

Announcements

April 30, 2017

Welcome to Goodrich United Methodist Church: Please take a moment to sign the fellowship pad located in the middle of each aisle. If you are visiting with us today, please make sure you stop by our Welcome Center to pick up a gift bag. May our worship inspire you and we hope to see you again soon.

Prayer Cards: Please print your joys and concerns neatly instead of using cursive. This allows for clarity during the reading of our joys and concerns.

Welcome Into Membership: This morning we welcome Caitlyn Bianchi, Emily Hill, Amy Moe, Zach Jowski, Jake Millerschin, John Page-Tear and Caden Ziskie, confirmation class of 2016/2017, into membership. The service and music this morning was planned by the confirmation class. A special thank you to Jake Millerschin for sharing his drawing talent by creating a drawing for the bulletin. Please join us in the Family Life Center Gym after the 9:25 AM service for cake, coffee, juice and fellowship.

Calling All Graduates: We will be honoring high school and college graduates on Sunday, June 4. If you know of a graduate, please call the church office at 810-636-2444. We are also looking for a photograph and a short bio on the graduate, preferably sent by email to office@goodrichumc.org by May 28.

Graduation Gift Ideas: With graduation and summer quickly approaching, think about giving a gift card. Scrip has a variety of cards to choose from. Make sure you pick up your order form today. They can be found in the basket on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Area. You can place your Scrip orders on May 7.

Native American Ministries Sunday: Most Americans today recognize that the history following the arrival of the large canoes bore little resemblance to the one all Christians identify as Creator. That's why the people of The United Methodist Church, Native and non-Native, are creating a new history. Through Native American Ministries Sunday, we're able to equip and empower Native American pastors, congregations and seminary students to do what only they can do: authentically worship and serve Jesus.

The Spirit Moving in John Wesley Narrative Answers

John Wesley grew up in England in the early 1700s as the son of a priest in the Church of England. He really, really wanted to be a good Christian, which he thought meant following a lot of rules. During college, he led a group called the Holy Club that met regularly to study the Bible, visited people who were sick or in prison, and held each other accountable for their actions.

John became a priest in the Church of England in 1728. Seven years later, he traveled by ship to Georgia, where he tried without much luck to convert the Native Americans to Christianity, even though he wasn't prepared. Disappointed at this failure, John returned to England. On the way, his ship was threatened by a terrible storm. John was terrified, but he noticed a group of Moravian Christians who faced the storm with total calmness. Impressed, he decided to learn more about their faith and why it was so much deeper than his.

Back in England, John attended a meeting on Aldersgate Street in London. While someone was reading Martin Luther's commentary on the Book of Romans, John felt his heart "strangely warmed." He later wrote, "I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had taken away my sins."

For the first time, John understood that salvation isn't a prize you earn. It is a gift you accept.

United Methodist Women Meeting: All women are welcome to join us on May 4 at 10:00 AM here at the church. Ruth Powers will have a presentation on Haiti.

Summer Sunday School: If you are interested in helping out with Summer Sunday School, please call the church office at (810) 636-2444 or see Jeannine Page-Tear.

Prayer Chain Ministry: Have you ever felt like you wanted to do more for the church but just can't find the time? I have a spot for you! I am looking for people to pray. I have six daytime slots to fill (8:00 AM-6:00 PM). If you are currently on the prayer chain and feel you are unable to continue, please contact me as well. The prayer chain also has an evening chain (6:00-10:00 PM), a second mile (10:00 PM-8:00 AM), and an e-mail chain. Please contact me at (810) 636-2122 if you could help this important ministry of caring for those in need of our prayers and loving concern. –Barb Maki

Bueches Receipts: Make sure you turn in your Bueches receipts by May 16 so we can get them counted and turned in. Profits go toward our Sunday School programs.

Summer Worship Hours: Summer worship schedule at GUMC will once again go to one combined service. Starting May 21, the Sunday before Memorial weekend, through Labor Day weekend, September 3, we will have one Sunday service at 10:00 AM. Nursery is available for children ages 5 and under. People from both services will worship together as one church family so please take the opportunity to meet new people and make new friends!

D.O.G. Night: Come and join us for dinner on May 3 at 5:15 PM. We will be having Lasagna, Chicken Nuggets, Peas & Carrots, Peaches, Tossed Salad, Rolls, and Dessert Combo (gluten free & low cal/sugar). After dinner, at 6:00 PM, there are classes for Nursery, Grade K-2, Grade 3-5, Grade 6-12, and Songsters Choir for grades 3-8. Come join us for a time of fun and fellowship.

Something Fun For Everyone: One of the first few lessons we worked on in confirmation class was about John Wesley. On the next page you will find the same narrative we worked on in class. We all had a wonderful time picking out different nouns, adjectives, verbs, and so on to complete the reading. Have fun! (answers are on the back)

The Spirit Moving in John Wesley Narrative

John Wesley grew up in (country) in the early 1700s as the son of a (occupation) in the Church of England. He really, really wanted to be a good (noun), which he thought meant following a lot of (plural noun). During college, he led a group called the (organization) that met regularly to study (book title), visited people who were sick or in (place), and held each other accountable for their actions.

John became a (occupation) in the Church of England in 1728. Seven years later, he traveled by (mode of transportation) to (place), where he tried without much luck to convert the (group of people) to (religion), even though he wasn't (adjective). Disappointed at this failure, John returned to (country). On the way, his ship was threatened by a terrible (weather event). John was (emotion verb ending in -ed), but he (verb ending in -ed) a group of (group of people) who faced the (weather event) with total calmness. Impressed, he decided to (present tense verb) more about their faith and why it was so much deeper than his.

Back in England, John (verb ending in -ed) a meeting on Aldersgate Street in (city). While someone was reading (book title), John felt his (body part) "strangely warmed." He later wrote, "I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had taken away my sins."

For the first time, John understood that salvation isn't a (noun) you (present tense verb). It is a (noun) you (present tense verb).