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## Celebration for Carolyn Riley

Join us for a "Celebration for Carolyn" Sunday, February 10, Steel Hall, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. (There will be no Sunday School that day.)

You may bring celebration cards on Sunday to the celebration or give to Bettie in the church office. Cards will be gathered and placed in a card basket at the celebration.

Love gifts should be made out to VUMC with "Celebration" designated on the memo line. You may bring your check to Bettie in the church office and Nikki will cut a check to be presented to Carolyn on Sunday.

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## NEW Email Address

REMINDER . . . NEW email address for the church office, replacing the existing church office email.

Please remember to update your address books now . . .

[office@villageumc.net](mailto:office@villageumc.net)

## From the Pastor

An old song I learned as a child begins with "I've got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy, down in my heart!" It was a perennial favorite at Vacation Bible School! My daughter has a favorite t-shirt that boldly states "Ain't nobody gonna steal my joy today!"

Joy. As a noun, it is a feeling of great pleasure and happiness. As a verb, rejoice. Joy is a state of mind and an action verb of life. And the reality is we could all use more JOY in this journey. And while we need JOY in our lives, we cannot keep it locked up in our hearts. Joy is meant to be lived and shared.

How do you find joy? Better yet, how do you practice joy? I confess I took the easy way out and googled it. Here are the top four responses as offered by Google:

Talk like a Pirate. ARRRRR!

Go barefoot.

Play.

Cheerlead someone to greatness.

Well, as fun and enticing as talking like a pirate can be, I am certain that will not lead us to lasting joy!

In the New Testament, joy is closely related to the word *charis* meaning "grace" or "gift" and *charos* meaning "rejoice." Perhaps a good working definition for practicing joy is to 'rejoice in the gift and grace of God Our joy is rooted in gratitude for every expression of God in our lives. Jesus spoke of joy when he said in John 15, "These things I have spoken to you...that your joy may be full."

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## Village UMM

Remember to join the United Methodist Men at its meeting on Thursday, February 14, at 8:00 a.m. for food and fellowship. Church member Paul Cukjati is our speaker and will provide Information on Traditions in the Church and Family Traditions.

If you have not attended a UMM meeting before, please take this opportunity to do so. If you have not attended in a while, we want you back. We can get to know one another better and share the experience of working together on projects to serve our Lord and to serve others.

For further information, contact Glenn Wortham, 2019 UMM President, at 922-0924 or email [theworthams@suddenlink.net](mailto:theworthams@suddenlink.net).

**SUNDAYS**  
**2:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

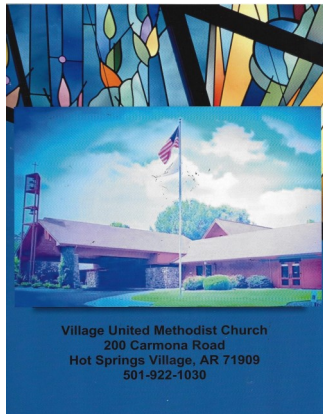
**All students grades  
 7-12 are welcome.**

**Contact Taylor Noles  
 Youth Director  
 501-209-1373  
[taylornoles3553@mail.com](mailto:taylornoles3553@mail.com)**




**SAVE THE DATE**

**Arkansas Conference United  
 Methodist Women are announcing  
 that the  
 2019 UMW SPRING RETREAT  
 is scheduled for  
 March 23, 2019, 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
 at Camp Aldersgate.**



**New directories are in! You  
 may pick yours up in the  
 church office Monday  
 through Thursday.**

**Birthdays/Anniversaries**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY ...**

- 2/12 Ray Dunbar
- 2/12 Susan Pfeiffer
- 2/12 Dottie Richardson
- 2/14 Wilma Henricks
- 2/14 Kathy Lamb
- 2/15 Jane Lucas
- 2/15 Reggie Powell



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

- 2/11 Jerry & Cindy Parker
- 2/13 Bill & Rose Heger
- 2/05 Larry and Dodie Kenney
- 2/07 Terry and Char Blue
- 2/14 Mike & Johnie Kolesar
- 2/14 Bruce & Julie Peterson
- 2/14 John & Barbara Shrock



**A Note from Bettie Land**

I am praising God for opening the door for me to serve as Administrative Secretary for VUMC — I'm feeling very blessed!

I would like to thank all of you for the warm welcome and support I have received over the past few weeks as I prepared to assume these responsibilities.

I especially want to thank Pastor Chris and all of the SPRC members for believing in me and for allowing me this opportunity.

And, of course, a special thanks to Carolyn Riley for her patience, understanding and guidance as she helped me transition into this position. My prayers go with her as she enters into this next phase of her life . . . praying for her health and happiness and that she and Mike can enjoy retirement together!

**Sunday, February 3, 2019 Sermon**

**Click on the link below:**

<https://youtu.be/pH-jTidDu78>

For those of you attending the 8:30 a. m. the February 10 Contemporary service, I am including links to the songs for this week so you can listen and learn the words beforehand. To open, highlight and right click to open hyperlink then click on the song.

Our God (Chris Tomlin)	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=01Yj7H-eSjM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=01Yj7H-eSjM</a>
One Thing - Hillsong	<a href="https://youtu.be/I0Fx6w_TNtc">https://youtu.be/I0Fx6w_TNtc</a>
Nobody Loves Me Like You	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KicvBB2L68">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KicvBB2L68</a>
How He Loves (David Crowder)	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TCunuL58odQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TCunuL58odQ</a>

# Opportunity Center

## What you will find at the Opportunity Center:

- Lenten Devotional signup and formatting directions
- Copies of the Weekly Chimes Newsletter
- Scholarships awarded by VUMC guidelines
- Coffee and cookie fellowship signup
- Faith Kids sign-up
- National Park Medical Center Lunches
- Donations for Jackson House

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## Lenten Book of Devotions

We are needing more submissions for the Lenten Book of Devotions. We need 40 to complete the book. There is a signup sheet at the Opportunity Center. The submission should be no more than 250 words and include a Bible verse, your narrative and your prayer.

Type your submission in an email or send it as a Word document to [carmen@villageumc.net](mailto:carmen@villageumc.net). For information, please Carmen at 501-226-5238.

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## Faith Kids

### How to Find Joy on Wednesdays:

Are you crafty? Do you like to sing? Do you miss grandkids? Want to smile? Come join us by helping with **FAITH KIDS!** Sign up in the Opportunity Center or in the church office.

Dates: Every Wednesday 2:15-3:00 p.m.

Where: Activity room

Theme: Heroes of the Bible

The program each week begins with Pastor Chris and is followed by song and movement activities, and a craft.

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## Scholarship News

The application period for scholarships awarded by Village UMC is now open.

The Walter Britton Memorial Scholarship goes to graduating seniors from Jessieville, Fountain Lake and Mountain Pine. The Jim Brown Learning Scholarship is open to students from those high schools, Eagle Scouts from the VUMC Scout troop and students with a home address of record in Garland or Saline counties who are attending National Park College or other colleges.

If you know of a qualifying student who might benefit, pick up an information sheet from the Opportunity Center table in the Narthex. **Deadline for applications is Tuesday, March 5, at 4 p.m.**



Pictured above are Lay Pastor Lee Ann Branch and O.W. Lollies, Outreach Team chairman.

The Outreach committee would like to thank the congregation and staff for donating so generously on "Souper Sunday," February 3! We delivered 351 items to Jackson House food pantry. Your efforts and generosity were greatly appreciated. Food or monetary donations will be accepted throughout the month of February to demonstrate our heart and concern for those in the Hot Springs Community who are in need.

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## Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to assist in the Jackson House Thrift Shop and with Visitor Pie deliveries. If you are interested in helping with either of these projects, contact Audrey Powell, at 915-0472 or email her at [aapowell2@yahoo.com](mailto:aapowell2@yahoo.com)

**NPMC Lunches** — Volunteers are needed for the National Park Medical Center lunches for families in ICU. Contact Lynne Harkleroad at 922-2218 or send her an email at [roxylynn@suddenlink.net](mailto:roxylynn@suddenlink.net)

**Jackson House Lunches**  
We are in need volunteers. Please contact Audrey Powell at 915-0472 or email her at [aapowell2@yahoo.com](mailto:aapowell2@yahoo.com)

**Jackson House Food Drive**  
An early distribution of food items is requested for Jackson House because of a shortage imposed by the large number of layoffs. Church members are asked to bring food items through the end of February. Contact O.W. Lollies at 226-5131 or send an email to [sharon.lollies@yahoo.com](mailto:sharon.lollies@yahoo.com)

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## Birthday Bags

We are in need of more birthday party bags to be given away from the Highway Food Pantry. For more information, please call Ginny Misch at 915-9645 or email [hvm1559@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hvm1559@sbcglobal.net)

### Church Calendar

#### Sunday, 2/10

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30 a.m. Celebration for Carolyn
- 10:45 a.m. Worship

#### Monday, 2/11

- 8:00 a.m. Kiwanis
- 10:00 a.m. UMW Circles
- 1:15 p.m. Good Sam Bible Study
- 2:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise
- 7:00 p.m. Scout Troop #7

#### Tuesday, 2/12

- 10:00 a.m. Witness
- 3:30 p.m. Weight Watchers

#### Wednesday, 2/13

- 8:30 a.m. Disciple 2 Class
- 9:00 a.m. Low-Impact Exercise
- 10:00 a.m. Ushers' Meeting
- 10:30 p.m. Nurture
- 2:15 p.m. Faith Kids
- 3:30 p.m. Chancel Glory Choir
- 5:15 p.m. Praise Team Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Naomi Circle

#### Thursday, 2/014

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. David Fleming Enneagram



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**Asking for Volunteers**  
**Kitchen Area**  
**Social Time**  
**Funeral Receptions**

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