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CONNECTOR

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE IN PERSON & ONLINE

9:00 AM
Traditional Service

10:15 AM
Sunday School

11:15 AM
Praise Service

5:30 PM
Connections

Communion is served on the first Sunday of the month.

Dear Friends,

"Life is often like a pot of very hot water. It can be a harsh, stressful, and difficult place. You will find yourself in environments and facing conditions that test who you truly are, and can change, weaken, or harden you if you let them."*

I highly recommend reading The Coffee Bean, written by Jon Gordon and Damon West. This book tells a beautiful fable of the carrot, the egg, and the coffee bean. We have been studying the idea of "Gathering to be Scattered" and how we can apply spreading the love of Christ on our own "Frontlines"... in our communities, homes, where ever we may find ourselves. This can be challenging when we, ourselves, struggle, feel inadequate, and are downtrodden by life. This is where coffee beans come in... which seems very fitting as Methodists treat coffee as the third sacrament and it can be 100 degrees outside and we will still enjoy a hot cup after service!

The fable is an analogy for life's troubles. Life is portrayed as a boiling pot of water. The authors present to us three objects: a carrot, an egg, and coffee beans. When placed in the boiling pot we have three options of how we can behave in a less than ideal environment. We can arrive as a carrot and let the water weaken and soften us. We can plop in as an egg and let the water harden us. Or we can choose to enter the water as coffee beans... transforming the environment, the situation, into something new. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"**

We may not control the circumstances we are presented in life but we do control our response. We can respond and not react. Studying, praying, and meditating on God's word is so very important during times we feel overwhelmed. It is never wrong to ask for help. "No one is perfect, and we all have some faults in us, but it's not wrong to ask for help from others! Asking for help is a two advantage path, the reason being, both the teacher and learner get to learn something from a certain thing, sometimes it even leads to self-development, which is a good thing in life. Asking for help builds your confidence in life, and also boosts your chances in life!"*** Asking for support allows you to regain strength and help others. "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will."****

"You can be like the carrot that is weakened and softened by its environment. You can be like the egg that is hardened by its environment. Or, you can be like the coffee bean that transforms its environment. And when I look at you, I don't see a carrot. I don't see an egg. I see a coffee bean who will overcome challenges and change the world."*

You are so loved.

Ashley Dulin: Dir. of Communication

WHICH ARE YOU?

*The Coffee Bean - Jon Gordon and Damon West **2 Corinthians 5:17 ***Wix.com ****Romans 12:2

Vacation Bible School was such a blessed and beautiful family experience this year! Thank you to all that participated, volunteered, donated, prayed for, and led in SUMC Jerusalem Marketplace!

Gifts of the Holy Spirit Word Search

SERVE
SHARE
PASTORS
HEALING
EVANGELISE
FAITH
TEACH
DISCERNMENT
LEADERSHIP
MIRACLES
WISDOM
KNOWLEDGE
APOSTLES
ENCOURAGE

TACOS

United Methodist Men will have a taco sale fundraiser in the lobby of the sanctuary after 9:00am and after 11:15am worship services on the second Sunday of each month. Taco sales began on Sunday, June 12th, and will continue on the second Sunday of each month July through December. Cost of tacos is by donation. Proceeds from sales will be used to financially support Methodist Men's Ministries. On the second Sunday of each month, stop by our table, purchase tacos, and fellowship with each other before heading to Sunday School or home.

Thanks for your continued support.

Billy Timberlake,
President United Methodist Men

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Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21

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Sunday Schedule

9:00 AM - Traditional Service
10:15 AM - Sunday School
11:15 AM - Praise Service
12:45 PM - Youth Group (7th-12th Grades)
5:30 PM - Connections Service

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Daily Prayer

Dear Lord, I pray that I do not become like the world. I pray that I am transformed by the renewing of my mind that I may learn to understand Your will for my life, which is good and pleasing and perfect. I thank You for my spiritual growth and transformation, help me focus on the godly values and ethical attitudes that will help me flourish spiritually, emotionally and mentally,
Amen.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 **10:00am** Round Tuits **7:00pm** AA Meeting *Define long term goals.*	2 **7:00am** Men's Bible Study *Read and write your goals.*
3 *Watermelon on the Patio* **3:00pm** Community Resource Center Meeting **7:00pm** AA Group *Define short term goals.*	4 **Church Office Closed** **6:30pm** Connections Praise Team *Wake up a little early.*	5 **6:00pm** GPLC Board Meeting **7:00pm** AA Group *Buiild an action plan.*	6 **6:00pm** Praise Team Practice **6:30pm** UWF Potluck, Meeting, & Program United Women in Faith *Assess how you spend your time.*	7 **9:00am** Ladies Bible Study **6:00pm** Alanon **7:00pm** AA Group *Plan your day.*	8 **10:00am** Round Tuits **7:00pm** AA Meeting *Write down your achievements.*	9 **7:00am** Men's Bible Study **9:00am** Vendor Fair & Food **-2:00pm** Truck Event *Reduce your distractions.*
10 *UMM Taco Sale* **12:30pm** What's Up at SUMC Meeting **7:00pm** AA Group *Pray.*	11 **1:00pm** The Chosen Bible Study **6:30pm** Connections Praise Team *Research Brain Mapping.*	12 **7:00pm** AA Group *Create a not-to-do list.*	13 **6:00pm** Praise Team Practice *Conduct a self review.*	14 **9:00am** Ladies Bible Study **6:00pm** Alanon **6:30pm** Leadership Board Meeting **7:00pm** AA Group *Use the power of giving.*	15 **Newsletter Submissions Due** **10:00am** Round Tuits **7:00pm** AA Meeting *Ask for help.*	16 **7:00am** Men's Bible Study **9:00am** Alanon District Meeting *Donate something you do not use.*
17 **7:00pm** AA Group *Pray.*	18 **6:30pm** Connections Praise Team *Drink just water today.*	19 **7:00pm** AA Group *Write down something good that happened.*	20 **6:00pm** Praise Team Practice *Take time to feel.*	21 **9:00am** Ladies Bible Study **6:00pm** Alanon **7:00pm** AA Group *Look through old pictures.*	22 **10:00am** Round Tuits **7:00pm** AA Meeting *Be kind.*	23 **7:00am** Men's Bible Study *Simplify.*
24 **7:00pm** AA Group *Reflect.* *Pray.* **Youth Mission Share Lunch & Worship of Service** **7:00pm** AA Group 31	25 **6:30pm** Connections Praise Team *Watch a TedTalk.*	26 **7:00pm** AA Group *Watch the sunrise or sunset.*	27 **6:00pm** Praise Team Practice **7:00pm** UMM Potluck Meeting & Program UMM *Play.*	28 **9:00am** Ladies Bible Study **6:00pm** Alanon **7:00pm** AA Group *Practice gratitude.*	29 **10:00am** Round Tuits **7:00pm** AA Meeting *Air out your home.*	30 **7:00am** Men's Bible Study *Set 3 goals for next month.*