ANNOUNCEMENTS

WINTER LOCKOUT will depart from the morning worship service and return to the church by noon on Monday! Thank you for your prayers for The Temple as we travel for a holiday adventure! Regular youth meetings resume January 10 at 5:30 PM.

ALL LADIES IN OUR CHURCH are invited to the meeting of United Methodist Women (UMW), Tuesday, January 5th, at 6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us!

DURING THE NEW YEAR, PASTOR TONY would like to challenge you to read more in your Bible. The first challenge is to read through the New Testament with him during the winter and spring. We will begin today, reading about two chapters a day. Each week we will have a small group focusing on the chapters we have read in the last week. This group will meet from 6-6:45 on Wednesday nights. Everyone is welcome to come to the small group when they can, or when there is a subject that is very intriguing to them. So, let us get out our Bibles and see what we can find that will challenge us this year:

Monday: Matthew Chapters 1-2
Tuesday: Matthew Chapters 3-4
Wednesday: Matthew Chapters 5-6
Thursday: Matthew Chapters 7-8
Friday: Matthew Chapters 9-10
Saturday: Matthew Chapters 11-12
Sunday: Matthew Chapters 13-14

See you Wednesday at 6 p.m.

THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER IS CLOSED Thursday, January 7th - Saturday, January 9th, for set up of the wedding reception on January 9.

THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER is closed at noon on Fridays beginning Friday, January 8, 2016.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: Church Council meeting has been changed to Sunday, December 17th, at 4:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. All 2016 Church Council members should be present at this meeting.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES for 2016 will meet on Tuesday, January 12th, at 7 p.m., in the Parlor. All Trustees are urged to attend.

PRAY FOR MY MILITARY

William Ruffner (Bill & Karen Ruffner's grandson)
Jonathan Harrison (James Weather's step-grandson)
Tyrus Shaffer (Kathy Helmey's nephew)
Branson Reed (Nancy Gillam's nephew)
Justin Reed (Nancy Gillam's nephew)
Monty Johnson (John & Judy Johnson's son)
Nathaniel Taft Moffett (grandson of Glenn Moffett)
Derek Niehaus (Bob & Sheila Larson's grandson)
Christopher Yonke (Dianna Yonke's grandson)
Troy Brown (Tom Helmey's friend)
Sam Shaffler (Kathy Helmey's nephew)
Christopher Eicher (son of David & Joyce Eicher)
Robert Flynn (Whitney Flynn's brother & Tammy Flanagan's grandson)
Amy Kester (Eleanor Trail's cousin)
Charles Krumweide (Eleanor Trail's nephew)
John Lewis (Vicki Cheer's "other son")
Aaron D. Moonenayan (June Pitaro's grandson)
Colby Nelson (Leon & Nancy Hicks' grandson)
Tom Reed (Nancy Gillam's nephew)
John Cody Robinson (Virginia Hale's grandson)
Earl Schaller (George & Phyllis Schaller's grandson)
Thomas R. Taylor (Martin Cockley's daughter-in-law's brother)
William Wilkey (Eleanor Trail's grandson)
Larry Ware and Robert Ware (Robert & Kay Ware's sons)

Due to limited space, names are removed the first of each month if the church office (365-6124) is not notified.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

John Lewis
**Upcoming Events**  
**Week of January 3, 2016**

**Sunday, January 3**
- 9:45  Sunday School
- 11:00  Morning Worship, Sanctuary
- 12:00  Youth leave for Winter Lockout
- 8:00  AA- Fellowship Hall

**Monday, January 4**
- 10:00  Prayer Shawl Team, Library
- 12:00  Youth return from Winter Lockout

**Tuesday, January 5**
- 8:30  MDO, Level 2 Classrooms
- 6:30  UMW, Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, January 6**
- 10:00  Disciple 3, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00  Choir Practice, Choir Room

**Thursday, January 7**
- 8:30  MDO, Level 2 Classrooms
- Family Life Center Closed for Setup

**Friday, January 8**
- Family Life Center Closed for Setup

**Saturday, January 9**
- **all day**  Family Life Center Closed for Wedding Reception
- **1-5**  Private Party, Fellowship Hall

**PASTOR:** Dr. Tony Collins  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Judy Ezell  
**CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES:** Susan Collins  
**CHILDREN’S CHOIR:** Kaitlyn Couch  
**CHILDREN’S CHURCH:** Wendy Thurman  
**GREETERS:** Sheila Larson, Shelby Williams  
**NURSERY:** Loretta Hale, Constance Garrison  
**USHERS:** Earl Keahy, Steve Keylon, Arthur Osborne, Jerry Smith

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**Monthly Giving to the General Budget**

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**Income & Expense Statement (Does not include Special Designated Gifts)**

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**SCRIPTURE READING**  
Luke 2:22-40 (NKJV)

22  Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord  
23  (as it is written in the law of the Lord, ‘Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord’),  
24  and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, “A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.”  
25  And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.  
26  And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ.  
27  So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law,  
28  he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:  
29  “Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word;  
30  For my eyes have seen Your salvation  
31  Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples,  
32  A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.”  
33  And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him.  
34  Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, ‘Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against  
35  (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.’  
36  Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity;  
37  and this woman was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day.  
38  And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem.  
39  So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth.  
40  And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.