

# Elmer United Methodist Church



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## Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends,

Barb and I have 5 children plus my son Robert from my first marriage and our precious grandson, Enishi. We've also been scout leaders, teachers, youth workers in church, foster parents, coaches, and so much more to children and youth. With all of this experience, we should understand kids perfectly. By now we should be experts, but we don't feel like it. What we have learned in our years of experience is to be faithful in what we do, don't be surprised at the outcomes and trust a whole lot in God.

Our experiences have been a blend of celebrations, disappointments, joys, sorrows, fears, amazement, frustration, pride and praising the Lord. What we have learned is to live in HOPE and expect great things to happen. Our Hope comes from faith in God. We know the power of God's love to bring us at last to celebrations of victory in our lives and the lives of those around us. Hope helps us to continue to look for positive things all around us.

The Hope we have in working with youth and with our own kids, adult and teenage, is the foundation that has been built for them through Christ. It is the same type of foundation we are building for many of the youth in our families in Elmer. We have many kids involved in parts of the life of Elmer United Methodist Church. We are getting over 20 kids ages 3 years old to grade 6<sup>th</sup> at Wednesday Nite Owwt. Last week we had at least that many for the Sunday School Harvest Party at the Hangar. Nine middle school kids are receiving after school tutoring, recreation and adult affirmation at the Hangar. On November 8 we will begin a JR/SR. High Bible Study on Sunday nights. 64 different youth participated this summer in Friday night at the Hangar. I look forward to this Friday when we get an expected 400 kids trick-or-treating on Halloween and then the great gathering we always have for Punkin' Chunkin' on November 8<sup>th</sup> at Zeck's Farm on Pindale Road in Monroeville.

Each of these is a point of contact for us. We meet youth, have fun and witness Christ. Most importantly we are developing positive relationships that may have a lasting impact in the lives of children. Any real sharing of faith begins with building long-term positive relationships. I think of the people who made those relationships with me and with my kids as they were growing up. They were neighbors, teachers, pastors, youth leaders and so on. Just this week I had the opportunity to talk to a young couple anticipating the birth of their first baby. They have roots in our church and now are returning.

Where are you in the life or lives of youth? Will they remember you when they look back at the foundation of their faith? I ask you this not to put guilt on you, but to give you HOPE. Our young people live in a difficult time and many of them are doing great things. Believe in them and the power of God to transform each one. Keep up your good works and know it is always making a difference.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Dave Repenning

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>Early Service</u>	<u>Morning Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
Oct. 5			28
Oct. 12	30	65	25
Oct. 19	38	107	32
Oct. 26	32	115	39
<u>Stewardship:</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>S. School</u>
Oct. 5	\$4,760.00	\$574.00	\$27.75
Oct. 13	\$3,560.00	\$959.00	\$9.00
Oct. 19	\$5,297.00	\$1,033.50	\$20.00
Oct. 26	\$3,162.60	\$606.00	\$17.00

## Community Thanksgiving Service

7:30pm Wednesday, November 26, 2014

At the Elmer Presbyterian Church



## THANKSGIVING PUMPKIN BREAD SALE

Plain Bread \$6.00

Walnuts & Raisins \$7.00

Benefits the Elmer UMC Music Fund

Please see any Handbell Choir Member to order.

Pick Up Date: Sunday, November 23, 2014



## November Birthdays Happy Birthday to All!!

1st	Candace Corsey
3rd	Trey Abbey, Cheryl Baldosaro & Kathy Miller
4th	Susan Fuller & Michael Slusarz
5th	Robert Timberman, Barry Davis & Kellie Macom
7th	Edward Fuller, IV, Sharon Pike, Jeanette McDonald & Glenn Stokes
8th	Susan Bucholski & Connor Batten
10th	Tina Bramell & Robert Boehm
11th	Megan Chapman
13th	Bruce Bishop, Lisa Brown & Annie Wildman
14th	Brianna Hall & Josh Hall
16th	Dave Repenning, Jr., Eleanor Robbins & Tom Bishop
17th	Hannah Wygor & Alexis Hall
18 <sup>th</sup>	Tim Pitman
19th	Michael Kulig & Karen Snyder
22nd	Larry Wriggins, III
23rd	Rich Fackler & Bill Patton
24th	Stan Orzechowski
26 <sup>th</sup>	June Bailey & Lilah Moore
28th	Jared Fox



## Red Bird Mission

Red Bird Mission of Beverly, Kentucky continues to make a positive impact for God's Kingdom. Their outreach in the name of Jesus Christ exists because of faithfulness. Beginning in 1921 through material support and fervent prayer they have served the needy in the eastern part of the Bluegrass state. In June the New York Times Sunday Magazine compiled six metrics to give a picture of the quality of life in each county in America. Clay County, Kentucky came in dead last. Red Bird Mission serves through Clay County. Elmer Methodist, through prayer and your dollars, serves Red Bird. Because of this Red Bird Mission High School will be reopening the dormitory program since closing them in 2010 as part of budget cuts. We praise the Lord – God is good. I encourage you to go above and beyond at [www.rbmission.org](http://www.rbmission.org) or 606-598-3155.

Submitted by  
Jane Cooke, Missions Committee



*Have you taken your turn for Altar Flowers??? Check the calendar on the table in the back of the sanctuary!! Or you may call Pat Hall...358-3177*

*Thank you*

### Tissue & Organ Donor Sunday: November 2nd

Please visit the table in the back of the sanctuary concerning Organ & Tissue Donation. We celebrate life with transplantation of organs. We have seen success stories right here within our church family. Take whatever info you desire and please pray about becoming a donor to give someone else a new lease on life

### Cookies for Veterans

Schober's Farm is expecting 2,000 Veterans to visit their market on Route 553 in Monroeville from Fri, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> & Tues, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> for their Annual Veterans' Day Celebration. If you would like to help by baking cookies to be given out, please pick up the flier in the back of the sanctuary. They all need to be plain chocolate chip cookies with **NO Nuts** or nut butters of any kind. You may deliver your cookies to the church on **Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>** and they will be taken to Schobers.

### Our Tenth Annual Pumpkin' Chunkin'

11am to 5pm Sat., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>

at Zeck's Farm,

91 Pinyard Rd, Monroeville

**GAMES, FOOD & HAYRIDES!!** We invite you to join us for an afternoon of clean family fun. We have activities for all ages such as a pumpkin seed spitting contest, a skillet tossing event, a scarecrow building contest and more. Food & Drink available for purchase. Our catapult event judges distance and accuracy of launching pumpkins.



## College Ministries Sub Sale

(Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study)

Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

\$6.50 each

To order please contact Patti Schneider

358-0388 or [zwpl@aol.com](mailto:zwpl@aol.com)

### Pics and Pipes

7pm Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>



You are invited to join us at Elmer Methodist Church for the next event of the 2014-2015 season -- the rollicking silent film comedy "*The General*," starring Buster Keaton (stuntman extraordinaire). Theatre Organist Wayne Zimmerman returns to provide pipe organ accompaniment! A great way to spend a Saturday evening on November 15<sup>th</sup>!

Cordially,

Joanne Owen, Music Around the County

### Junior & Senior High

### Hangar Bowling Night

Wood Lanes Bowling Center

1173 Rt 40, Piles grove

Date: November 21, 2014

Time: Leaving 7:15pm be back around 9:30pm  
\$10 per person (covers bowling, shoes and food)

Be sure to have completed Permission Form from Parent/Guardian

Questions???? See Jenn Hall 856-896-8510



### Junior & Senior High Bible Study

At the Hangar

Every Sunday evening from 7 – 8:30pm

Beginning November 9<sup>th</sup>

What does the Bible have to say about life today?

How can we apply its lessons?

Is God still speaking to His people?

Come and learn why the Bible is our GPS.

Need a ride? Contact Donna Stemberger at

[dkstembug@yahoo.com](mailto:dkstembug@yahoo.com)

### Sunday School News

The Sunday School Kids are making a snack mix on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> to be distributed through Peter's Pantry. We are collecting donations of:

**Rice Chex Cereal (or Store Brand)**

**Mini pretzels**

**Wheat Chex Cereal**

**Corn Chex Cereal**

**Bite Size Bagel Chips**

Donations can be placed in the back of the church in the basket.

The Sunday School Classes will also be collecting food items at Special Sunday School on November 16<sup>th</sup> to be distributed through **Peter's Pantry. Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mac-n-Cheese & Pasta** would be greatly appreciated!!

If you have any small gifts for a Christmas bazaar for the children to shop on their own, please make a donation to the basket in the back of the church. Thank you – from all the Sunday School. Thank you.

Pat Hall & Linda Thomas