

JANUARY 2012



The Pastor's Corner

¹ Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, ² to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone. (Titus 3:1-2)

Be Ready To Do Whatever Is Good

Wherever the work of our Lord is to be carried on, that is my place for today. (John Wesley, Letters, V, 212. Letter to Mrs. Marston, December 14, 1770)

We are reminded in the letter Titus that we are to be ready to do whatever is good. As the church moving forward in 2012 I remind myself and each of us that we too should be ready to do whatever is good. In fact I would call upon each of us to be ready at a moments notice to do whatever work the Lord has set aside for you each day. Each of us should be vigilant and ready in every circumstance to do God's work, just as Christ was ready to do whatever God the Father set aside for Him in every moment. In this new year be ready as God will have plenty for each of us to do and accomplish. Work diligently for the Lord to advance His purposes and His Kingdom, and not forgetting those who are sick, poor, oppressed, and otherwise disadvantaged. May this new year be a time of blessing for you and your family as you move forward in Christ's employment.

Below are the Titles and Scriptures for January's messages. I encourage you to take a few minutes on Saturday evening or Sunday morning each week to take a look at the scripture for the coming Sunday message and see where God's Holy Spirit leads you.

January 1st - "Covenant" - Exodus 19:3-8 & Matthew 26:26-29

January 8th - "Keep Climbing: Why Doesn't God Give You Everything You Want" - Leaving Comfort Behind - Mark 4:35-41 & James 1:1-18

January 15th - "Keep Climbing: Why Doesn't God Give You Everything You Want" - Flatten the Mountain - Mark 4:35-41 & Philippians 4:1-13

January 22nd - "Keep Climbing: Why Doesn't God Give You Everything You Want" - Climbing in Silence - Mark 4:35-41 & Romans 8:18-27

January 29th - "Keep Climbing: Why Doesn't God Give You Everything You Want" - A Better View - Mark 4:35-51 & 1 Timothy 4:6-16

In Christ,

Pastor Jared

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2012—Marion Salem Officers

Ad Council

Chair: Mark McCoy (yr 1/3; term 1)
 Lay Member Annual Conference: Marcia Burden
 Alternate Member Annual Conference: Flora Mae Ulsh
 Lay Leader: Troy Ruehrmund (yr 1/3; term 1)
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 Treasurer: Kathy Purvis
 Financial Secretary: Lisa McCoy
 Outreach Chair: Darla Campbell
 Mission Lay Leaders: Cheryl Slack
 Worship Lay Leader: Kelly Wagner
 SPR Chair: Paul Messenger
 Recording Secretary: Betty Quinn
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 Lead Pastor: Rev. Jared Williams

Worship Team

Team Leader: Kelly Wagner
 Worship Leader: Kelly Wagner, Rick Roth
 Robin Schelb
 All E-Band Members, All Praise Band Members
 Vonnie Dendinger
 Organists: Dorothy Barker, Tracy Weisbrodt
 Pianist: Linda Van Meter
 Head Usher: Kerr Murray
 Acolytes: Corinna Jagers
 Communion Stewards: Kathy Fisher
 Lay Leader: Troy Ruehrmund

Discipleship Team

Lay Leader: Betty Quinn (yr 1/3; term 2)
 Sunday Morning Adult Discipleship: Doug Strine
 Care Ministry Coordinator: Lisa McCoy
 Nursing Home Visitation: Berchie Gorenflo and
 Diane Leibold
 Prayer Ministry Coordinator: Lisa McCoy
 Small Group Coordinator: Rev. Jared Williams
 Youth Discipleship Coordinator: Regan Hensel
 Jr. Youth Group Coordinator: Doug and Kara Strine
 VBS Coordinator: Robin Snopik
 Children's Church Coordinator: Jana Bauer
 Children's Sunday School:
 Nursery Coordinator: Megan Pollock

Finance Committee

Chair: Rob Weisbrodt (yr 1/3; term 1)
 Lay Leader: Troy Ruehrmund
 Ad Council Chair: Mark McCoy
 Treasurer: Kathy Purvis
 Financial Secretary: Lisa McCoy
 Trustee Chair: Bruce McChesney
 SPR Chair: Paul Messenger

Board of Trustees

Chair: Bruce McChesney
 12' Jay Woodruff, Jim Miracle
 13' Bruce McChesney, Robbi Smart Shad Pollock
 14' Steve Ross, Dale Wagner, Lynn Long

SPR

Chair: Paul Messenger **Lay Leader:** Troy Ruehrmund
Lay Member to Annual Conference: Marcia Burden
 12' Berchie Gorenflo, Brian Hempstead
 13' Dick Dendinger, Susie Williams, Paul Messenger
 14' Kathy Fisher, Clive Jenkins, Annelie Bushatz

Committee On Lay Leadership

Will be the first half hour of the July Administrative Council Meeting.

Youth Planning Team

Chair: Regan Hensel
Adult Members: Conni McChesney, Kathleen Miller,
 Mike Springer, Kathe Hempstead, Dale Wagner
Treasurer: Kathleen Miller
Youth: Evan Springer, Olivia Hempstead, Aaryn Workman,
 Austin Wagner, Tim Davis

Ministry Positions

Floral Arrangements: Annette VanVoorhis, Mary Lou Jenkins
 Counter: Bob Barker, John Quinn
 Care Connection Coordinator: UMW
 Historian: John Quinn
 Sunday School Secretary: Kerr Murray
 Assistant SSC: Mark McCoy
 Special Events Coordinator: Janet Strine
 Coffee Ministry: John and Betty Quinn

Outreach Ministry

Lay Leader: Darla Campbell
 Annette VanVoorhis, Susie Williams
 Cheryl Slack, Dave Slack, John Layton, Steve Ross
 Marcia Burden, Gene Strine, Sandy Strine, Todd Townsend

Crossroads Youth Update

By the time most of you read this, the New Year will already be underway and the celebration and all the festivities that go along with bringing in a new year already over. As I was pondering the upcoming year and what it might have in store, I thought about what I wanted to do this year that I didn't get to do the past year or what I wanted to be sure to do again. And then this thought hit me... **HARD!** How about thinking more about what God wants me to do this year that I didn't do last year? What did I do this past year that He wants me to do more of or do better? Instead of making a new years resolution to do something or not do something, I have decided that this year is going to be a lot less about what I want... and it's going to be more a whole lot more about what God wants!



January

- 1 - No Meeting !!
- 8 - Skating & Buca-De-Beppos
- 15 - Pancake Brunch !!
- 15- Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 22 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 24 - Planning Team Mtg. - 7:30 PM
- 29 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM



February

- 5 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- LOCK-IN @ the CHURCH
- 12 - VALENTINE'S CAKE AUCTION
- 12 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 19 - DEADLINE FOR WORKMISSION
- 19 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 26 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 28 - Planning Team Mtg. - 7:30 PM

SKATING @ THE CHILLER & BUCA'S is Jan 8th !!



PANCAKE BRUNCH

JAN 15th
11:30 - 1:00



YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes begin on Sunday morning, Feb. 5th at 9:30 AM. (during Sunday School) They are intended for 7th and 8th grade students that have not yet attended, but they are also open to any students up through 12th grade who would like to attend. Even if you are not considering becoming a member of the church, this is a great opportunity to discover what we believe as United Methodists and why we believe.

LOCK-IN - Feb. 10th - Get details on Sunday



WHO HAS SNACKS ??

- JAN 15 - Fisher's
- JAN 22 - Votaw's
- JAN 29 - Strine's
- FEB 5 - Ross's
- FEB 12 - Hempstead's
- FEB 19 - Webb's
- FEB 26 - Messenger's

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET ??



Work Mission 2012
Sommerville, TN - July 8 - 14
Deadline to signup is Feb. 19th!!

ASK, SEEK AND KNOCK

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened.
Matthew 7:7



The Lords Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

“This, then, is how you should pray:
 Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we also have forgiven those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from the evil one.

For Thine is the kingdom, the power and thy glory, forever and ever
 Amen.

~ A Prayer for the New Year ~

Come, Holy Spirit,

Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.
 Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.
 Be our Strength, our Courage, and our Sanctifier.
 May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,
 A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,
 A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,
 A time for growing in virtue and goodness.

Come, Holy Spirit,

Be with us today and always. Amen.

Pray Without Ceasing

- **Rod Jenkins** update: all the cancer was removed. Praise God!
- **Fred Roth**– has broken ribs & poor health
- **Jane Roth**– has had a stroke
- **Russ Wickersham**
- **Kinley Strohl**—Troy Ruehrmund’s great niece is battling leukemia
- **Ralph Brown**–(1st Ch of Naz.) Parkinson's disease
- **Crystall Gifford’s newborn baby**, Jonathan Paul Gifford
- **Helen Bender**– is at Woodside in room # 42
- **Our troops, their families & our nation**
- **Frances Strine**
- **Samantha McGuire**–Mission Trip
- **Drew Agee** (Annette & Chuck Van-Voorhis’ grandson)
- **Paul Young** (as he prepares to leave for Afghanistan)
- **Jamie Slaughterbeck**–(Heather & Todd’s sis) God’s healing of cancer
- **Troy Ruehrmund** God’s strength, peace & complete healing.
- **Harold Milligan**
- **Mary Jo Peterman**– lung cancer
- **Kris Fisher**– in Afghanistan.
- **Kaleb Leathem**– in the Air Force
- **Paul & Marge McChesney**
- **Anna Mylander**– healing
- **Sammy Johnson**- (Eunice’s 8 yr old gr grandson)
- **Wanda Robinson**- (Barb Dendinger’s daughter) complete healing
- **Carson DeWitt**– healing and God’s peace
- All of our shut-ins & those in Assisted Living & Nursing Facilities.

Senior Lunch & Social Time



11:30 a.m. January 25th

Marion Salem Free Clinic Jan. 16th 6 pm - 8 pm

Available to those with no health insurance & meet certain guidelines.
 No appt necessary & the 1st 20 people accepted.
 Please call 419-947-5383
 or email freeclinic@marionsalemchurch.org

Shopping Cart Sunday

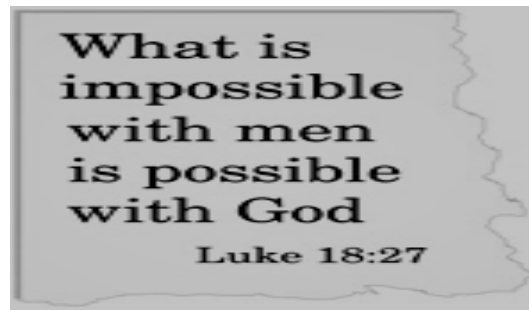
As you know, we maintain a small food pantry at Marion Salem, which is available to anyone in need at our church or in the area. We need your help to keep the shelves full. The Outreach Ministry Team has designated the 3rd Sunday of each month as "Fill the Shopping Cart Sunday". If you would like to help, please donate canned & non-perishable items on Sunday, January 15th. Thank You!

Noisy Offering 1st Sunday of every month, during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. *Thank you!*

This helps with the purchase of meat for the food pantry.

Meetings

- 1/12 UMW
- 1/16 Worship 7:00 pm
- 1/23 Finance 7:00 pm
Ad Council 7:30 pm



Donut Sunday

9:00 a.m. 1st Sunday every month
 Seekers Class January 8th



Birthdays

- 1/1 Alex Bushatz
- 1/2 Abby Stump
- 1/3 Haleigh Townsend
- 1/4 Justin Campbell
David Chapman
Kathleen Miller
- 1/7 Dave Slack
Cindy Williams
- 1/8 Ellen Messenger
Bob Stump
Chase Workman
- 1/9 Collin Stump
- 1/10 Doug Gruber
- 1/14 Tom Tomlin
- 1/15 Caden Oreweiler
- 1/16 Flora Mae Ulsh
Mark Dendinger
- 1/18 Lillian Wagner
- 1/19 Taylor Hawk
- 1/22 Reanna Roth
- 1/23 Carter Sexton
- 1/24 Briean Axline
- 1/25 Amber Sexton

- 1/26 Chris McChesney
- 1/28 Amy Springer
- 1/30 Michelle Brandum



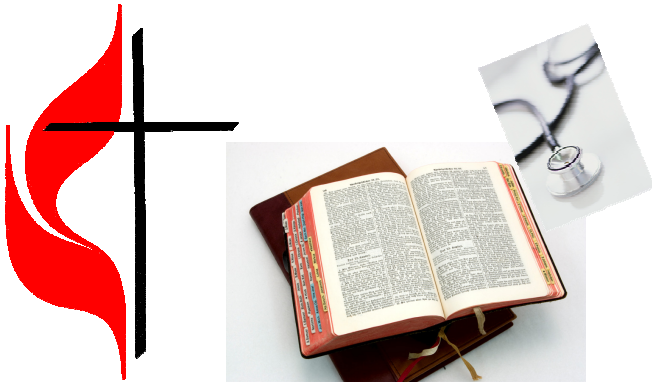
Anniversaries

- 1/1 Rick & Nancy Hicks
- 1/2 Raymond & Doris Auld
- 1/7 John & Libby Chapman
- 1/10 Clive & Mary Lou Jenkins
- 1/18 Jim & Linda VanMeter



CLINIC UPDATE

**Next Free Clinic is Monday,
January 16th
6-8 pm**



The Marion Salem Free Clinic has been up and running for 3 months now. We continue to grow and expand both in services that we can offer and in the people we are bringing to the church. We are exposing new patients to our compassionate volunteers and we are exposing some of our volunteers to our church family.

To the people that are volunteering, THANK YOU for a terrific job. It shows in the love you show to each and everyone and could not be done without you. I hope that you continue to show the love of Christ to each other and our patients that we serve.

Matthew 25:40

Pancake Brunch



**Serving Pancakes,
Whole Hog Sausage,
Scrambled Eggs,
Juice**

**Sunday January 15th
Serving from 11:30 until 1:00**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
COST IS BY FREE-WILL DONATION**

All Proceeds to benefit the Crossroads Youth

Dare to Be Uncommon

by Tony Dungy

Men's Bible Study

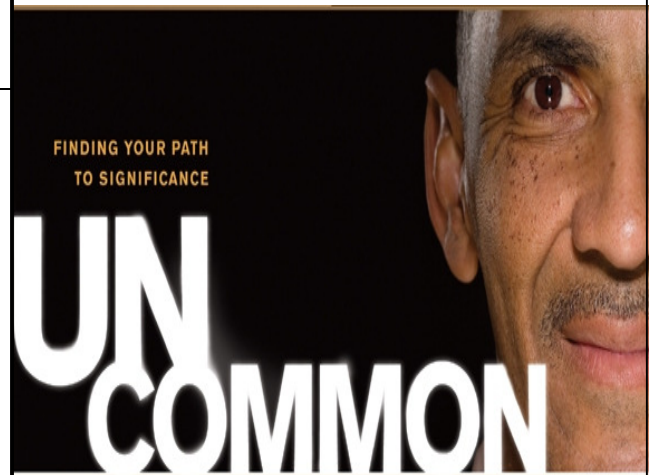
"An uncommon life doesn't happen by accident. It's the result of the choices, actions, and

commitments we make - to God, to ourselves, and to others."

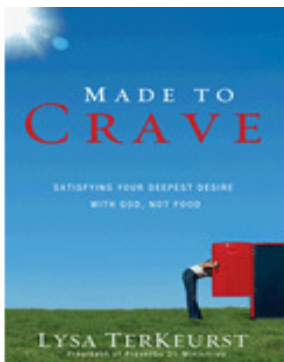
Join Pastor Jared for a 7 week Bible study based on Tony Dungy's "Dare to be Uncommon". This study is designed to help men develop their character in order that they may live an uncommon life!

The Sessions are:

- Strengthening Your Core
- Loving Our Families
- Lifting Your Friends and Others
- Your Full Potential
- A Mission That Matters
- Influence Over Image
- Life Your Faith



**Starting Sunday, January 22nd at 6:30 p. m.
in the Family Life Center. (Room to be
announced.)**



Made to Crave is the missing link between a woman's desire to be healthy and the spiritual empowerment necessary to make that happen. The reality is we were made to crave. Craving isn't a bad thing. But we must realize God created us to crave more of Him. Many of us have misplaced that craving by overindulging in physical pleasures instead of lasting spiritual satisfaction. If you are struggling with unhealthy eating habits, you can break the 'I'll start again Monday' cycle, and start feeling good about yourself today. Learn to stop beating yourself up over the numbers on the scale. Discover that your weight loss struggle isn't a curse but rather a blessing in the making, and replace justifications that lead to diet failure with empowering go-to scripts that lead to victory. You can reach your healthy weight goal -- and grow closer to God in the process. This is not a how-to book. This is not the latest and greatest dieting plan. This book is the necessary companion for you to use alongside whatever healthy lifestyle plan you choose. This is a book and Bible study to help you find the 'want to' in making healthy lifestyle choices.

Led by Lisa McCoy- Starting Sunday, January 22nd —February 26th at 6:30 p.m

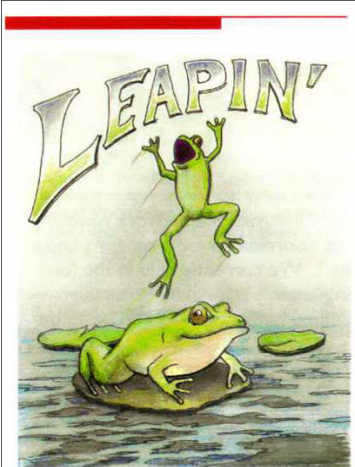
A New Year's Prayer

May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;
Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;
Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;
Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows;
Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you when people and their causes need you most,
and by making you anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead.

Anonymous

*Jesus Christ
the same yesterday,
And today,
And forever*

Hebrews 13:8



LEAPIN' OUTREACH CENTER

287 South State St. Marion, Ohio 43302 Phone – (740) 387-0131
Hours: Tuesdays 5:30 – 7:30PM & Thursdays 10:00 – 12:00 noon

As we enter a new year at Leapin' Outreach Center we first want to thank everyone who helped this past year with your donations of clothing, personal needs, toys and money, your prayers and especially those who donated your time as a volunteer. Without your continued support, we would be unable to help all of the increasing numbers of less fortunate people in Marion County.

We were able to help 345 children have a merrier Christmas. All of the families were very appreciative of the help. We were so blessed with all of the volunteers that came in to help in December. What an incredible thing it would be if everyone had that same passion and desire to come and help us meet the needs of the less fortunate the rest of the year. Believe me when I say it feels just as awesome to help someone in May, June and July as it does at Christmas. With our increasing numbers, we would love to open another day.

We are currently in need of winter items such as boots and coats for men, women and children. Our racks are bare in the area of kids warm clothing. We serve so many families with school age children and teens and simply can't keep up with the need. We need personal hygiene items such as shampoo, deodorant, soap, razors, shaving cream, toothbrushes and toothpaste and women's sanitary products. Many of our clients are on food stamps and do not have the means of purchasing these items, so we are trying to help out as our donations of such items permits.

We pray that God blesses you this coming New Year and ask that you please continue to pray for all of those who are less fortunate, that their needs may be met both physically and spiritually.

If you have questions, please call Pat Hensel at 740-262-1615.

L – Loving
E – Each
A – And Every
P – Person
I – In
N – Need

"Leapin' Outreach Center" is now a 501c3 Tax-Exempt organization.

God created us to be with Him.
Our sins separate us from God.
Sins cannot be erased by good deeds.
Paying the price for sin, Jesus died.
Everyone who trusts in Him has eternal life.
Life that's eternal means we will be with Jesus forever in heaven.





Confirmation

Dates are: February 5th thru April 29th

Time: 9:30 AM - during regular Sunday School time

In Jeremiah the Bible describes a tree that is firmly planted by a stream, receiving nourishment and bearing good fruit.

Whether or not our lives bear good fruits depends mostly on where our roots are and the nourishment that we receive. That is why family and church are so essential to the well being of our youth as they grow up.

Confirmation is open to any students in the 7th to 12th grades and is a time for a young person to examine the Christian faith—to find out what it means to love God, how to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, and what it means to bear good fruit. Confirmation is a key opportunity to help make firm roots in the faith of your child. As a parent, you will join in nurturing your young person for a growing and healthy relationship with God, with others, with family and with themselves.

We pray that you will commit you and your young person to joining us for this years confirmation program.

Talk it over with your child and then let Pastor Jared or myself know if you are planning to attend. We need to have “confirmation” of who will be attending no later than Sunday, January 15th.

In His Service,

Regan Hensel

Reverend Jared Williams

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 Fam Ctr res 4-7 pm	7
8 Fam Ctr Res 11:30- 6pm	9	10	11	12 UMW 7:00pm	13	14
15 Pancake Brunch	16 Worship Mtg 7p	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Finance 7p & Ad	24	25 Senior Lunch 11:30 a.m.	26	27	28
29	30	31 Planning Team Mtg 7:30 p.m.				

NURSERY HELPERS

1/1 Heather Townsend & Betty Woodruff
 1/8 Vickie Axline & Kathy Butler
 1/15 Cheryl Slack & Christy Tolle
 1/22 Kathy Purvis & Amy McGuire
 1/29 Leslie Jordan & Mariah Stump

Sunday School Helpers for Amy's Class

1/1 no ss— 10:00 a.m. worship service
 1/8 Marcia Burden
 1/15 Barb Dendinger
 1/22 Janet Strine
 1/29 Robin Snopik

CHILDREN CHURCH HELPERS

1/4 No Children's Church
 1/8 Corinna Jagers & Julie Roth
 1/15 Megan Pollock & Jon Myers
 1/22 Amy Strine & Dale Wagner
 1/29 Dawn Ruehrmund & Cheryl Slack

Greeters

1/1 Max & Janet Strine - Kerr & Sharon Murray 10 am service
 1/8 Steve & Leslie Ross—Marilyn Lawrence
 1/15 Shad & Megan Pollock — Ruth Maher
 1/22 Clive & Mary Lou Jenkins — Stan & Deb Croft
 1/29 Jay & Betty Woodruff

*If you are unable to help on the assigned Sunday, please switch with someone on this list.
 Thank you for your time and service at MSUMC.*

Encouraging Word

Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life.
 And if someone asks about your Christian hope,
 always be ready to explain it.

1 Peter 3:15, NLT

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Return Service Requested

Church Office Hours

9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. M-T-W & F

**Have you read
your Bible to-**



Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Salvation
Don't leave this life
without it.**