



Vian United Methodist Church

MONTHLY NEWS



October 2013

Dates to remember:

UMM Fish Fry	Oct 6
Lay Leadership ~ Nominations Meet	Oct 6
Church Council Meeting	Oct 13
UM Boys Ranch Rodeo	Oct 19
Trunk or Treat	Oct 31



Our 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat will be held Thursday, October 31st from 5pm-9pm. This was a hit with the area children last year and we adults had lots of fun too! Dress up your trunk or truck and yourself if you want...bring candy and smiles and the rewards will be obvious on the faces of the children! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

United Methodist Men Host Fish Fry

Sunday October 6th

The UMM of Vian UMC will host a fish fry for the church. They will provide and prepare fish donated by John Hult. Please bring salads, side dishes or desserts and join them immediately after service for a great time in fellowship.

Multiply Your Impact!

Thank you to the members who gave up their Saturday to attend the meeting in Sallisaw to review our survey results and plan how we can "Multiply Our Impact" right here in Vian. Look for exciting updates from this group as they share visions and dreams for our church family and community.

Committees...

With Church Conference right around the corner, there are sure to be many committee meetings coming up. Please watch the weekly bulletin & on screen updates to stay informed. We are church!

Back to Church

What a wonderful day we had! Our District Superintendent, Emery Mason brought the message titled "The Little Church That Could" and reminded us all that we can do all things thru Christ. We can't move mountains on our own, but with God's love and grace, there is nothing that is out of reach. Our message was followed by the dedication of our new outdoor fellowship area and a wonderful cook out. Thank you to Jerry & Dink for cooking the burgers & hot dogs and to all those who set up, cooked, served and cleaned up after the dinner. We had a great time of worship, food and fellowship.



From the Pastor...

It's hard to believe that we've entered into the fall season already! Seems like yesterday that we were planning summer activities and kids were just getting back into school. The clock keeps turning and the calendar keeps moving forward, sometimes faster than we would like.

I am excited about the upcoming months, however. Our Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving dinners with family, Children's and Adults Christmas Programs, caroling at the nursing home and the Advent season all await.

As we move from one season to the next, let us not forget those less fortunate. It is my hope and prayer that we invite friends and neighbors into our church family and provide blessings to families throughout the holiday seasons ahead. Many opportunities are sure to come our way. May we seize the chance to share Christ, every day.

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Please take a moment to remember these members with a card, phone call or visit. Their information is listed below for your convenience.

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John & Billie Foster
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Lucille Gossett
Broadway Manor Healthcare Center
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Muskogee, OK 74403

Lord,
Hear our prayers.

Please lift up the following in prayer:

Don, Peggy, Daniel & Reid family
Len Foldenauer
Richard Holcomb
Charlie Swango
Ray & Samantha Rodgers
Bill & Margaret Bane
Christina Herriman
Jim Begin
Roger & Glenna Holloway
Glenda Harrell
Johnny Carlisle
Kyle McGowan
Victoria Salcedo
Felicia Opiela
Sarah Bane
Vernon & Loraine Lawrence
Billie Foster
Lucille Ford
Jimmy Hughes
Adrienne Elbon
Don Brockman
Don & Patti Jamison
Freddy Howard
Lucille Gossett
Dick & Bess Chamberlin
Darrel Vix
Barbara Jean VanHooser
Richard Hawkins
Mary Ann Casteel
Juanita Long
Kyle Coke
Diantha Judkins
Ruby Green
Linda Ball
Diana Anderson West
Bill Ball
Cathy Davis
Naomi Carron
Jenny Callhorn
Joney Long
Colbert Croft
Tina Thompson
Linda Brown
Justin Mills

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Raymond Moss
Ramona Moss
Ferrin (John) Moss
Torry Nunnelee

Please pray for our country, leaders and our military family:

Brandon Van Hooser
Nathan Garrett
Will Boyd
Jim (Buddy) McCoy
Jimmy Hemphill
David Atkinson
Chris Graham
Ryan Tyler
Cody Baird
Marcus Lawrence
Kevin Lamb
Kevin Bray
William Jenkins
Sylas Sloan
Kyle Hamon

Birthdays of the Month

1 ~ Glenda Harrell
1 ~ Samantha Rodgers
4 ~ Brandi Inda
5 ~ Brooklyn Cox
6 ~ Michelle Baker
9 ~ Linda Pruitt
13 ~ Grant Tracy
17 ~ Bryan Cox
19 ~ Jayna Croisant
21 ~ Tristen Croisant
25 ~ Parke Largent
27 ~ Daniel Reid
29 ~ Steven Pitton
30 ~ Ed Brockman

Anniversary Blessings

10 ~ Keith & Christina
Herriman

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The Ministerial Alliance of Vian "Night of Praise" was a wonderful time of Word, song and fellowship. Five area churches participated by gathering here at Vian UMC. Our praise band and choir both shared songs. Patti Jamison, Sarah Bane and Christina Herriman all presented solo's. Everyone had a wonderful time of fellowship after the service. Please plan to attend the next event! The next Night of Praise will be hosted in November at the Vian Baptist Church. More details to follow so watch for announcements!

Laity in October

What a treat! During the month of October, I want to give our Lay Servant's the opportunity to share a message with the church body. Look for exciting sermons from each of them throughout the month!

Pat Zeiler has confirmed the date of October 20th and I will post updates from the other Lay Servant's as they become available.

Have you considered attending Lay Servant training? See Pastor Marcia for details.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our annual Church/Charge Conference will be held Sunday November 3rd at 6pm. **Everyone is encouraged to attend.**

Lay Leadership ~ Nominations Committee

The Lay Leadership committee will be meeting Sunday October 6th at 1:30pm. This committee is responsible for nominating individuals for the upcoming three year term of our various committees. If you would like to serve on any of the following teams & committees, please notify the pastor. If you would like to be removed from any committee you are currently serving on, please notify the pastor. If you are chosen by the team you will be asked to serve, however, you may accept or decline any nomination request. Please prayerfully consider serving on the following committees:

- ◆ Staff Pastor/Parish Relations Committee (SPPRC)
- ◆ Finance Committee
- ◆ Board of Trustee's
- ◆ Lay Leadership/Nominations Committee
- ◆ Worship Committee
- ◆ Serve as Lay Leader of the church
- ◆ Represent the church as a Lay Delegate to Annual Conference
- ◆ Safe Sanctuary Committee

Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve at Vian UMC.

Camp Grey Squirrel



Saturday September 21st marked the final day of camp for the 2013 season for Camp Grey Squirrel. Fred & Daphne want to thank everyone who gave of their time and talents to the special kids served this year. You made a difference!



The UMM will meet Sunday October 20th at 1:30 pm. All male members of Vian UMC are automatically members of the UMM and all are invited to attend the meetings.

Thank you Daphne Hamon for always being on hand to provide pictures for the website and newsletters!

New mid-week study "Pathways to Discipleship" beginning in October. Date & times coming soon!



Zumba classes have begun! Join us each Thursday at 6:30pm as instructor Trese Chuculate takes us through our paces! Work as slow or as fast as your body allows. We have participants of all ages. Cost is \$6.00 per session and there is no contract or long term commitment. Open to all.

COMMITTEES

As we prepare for 2014, our Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development will nominate individuals to fill vacancies. In last month's newsletter, we covered SPPRC, Trustees, Finance and Administrative Council. This month we will explore a few more committees and topics. Detailed information may be found online at www.umc.org or in the 2012 Book of Discipline.

Required Church Positions

Finance Committee: An effective finance team proposes a budget, then raises, manages, and distributes the financial resources to support and strengthen the mission and ministry of the congregation. **The treasurer:** will disburse funds contributed to the church in a responsible and timely manner, with funds identified and bills paid when due, as directed by the church council for the ministry of the congregation. **Financial Secretary:** An effective financial secretary will receive, record, and deposit all funds received by your congregation in a timely, thorough and confidential manner.

Nominations and Leader Development: Christian spiritual leaders are identified, developed, deployed, evaluated and monitored to carry out the congregational ministries that fulfill the mission of making disciples and transforming the community.

SPPRC: An effective committee works with the lead pastor and other staff to identify and clarify values for ministry of the congregation so that the staff can set priorities for leadership and service.

Trustees: Effective trustees are Christian stewards of the property God has entrusted to the congregation. Effective trustees supervise and maintain the property of your congregation to ensure that disciple-making ministries of the congregation are effective and that local legal requirements related to the property are satisfied.

Lay Member of Annual Conference: An effective lay member of annual conference will represent the congregation to the annual conference and interpret the work of the annual conference and the global United Methodist Church to the congregation.

Lay Leader: An effective Lay Leader functions as the primary representative of, and role model for, Christian discipleship and faith lived out in the church and in daily life for the people of a congregation.

Chair of Church Leadership Team/Administrative Council: An effective chairperson brings initiative, coordination, and collaboration to the group that does planning, goal-setting, implementation, and evaluation of ministry for the congregation

Committee on Lay Leadership: The charge conference elects members for the committee on nominations and leadership development (formerly the nominating committee or committee on lay leadership). This committee or team serves throughout the year to guide the church council or alternative structure on matters regarding the leadership of the congregation (other than employed staff). Members of this committee must be sensitive to the leadership needs of the congregation and know the capabilities, gifts, skills and experience of the persons in the congregation. This committee's work will affect your life in the church, as well as the lives of others. The influence of the persons you recruit for the various tasks in your church will go beyond the bounds of your congregation. These leaders will be representatives of the body of Christ in the surrounding community. —From Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation: Nominations and Leadership Development, 2009-2012 (Cokesbury, 2008), p. 6

There should not be more than nine members on the committee on nominations and leadership development in addition to the pastor and the lay leader. All members must be professing members of the local church. One or more members may be a youth, and at least one member should be a young adult. Remember that you are encouraged to have a diverse and inclusive group, including race, culture, economic status, gender, and age (§ 258.1.e) The pastor chairs the committee, and a lay person elected by the charge conference serves as vice chair. The membership is divided into three classes, each elected for a three-year term. This ensures a more stable committee because not everyone is new at the same time. A rotation is suggested in § 258.1.d of the Discipline.

In order to constantly bring information to our congregation, we're answering a question or two in each monthly newsletter. What questions would you like answered next month?

Who is in charge of worship in the local church?

The appointed pastor is given this responsibility. The Book of Discipline, on the responsibilities of a pastor, says the pastor is "to preach the Word of God, lead in worship, read and teach the Scriptures and engage the people in study and witness." Some local churches elect a worship committee to work with the pastor and the music leaders in planning for and preparing the worship services.

What is Seminary Lite?

Seminary Lite is a new program at Saint Paul School of Theology at OCU focusing on learning for the laity. Seminary Lite will provide you (as laity) with a deeper knowledge base in subjects pertaining to Christian faith and life, and will allow you to sample the seminary experience.

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Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

Sunday school 10:00am ~ Fellowship & Greeting of the body 10:45am ~ Worship service 11:00am

Wednesday service 3:00pm-8:00pm ~ Praise Band practice Saturday 10:00am ~ Choir practice 2:00pm

Monday Boy Scouts 6:00pm ~ Tuesday Girl Scouts 3:30pm ~ Thursday Zumba 6:30pm

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