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9AM—Early Worship 10AM—Sunday School 11AM—Sunday Worship

From the Pastor's Desk

As we move into Fall and I reflect on the changing of the seasons, I am once again struck by the amount of change we have weathered in the past year. We have continued to adapt our work schedules, we have examined and re-examined the way we and our children do school, we've adapted how we socialize, and we've even seen changes at church. The building itself has received much needed repairs and some updates, and we are in the process of replacing our totaled roof. We've also seen the return of in-person Sunday School and small groups – and through it all we've continued to worship. Whether we have gathered outdoors, in the sanctuary, or online, we have continued to connect to God and one another. Because we know that while change can be good or bad, hard or easy, it does require energy, and we need the regular opportunity to refuel. We need the regular reminder that even amid change one thing remains constant; the love that God has for each of us. The Psalmist reminds us of this well:

Give thanks to the Lord because he is good.

God's faithful love lasts forever!

Give thanks to the God of all gods—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of all lords—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the only one

who makes great wonders—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the one who made the skies with skill—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the one who shaped the earth on the water—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

Give thanks to the one who made the great lights—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

The sun to rule the day—

God's faithful love lasts forever.

The moon and the stars to rule the night—

God's faithful love lasts forever! (Psalm 136: 1-9 CEB)

During this new month we will take some time to remember why we do what we do, why we are who we are, and how to live into who we are called to be in our new worship series A Life That Matters. We'll explore discipleship together, as we continue to grow in service to God, whose faithful love last forever.

Blessings,

Pastor Desi

Goodrich United Methodist Children's Department









It has been quite a busy summer with Sunday School re-opening, Vacation Bible School, and the renovations. There have been so many people who have helped. I am thankful to all of you. I want to say a special thank you to Billie Duncan for her generous support of the children's ministries.

One of our teachers, Lindsay Sharp, is stepping away from teaching for a while to focus on family and getting the school year started. She has been a great asset to Sunday School. If anyone is interested in teaching, please talk to me about helping. To comply with Safe Sanctuary guidelines, we need two adult leaders each week.

This month in Sunday School we will be focusing on prayer. We have talked about when and



We had a blast with our VBS knights! Special thank you to all the volunteers who helped make it happen.



why and how we pray. Last week we made bread and discussed what "our daily bread" means. They are really good bakers. Thank you, Melissa Anderson for helping us.

Blessings,

Sherry



Happy September!

The youth had a great time last month. We went to Billy Hooten food pantry and everyone seemed to have a blast helping others and supporting our community.

This month we are going bowling at Sooner Bowling Center on September 12th directly after church.

We love having volunteers provide dinner for evening youth! If you are interested please let me know and I will give you a list of available dates to provide dinner (:

Peace and Love,

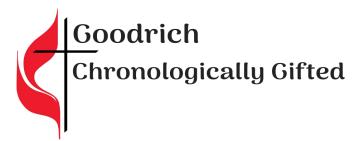
Jake Harrell
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Choir is BACK! We're so grateful to have our choir back and using their gifts to lead us in worship each week.

Thank you to Kenneith and Sylvia for lead us in Hymn Time online for the past year while choir could not meet. It was so wonderful to sing and worship together while we were apart.

Choir meets on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. You are invited to join us anytime! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our choir director, Kenneith McIntosh!



Greets to All!

WOW!!!! Hard to believe school has started and September is here. We had a great attendance for our August 10th meeting. Thanks to Bruce Ingram from Tribute Memorial Care for his presentation and providing lunch. Thanks to David Battles from the Methodist Foundation for his presentation.

We will have our brown bag lunch on September the 14th and lunch at Golden Corral on September the 28th . Looking forward to seeing all of you at these events.

Please remember to keep in contact with our home bound and those in assisted living facilities with cards and phone calls.

Blessings to all,

Kathy Hooker

President of GCG



United Methodist Women are currently in the planning stages for when we reconvene after summer break. At our welcome event, we'll plan activities for the upcoming year!

Our first regular meeting in the fall (after the welcome event), will be a potluck, and mission project. We will be assembling kits to help the homeless. They will be distributed to our fellow Normanites!

More info later, stay tuned!!

Shirley Franklin

UMW President



- 3 Sierra Cooper-Haag
- 3 Katie Hargrove
- 4 Dan Storm
- 5 John Rose
- 6 Jewel Hill
- 11 Gary Shockley
- 11 Karen McMullen
- 13 Kent Sowers
- 14 Pam Stewart
- 14 Charles Cradduck
- 15 Becky Aguilar
- 15 Debbie Anderson
- 16 Reni Aldrich
- 16 Lori Calvert
- 20 Gene Kullman
- 29 Linda Robinson





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- 12 Manny & Becky Aguilar
- 15 Eric & Shirley Franklin
- 18 Ted & Carolyn Thompson
- 26 JR & Donna Smith





Our fabulous youth went to Billy Hooten Memorial United Methodist Church, a sister church in the Oklahoma Indian Methodist Conference here in Norman. They have an wonderful food bank and invited us to share in their ministry for the afternoon. We were so blessed!



Prayer Group: Mondays, 10 AM

For many years a small group of Goodrich members has met to pray over Concerns and Joys that have been brought to us. The group of eight is now back to meeting in person at **10:00 am on Monday mornings** to talk to God.

Following prayers, cards are signed by those present and mailed to recipients. Receiving a card can be comforting and encouraging, knowing that your need has been lifted up to the Lord! It can also be celebratory and inspiring if it was sent to recognize a joy in your life! This week we sent out three 'New Baby' cards! If God is calling you to spend more time with Him, you might want to think about joining the **Monday Morning Prayer Group!** No previous experience is required!

Contact the Church Office or **Becky Aguilar** for more information.

Our Thoughts & Prayers

Assisted Living & Homebound

Ann Payne, Homebound
Del Grant, Homebound
Fran McCurley, Grace
Gil Jain, Medical Park West
Lucille Clark, Brookdale
Phyllis Gammon, Homebound





CROP Walk is set for Oct. 17

Mark your calendar for Oct. 17, date of the Cleveland County CROP Walk that raises money and awareness to end hunger locally and globally. A donation was made to allow Goodrich to again be a sponsor for the walk. Church members will have opportunities to raise and donate money and also to participate as walkers or, pending approval of church leadership, as volunteers at a water station in the church parking lot.

Be on the lookout for additional information on the Goodrich website. You can also learn more at https://clevelandcountycropwalk.org/

-Pat Gilliland



Cookbook Update:

"From our Hearts & Hands" the Goodrich cookbook is fresh from its second printing! If you haven't yet picked up your copy, now is the time to get it. It's also the time to purchase your copy. Not only do you get delicious recipes, wonderful stories, and a way to connect with the Goodrich family—but you also help support the ongoing repairs of the church.

Easy Flat Bread

Submitted by Mikala Silver

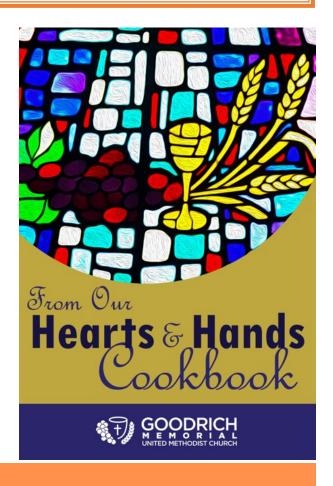
Ingredients:

- □ 1 can (or more) refrigerated biscuits
- □ Vegetable oil or cooking spray

Instructions:

- ☐ From can, remove and separate biscuits.
- ☐ Flatten each with a rolling pin.
- □ Place in hot skillet that contains oil. Press down on each with spatula while they are cooking. Brown each side.
- Once they are cooked, remove onto paper towls and let cool.

Serves 4-6



Order your cookbook today!

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The Finance Committee would like to thank you for a great start to our "Raise the Roof" fundraiser! We're starting our roof coverage at 32 squares, which leaves 218 to go. Our goal is \$25,000 by the end of October. Order your roof square to be added to the canvas in the church foyer today, \$100 a square or any other amount you'd like to give, here online or by any other means with this order form.

Thank you all for your amazing generosity and support.

Blessings, Erin Perillo

Raise the Roof Order Form

The Goodrich Memorial United Methodist Church building was in the path of a major hail storm in April 2021. As a result, a new roof is needed this fall. Please help fund this endeavor by purchasing Roof "Squares" to cover the church.

Every \$100 Square will contribute to the cost of the new roof and other hail damage repairs. This fundraiser will run until the end of October, with a goal of \$25,000.

Name:	
How Many Squares?:	X \$100 = \$
Or any amount , doesn't hav	ve to be in \$100 increments: \$