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**VUMC Weekly**

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Wednesday, November 22, 2023, The Chimes Newsletter, Village UMC - HSV



From Pastor Chris

*"You are our God and we will give you thanks...for you are good, for your steadfast love endures forever." (Ps. 118: 28)*

It's Thanksgiving! Many of us have been traveling (though some of you haven't stopped!) to be with family. This week will see many embracing one another at our doors, and we will quietly shed a tear for those no longer with us. We will enjoy the chaotic activity, but we will also look forward to those sacred quiet moments of peace and rest.

Behind the Thanksgiving dinner, turkey, cranberries (yuck!), pumpkin bread or pie, and all the trimmings, is the Giver of Every Good Gift. He is the reason for our depth of gratitude.

Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to pause and take inventory of our lives and give thanks to God! But, let us never stop with just one day!

Life is good. And yet even at its best, life is a fragile and delicate gift, to be handled oh so carefully. Paul calls us to this truth in his word to the Ephesian church, "Be very careful, then, how you live..." He recognized - as we do - just how precious and sacred a gift we have been given from our Creator, Redeemer, and Friend.

In this Thanksgiving season, let us count the many gifts that God has showered upon our lives. Let us lift up our voices in thanksgiving to Him in all things. "You are our God and we will give you thanks...!"

Chris



**Scripture Text, Sermon Title and Music**

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

**“POWER SOURCES  
in times of  
power outages”**

**Pastor Regina Turner**

**Contemporary Service 9:00 a.m.**

**Shout to the Lord  
Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)  
Cornerstone  
Always  
In Christ Alone**

**Traditional Service 11:00 a.m.**

**Jesus Shall Reign  
Open My Eyes, That I May See  
My Hope is Built**

**ANTHEM: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace  
Temple/arr. Edds**



**Altar Flowers**

Altar flowers this Sunday are given by Mary Lea Butler in loving memory of Ed and their anniversary, November 25, 1959 (64 years).

Stop by the Opportunity Center  
on Sunday to see if any  
new ministries have been added.



Sign-up Sheets at the Opportunity Center table

Craft Fair, December 2  
United Women in Faith -  
Provide bake sale items and/or provide crafts.

*Sign up to attend the UWF General Meeting  
and Luncheon for December 11.*

Sign up to help at 2:00 on Tuesdays for  
Great Futures - Faith Kids (you are needed a little earlier).

*Sign up to help at Jackson House.*



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### Radio Ministry

If you would like to sponsor the Radio Ministry in honor of or in  
memory of a friend or family member, call the church office  
(501)-922-1030 to reserve a Sunday. The cost is \$75.

The sermon for Sunday, November 26, will be broadcast  
on the radio station KVRE 92.9 on December 3.

You can hear the sermon on the radio station at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm on Sundays.  
Reminder, the sermon will be from the prior Sunday.

Use the LINK below to listen to the radio station anytime.

[Click this Link for KVRE 92.9 FM](#)



### Happy Birthday

11/22 Martha Vaughn  
11/23 Bill Veal  
11/24 Linda Smith  
11/26 J'laine Fox  
12/01 Vicki Hartmann  
12/04 James Buss  
12/06 Lois Harder  
12/06 Jerry Hemund



### Happy Anniversary

11/24 Jerry & Lynne Harkleroad  
11/30 Richard & Linda Black  
12/01 Hal & Mary Lou Kern



**This Sunday, November 26, is one of our Special Giving Sundays, being United Methodist Student Day. Your donation supports educational goals with scholarships for United Methodist students working towards undergraduate and graduate degrees. Single \$1 bills given in the offering plate benefit this special offering. If you want to make a donation by check, make payable to VUMC and mark "Special Sunday" in the memo section.**

**This Sunday - Decorate for Advent  
November 26  
2:00 p.m.**

**You are needed to help decorate the church for Advent. It takes a village, so come be a part of this special part of the life of the church.**



### **ADVENT SEASON**

The season of Advent, which comes from the Latin word *adventus* meaning "coming" or "visit," begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. Advent is the beginning of the church year for Christians. A uniquely joyous and hopeful season in the church liturgical year, our first Sunday of Advent is a little over a week away, being December 3. It is a time for Christians to prepare for the arrival of Christ to the World.



The liturgical color for Advent is **Purple** or **Blue**.  
Purple, signifying **Penitence and Royalty**.  
Blue is the color of **Hope**.

Symbols seen during the season of Advent:  
**Advent Wreath**, a sign of life without end.  
**4 Advent Candles** and the **Christ Candle** (representing light amidst darkness, with the 4 Candles being for **Hope, Peace, Joy and Love**).  
**Evergreen Tree and garlands**, a sign of ever living, ever green.  
Other symbols are Bells, Angels, and Stars.

## United Women in Faith's Bake and Craft Sale at the Craft Fair

There is one week left for the Community Craft Fair being held at our church, so there is still time to sign up to bring baked goods and craft items to be sold on December 2nd. Do you have a favorite dessert? Make one to sell. Is crafting or sewing a talent that you enjoy. Make something to sell.

The items need to be delivered to the church on Friday, December 1st, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to noon. **Proceeds from the sale will be given to missions and programs for women, children and youth that the United Women in Faith support.** Reminder, you do not have to be a UWF member to participate.

Also, spread the word for this wonderful opportunity to shop for items which make perfect gifts to give to neighbors, hostess gifts, shut-ins or perhaps a family dinner. Make plans to visit the UWF table when you come to shop.

If you wish to help /contribute, check the Opportunity Table in the Narthex.

Questions, contact Diana Reeves, Joyce Barone, Gwen Davis or Betty Weetman



**Saturday, December 2  
9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Village United Methodist Church  
200 Carmona Road, Hot Springs Village**

**8th Annual Community Craft Fair**

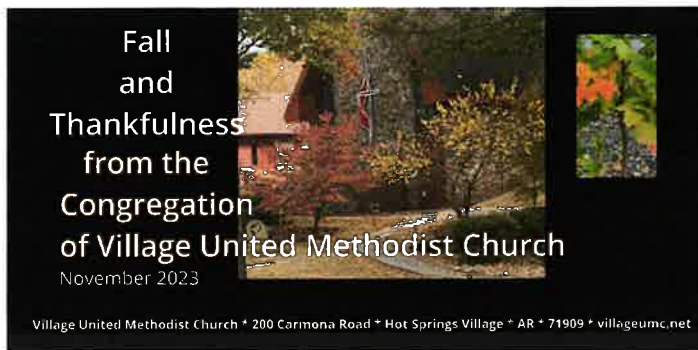
**40 plus booths offering a wide range of gifts  
just in time for holiday shopping!**

**For information, call Pat Faurot (501-915-9335)**

**Did You Know?**



**The first acolyte program at VUMC  
was instituted in 1989 by Ruth  
Heron. Thirteen members of the  
youth group served both services.**



**"FALL and THANKFULNESS"**  
 Video has made it to our Facebook page and our website!

**Facebook Link Below**  
[Colors of Fall Video LINK on Facebook](#)

**Website Link below. Click "Calendars" on the Home Page. Scroll down just a little till you see the videos.**

[Village UMC website LINK](#)

**The Angel Tree is decorated in the Narthex and ready for you to adopt an angel.**

**We have 13 children this year. Each child has three angels with clothing items (shirt, pants, sweater or sweatshirt). Sizes are on each angel. That means we have 39 angels for adoption. When you take an angel, please sign your name on the sheet located at the greeters table which coincides with the number listed on the angel you choose. Please include your phone number, also.**



**There is also a smaller information sheet for you to take with you giving details for how to wrap the gift and when to return it to the church (Thursday, December 14). Thank you for sharing Christmas with these children. The Outreach Committee also purchases an age-appropriate book for each child and the Searchers Class purchases a child size Christmas blanket for each of the 13 children.**



A heartfelt thanks for all of the special care while I was out with a knee replacement and for all of those who helped in the office during my absence. I am thankful for all of the prayers, cards, calls, special meals, treats and visits -- and especially all of those who so graciously drove me to appointments during my recovery time. I have made great progress with my PT, all because of God's blessings and your special prayers. What a blessing to be part of such a caring church family! Thank you!

*Bettie Land*

## COMING SOON: Sock and Trinket Tree

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### UPDATE Email address

Last week in the WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, the email address for **Ricky Hilliard** had one number incorrect. It should be [rhilliard.73@hotmail.com](mailto:rhilliard.73@hotmail.com). The change is from 72 to 73.

Here is the full information for both Ricky and DeCarla.

Ricky and DeCarla Hilliard  
71 Alicante Way  
Hot Springs Village, AR 71909  
SG #22

Ricky - [rhilliard.73@hotmail.com](mailto:rhilliard.73@hotmail.com); Cell - 224-875-0367

DeCarla - [dhilliard14@gmail.com](mailto:dhilliard14@gmail.com); Cell - 224-875-0368



United  
Women  
in Faith

**December UWF Luncheon  
INVITE FOR ALL WOMEN  
December 11 at 10:30 a.m.**

The UWF will host the December program on the 11th at 10:30 AM. The program begins in the Sanctuary, then Fellowship Hall for a luncheon. The lunches from Home Plate are \$15 with two choices: chicken salad sandwich or chicken Waldorf served with fruit cup, cookie chips, and drink. Please sign up on the sheet at the Opportunity Center in the Narthex to help with ordering and an accurate count.



### TWO WORDS

The July 23 sermon, Pastor Chris told of two words that changed everything. Those words were "In Christ."

"The Bible in 50 Words" for our 50th Anniversary in ministry. Be looking weekly for a Bible story, a total of 25 stories, with just 2 words each. Here is the seventeenth story.

**#17 People exiled. Ezekiel 39:22-23**

Have you been following the Two Words?

God made; Adam bit; Noah arked; Abraham split; Jacob fooled; Joseph ruled; Bush talked; Pharoah plagued; Sea divided; Tablets guided; Promised landed; Judges led; Saul freaked; David peeked; Kingdom divided; Prophets warned.



## Music and Shows in The Village

Many of the Christmas music concerts in The Village include participation from members of VUMC

Location: The Woodlands Auditorium \*\*

Christ of the Hills UMC \*\*\*\*

*Christmas Tree Lighting @ Grove Park - December 1 @ 5:30 p.m.*

*The Nutcracker - December 1 @ 7:30 p.m. Cost \$25 \*\**

*Christmas in the Village - ASO - December 3 @ 3:00 p.m. Cost \$40 \*\**

*The Village Chorale "Peace" - December 5 @ 7:00 p.m.. Cost \$15 \*\**

*The Muses - December 8 @ 7:00 p.m. Cost \$35 \*\**

*PEO Singers and Village Carillons "Christmas Joy" - December 8 @ 7:00 p.m. \*\*\*\**

*Crystal Chimes @ Coronado Center - December 11 @ 1:00 p.m. Cost \$15*

*Cedar Mountain Singers "Home for Christmas" - December 12 @ 7:00 p.m. \*\*\*\**

*Hot Springs Concert Band Christmas Concert - December 14 @ 7:00 p.m. Cost \$15 \*\**

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## Faith Fellowship, Fun and Food

The wonderful fun-loving Shepherd Group #27 gathered together on Wednesday, November 15, at PUTTERZ, located at the Cortez Golf Course. The SG Leaders for this group are Shirley Breedlove and Diane McClendon.



Did you miss worshipping with us this past Sunday?

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### Watch online anytime!

Click this LINK for the Contemporary Service.

[LINK November 19, 2023, Contemporary Service.](#)

Click this LINK for the Traditional Service.

[LINK, November 19, Traditional Service.](#)

A day of Thanksgiving message and Thanksgiving songs. The Chancel Choir anthem "Grace" during the 11:00 service includes words from the beloved 250-year-old hymn "Amazing Grace".



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**[Click this LINK to Sign up Online for the 2024 Pledge Card form AND the 2024 Time and Talents form.](#)**



### Some Dates to Remember

(check articles for more info):

- November 22 - Office closes as 11:30 a.m.  
VUMC Thanksgiving Meal at 1:00p.m.**
- November 26 - Decorate the Church for Advent at 2:00 p.m.**
- December 2 - J & P Community Craft Fair.**
- December 3 - 1st Sunday of Advent.**
- December 6 - Leadership Team meeting 10:00 a.m.**

**December 6, 13 and 20 - Wednesday Advent Services. 5:00 p.m.**

**December 17 - Chancel Choir Cantata during Worship.**

**December 21 - Longest Night Service 3:00 p.m.**

**December 24 - Christmas Eve (Morning 11:00 a.m. and Evening 5:00 p.m.)**

**CLICK LINK BELOW to see the VUMC Weekly Calendar  
[November 26 - December 2 LINK Weekly Calendar](#)**

### 2023 LEADERSHIP TEAM \*denotes Chairperson

#### Class of 2023

Linda Black (\*Witness)  
Gary Buettner (\*Trustee)  
John Whitwell (L.T. Chair)  
Connie Shoemaker (\*SPRC)

#### Class of 2024

Debbie Perryman (SPRC)  
Joe Pollard (\*Finance)  
Duane Heckelsberg (Trustee)  
Gary Mouton (Trustee)

#### Class of 2025

Rosetta DuBose (\*Outreach)  
Genell Harris (SPRC)  
Slade Strickland (Trustee)  
Mary Hushaw (\*Nurture)

*Also with vote:* Glenn Wortham – Lay Leader/Lay Member to Annual Conference  
Rick Perryman – United Methodist Men  
Betty Weetman –United Women of Faith (SPRC)

*Without vote: Senior Pastor, Financial Manager/Treasurer, Recording Secretary*

**CURRENT COMMITTEES:** Committee on Lay Leadership; Nurture; Outreach; Witness; and Scholarship.

Rev. Chris Hemund,  
Senior Pastor  
Rev. Regina Turner,  
Associate Pastor  
Lee Ann Branch,  
Community Life  
Mary Anne Settle,  
Spiritual Director

Bettie Land,  
Administrative Secretary  
Lisa Hester, Communications  
Nikki Saltmarsh, Finance  
Stephen Edds, Music Director  
Lisa Hester, Accompanist  
Houston Pierce, Audio/Video  
Katie Goodwin, Custodian

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
*9:00 PRAISE SERVICE*  
*10:00 Sunday School*  
*11:00 TRADITIONAL SERVICE*

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