

THE VILLAGE HERALD

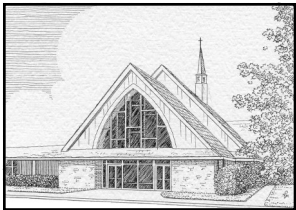


Worship with us!
Sundays at 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Learn with us!
Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
United Methodist Youth:
Sundays from 4-6 p.m.

**Share food
and fellowship!**
United Methodist
Village Café
Wednesdays
At 5:00-6:15 p.m.
Prime Timers
Second Thursday at Noon
Friday Breakfast
at 6:31 a.m.

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



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One Sunday, One Service, One Focus



**Stephen Ministry
Guest Speaker: Steve Seaton
October 30 -10:30 a.m.**

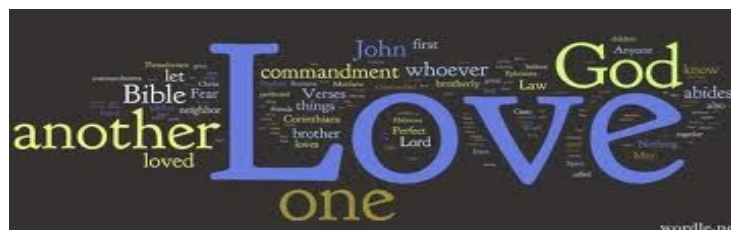
Our speaker, Steve Seaton, began a career in Christian ministry more than 30 years ago. In 2004, Steve was recruited by Mid-America Christian University to begin a comprehensive training program in Pastoral Care for ministry students. Steve leads the training course we are attending at Crossings Community Church. He is passionate about Stephen Ministry and will share that passion with us on our first **Stephen Ministry Sunday**.

Last May, our Church Council approved Stephen Ministry for our congregation. In July, we sent two members, Gayla Blakley and Patti Pojezny, to a week-long, intensive Leader Training session in Dallas. Upon their return, applications were received from those interested in becoming Stephen Ministers. They were interviewed and approved to begin the training.

In August, training began. These trainees will have engaged in 50 hours of training in Christian caregiving, including general topics such as listening, feelings, boundaries, assertiveness, and using Christian resources in caregiving. In addition, their training covered specialized topics such as ministering to the divorced, hospitalized, bereaved, and aging.

Stephen Ministers are not counselors; they are trained lay caregivers. Their role is to listen and care—not to give advice or counsel.

On December 5, our Stephen Ministers will be commissioned during their final training session, and Stephen Ministry will begin!



Student Ministries



Village Harvest

Join the planning on Sunday, October 23rd, as we prepare for our upcoming church-wide carnival! The Youth traditionally are in charge of the games. Set up will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 30th. If you want to wear a costume, please do, but nothing scary. Games and activities begin at 3:00 p.m. and last until 5:00 p.m. Please plan on staying for clean-up!

Coming soon on November 13th — Sunday Cookout at Tom's !!

Details coming soon in your next Village Herald. Parent sponsors will be needed.



Women's Ministries



"SOCKS FOR SOUP"



Got Socks? Have Soup! The VUMC Women's Ministry will be hosting a benefit on Sunday, October 23rd, to collect donations of "SOCKS" for our city's homeless. Being exposed to the elements. . .no place to do laundry. . .and your main mode of transportation being "on foot". . . socks are a constant need for people/families living on the streets of our city. You can help supply this need by donating "NEW" socks – adult and children sizes– in exchange for a bowl of scrumptious homemade soup and salad as well as dessert, on **Sunday, October 23rd**, immediately after second service. Cash donations are always welcome too! Come and join us for lunch and help the city's homeless population have "happy feet" while you enjoy a "happy heart" for serving our community!



A Shining Star

In 1985, Jerri H. Bonebrake was awarded the only Honorary Alumnus Degree in Architecture ever given by The College of Architecture at The University of Oklahoma. On September 16, 2011, she was the Honored Guest of a Cocktail Party and Dinner given by the College where Dean Graham announced that a Scholarship is being established in her name "Jerri Hodges Bonebrake." Also, an anonymous donor is having a plaque placed in the Office of the Assistant to the Directors that reads: In Honor of Jerri H. Bonebrake.

At age 18, Jerri was the Assistant to Bruce Goff, Chairman of the "School" of Architecture. She credits him with making it possible for her to work full time and still take classes (some in Architecture) but mostly toward her major of Philosophy. "Bruce Goff was a genius in architecture, an artist, an International figure and a Master Teacher. He also wrote music, although he could not read music. He came to OU with only a high school diploma and 9 months later was Chairman of the School." Dr. George Lynn Cross, President of OU at the time said that his decision to bring Mr. Goff here was one of the best decisions he ever made and it brought international fame to the campus.

Dean Graham also announced that evening that next year a Scholarship for Staff would also be established in the name of Jerri H. Bonebrake. Jerri was quoted saying, "All of this was a great surprise to me but I now know what people feel when they say they are humbled by being rewarded for doing something that they just love doing anyway. I am personally very pleased but beyond that, it honors the name of Bruce Goff and his legacy.....and for me that's what it's all about!" We at Village UMC are very proud of Jerri.

Also, we would like to encourage you to share your humbling stories. Please send your story and information to Sally Langer at slanger@villagemethodist.org or Julie Hayes at jhayes@villagemethodist.org

Children's Ministries

Volunteers in Action



Jesus and the Children

Jesus proclaimed through his words and actions that children are valued by God. Children have important roles to play in the community of faith. Children in Amazing Voyage will hear that message as they hear the story of Jesus and the Children from Mark 10:13-16. Objectives of this unit are that children will: experience being a valued part of the faith community; see that we are all, young or old, children of God; see that every person is someone of worth; and see that children have things to teach adults. They will learn these truths through experiences in art, cooking, games, movies, science and storytelling. The Amazing Voyage for children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 travels each Sunday morning beginning at 9:15 in the Jungle Room upstairs.



Halloween Treats

Children at Village UMC will remember those receiving Mobile Meals with a special treat and greeting this Halloween. Halloween is a fun time for children and they hope to help Mobile Meals recipients remember their fun Halloween experiences.



A thousand thanks to the following volunteers who painted fresh red paint on the curb next to the sidewalk and fresh yellow paint for the handicap parking spaces, plus some fresh white striping:

Punk & Pat Bonner
John & Jenny Ferguson
Stan Funderburg
Linda Havrilla
Valarie Robertson
Bob & Shirley Smith

Outreach Ministries



How Does Stephen Ministry Work?

Officers Meeting

There will be an Officers Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 25th at the church.

General Meeting

The UMW monthly General Meeting will be November 1st. There will be a light lunch at 12:00 p.m. followed by the meeting. We will be giving our Thank Offerings.

Mary Moore will have the program. All ladies in the church are invited to come.



When someone requests a Stephen Minister, Pastor Rik or our Stephen Minister Coordinator will meet with that person, explain what Stephen Ministry is, and help determine whether Stephen Ministry is the kind of care that person needs. Our Referrals Coordinator then matches that person with one of our available Stephen Ministers. The Stephen Minister will then call that person and begin meeting with him or her for about an hour each week as long as the need is there. Everything a care receiver says to his or her Stephen Minister is kept confidential. The Stephen Minister doesn't try to solve problems; rather, he or she listens, cares, prays, and helps the care receiver find his or her path to healing and wholeness.

Our Stephen Ministers will be commissioned on December 5, having completed 50 hours of training. Those persons are: Ben Anderson, Gayla Blakley, Peggy Clifton, JoAnn Fair, Annette Fisher, Julie Hayes, Cindy Muns, Steve Muns, Patti Pojezny, and Valarie Robertson. Please keep them in your prayers.


October / November 2011

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REMEMBER-
October is Pastor Appreciation Month!



<p>16 8:15a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Chancel Ringers 12:30 p.m. Church Charge Conf. with light lunch provided 4:00 p.m. UM Youth</p>	<p>17 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>18 8:45 a.m. Worship Planning 9:30 a.m. Martha Circle 10:00 a.m. Susannah Wesley 1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle 7:00 p.m. Support Group Julie Hayes-Vacation</p>	<p>19 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals 4:00 p.m. A Circle of Friends 5:00 p.m. Village Café 5:45 p.m. Men's Ministry Class 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Lighthouse Kidz Singers 6:30 p.m. Oasis Worship 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir</p>	<p>20 6:00 p.m. S.P.R.C. meeting 6:00 p.m. Beth Moore Study 7:00 p.m. Support Group Julie Hayes—Vacation</p>	<p>21 6:30 a.m. Friday Breakfast INVITED! Julie Hayes—Vacation</p>	<p>22 8:00 a.m. UMM Breakfast and Program</p>
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<p>23 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Chancel Ringers 11:30 a.m. Socks for Soup 4:00 p.m. U.M. Youth EAT AT JOHNNIE'S DAY!</p>	<p>24 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Julie Hayes—Vacation</p>	<p>25 8:45 a.m. Worship Planning 10:00 a.m. UMW Leadership Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Support Groups Julie Hayes—Vacation</p>	<p>26 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals 4:00 p.m. A Circle of Friends 5:00 p.m. Village Café 5:45 p.m. Men's Ministry Class 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Lighthouse Kidz Singers 6:30 p.m. Oasis Worship 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir</p>	<p>27 6:00 p.m. Beth Moore Study 7:00 p.m. Support Group</p>	<p>28 6:30 a.m. Friday Breakfast ALL INVITED!</p>	<p>29 </p>
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<p>30 STEPHEN MINISTRY SUNDAY No Early Worship today 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Chancel Ringers 11:30 a.m. Church Council 3:00 p.m. Village Harvest</p>	<p>31 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>1 NOVEMBER 8:45 a.m. Worship Planning 12:00 p.m. UMW Lunch 1:00 p.m. UMW General Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Support Group</p>	<p>2 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals 4:00 p.m. A Circle of Friends 5:00 p.m. Village Café 5:30 p.m. U.M. in the Bible Belt 5:45 p.m. Men's Ministry Class 6:00 p.m. Lighthouse Kidz Singers 6:30 p.m. Oasis Worship 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir</p>	<p>3 6:00 p.m. Beth Moore Study 7:00 p.m. Support Group</p>	<p>4 6:30 a.m. Friday Breakfast ALL INVITED!</p>	<p>5 8:00—12:00 N Stephen Ministry </p>
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<p>6 FALL BACK 1 HR. 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Trustees 11:30 a.m. Chancel Ringers 4:00 p.m. UM Youth</p>	<p>7 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>8 8:45 a.m. Worship Planning 1:00 p.m. Brambles 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee 6:30 p.m. Wesleyan Women 7:00 p.m. Support Groups</p>	<p>9 9:00 a.m. Mobile Meals 4:00 p.m. A Circle of Friends 5:00 p.m. Village Café 5:45 p.m. Men's Ministry Class 6:00 p.m. Lighthouse Kidz Singers 6:30 p.m. Oasis Worship 6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir</p>	<p>10 11:00 a.m. Village Connections 12:00 p.m. Prime Timers Luncheon 6:00 p.m. Beth Moore Study 7:00 p.m. Support Group</p>	<p>11 VETERANS'S DAY 6:30 a.m. Friday Breakfast ALL INVITED! 3-4 setup 6-9 p.m. Brookline College Graduation-Sanctuary/FH</p>	<p>12 8:00 a.m. UMM Breakfast </p>
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THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH AND MY SHIELD; MY HEART TRUSTS IN HIM, AND I AM HELPED; THEREFORE MY HEART EXULTS, AND WITH MY SONG I SHALL THANK HIM. PSALM 28:7



 **STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Philippians 4:6

Celebrations and Prayer Concerns

Finance Corner



Happy Birthday to:

October 24

Evelynn Christian
 Maria Christian
 Ginger Clark

October 26

Jean Decker
 Rosemary Hornbeek
 Miria Jones

October 27

Susan Lackey

October 28

Rena Waddelow

October 29

Scott Snider

October 30

Randy Witzel

October 31

Rachel Baer
 Jonathan Foster
 David Jones

November 1

Vaunie Flynn

November 2

Bill Buntz

November 3

Brian Franklin

November 4

Mike Bunce



Happy Anniversary to:

October 24

Adam and Summer Briggs

October 31

Ben and Dana Matson

November 2

Guy and Barbara Jones



Sympathy:

Our deepest sympathy goes to Rafe & Betty Shackelford on the loss of Rafe's brother, and to the family of Lois Pate on her recent death.

Prayer Concerns:

Tracy Brenherd
 Mary Ellen Brown
 Shirley Brummett
 Bill Bullard
 Terry Currier
 Joe and Betsy Dewey
 Jenna Fast
 Dr. Andy Gin
 Elsie Huffman
 Marilyn Kawakami
 Jim Kienholz
 Carolyn Lambertson
 Jeff Marrs
 Billie Marshall
 Sandi Mitchell
 Chester Phyffer
 Jack Steeley



Megan Clampett
 Glenys Decker
 Dorothy Finnell
 Wallace Hoyt
 Rev. Rik Marion
 Gary McKelvey
 Marilyn Rothe
 Matthew Weber

In the Middle East:

Bull Family
 Ben Wilhelm



10:30 Ushers for October:

John Ferguson
 Ken Kendrick
 Jeff Lackey
 Alan Lee

Nursery Workers:

October 23
 Jamie Brooks
 Jamie McCormack
 Sarah Baer
 Andy Greely
October 30
 Jamie Brooks
 Jamie McCormack
 Abbey Elliott
 Kennedy Franklin



Latebreaking News from the Finance Committee

THANKS to all of you who have responded in support of your church by turning in a pledge card for 2012. The Finance Committee appreciates all of the commitments that we have received to date. Your pledge helps operate the church on a day-to-day basis, as 81% of our annual budget is supported through Pledged Giving.



As we plan for 2012, we face the challenges of *expected* increases in everyday expenses such as utility bills, but also the *unexpected* jump in our property insurance which increased over 200% and is now over \$40,000 per year.

Your support is more important than ever as we attempt to meet these obligations while continuing to advance the programs that are vital to serving our community and fulfilling our mission. If you haven't had the opportunity to turn in a pledge card, please prayerfully consider doing so no later than November 1st.



September 2011

Receipts	28,667.19
Expenses	<u>-25,567.63</u>
	3,099.56

Year to Date 2011

Receipts	323,984.25
Expenses	<u>-314,530.02</u>
	9,454.23

Deadline for next newspaper is Wednesday, October 26th.

Please bring articles to Sally or email to slanger@villagemethodist.org.

VILLAGE HARVEST



Join Us!
Sunday, October 30, 2011
3:00—5:00 p.m.
Village United Methodist Church
2501 W. Britton Road
Free Food
Children's Games
Lots of Free Candy!
Wear your costume!
Fun for every age



Pastor
 Rev. Rik Marrion
 Minister of Worship and Music
 Tom White
 Coordinator of Student Ministries
 Coordinator of Children's Ministries
 Martha Pendleton
 Coordinator of Community and
 Spiritual Growth
 Julie Hayes
 Instrumentalist
 Judy Horne
 Child Care
 Jamie Brooks
 Finance Administrator
 Sally Langer
 Custodian
 Tom Huber
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