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Hello Brothers and Sisters in Christ

According to my calendar, autumn is not far off (September 23). The days lately have seemed a little cooler already with a little crispness to the mornings and evenings. Some of us will be glad to see the change in the weather, while others will be sad to see the warm days and nights come to pass. I for one am always sad to see the warm days come to an end, because I know the cold and snow will be here before I am ready for it.

We can look back at the autumns of our childhood and remember jumping in leaf piles, bon-fires, chili and grilled cheeses sandwiches, and my favorite sport – FOOTBALL! As a child, autumn was an exciting time of change. In our Christian lives, autumn can be just as exciting. It can be a time of harvest of seeds we've sown. It can be a time of looking back to see and better understand the way God has led us and blessed us.

Autumn is a great time to focus on Gods blessings such as food, friends, shelter, family, clothing... the blessings are many and easy to count when we look back. Looking forward though, we would be remiss if we didn't realize everyone doesn't share the blessings we sometimes take for granted. We still have work to do. Autumn is also a good time to focus on your commitment to God. Some of the saddest words in the Bible are in Jeremiah 8:20, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." As disciples of Christ, these words speak of works left undone in our own lives, and the lives of others.

So as autumn nears, take a look back at the harvest. Take note of the seeds that did not grow as much as we might have wished. What could we have done differently? Perhaps most importantly, take time to think of the seeds you will be planting throughout the year. During autumn, we all know that winter lies ahead, but if winter comes, can spring be far behind?

May God bless you all

Pastor Rick

FAYETTEVILLE YOUTH INSPIRE FALL FESTIVAL

will be

Sunday, September 29th beginning at 4pm at Fayetteville Town Park.

All kids & teens are invited.

Parents and adults are always a great help & we are looking for volunteers. The event is sponsored by the churches of the Fayetteville Ministerial Association & is quickly becoming a community favorite event. Don't miss it!



Members of the Fayetteville United Methodist Church are organizing an ongoing clothing giveaway for members of the community in need. Erin's Closet will be open twice each month. It makes its debut on Aug. 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers pictured last week at the church are Janice Comer, from left, Judy Learmonth, Lita Eskew, Bea Arthur and Mary Beth Goodwin.

Steve Keenan/The Fayette Tribune

FAYETTEVILLE — For several years, the Fayetteville United Methodist Church has operated both a food pantry and offered a free community meal once a month.

The success of the programs has led the church to add yet another service to the community.

"We decided we feed the community through our food pantry, so we wanted to clothe them as well," Lita Eskew, one of the program coordinators, said last week. "So we decided to have a clothing bank.

"We've been working on it and we're ready to open (Aug. 24)."

The project is named Erin's Closet in memory of the sister of the church's pastor, Rick Crawford. Crawford's sister, Erin, was killed in an automobile accident when she was 17 years old, Eskew said, adding "And she evidently was a wonderful young lady."

The clothes closet will be open twice a month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. With the exception of this month, when it will be open Aug. 24, the closet will be open on food pantry day, which is normally the fourth Thursday every month, and on the last Saturday of every month when the church provides free meals to the community.

All the clothing (gently-used, clean clothing, shoes and new underwear for men, women and children size 5T or larger) will be free to those who need it, but there is a limit of five items per person. "We want them to take what they really need," Eskew said.

The group also is accepting gently-used clothing from the community.

Anyone who would like to make donations or who needs more information is asked to call one of the following: Bea Arthur, 304-574-2510; Janice Comer, 304-574-2039; Mary Beth Goodwin, 304-574-6416; Judy Learmonth, 304-574-1060; or Eskew at 304-574-0134.

"This is just a passion that these five women have had," Eskew said last week. "We're asking God to let it work to reach out to the people that need clothing. We're just thrilled to death about it."



Sib Weatherford	3^{rd}
Carrie Murrell	5 th
Pete Gagich IV	7^{th}
Becky Clark	9 th
Mike Pilato	11^{th}
Janis Dean	12^{th}
Shannon Murrell	12^{th}
Mary Virginia Lewis	13^{th}
Butch Arthur	14^{th}
Lauren Wilhere	14^{th}
Annita Lanham	16^{th}
Ida Smith	16^{th}
Lori Garvin Schoonmaker	16^{th}
Jamie Blankenship	17^{th}
Nick Crawford	18^{th}
Caleb Goforth	20^{th}
Katherine Vance	21^{st}
Thelma Barker	21^{st}
Paul Clay	24^{th}
Anne James	26^{th}
Diane May	26^{th}
Duffy Caldwell	27^{th}
Libby Tomlin	27^{th}
Keith Donald	30^{th}
Rose Marie Frantz	30^{th}
Mark Morrison	30^{th}

Fayetteville United Methodist Women September 17th 6:30 PM



Beth & Donnie Hudspeth	3^{rd}
Sib & Lauren Weatherford	5^{th}
Mike & Myrna Pilato	6^{th}
Gregg & Mary Ellen Spearen	12^{th}
Joe & Vicky Howard	17^{th}
Joel & Peggy Rodgers	19 th
Tom & Janette Woodrum	22^{nd}



We are continuing to collect 2lb bags of pinto beans for the Food Pantry. If you are able to participate in this food drive there will be a box in the Narthex for you to put the beans in.

Thank you for your help!



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DOGGETT CHAPEL UMC

At Doggett Chapel we seek to make disciples of Jesus Christ by having & practicing Open Hearts Open Minds Open Doors

Doggett Chapel web site, check it out at www.doggettchapel.com & on facebook at: Doggett Chapel



Doggett Chapel has a Bible Discussion Group on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Peanut Butter/Jelly Ministry For Warm Hands from Warm Hearts

Doggett Chapel is collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly.

For Doggett Chapel please place on the back pew.

For FUMC Please leave in office.

Janette will pick up on the 1st of each month and take

to the center. Thank you.







FUMC's Church Picnic will be on Sunday, September 15th.
We will meet at the Fayetteville Town Park shelter #1 at 11am.

We'll worship first and follow with a pot-luck lunch.
Please plan to bring a favorite dish or dessert
and a friend or two. The playground
makes this event great for families with kids!

Update to Erin's Closet...

We opened Erin's Closet with the Food Pantry on Thursday, August 22. The response was overwhelming to say the least. We had 50 plus people come and benefit from the closet. We are still accepting clothing donations of all sizes, shoes and purses are also accepted. Thank you for help.



Free Community Lunch Saturday September 28th 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Join us for Fellowship & Nourishment for your body and soul. All served with the Love of Christ

Fayetteville Baptist Church

sponsors a time of prayer for our nation, and a light lunch on the first Thursdays of each month.

Everyone is welcome to attend on any month. It begins at noon.



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We want to thank everyone for the love and support shown to our son Sib. The outpouring was overwhelming. But, as Sib says, this is why we choose to live in Fayetteville - because of the wonderful people.

We appreciate each of you.

The Weatherford Family

Your thoughts and prayer are greatly appreciated
Thanks
The Horrocks Family



LOOKINGAHEAD



UNDIE SUNDAY

October 6, 2019

Please bring a package or two of <u>new</u> Boxers, Briefs, Undies, T-Shirts, Long Johns & Janes, Socks and/or Training pants to church. There is a box placed in the narthex for your donations. Thank you for participation in Undie Sunday!!



The Annual Charge Conference with District Superintendent,
Dr. Joe Kenaston,
will be a joint Conference with
Doggett Chapel and Fayetteville on
Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00pm
at Oak Hill UMC.

At Fayetteville United Methodist Church
We seek to bring others into the family of God by

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and following Christ where He leads us on our Spiritual journey.

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