

**Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ**

**Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find the blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God's house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ's call with us. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, the altar is open for you to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life.**

**Worship Resources: A Nursery is provided during our service. We invite you to use this facility for infants and toddlers. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. In the pews, you will find Prayer Cards that you are invited to use to share specific prayer concerns. Please place the card either in the offering plate or in the prayer boxes located in each entryway.**

**Order of Worship**

**Come in, chat, and take a moment to sign the blue hospitality pad and pass it to your neighbor. But when the prelude begins – prepare for worship in a spirit of prayer and expectation! As we begin worship, please silence and put away all cell phones and beepers! \*Indicates people stand as they are able**

Gathering Music		
Welcome and Announcements		Minister
*The Call to Worship	<i>Come, Holy Spirit</i>	Gaither
	<i>Come, Holy Spirit, I need You,</i>	
	<i>Come, sweet Spirit, I pray,</i>	
	<i>Come in Your Strength and Your power,</i>	
	<i>Come in Your own gentle way.</i>	CCLI #1887226
*The Invocation		Minister
*A Hymn #529	<i>How Firm A Foundation</i>	Rippon
*The Responsive Reading #761	<i>Psalms 29:1-7</i>	
*Gloria Patri #70	<i>Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost</i>	Meineke
	<i>As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.</i>	
*The Time of Friendship and Welcoming		Everyone
The Time with the Children		Minister
The Time of Sharing Our Joys and Concerns		Minister
The Prayer Chorus	<i>Open Our Eyes Lord</i>	
	<i>Open Our Eyes Lord</i>	
	<i>Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.</i>	
	<i>To reach out and touch him. And say that we love him.</i>	
	<i>Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen.</i>	
	<i>Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.</i>	
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The Time of Prayer		
Morning Prayer		Minister
Lord's Prayer - <i>Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.</i>		
The Anthem - Chancel Choir	<i>Hymn of Promise</i>	Sleeth
The Worship with God's Tithes and Our Offerings		Minister
The Offertory	<i>My All in All</i>	Hernandez
*The Doxology #95	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>	
*A Hymn #314	<i>In the Garden</i>	Miles

The Scripture Reading	<i>Isaiah 43:1-7, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22</i>	Minister
The Scripture Response #507	<i>Through It All</i>	Crouch
The Sermon	<i>The Voice of God</i>	Minister
*The Hymn of Invitation #419	<i>I Am Thine, O Lord</i>	Crosby
*The Benediction		Minister
*The Benediction Response #666	<i>Shalom to You</i>	Eslinger
*The Postlude		

**Assisting with Today's Service**

Pianist.....Gielda Reese Organist.....Charlotte Newman  
 Chancel Choir Director.....Dr. Nathan Windt Nursery Attendants.....Elaine and Cortney Davidson  
 Acolytes.....Tanner Collins and Dylan Carpenter

**Church Calendar**

10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School	6:30 PM Monday: Call & Caring Team Meeting
11:00 AM Sunday: Morning Worship	7:00 PM Tuesday: United Methodist Women
4:30 PM Sunday: Children's Ministry Team Meeting	6:15 PM Wednesday: Prayer Ministries
4:30 PM Sunday: Youth	7:00 PM Wednesday: Chancel Choir Practice
5:00 PM Sunday: Youth Parents Meeting	5:00 PM Friday: Youth leave for Resurrection
5:30 PM Sunday: Acts Bible Study	Saturday & Sunday: Youth at Resurrection
7:00 PM Sunday: Church Council Meeting	

**Our Stewardship Last Week**

Sunday School	63	Church Budget	\$3,555.00
Morning Worship	164	Parsonage Fund	\$ 325.00
		Sunday School O/Reach	\$ 10.00
		Bus Maintenance	\$ 25.00

**Announcements**

**Altar Flowers:** The flowers today are given by Tom and Kim Huth in loving memory of Tom's Parents Lawrence and Lois Huth.

**Sympathy:** We express our love and prayers to Larry and Debbie Wade and their family in the recent death of his father, John Wade. We pray God's blessings and peace upon this family.

**Youth Parents Meeting:** A mandatory parents meeting will be tonight at 5:00 PM. At least one parent or guardian must attend this meeting for all those attending Resurrection 2010.

**Children's Ministry:** We will have a Children's Ministry Team meeting tonight at 4:30 PM. Come and help us make plans for the new session of Kid's Klub. Anyone interested in Children's Ministry is invited to attend.

**Council Meeting:** The Church Council will meet tonight at 7:00 PM in Wattenbarger Hall. If you would like an item placed on the agenda, please see Tim Sharp.

**The Call and Caring Team:** The Call and Caring Team will meet tomorrow night at 6:30 PM in Wattenbarger Hall. Final plans will be made for the coming year and selected assignments will be made at this time. Anyone who would like to be a part of this team is welcome to attend. If you have any questions, or would like more information on this new ministry, please contact Carolyn Jackson at 745-5378.

**United Methodist Women:** The UMW will meet on Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Wattenbarger Hall. This is their planning session and Becky Jaquish and Sandy Yielding will lead the program as well as be the hostesses. All ladies of the church are encouraged to attend.

**Church Bowling Teams:** Several people have expressed interest in the church bowling team. We should have enough for several teams. If you are interested, please see Betty Collins after worship today so we can get the teams lined up for the start of the league on Thursday night.

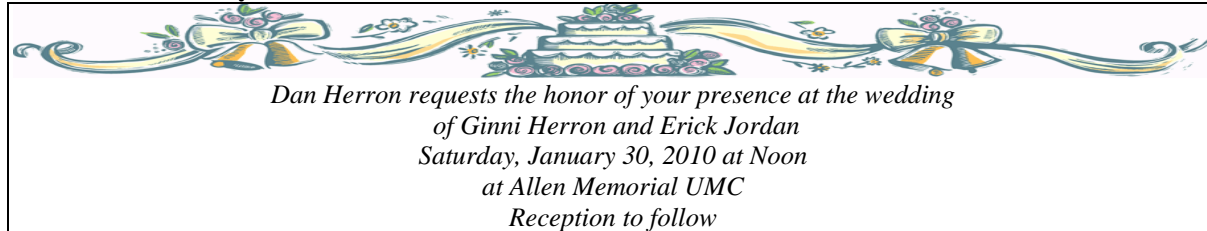
**Removal of the Greens:** Thanks to everyone who helped with this project on Wednesday night.

**2010 Resurrection:** January 15th—17th will be 2010 Resurrection. All youth attending need to be at the church on Friday, at 5:00 PM and ready to leave. Please be in prayer for our youth and those attending.

**Boundaries Class:** A new Boundaries Class will begin on Monday night January 18, 2010 and run for 8 weeks from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. For information on the class, see Carolyn Jackson. To register, call the church office at 745-1560 or Carolyn Jackson at 745-5378 by Wednesday January 13. The class is open to the community as well. If you know of someone who would benefit from the class share this information with them.

**Altar Flowers:** The 2010 flower chart is up on the bulletin board in the side vestibule. If you would be willing to provide flowers for any of the Sunday's available, please sign your name to the chart.

**Flowers next Sunday:** Laura Beth Herron



***We are Praying For.....***

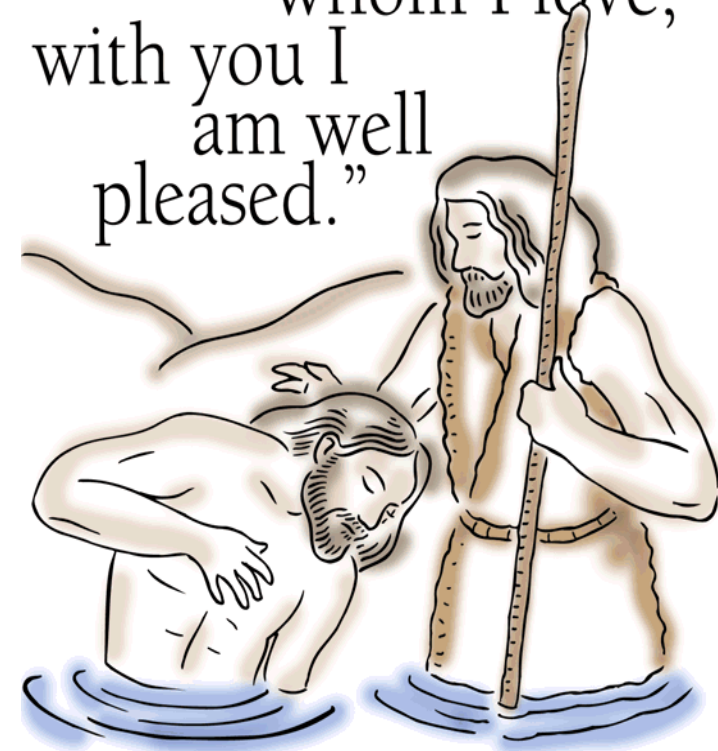
Family of John Wade, Polly Anderson, Lynnette Baines, Nancy Barton, Chris Beaton, Darren Beckett, Bob Beech, Robert Bennett, Lin Birdwell, Samuel Bish, Randy Bishop, Reba Brown, Al Bryan, Patti Rae Bryant, Rev. Jimmy Buckner, Bonnie Burmood, David & Jenny Byrd and their fathers, Teresa Carpenter, E.J. Castillo, Matt Clare, Tamera Coleman, John Cooley, Stephanie Coppedge & family, Stacy Costner, Brett Currie, Kenny Davidson, Ron Davis, Bruce Delmas Jr., Mike Dingus, Eva & Glenn Dockins, Vicki Estabrook, Bernadette Evans, Nancy Ferguson, Aline Fritz, Dee Gamble, Steve Garren, Janie Goines, Rebecca Gray, James Guffey, Brad & Lynn Hamblin, Bill Hanner, Garrett & Jason Henderson, Dan Herron, Diane Hicks, Gene Higham, Jaynee Holland, Greg Hughes, Don Hutsell, Jim Hyde, Larry Jackson, Mike Jackson, Barbara Jarvis, Jimmy Johnson, Cheryl Lambert, Gwen Lane, Raymond Latham, Eva Ruth Lawson, Charlie Littleton, Frances Mason, Glenn Mason, Zachery Mason, Will Matthews, Brooke Matthews, Patricia McDonald, David McKee, Randy McKeehan, Jerry McLemore, Larry Messer, Nathan Murray, Tammy Nantz, Judy Ohman, Eileen Owsley, Patricia Parker, Theda Poplin, Prof Powers, Vicki Raper, Yvonne Raper, Jimmy Reeves, Jason Richards, Bettye Kay Richeson, Dennis Richeson, Leona Richeson, Jerry Roberts, T.L. Rollins, Paul Rose Family, Gene & Sherry Sabo, Darlene Schenck, Danny Shannon, Bob Shugart, Bud Smidt, Mildred Smith, Nell Smith, Eric Sohmer, Britianie Stieb, Carol Tatum, Roy Thomas, Gloria Thompson, Tony Thompson, Debbie Tilley, Bruce Vincent, Mildred Vincent, David Walden, Bryan Walker, Tylan Walker, Gladys Wallace, Preston Wallace, Ashley & Jackson Walters, Gretchen Watson, Bonnie Werner, Thelma West, Bill Wiggins, Charles Wilson, Sandy Yielding; *In nursing homes, assisted living or shut-in:* Evelyn Black, Lorene Ensminger, Nell Gambill, A.C. Lockmiller, Rubye Maupin, *Expecting Mothers:* Hailey Dake, Nina Johnson, Claire Murphy, Kym Wierman, Ashley Ziegler; *Missionaries or in Mission Work:* Boo & Phyllis Hankins, Neal Hicks & family, Steve King Family, Chris Russell Family, Mary Diana Samuel Orphanage, and Herbert & Mary Zigbuo, Pray for our Pastor, our District Superintendent, Mike Travis, our Bishop, James Swanson. *Pray for our Service men and women:* Brandon Carter, Joe Clark, Keith Coleman, Tyler Cooley, Taylor Creasman, Duane Diebold, Michael Dyer, Josh Gary, Taylor Gray, Brent Greer, Eric Greisenhaur, Brent Harbin, Brandon Hashe, Lee Hashe, Daniel Hickey, Derek Hickey, Phillip Humphrey's, Tim Lammers, Wesley Levy, Wayne McKenzie, Tyler Moore, Will Nation, Klaus Ohman, Adam Randle, Alex Randle, Zach Roberts, Brittany Rupert, Raymond Shumate, Dwain Sliger, Bobby Smith, Brent Stephens and Craig Woofenbarger.

*If you know of someone who has improved and can be taken off the list or if we have removed someone from the list who still needs to be listed, please fill out a new card and give us an updated report. Thank You.*

**Church Prayer Focus for the Week:** Pray for hearts to be open to God's promise of hope and new life in Him.

And a voice came from heaven:

“You are my Son,  
whom I love;  
with you I  
am well  
pleased.”



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***Allen Memorial United Methodist Church***

***Baptism of the Lord Sunday***

***January 10, 2010***

*Ministers: The Members*

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