under) will be admitted for only \$10!

...from our Minister of Children and Families >>>



Laura Kent

Splash Zone is this Sunday from 6:30-8:30. The deadline to RSVP is Wednesday, July 19th. We have a limit of 50 people that we can take. Once our 50 spots fill, we will not be able to accept any more.

Pack Shack will be for all ages. If your child is not in kindergarten yet, there will be an opportunity for them to participate with Pack Shack in the Parlor doing age-appropriate activities for this mission while older children and grown-ups participate in the Fellowship Hall.

The Sunday where we will give a school blessing, during both worship services, for students, teachers, and school administrators will be August 13th. This will also be promotion Sunday.

Bible Boot Camp is August 25th and 26th at Camp Tanako. The price is \$45 per child and open to any child entering 3rd or 4th grades. We will be participating with other churches and need to know who all is interested in this event. Please call or email Laura Kent.

Our last Splash Zone is scheduled for August 20th! RSVPs will be needed by August 16th.





NOW SHOWING: Faith in Film! Who doesn't love a good movie? Good movies stay with us even after the credits role. How many times have you watched a movie that left you pondering human dilemmas or wondering how you have responded in a similar situation? Movies have a way of influencing our viewpoints, values, and faith – even those that are not faith-based. So, what can animated emotions of an 11-year-old girl, a con-man, a team of female African-American mathematicians, and a baseball loving Iowa Farmer teach us about our faith? Join us for our Faith and Film series continues through August 6 in both worship services.

July 23 – The Music Man

July 30 – Hidden Figures

August 6 – Field of Dreams

Come to the movies with us! Each Wednesday night we will view the next Sunday's movie. Doors open at 6 pm. Showtime at 6:30 pm. Popcorn and lemonade provided! **Featured movie THIS Wednesday, July 19: Music Man (NR).**



The 2nd annual **PACK SHACK** party will be returning on Sunday, July 30. Plan to join us for this special 5th Sunday fellowship. Worship will begin at 9:30 and immediately following we will move to the fellowship hall to pack 40,000 meals. These meals will be given to food pantries, schools and other organizations who help feed those who are hungry. You won't want to miss this fun, mission event. Ages 4 - 104 will have a job to make the meals and be a part of making a difference in other's lives. Our upcoming Pack Shack event has been made possible by your commitment to our Missions Ministry's budget through our annual budget. **Please dress comfortably.**



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<u>July 23</u>		<u>July 30</u>
Financial Assist	Bob Jolly & ?	Steven Strobe & Dora Bradley
Van Driver:	Danny Scruggs	Bob Willson
WayPoint Communion & Ushers	Duke & Linee Ophof, Kevin & Amy Newsom	

...events for the weeks of July 23 - August 6

SUNDAY, July 23

9 & 11 Kid's Praise
 9:00 WayPoint Service*
 10:00 Sunday School*
 10:30 Argenta Service*
 11:00 Sanctuary Service*
 5:00 UMY NextLevel
 6:10 UMY @ Travs Game
 6:30 Children's Ministry Family
 Splash Zone Party!

MONDAY, July 24

UMY @ Assembly
 4:00 Broadway Bridge Project

TUESDAY, July 25

UMY @ Assembly
 6:30 Bible Study
 9:30 Creative Hands
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness
 5:30 UMW Leadership Meeting

WEDNESDAY, July 26

UMY @ Assembly
 9:30 Quilters
 5:00 JuBellation Ringers
 6:00 Hidden Figures in the
 Fellowship Hall*
 7:10 UMY @ Travs Game

THURSDAY, July 27

UMY @ Assembly
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
 10:00 Bible Study
 11:30 Lion's Club Business Mtg
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness

FRIDAY, July 28

UMY @ Assembly

SATURDAY, July 29

8:00 Body & Soul Fitness

SUNDAY, July 30

9:30 Combined Worship Service*
 10:30 Pack Shack Packing Party!*
 10:30 Argenta Service*
 5:00 UMY NextLevel

MONDAY, 31

NEWSLETTER WEEK

11:00 CEC Chapel Time
 6:30 SPRC Meeting

TUESDAY, August 1

6:30 Bible Study
 9:30 Creative Hands Group
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class

WEDNESDAY, August 2

9:00 UMY @ Bro. Paul's
 9:30 Quilters
 5:00 JuBellation Ringers
 6:00 Field of Dreams in the
 Fellowship Hall!

THURSDAY, August 3

10:00 Bible Study
 5:00 Body & Soul Fitness Class

SATURDAY, August 5

8:00 Body & Soul Fitness
 8:30 UMY @ Bake at the Lake
 10:00 Handbell Clinic

SUNDAY, August 6

9 & 11 Family Worship
 9:00 WayPoint Service*
 10:00 Sunday School*
 10:30 Argenta Service*
 11:00 Sanctuary Service*
 5:00 UMY NextLevel

***Denotes Childcare Provided**

Let Us Pray >>>

Our Conference has called on us to join a world-wide time of focused prayer for the mission of the UMC to make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. May we commit to this very important mission.



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