

Advance Newsletter



Hey y'all,

Last week, while Melissa and I were quarantined from her positive COVID test, I ran across an old story about carrots, eggs, and coffee. It goes a little something like this:

A daughter came to her mother to complain about how her life was going. Without speaking, her mother took her to the kitchen and put three pots of water on the stove. Once they began to boil, she placed carrots in one pot, eggs in another, and ground coffee in the last. After twenty minutes or so, the mom pulled the pots off the stove. She fished out the carrots, the eggs, and poured some coffee into a cup. The mom asked her daughter, "What do you see?" "Carrots, eggs, and coffee," the daughter replied. "Look closer," the mom said. So, the daughter inspected the carrots and found them mushy. She peeled an egg and found that it had hardened. Then had a sip of coffee and found that it tasted good. The daughter looked at her mother and asked, "What does this mean." Her mom replied, "You see all three were subjected to the same adversity. The carrots went in hard and unrelenting and came out soft and mushy. The eggs went in fragile and soft and came out hardened. But the coffee went in the water and changed it into something wonderful." "Which are you?" the mother asked her daughter; "Are you a carrot, an egg, or coffee?"

Which are you? When faced with an adversity of some sort, are you a carrot, an egg, or coffee? That's a question we all must answer. I can tell you that if you fully depend on God, you'll be coffee. You'll have the strength and courage to wade into any adversity and change the situation into something that is useful. So, when adversity knocks at your door, how will you answer? Will you be a carrot, an egg, or coffee? You decide.

Just a real quick note about our upcoming Advent season. I will have a sign-up sheet on the table, under the hanging quilt, outside the sanctuary for you to sign up as Advent readers. I would like to have four families or friend groups to come read and light the candles. Also, on November 28th, we will have a Hanging of the Greens service. This will be a combined worship service beginning at 11am. Come dressed casually, ready to decorate our sanctuary for the Advent Season.

Finally, on November 14th, we will have a guest in both worship services. Lois Marie Stevens will be here to tell us about her mission work in Africa and how we can help her return to continue her work. Lois is the daughter of Charlie Stevens, the pastor of First Methodist in Pampa TX. Come and hear about the amazing work God is doing in Africa.

Blessings,
Pastor Anthony

OCTOBER MEMORIALS

In Memory of VICKI PENNINGTON

Shandon and Jada Rankin (to handbells), Harold and Peggy Hardcastle, John and Missy Stone (to Chancel Choir), Shirley Stone Sankey (to Chancel Choir), Dan and Sheila White, Brad Belew (to quilters), Lisa MacMaster (to quilters), Tracy Buesing (to quilters), Charles and Pat Graf

In Memory of BETTY WAGGONER

Dan and Sheila White, Tim and Cathy Schur, Kay Belew, Charles and Pat Graf

In Memory of HOBIE MCMANIGAL

Dan and Sheila White, Kay Belew

In Memory of CAROL MILNER

Dan and Sheila White

In Memory of DORIS GIBBS

Tim and Cathy Schur

In Memory of MRS. LYLE WEISZHAAR

Tim and Cathy Schur

In Memory of KAREN SHANNON, SETH ROBERSON

Kay Belew

OUR ATTENDANCE

OCTOBER 3

Sunday School—62

Worship—116

OCTOBER 10

Sunday School—58

Worship—87

OCTOBER 17

Sunday School—63

Worship—91

OCTOBER 24

Sunday School—74

Worship—92

OCTOBER 31

Sunday School—79

Worship—113

GIVE ONLINE

Now you can give contributions online using our easy online payment system. It's easy, fast, and secure. There's no need to mail in your checks. Simply go to the Church's web site (vernonfumc.org) and click on the link GIVE ONLINE and you will be directed to our Web giving page. This is the easiest way for you to make a contribution. Please be advised that there is a small (1%) third party processing fee.

We would like to thank the following for sponsoring our radio broadcast each week on KVWC Radio AM 1490: Igou Appliance, George's Aircraft Repair, and the Challengers' Class.



**Mission Kitchen:
No one in Vernon
should eat alone**

Mission Kitchen is our Wednesday night meal program. We will invite the entire community to this meal and use it to introduce Christian fellowship and our church to the community. Please invite your friends and neighbors.

November 3: Santa Fe soup/salad

November 10: Grilled chicken salad

November 17: Beef stew/cornbread

November 24 No meal

PRAYER CONCERNS

.....RANDY AND LIZ AGAN, MELISSA INMAN, LISA TORRES, FRED CONKLING, BRADY LEMON, CATHIE BRISTO, JIM WEIGLE (future in-law of the Agans), JACK TOW (Teresa Whitehead's cousin), HOLLY NEWBERRY (Heather Ham's sister), AUSTIN WEAVER (the Talbot's grandson), RICKY TAYLOR, JAN WORRALL, BOB KESSEE, CHRISTINA EDMONDS, JAMES LACY, HATTIE HOUY (Dan and Sheila White's great-granddaughter), JOEY CORDOVA (Brad and Mellissa Laxon's brother-in-law), CAROL HANSARD (Sandy Conkling's sister), BARBARA MEADOR, BOBBY COOPER, TELITHA ROBL AND FAMILY (Tina Borchardt's sister), STANTON AND TREVA TUCKER, JORDAN RICE (MELISSA'S INMAN'S COUSIN), HARVEY AND JUNE WRIGHT (MARCIE KENDRICKS' DAD AND STEP-MOM), WELLS MIDDLETON, BRENDA CHAPMAN, MIKE OWENS, CARA AGAN, MISSY STONE, AMY MYERS, RANDY CRISMAS (Pastor Anthony's friend), MICHELLE HUGHES, BETTY WILSON REXROAD, TROY SMITH, SHIRLEY AGAN, AUDEN BUTLER, FISK FAMILY, DON PEGGRAM, PAT SHEPARD, KASEY YOUNG, JO-ELEE ASHLEY

CONTINUED PRAYER

.....ELECTED OFFICIALS, EMT, FIREMEN, POLICE OFFICERS, DPS TROOPERS, ALL TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS

MILITARY PERSONNEL

.....CALEB CAMPOS, NATHAN MINTS, HECTOR REYNA, JAKE CAUDELL, SCOTT AND TRISTAN SLATER, CHARLIE WATSON, LYLE RAINWATER, CHANCE HARLING, DEVIN BEATTY, LANCE MACON, DAVID JOHANSEN, DEREK BATES, DANIEL SYMONDS, SEAN BELL, ROBERT WHITEHEAD, CASEY WHORTON, TRAVIS POWELL, BROOKE MARTIN, CALEB INMAN



Next Sunday, November 7, we will celebrate All Saint's Sunday. We will honor those who have passed from their earthly homes to their heavenly homes.



The Salvation Army Board so appreciates your recent generous gift to the organization. The gift, as always, came at an opportune time and met the needs of a most grateful individual. Your support is a tremendous blessing to our service unit.

"May the Lord repay you for what you have done...." Ruth 2:12

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

November 2021

	1	2 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor)	3 After school-Children's activities 6pm-Mission Kitchen (Santa Fe soup/salad 7pm-Chancel Choir practice 7pm-"Epic of Eden" Bible Study	4 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor) 5:15pm-Jubilate! Handbells 6pm-First Praise practice	5	6
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7 Daylight Savings ends All Saints Sunday 9am-Contemporary service 10am-Sunday School 11am-Traditional service	8	9 10am-Methodist Women (Parlor) 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor)	10 9am-Salvation Army office open After school-Children's activities 6pm-Mission Kitchen (Grilled chicken salad) 7pm-Chancel Choir practice 7pm-"Epic of Eden" Bible Study	11 Veteran's Day-Church office closed 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor) 5:15pm-Jubilate! Handbells 6pm-First Praise practice	12	13 9am-Prayers and Squares (Quilt Room)
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- November Birthdays**
- 2 Jimmy Weaver
 - Teresa Whitehead
 - 5 Brian Fritze
 - 9 Jada Rankin
 - 11 Lynn Hooker
 - Caine Riddle
 - 14 Renee Houston
 - 15 Melynn Mayfield
 - Marianne Quiett
 - 18 Lujuanna Daigle
 - 20 Sarah Davenport
 - 21 Blake Boone
 - 25 Wendell Mints
 - 28 Mickey Sharp
 - 28 Randy Agan
 - 29 Margueritte Gray

14 9am-Contemporary service 10am-Sunday School 11am-Traditional service	15 Salvation Army giving out food boxes	16 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor)	17 9am-Salvation Army office open After school-Children's activities 6pm-Mission Kitchen (Beef stew/cornbread) 7pm-Chancel Choir practice 7pm-"Epic of Eden" Bible Study	18 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor) 5:15pm-Jubilate! Handbells 6pm-First Praise practice	19	
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21 Last day for quilt silent auction 9am-Contemporary service 10am-Sunday School 11am-Traditional service	22	23 Noon-Finance Committee (Mr. Jims)	24	25 Thanksgiving	26	27
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CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED



28 10am-Sunday School 11am-Traditional service "Hanging of the Greens"	29	30 5:15pm-Yoga class (Parlor)				
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**PASTOR
APPRECIATION
SUNDAY
WAS
OCTOBER 31!**

Prayers and Squares Quilters are offering fall, Christmas, and winter items for silent auction. The items are displayed in the west hallway and there is a bid sheet for each item. This is the only fundraiser that the Quilters have, so let's support them!



November 21 is the final day for bidding.

Red Kettles 2021



Please use the following link to sign-up for a time to help with the annual Red Kettle Campaign. Please be sure to include an email and a phone number when registering for times to ring. If you have questions, please call 940-414-2534 for assistance. You will be sent reminders of your time to ring through your email and/or phone #.

<https://signup.com/go/TRS0sAb>

OUR FALL FESTIVAL WAS A BIG SUCCESS!

