**PIANIST** - Angela Jackson  
**ORGANIST** - Bryan Massengale  
**ACOLYTE** - Madison Hinely

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Nancy Herholz in loving memory of her husband, Don Herholz. Their 30th anniversary would have been July 25th.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) OFFERING FOR THE HEIFER PROJECT:** This year at VBS we collected money for the Heifer International Project, and the church was invited to match the VBS amount. The money collected provides a gift of animals to international families. With your help, the total came to $1,300.

Thank you to everyone who contributed. Please see the back of this bulletin for a list of the animals we are providing to the Heifer Project.

**LOST & FOUND:** If you feel that you may have lost jewelry, books, Bibles, money, etc., at church, please check the Lost & Found slot located with the mail slots in the hallway across from the library. Lost & Found is near the bottom on the left. If money or jewelry is lost, please call the church office at 365-6324 to identify the missing item.

**LET’S DO LUNCH (LDL) CHAIRPERSON LEADER FOR 2018:**
Please be in prayer for someone to serve as the chairperson for LDL beginning January 2018. We are so grateful to Caren Ruffner, the current LDL chairperson, for being faithful to serve with LDL for so many years but now feels the need to allow someone new to chair this ministry for ladies, 60 and up. LDL meets on the third Tuesday of every month from September - May of every year. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 365-6324 or send an email to scumc@vstate.net.

**JOIN US FOR** Bible Study, led by Pastor Dale, at 6 p.m. this evening in the Fellowship Hall.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE HOME PRAYER GROUP** at 11 a.m. at the parsonage (238 Moon Circle), Thursday, July 27th.

**THE NEXT FOURTH SUNDAY ("CASUAL SUNDAY")** is August 27th. Mark this date on your calendar.

**MONETARY GIFTS FOR THE LOVE OFFERING** to express congratulations on the marriage of Justin & Yeimi Rice go to Pat Douglas, Angie Rose, Laura Messimer, or Lesia Garrison by next Sunday, July 30. Do not make checks payable to the church, but rather make checks payable to the preachers. The money will be given to the preachers and split.

**LAY LEADERSHIP TEAM** meets again at 5 p.m. in the Parlor on Sunday, July 30th. All team members should be present at this meeting.

**NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 30** is the **5th SUNDAY SING** at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please come and be blessed by this special, spirit-filled service of praise and worship through music and song. Bring someone with you!
Upcoming Events
Week of July 23, 2017

Sunday, July 23
9:45  Sunday School
11:00  Morning Worship, Sanctuary
4:30  Youth, Family Life Center
6:00  Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
8-9 p.m.  AA, Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 24

Tuesday, July 25
8:30  MDO, Level 2 Classrooms

Wednesday, July 26
Whatever Wednesday, Veterans' Park

Thursday, July 27
8:30  MDO, Level 2 Classrooms
11:00  Home Prayer Group, Parsonage

Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY
MINISTER: Rev. Dale S. Wyrick
WORSHIP LEADER: Kevin Rose
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Judy Ezell
GREETERS: Glenda Keylon, Steve Keylon
ACOLYTE: Madison Hinely
CHILDREN’S CHURCH: Susan Maddux, Erin Couch
SS NURSERY: Kristin Swafford, Peggy Bowman
WORSHIP NURSERY: Kristin Swafford, Angie Couch
USHERS: Marty Gilliam, Ken Rose, Jerry Smith, Clyde Thurman, Jr.
WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR: Jay Maddux
SOUND OPERATORS: John Moorshead  BACKUP: Silas/Linda Booker

MONTHLY GIVING TO THE GENERAL BUDGET

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SCRIPTURE READING
Romans 8:1-25 (NRSV)

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—
for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.
For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.
For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”
It is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,
and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.
I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.
For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God;
for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope
that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.
We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now;
and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.
For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen?
But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.