



# MEMORIAL MESSENGER

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## The Holston Conference Strategy Team Update

On September 7<sup>th</sup>, the Holston Conference Strategy Team released the first draft of the reduction of the Holston Conference from twelve to nine districts. Currently, the districts are labeled with numbers 1-9. Memorial United Methodist Church is located in District 6.

You will find a copy of the map with the district boundaries on the bulletin board outside the church office. Along with the map, there is a list of the churches who are projected to make up District 6. If you have any comments concerning this draft for the Holston Conference Strategy Team, you may email them to [conferencestrategyteam@gmail.com](mailto:conferencestrategyteam@gmail.com). Your comments will need to be emailed as soon as possible as a final map is expected to be released on October 15, 2017.

The Holston Conference Strategy Team is also seeking input in the naming of the districts. If you have suggested names for the new districts, you may submit them to [rustytaylor@holston.org](mailto:rustytaylor@holston.org). It is my understanding, they are asking that district names not be town names.

Here are some answers to the most frequently asked question about redistricting at this time:

- Current district offices are projected to stay open until the end of 2018
- An official timeline for the new district alignments has not been announced
- Clergy will most likely be the first to begin relating to the new district lines
- Questions concerning the organization of new district offices, committees, boards, UMW, etc. have not been addressed at this time
- The Reverend Brenda Carroll expects to be representing District 6 sometime in the early part of 2018

If you have any further comments or questions concerning the redistricting of Holston Conference, I will be happy to help as much as I can.

Blessings,  
Pastor Donna

## Children's' Ministry News

### October Wednesday Night YUMS Line-Up

We continue our series on Speakers for God, learning about Old Testament Prophets. Our memory verse is Psalm 70:4—*Let those who love your saving help say again and again: "God is great!"*

- 10/4—Elisha and the Widow's Jar
- 10/11—Fall Break (No Wednesday Night programming)
- 10/18—Halloween Costume Parade at Morning Pointe
- 10/25— Elisha and the Servant Girl

### Halloween Costume Parade at Morning Pointe: Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

Calling all ghost, goblins, princesses, and superheroes: for our YUMS program on October 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be going to Morning Pointe in our Halloween costumes to share fall cheer with the residents. Parents and loved ones, you will need to provide or arrange transportation for your child. We will meet at Morning Pointe at 6:15 PM, parade in our costumes, and visit with the residents.

### Christmas Program: Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

Mark your calendars now! The children and youth will present an afternoon program that is sure to be a highlight of your holiday season.

Parents and loved ones of our children, please let me know if your child would like to be part of our program. Practice for the Christmas program begins Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Blessings,

Leanne

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## YOUTH NEWS

### Wednesday Night Study Schedule

- 10/04 Friends: Peer Pressure
- 10/11 Fall Break (No Wednesday Night Programming)
- 10/18 Friends: Comparisons
- 10/25 Friends: Identity

### Parking Lot Attendants

The youth will park cars twice during the month of October. They will be parking lot attendants on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Parking on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, will be the annual fund raising event of parking cars during the Clinch River Antique Festival. Youth will be at the church from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for this parking event.

The youth will also park cars during the Cluster Charge Conference on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Youth will be at the church from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. for this parking event.

### Resurrection 2018

Resurrection 2018 will be held, January 19 – 21, 2018 at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The speaker for Resurrection 2018 is the Reverend Rachel Billups. The worship band for the weekend is I Am They. All youth 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us in Pigeon Forge. The cost for the trip is \$100. **All money MUST be turned in by November 15, 2017.**

Blessings,

Pastor Donna

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### **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Pat McBryde, Otto and Marie Briscoe, Lee Wysor, Kate Bailey and Deloris Johnson. Our Pastor, Church and Church Families; Our Nation's Service Men, Women, and their families.



### **Flower Donors for October 2017**

October 1 Ken and Susan Overstreet  
October 8 Phil and Pat Wenk  
October 15 Mr. and Mrs. George Moschis  
October 22 Becky Williams  
October 29 Steve and Bebe Combs

### **OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH:**

Byron Hale and family on the death of their wife and mother on September 1st.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Curtis Hughes and Karen Lee for their wedding on Saturday, September 23rd.

### **CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. We will host 16 churches in the Cluster Charge Conference. We will gather together to affirm the yearly business of the church and to praise God in worship. Our new District Superintendent, the Reverend Brenda Carroll will be the leader of Charge Conference.

### **SPIRITUALS CONCERT**

Dear friends, the UMC Choir will be giving a Concert of Spirituals on Sunday, October 22nd at 3:00 p.m. The event is free and all are welcome. Invite your friends!

Josh Allen

### **OCTOBER 2017 CALENDAR**

- Sun., Oct. 1 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service  
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16  
Matthew 21:23-32  
1:00p Staff Meeting
- Wed., Oct. 4 5:30p-6:00p Dinner in FH  
6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study  
6:00p-7:15p YUMS  
6:00p-7:15p Youth  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Thur., Oct. 5 11:30a Grace Circle and UMW, FH  
5:30p Food Pantry  
6:30p Church Council Meeting, YAK Room
- Sun., Oct. 8 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service  
Psalm 19; Matthew 21:33-46
- Sat., Oct. 14 8:30a Youth Parking for Antique Festival
- Sun., Oct., 15 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service  
Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23  
Philippians 4:1-9  
2:00p Youth Parking for Charge Conference  
3:00p Cluster Charge Conference
- Wed., Oct., 18 5:30p-6:00p Dinner in FH  
6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study  
6:00p-7:15p YUMS  
6:00p-7:15p Youth  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Thur., Oct. 19 5:30p Food Pantry
- Sun., Oct. 22 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service  
Psalm 99; Matthew 8:18-22  
3:00p Spirituals Concert
- Wed., Oct. 25 5:30p-6:00p Dinner in FH  
6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study  
6:00p-7:15p YUMS  
6:00p-7:15p Youth  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Sun., Oct. 29 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service  
Psalm 90:1-6,13-17; John 6:26-40

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Bruce and Myra Falconer  
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Otto and Marie Briscoe  
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Food Pantry

Sue Hale

Cathy Brown  
V.L. and Pat Stonecipher  
Kenneth and Sharon McCarty  
Otto and Marie Briscoe

Food Pantry  
  
Music

## UMW NEWS

The Grace Circle of UMW will meet Thursday, October 5th, at 11:30a with a sack lunch. After a short devotion, we will discuss further plans for fund raising and an upcoming program in November. We would like to extend an invitation for any Memorial lady to come join us for this meeting.

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