

VUMC Weekly

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Thursday, November 21, 2024, The Chimes Newsletter, Village UMC - HSV

Sunday Worship
9:00am Praise Service
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Worship
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Next week, Tuesday, Praise Practice, 1:30 p.m., Choir Practice, 3:00 p.m., Newsletter article deadline, 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Church Offices will close at Noon.

FROM PASTOR CHRIS

Following our Commitment Sunday last week, we've received pledge or estimate of giving cards from almost half our giving units. Cards will continue to come in over the next few weeks, and online pledges are still an option for several of you. We are also seeing a good response to this year's Interest and Talent Surveys. This is where you can make a commitment in volunteering for the coming 12 months in any of our ministry areas. Our ministries are possible because of your commitment to service to God's Kingdom work.

Our Leadership Team met yesterday to consider the overall needs of our 2025 budget. The proposed budget of \$697,730 was revised to \$675,254 in order to approve a balanced budget. We consider received pledges and current giving trends in making a realistic projection for the coming year. We may find that giving holds as strongly and even grows, and if so, we will add budget considerations for capital expenses and trustee needs for our building and grounds. All in all, we feel that with your generous support, we have a budget that is realistic and a witness of good stewardship.

Thank you, friends, for partnering in the ministries of Village UMC. I am so proud of the work in mission and ministry that is accomplished every week. We are known and respected in our community and beyond. We touch lives and make a positive difference for many. We love Jesus. As we plan for 2025, good things are on the horizon.

Meanwhile, I'm getting excited about worship on Sunday. The sermon will come from 2 Samuel, the last words of David. And at 11:00, there will be a special musical gift! I cannot wait! Come join us!

Chris

You can use this QR Code for church donations / offerings.



QR Code to fill out a 2025 Pledge / Estimate of Giving form



Another way to fill out a 2025 Pledge / Estimate of Giving form is to click the link below for the church website.

[Church website LINK for VUMC Support. This Support page includes 2 links. One for 2025 Pledge and one for Time and Talents. Check it out.](#)

Scripture Text, Sermon Title and Music



November 24

2 Samuel 23: 1-7

"Famous Last Words"

Pastor Chris Hemund

Christ the King Sunday

Praise Service 9:00 a.m.

*O Praise Him
Sing to the King
Rock of Ages*

*Give Thanks for the Lord is Good
We Will Glorify the King of Kings*

Traditional Service 11:00 a.m.

*Rejoice, the Lord is King
Now Thank We All Our God
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

ANTHEM: *Crown Him Lord of All*
arr. Marty Parks

Prelude: *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*
arr. Joel Raney
Earl Wilde, Piano Lisa Hester, Organ

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers for this Sunday are given by Jerry and Lynne Harkleroad in celebration of their 17th Anniversary (Sunday, November 24th).



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Radio Ministry

The RADIO MINISTRY for this Sunday is sponsored by Rev. Genie and Gary Kistler in loving memory of Rev. Norman and Novella Carter (married 74 years ago).

The sermon for Sunday, November 24 will be broadcast on the radio station KVRE 92.9FM on December 1, at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.

Use this LINK to listen to the station anytime. [Click this Link for KVRE 92.9 FM](#)



United Methodists are striving to make a difference in the world and discern what God has called them to do. Gifts to the United Methodist Student Day offering are building hope, empowering futures and shaping tomorrow for students like Jaci Murden.

Jaci sees her work in music education as an investment in the next generation. By connecting with students through music, she creates opportunities for them to develop their skills and passions. Music and leadership were pillars of Jaci's upbringing. From an early age, she was immersed in music, starting with piano lessons and eventually mastering various instruments in band and singing in choirs.

Jaci recognized that higher education was a pathway to self-improvement and future success. The financial burden of college was alleviated by a scholarship funded through the United Methodist Student Day offering.

Throughout her education, Jaci held numerous leadership roles in school, community and church. Her roots in The United Methodist Church ran deep, shaped by her father's role as an ordained elder. As her family moved across Mississippi, each church her family served became a significant part of her life. These connections have endured, providing her with mentorship and support from past and present church members. She has served in various leadership capacities within The United Methodist Church, from local to global levels. She credits these experiences with shaping her identity.



This Sunday, November 24, is one of our Special Giving Sundays, being United Methodist Student Day. Your donation supports educational goals with scholarships for United Methodist students working towards undergraduate and graduate degrees. Single \$1 bills given in the offering plate benefit this special offering. If you want to make a donation by check, make payable to VUMC and mark "Special Sunday" in the memo section.

THE PEOPLE OF
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AREAS TO SIGN UP OR NOTICE

**Bake Sale items needed for December 7.
Deadline to sign up is November 24.**

Disciple II Bible Study

2025 World Thank Offering boxes available. See UWF article in the November 17 Chimes for details.



Happy Anniversary

**11/24 Jerry & Lynne Harkleroad
11/30 Richard & Linda Black
12/01 Hal & Mary Lou Kern**



Happy Birthday

**11/21 Irene Orr
11/23 Bill Veal
11/24 Linda Smith
11/26 J'laine Fox
12/01 Vicki Hartmann
12/04 James Buss**



DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

You are needed!

Scheduled time is 2:00 p.m. but some from the congregation are planning to get a head start by staying after the 11:00 worship service. If you are able to stay right after the service, that would be great but if you can't make it at that time, make plans to come after you have had lunch to help continue preparing our church for Advent and Christmas. Depending on how many helpful hands we have, our plans are to have the church open until 3:00 p.m. (Later if needed.)



**Did you sign up to attend the
Thanksgiving Dinner?**

**The deadline to sign up and pay
has been extended. You now
have until Sunday morning,
November 24.**

**The cost is \$17.00 per person. Make plans to attend.
Glenn Wortham will be in the Narthex on Sunday morning
to help you sign up.**

**ALSO, see you on Wednesday, November 27, at 1:00
p.m. as we share a Thanksgiving meal together.**

**December UWF Luncheon
INVITATION FOR ALL WOMEN
December 2 at 10:00 a.m.**



**United
Women
in Faith**

The December meeting of the United Women in Faith (formerly known as the United Methodist Women) will be Monday, December 2, at 10:00 a.m. Beginning in the Sanctuary, we will end our meeting in the Fellowship Hall as we share a meal together. The luncheon will be a Bake Potato Bar with many of your favorite toppings. This meeting is open to all ladies of the church. A sign-up sheet is available at the Opportunity Center in the Narthex so make plans to attend and please sign up to help with the meal planning.



BAKE SALE NEWS

Items Needed

Sunday, November 24th, is the last day to sign up to bake small holiday treats for the United Women in Faith (formerly named United Methodist Women) Bake Sale.

Proceeds will go toward missions and programs for women, children, and youth supported by our UWF.

Delivery Date for baked goods: Friday, December 6

Time: 9-1

Place: Our Church narthex

Everyone: Plan to attend the Holiday Craft Fair at Village United Methodist Church on Saturday, December 7th from 9 – 2 and look for the bake sale table will be on the left when you walk into the narthex.

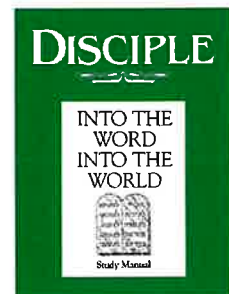
Thanks to all who continue to support VUMC's historic Ice Cream Social/Bake Sale and in recent years the addition of a Bake Sale during the Holiday Craft Fair.

Make plans to attend.

Any questions, contact Diana Reeves [REDACTED]

Disciple II Bible Study to be offered

Into the Word, Into the World will begin on Wednesday, January 15, at 8:30 a.m. This 32-week study emphasizes the practice of spiritual disciplines and keeping the sabbath. Sign up is required. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex at the Opportunity Center.



A little information on terms that may not be familiar to you.

We have had questions on areas of ministry that are familiar if you have been part of the church for a few years but may not be familiar to those who are newer. When you see information about a certain "number" is meeting, such as "The Enneagram SIXES are meeting," this is for persons who have been in one of the Enneagram studies that is taught by Mary Anne Settle. There are 9 numbers in this program and periodically Mary Anne has a meeting for those persons who have been in her class in the past, and through that class have been identified as numbers 1 - 9.



The other group is the United Women in Faith. This is actually the very same group that has been known as United Methodist Women for years. In 2022, the official name became United Women in Faith, in order to be more inclusive, as some women were not in United Methodist Churches but wanted to be part of such an organized mission-oriented group.



Click this link below to read an article about "The Journey Continues" Worship bulletin board.

[Click this Link for Bulletin Board article.](#)

SUNDAY MORNING LIVE on our website

To worship with us online at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. on Sundays, go to our Church Website, villageumc.net or to our Facebook page. Here is a LINK to our website Sunday Morning Live. If you have no sound, be sure that the audio is not showing muted with an X across the audio symbol. [ON SUNDAY MORNING CLICK THIS FOR OUR WEBSITE WORSHIP LIVE](#)



Did you miss worshipping with us last week? Worship any time. Use this link.

[November 17 - Praise Worship Service LINK](#)

[November 17 - Traditional Worship Service LINK](#)

Or check the video archives on our website.

><> Internet links of interest <><

[ARUMC LINK](#)

[Lectionary
Calendar LINK](#)

[UMC Hymnal
LINK](#)

[The Faith We
Sing
Hymnal LINK](#)

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS *with* BISHOP MERRILL

8:30 a.m. | Wednesdays
December 4 | December 11 | December 18

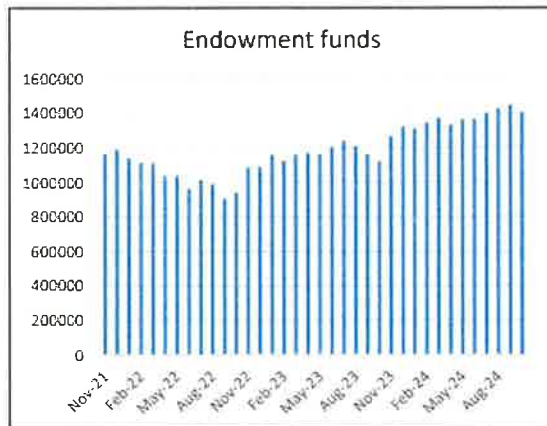
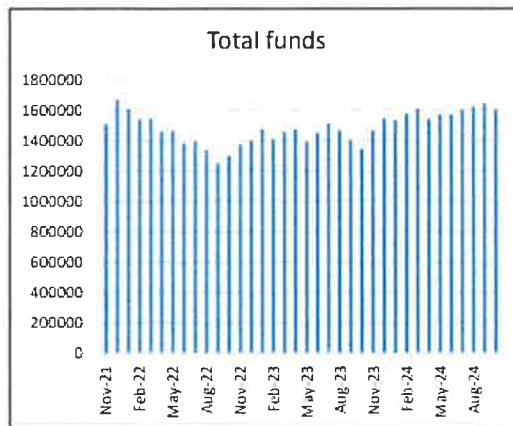
Advent Devotionals with Bishop Merrill

Join Bishop Laura Merrill and leaders from the Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conferences for Advent Devotionals on Wednesdays December 4, 11, and 18 at 8:30 a.m.

[Join the ZOOM on Dec. 4, 11, & 18 at 8:30 a.m.](#)

Village UMC Financial Report Year to date as of October 31, 2024

| | Month | | Year to date | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> |
| General Fund: (checking account) | | | | |
| Receipts | \$ 52,704.33 | \$ 61,312.14 | \$ 527,563.30 | \$ 556,095.83 |
| Plus Transfers for capital/Capital donations | | \$ 5,000.00 | | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Plus Transfers from other VUMC funds | | \$ 18,533.73 | | \$ 18,539.28 |
| Disbursements | \$ 53,416.19 | \$ 51,850.86 | \$ 527,999.90 | \$ 537,453.86 |
| Plus Capital Expenses: door & windows/prk lot repair/la | | \$ 6,975.01 | | \$ 30,834.07 |
| Designated funds: (checking and savings account) | | | | |
| Receipts | | \$ 12,832.52 | | |
| Transfer savings to checking | | \$ 16,000.00 | | |
| Disbursements | | \$ 18,053.27 | | |
| Checking and Savings Accounts Balance | | | | \$ 57,697.86 |
| Special funds: | | | | |
| Arkansas Methodist Foundation Bldg/Prop Reserve Fund w/drawn for doors/windows | | | \$ | 17.21 |
| Arkansas Methodist Foundation Endowment Fund | | | \$ | 1,405,684.43 |
| Arkansas Methodist Foundation Endowment Income Fund | | | \$ | 23,693.03 |
| Arkansas Methodist Foundation Galloway Bequest/Mobile Food Pantry | | | \$ | 116,198.23 |
| Total special funds | | | \$ | 1,545,592.90 |



Detailed report available in church library.

Many worship opportunities are available in December. Invite your friends to attend with you.

The Chancel Choir presents

The Voices of Christmas

Composed by Joseph M. Martin

Our goal is to convey the message that because Christ was born to everyone (past, present, and future), we are all connected to the manger. We are all witnesses to and voices of the Good News of Jesus' birth.

December 8, 2024

11:00 A.M.

Stephen Edds, Director
Lisa Hester, Accompanist
Earl Wilde, Instrumental Keyboardist

Sanctuary
Village United Methodist Church
200 Carmona Rd., Hot Springs Village



Schedule of Events and Happenings at VUMC

November 24 - Decorate the Church for Christmas.

November 27 - Thanksgiving Dinner 1:00 p.m.
Sign up begins November 3 and continues to November 24.

December 2 - United Women in Faith Meeting at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Potato Bar luncheon.

December 4 - Wednesday Advent Worship Service, 5:00 p.m.

December 7 - Community Craft Fair held at the church.
[CLICK for Community Craft Fair Information](#)

December 8 - Christmas Cantata, "The Voices of Christmas"

December 11 - Wednesday Advent Worship Service, 5:00 p.m.

December 12 - United Methodist Men breakfast, 8:00 a.m. "Voices Rising" will be providing the program.

December 18 - Wednesday Advent Service, 5:00 p.m.

December 21 - Longest Night Service, 2:00 p.m.

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service, 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

March 23-28 - Sager Brown 2025 Mission Trip. \$40 nonrefundable registration fee.

April 3-10 - Honduras 2025 Mission Trip



Schedule of Community Concerts and Activities connected to the VUMC congregation and Community Ministry/Mission opportunities

November 30 - What Christmas Means with Shannon Hushaw, 4:30 p.m. at Coronado Center. Information and tickets click this LINK:
[Shannon Hushaw - What Christmas Means LINK](#)

December 3 - Village Chorale Christmas, 7:00 p.m. at Woodlands Auditorium. Singing in the Village Chorale is our choir member, Art Torpy.
[CLICK here for Village Chorale Christmas information](#)

December 10 - Cedar Mountain Singers "A Very Merry Christmas", 7:00 p.m., Christ of the Hills UMC, 700 Balearic Road. This group includes Joyce Barone, Cindy Schlachtenhaufen, Carla Fish, Cheryl Streiff, Johnie Kolesar, Cheryl Pedigo, Pam Van Vickle, Linda Black, Jo Morrison, Ev Sandlin, LaTrese Hubert, John Shrock, Scott Luchesi, Stephen Edds, and Lamar Cowger from VUMC. Stephen's wife, Denise, is the director.
[CLICK TO SEE the poster for the Cedar Mountain Singers Christmas](#)

December 12 - Hot Springs Concert Band Christmas Concert, 7:00 p.m., at Woodlands Auditorium. Instrumentalists include Rick Perryman (Tuba) and Ruth Hamm (French Horn).
[CLICK TO SEE the poster for the Hot Springs Concert Band Christmas](#)

December 13 - Village Carillons and the PEO Singers Christmas, 7:00 p.m., at Christ of the Hills UMC. Director of the Carillons is Nikki Saltmarsh and Stephen Edds is one of the Ringers. Rosetta DuBose is a singer in the PEO Singers.
[CLICK TO SEE the poster for the P.E.O. Singers & Village Carillons concert](#)

CLICK LINK BELOW to see the VUMC Weekly Calendar [LINK November 24 WEEKLY Calendar](#)

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HAVE YOU BEEN FOLLOWING THE "WORSHIP" BULLETIN BOARD LOCATED IN THE OFFICE HALLWAY, ACROSS FROM THE CONFERENCE ROOM?

The Worship bulletin board has been following the Christian calendar and is completing a year which began as "The Journey Begins" and progressed into being titled "The Journey Continues." The church calendar year walks us through the life of Christ by bringing us into the remembrance of all Christ has done. In this bulletin board display, you were able to journey from Advent to Christmas to Epiphany to Lent to Easter to Pentecost to Kingdomtide and this Sunday, November 24, is the day that the church year comes to a festive close, with Christ the King Sunday a.k.a. Reign of Christ Sunday. It is the church's "New Year's Eve" when we try to sum up the past year and look forward to the next with new eyes and renewed hope. This past year included learning some examples of what was or wasn't "Lent." You journeyed through Holy Week from the Hosanna palms and along the road of suffering to the empty cross, followed by offering your own coffee filter "artwork" to bring "new life" in a "flowering of the cross" display. You shared pictures of your "Traveling with Jesus" and pictures of what Holy Communion would look like if you were in a home environment on a Communion Sunday. Other highlighted moments included Aldersgate Day, the dove and flame of Pentecost with its long 26 weeks of "after Pentecost" season. In that season information about The Trinity for Trinity Sunday was displayed. The current bulletin board has pictures of our Saints who passed away since last All Saints Sunday. As we end one church year and look toward the horizon of beginning a new year and a day of new beginnings, take a moment to journey back and think of the life of Christ and also think of your own faith journey. Think of the church doors you have entered. Then think of the future and your spiritual walk that is before you. Consider the thought of making each day a day of new beginnings. Of journeying right beside Jesus.

So as "The Journey Continues," one last offering for your journey as the church calendar year ends and a new one begins, there is a very heartfelt song written and sung by Naomi Carroll called "Enjoy the Journey."

The chorus has these words:

*Enjoy the journey, rest in God's love.
Give Him glory, be strong and stand up.
For He has given life worth living,
so until eternity, enjoy the journey.*

