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NLR FUMC Celebrates High School Graduates on Senior Sunday CONGRATULATIONS SENIOR CLASS OF 2016!



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JOIN US AS WE
CELEBRATE OUR
GRADUATING HIGH
SCHOOL SENIORS
SUNDAY, MAY 1ST IN
THE 11:00
SANCTUARY WORSHIP
SERVICE!



Bradley Jolly



Baylie Miller



Connor Ophof



Kaitlyn Williams



Contemporary Service 9:00

The Reverend Davis Thompson

Sunday School 10:00



Argenta Service 10:30

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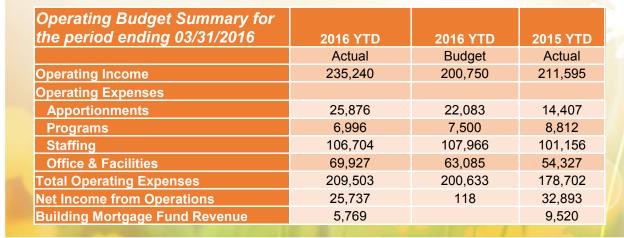
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from our Pastors >>>

Since January 2016

Blood Drive – We have started to give our most valuable personal asset and that is blood over the past three months. The first time we gave blood we had 22 units given that personally touched 132 lives and recently we gave 16 units that touched 96 lives. We have donated 38 total units that touched 228 lives. Each unit touches 6 people.

Zip Lock Bags to UMCOR – At Sager Brown we transported 1500 Large Zip Lock Bags to them and this impacted people in the form of Hygiene Kits, Sanitary Kits, individual meal kits. Jo Roberts, Larry and Sue LeMasters delivered the Zip-lock bags when they served on a Sager Brown mission team around the first of the year.

Back Packs: Since 1 January we have been supporting 28 families at Indian Hills Elementary with back packs. That has impacted 3220 individual means as the Back Packs go out every Friday for the weekend and support 115 people. In the four months, since the 1st of January, we have given out 448 Back Packs.

Broadway Bridge – Every last Monday of the month we provide a meal to the Broadway Bridge homeless and average about 75 – 110 people each Monday. This is important as this may be the only fresh,

warm meal that they get. On top of this food, we have given them clean underwear, blankets, hats and gloves, etc.

Future:

Pack Shack – On July 31st (A fifth Sunday) we will be hosting a Pack Shack. This is when we will be able to pack meals for those in hunger in the Arkansas area. We have obligated FUMC to packing 30,000 meals that we will have the opportunity to distribute to those agencies of our choice. What an impact. 30,000 meals is a great number but each one of those meals represents 1-4 individuals that are hungry in Arkansas. Each one of us can make an impact on that number by being here and helping fill the bags of food.

Way to go Missions Committee and way to go FUMC! We am so proud of you in the manner that you have stepped up and taken on these missions. You have made a positive difference to the recipients of our church's ministry. Remember that Christ was calling his disciples when He said: "Come and follow me – I will make you Fishers of souls". They will see Him in the faces of those that are doing His work. You are the hands and feet of Jesus the Christ.

...from our Minister of Youth and Families >>>

Upcoming Events:

> Mission Trip on June 24-July1 in Bryson City, NC. Cost: 200.00. Forms are available on the youth bulletin board. I need all forms filled out and 100.00 non-refundable deposit by May 15

> Assembly on July 25-29 in Conway at Hendrix College. Cost: \$140 April 7-May 25. Forms are available on the youth bulletin board. I need all forms filled out and 70.00 non-refundable deposit by May 25.

- > Senior Breakfasts will take place the First Monday of each month
- > Freshman Breakfast will take place the Third Sunday of each month during Sunday school time.

Our UMY NextLevel Youth work the concessions stands at Dickey-Stephens Park to raise money for youth trips and events.

So, COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT AT THESE UPCOMING TRAVS GAMES!

Wednesday, May 4th @ 11:00 am Sunday, May 10th @ 2:10 pm

FYI, you can bring your church bulletin to Dickey-Stephens Park to Sunday games and your family (two adults and up to four kids 14 and under) will be admitted or only \$10!

...from our Minister of Children and Families >>>



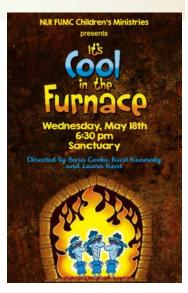
Tree House VBS is online and ready for you to sign your kids up!! Look for the link on the church's website to register. Volunteers can sign up online as well. You are needed!

The children's musical "It's Cool in the Furnace" is going to be on May 11th at 6:30.

The next Family Night is this Friday, April 29th at 5:45-8:00 upstairs. This will be the last Family Night held at the church for the school year. The movie will be The Good Dinosaur.

This summer, we will have Family field trips:

- June 11th Heifer Ranch in Perryville, AR (8am-3pm)
- June 26th Splash Zone 6:30-8:30pm
- July 23rd Big Rock (times TBA)



	<u>May 1</u>	<u>May 8</u>
Financial Assist	??	??
Van Driver:	Tim Caley	Jim Bowling
WayPoint Communion & Ushers	Richard & Gina Wilson	Richard & Gina Wilson



Friday, April 29th is Family Night! These are fun nights of fellowship! From 5:45-6:30, we will eat pizza all together as families. Around 6:30, the kids will watch a movie in the movie room with popcorn and the adults will fellowship in the Imagination Island right next door with desserts. Nursery will be provided. Please RSVP for this so we know how much pizza to get. You can RSVP on online. Link is located at the bottom of our website www.nlrfumc.org. *We will be in need of some volunteers both youth and adults for Family Nights. Hopefully we can get adults that don't have kids in the Children's Ministry to help so the parents, who do, can participate in the adult fellowship. Please contact Laura Kent if you are able to help. 501-952-0908.

The North Little Rock Kiwanis Club is again sponsoring the Annual Central Arkansas National Day of Prayer Breakfast, in conjunction with the 65th Annual National Day of Prayer.

As usual, it's the 1st Thursday in May, so therefore, will be May 5th, 2016. It will he held at the Wyndham Hotel, 2 Riverfront Place, NLR., 7am-8:15am.

This year's theme is "Wake Up America". Tickets are \$20/person or \$175 for a table of 10. FUMC will purchase a table of 10, so will cost \$17.50. Tickets will be available in the church office. Make checks payable to the NLR Kiwanis Club. Money must be received by May 1st.

For more information, call Kiwanis and church member, John Drake, at 912-4127, or the church office, 835-2201. Or go to nationaldayofprayer.org or KiwanisNLR.org.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

We have a couple of openings on the calendar and need to make sure the volunteer desk is manned on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 12:30 pm till 4:00 pm.

If you'd like to volunteer for any of these opportunities or would like more info, please call the church office and speak to either Jay Wedaman or Mary Beth Clark.



Church Women United will meet for May Friendship Day at 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 6, here at NLR FUMC. Lunch is available with a \$5 registration fee. 10:30 am—Fellowship / Refreshments. 11:00— Business. 11:30—Program. 12:00—Lunch. The United Methodist Church supports Church Women United. Church Women United is an ecumenical organization open to women of all races, cultures, and denominations The organization is also an advocate for Christian fellowship, prayer, and action for peace with justice in the world especially for women, children, and youth.



Our children will present "It's Cool in the Furnace" on Wednesday, May 11th at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. "It's Cool in the Furnace" is a Musical about Daniel, King Nebuchadnezzar, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego with humor, action, and spiritual heart. The musical is directed by Sara Cooke, Kurt Kennedy, and Laura

The UMW Central District Spiritual Growth Day Apart will be held on Saturday, May 21, at Philander Smith College Kendall Center. "Created for Happiness: Understanding Your Life in God" will be led by David Baker, pastor of Wesley United

Methodist Church in Conway, plus his wife, Lynn Baker will lead us in song during our time together. Registration forms are available in the church office or at www.nlrfumc.org under Forms. Cost is \$10 including lunch with registration by May 3 or \$12 at the door.







REGISTRATION FOR VOLUNTEERS AND PARTICIPANTS
IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.NLRFUMC.ORG.

..events for the weeks of May 1- May 15

SUNDAY, May 1

SENIOR SUNDAY	
9 & 11	Family Worship
9:00	WayPoint Service*
10:00	Sunday School*
10:30	Argenta Service*
11:00	Sanctuary Service*
12:00	UMW Unit Meeting/ Luncheon
4:30	Puppet Team Rehearsal
5:00	UMY NextLevel

MONDAY, May 2

Scout Meetings

TUESDAY, May 3

6:30	Bible Study
9:00	Community Ministries
9:30	Creative Hands Group
5:00	Body & Soul Fitness Class

WEDNESDAY, May 4

9:00	CEC Story Time
9:00	Quilters
2:30	After School Club
5:00	Soul Café
6:00	UMY NextLevel
6:00	Children's Choirs
6:15	WOW Group*
6:30	Chancel Choir Rehearsal'
6:30	Wacky Wednesday
6:30	Chapel Service*

THURSDAY, May 5 **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

10:00 Bible Study

Body & Soul Fitness Class 5:00

FRIDAY, May 6

9:00 Church Women United @ NLRFUMC

SATURDAY, May 7

10:00	It's Cool in the Furnace Dress
	Rehearsal
8:00	CEC Staff Picnic

SUNDAY, May 8

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9 & 11	Kid's Praise		
9:00	WayPoint Service*		
10:00	Sunday School*		
10:30	Argenta Service*		
11:00	Sanctuary Service*		
4:00	Missions Team Meeting		
5:00	UMY NextLevel		

MONDAY, May 9 **NEWSLETTER WEEK**

10:00	Morton-Wayland UMW Circle
5:00	It's Cool in the Furnace Dress

Rehearsal

7:00 **Scout Meetings**

TUESDAY, May 10

5:00

6:30	Bible Study
9:30	Community Ministries
9:30	Creative Hands Group
11:00	Pastoral Care Team
4:00	It's Cool in the Furnace Dress
	Rehearsal

Body & Soul Fitness Class

WEDNESDAY, May 11

9:00	CEC Story Time
9:00	Quilters
5:00	Soul Café
6:00	UMY NextLevel
6:15	WOW Group*
6:30	It's Cool in the Furnace
	Children's Musical!
6:30	Chancel Choir Rehearsal*

THURSDAY, May 12

10:00	Bible Study
5:00	Body & Soul Fitness Class
6:00	Scouts Roundtable Mtg

SUNDAY, May 15

9 & 11	Kid's Praise
9:00	WayPoint Service*
10:00	Sunday School*
10:30	Argenta Service*
11:00	Sanctuary Service*
12:00	Faith Sisters Meeting
12:30	Trustees Committee Meeting
4:00	Finance Committee Meeting
4:30	Puppet Team Rehearsal
5:00	UMY NextLevel

*Denotes Childcare Provided

Let Us Pray >>>

Please pray for our nation, our leaders and the future of our country.





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