

10259 US Hwy 42 Union, KY 41091 (859) 384-3255 Reverend Lisa Stenner, Pastor

### October 28, 2022

### From the Pastor



This Sunday is Reformation Sunday, and we're wearing red. In fact, red is the liturgical color for the next 4 weeks as we focus on the Spirit's continuing work of re-forming God's people. The cloths on the pulpit and communion table will be red because it's the color that symbolizes the Spirit. Normally, red is only the color of Pentecost when God gifted the church with the

Holy Spirit. However, it was our summer sabbath color as a reminder to pay closer attention to what the Spirit is doing. You don't have to wear red every week, but it's a great way to kick off the fun this Sunday!

Protestant churches celebrate Reformation Sunday on the last Sunday of October. This year is the 505th anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing of his 95 theses to the door of Castle Church in Wittenburg, Germany on October 31, 1517. This action on All Saints' Eve is considered the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. Click <u>here</u> for a fun animated video about the Reformation for God's children of all ages. Click <u>here</u> If you'd like to prepare for the celebration by learning more about the Reformation.

This year we are celebrating with a service of lessons and carols. This type of worship service is comprised of readings and music, and we usually think of it as a Christmas tide service. However, we are blessed by the gifts of Rev. Carol Holbrook Prickett, the pastor of Crescent Springs Presbyterian Church, who is sharing her beautiful way with words to journey from early Christianity to the present day with an invitation to the future.

In preparation for worship, I invite you to think and to pray about how our understandings of God's ongoing work in the world has expanded and changed over time. How have your understandings of God's ongoing work in the world expanded and changed over time? How might the Spirit be inviting us as individuals and as a community of faith to question, to expand, and/or change our understanding of God's ongoing work and our role in it today? Click here for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the UPC website and YouTube channel.

Peace, Pastor Lisa

#### PS

Boone County is still at a low level of covid community spread so masks are optional in worship. Remember, masks are only required in worship while

Boone County is at the high or orange status determined by the <u>CDC's COVID</u> <u>19 Community Level</u> guidelines.

The Rev. Dr. Louisa Umphres has served Lakeside Presbyterian as Associate Pastor. Her call transitioned to Co-Pastor. On Sunday, she will be re-installed as Pastor (Head of Staff). Pastor Lisa is serving on the Administrative Commission that will re-install Louisa. The entire presbytery is invited to celebrate with our siblings at Lakeside.



You are cordially invited to the Re-installation of **Rev. Louisa Umphres** 

Sunday, October 30, 2022 Worship service at 3:00 followed by a reception Lakeside Presbyterian Church 2690 Dixie Highway Lakeside Park, KY 41017

# THE WITNESS TREE EVENT November 1, 2022 - November 11, 2022 Daily at 8:00 am Boone County Veterans' Memorial Florence Government Center

The program is anticipated to last approximately fifteen minutes each day. The Witness Tree program is designed to raise awareness of those invisible wounds that veterans are battling after they return to civilian life and raise awareness of the estimated 22 veterans who commit suicide each day in our nation. The daily ceremony will include placing 22 dog tags on a tree, readings, meditative thought, and reflection. At the end of the eleven days, 242 dog tags will hang in honor of those veterans.

Visitors are invited to attend and hang military dog tags on the designated tree on the campus of the Florence Government Center. Additional resources will be available for participants. For more information regarding the event, click here to contact Victoria Wells, City of Florence, Community Services Coordinator. Click here to contact Melissa Stephens, Florence Christian Church.



2022 Chili Cook Off Sunday, November 6th after worship

Calling all cooks - enter your favorite pot of chili in the UPC Chili Cookoff! To enter the contest, sign up on the sheet in the narthex or on the website. Having entries in advance helps us set up sufficiently for all the crockpots. Diners vote on their favorite chili, and we crown a winner! The winner will receive a fabulous trophy and bragging rights for a whole year.

Votes may be purchased for \$1 each. Buy 5, get one free. \$5 = 6 votes

Kroger gift cards may also be traded in for votes. (\$20 gift card = 24 votes) You may vote an unlimited number of times!

All proceeds benefit our neighbors in need through our Community Assistance Fund. This fund and gift cards are used to provide assistance to people who come to the church in need of help.

## Breakfast for Babies Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am

We will share a potluck breakfast and celebrate the Brownstead babies and the pregnancies of Katie & Devon Golden and Kristin & Kurt Lintelman. We will collect diapers, wipes and books and divide them among the families.



# The Trim-a-Bush project is underway!

Pick up a picture of a bush that needs trimming in the narthex or have one emailed to you. The picture contains this info: 1. The number of the bush(es) 2. The name of the bush 3. Location(s) of the bush(es) 4. How to trim the bush(es). The only tools needed are a hedge trimmer (electric or manual), a rake, and either a trash can or wheelbarrow. For the hostas, a shovel is also needed. Trimmers may work at their convenience with the trimming complete by mid-November. ?'s: Click here to contact Bob Janes.



## FRESH Thanksgiving Bags for Gallatin County CAC

Each Thanksgiving UPC graciously collects brown paper grocery bags full of non-

perishable Thanksgiving staples to help our neighbors in Gallatin County feast for the Holidays. While canned vegetables and boxed starches are inexpensive and easy to collect, their clients really want fresh produce items. This year we are again combining fresh and canned foods and providing turkeys for 15 families. Grocery bags with lists on them are available in the narthex. You may also contact the church office to have a list emailed to you. Please purchase the items on your list, fill the grocery bag, and add \$5 to help pay for turkeys. Bring your items back to church on **SUNDAY**, **NOVEMBER 20th**, and the Thanksgiving fairies will deliver fresh produce to our neighbors on the morning of **Monday**, **November 21st** just in time for a bountiful Thanksgiving feast! (If you would like to be a delivery fairy, sign up in the narthex or click here to contact the church office.

# Abraham's Pantry Sign Up

Abraham's Pantry is the interfaith food pantry that lives at UPC. Our

partnership with the Florence Islamic Center and LDS is still coming together, and we are looking forward to having members of those communities join with us to help feed our neighbors.

In the meantime, you may clickhere to sign up to work in the pantry on Mondays or Thursday. You may choose at what time you'd like to serve and stock shelves, check expiration dates, note current needs and pack items for families. There are instructions in the food part of the pantry, and on-the-job training is provided.

Abraham's Pantry Shopping List	Food
OUR MOST PRESSING NEED IS PEANUT BUTTER!!!	Pantry Needs
<ul> <li>Other current needs are:</li> <li>Wine bags from Kroger or other liquor stores</li> <li>(They are FANTASTIC for packing canned goods.)</li> <li>Shelf stable and powered milk</li> <li>Pancake mix that only needs water</li> <li>Granola bars (esp. chewy granola bars)</li> <li>Disposable razors</li> <li>Deodorant (esp. women's deodorant)</li> <li>\$20 Kroger gift cards</li> </ul>	

We are working on leveraging your generosity and purchasing staple items from local food banks. In the meantime, the pantry depends exclusively on your donations of these items.

#### Schedule for This Week

**Reformation Sunday** Sunday, October 30th 10am Worship

**3pm Iglesia Pentecostales** Palabra de Vida

3pm Re-Installation Service for The Rev. Dr. Louisa Umphries @ Lakeside Pres

Monday, October 31st 9am Union Music Academy 7pm Boy Scouts 805

Tuesday, November 1st 8am Witness Tree @ Boone Cty Veterans' Memorial 5:30pm Welcoming 6:30pm Deacons Cub Scouts 805



#### BIRTHDAYS

10/30 - Mary Schmalzl 11/2 - River Collier, Sara Mathew 11/9 - Jordyn Tullius 11/15 - Brian Eggleston, Earl Fischer 11/17 - Ginny Claar, Asher Tinslee 11/19 - Bob Janes, Adam Scott 11/23 - Russ Houchins 11/24 - Lisa Denham 11/29 - Jan Grieger

Giving You may give online



or via

text through the <u>UPC</u> website. You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift. You may make a memorial or honorary gift and even pay for youth conferences. The online transaction processes the gift from your checking account, savings account, credit card or debit card and is secured through Vanco Payment Solutions.

UPC does not receive the total amount of your gift due to processing fees. At the

Wed, November 2nd 8am Witness Tree @ Boone Cty Veterans' 8pm AA

Thursday, November 3rd 8am Witness Tree @ Boone Cty Veterans' Memorial 9am Union Music Academy 6:30pm Iglesia Pentecostales Palabra de Vida

<u>Friday, November 4th</u> 8am Witness Tree @ Boone Cty Veterans' Memorial

Saturday, November 5th 8am Witness Tree @ Boone Cty Veterans' Memorial 9:30am Union Children's Choir

> 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time <u>Sunday, November 6th</u> 10am Worship w/ Communion

Chili Cook-Off potluck after worship

3pm Iglesia Pentecostales Palabra de Vida

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end of the transaction, you will be asked if you wish to donate an additional 2.75% to cover the processing costs.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

11/4 - Ray & Anita Merkel 11/27 - Dave & Sue Kozlowski