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CATCH THE SPIRIT
ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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The first time I remember reading these words were February 28, 1983; this was the title for the final episode of the television series MASH.

Recently, I received the news that it was time to have another form of this sad mantra. Methodist pastors are usually reminded that the churches they serve are one year commitments. We also are

aware that we are called by God but we are appointed to our charges by the Bishop. I was reminded of this just a few short weeks ago when I was notified that the Bishop had discerned a need in another United Methodist church and that I possessed the skills that this new charge could benefit.

Sadly, I must announce that Sunday, November 9th will be my last Sunday to lead you in worship. I am excited for the new opportunities that God has in store for all us. Our time together has been filled with memories of both good times and sad times, but in each case I felt the presence of God watching over us. I encourage you to continue faithfully serving the residents of Alpha and the outreaching ministries throughout the region.

As many of you may remember at the end of the final episode of MASH Hawkeye and BJ stood staring at each other not knowing what to say. So I will say it for all of us Goodbye, Farewell, and Amen. Alpha UMC, you have been a vital part of our family for the past 2 ½ years and we say thank you. I encourage you to embrace your new pastor with love and grace and remember this is now their ministry to shepherd and love.

God bless and Amen,

Terry



Coming Nov 8th!

Men's Soup Supper

COST: donation at the door

Donation includes chili
or potato soup, sandwiches,
veggies, dessert and drink.

We need Desserts!

Please sign up in Fellowship Hall

PACK THE PANTRY!

During the month of November we will be collecting items for the AlWood Food Pantry. Please bring items each Sunday so we can watch them accumulate throughout the month! If each person brings one item each Sunday we will definitely Pack the Pantry! If the average attendance (all ages 1-100) is 65, with 5 Sunday's in November, we would have 325 items to donate!

Here are some items needed:

Toilet paper

Laundry detergent

Canned fruit

Sugar

Tuna

Peanut butter

Any Canned goods

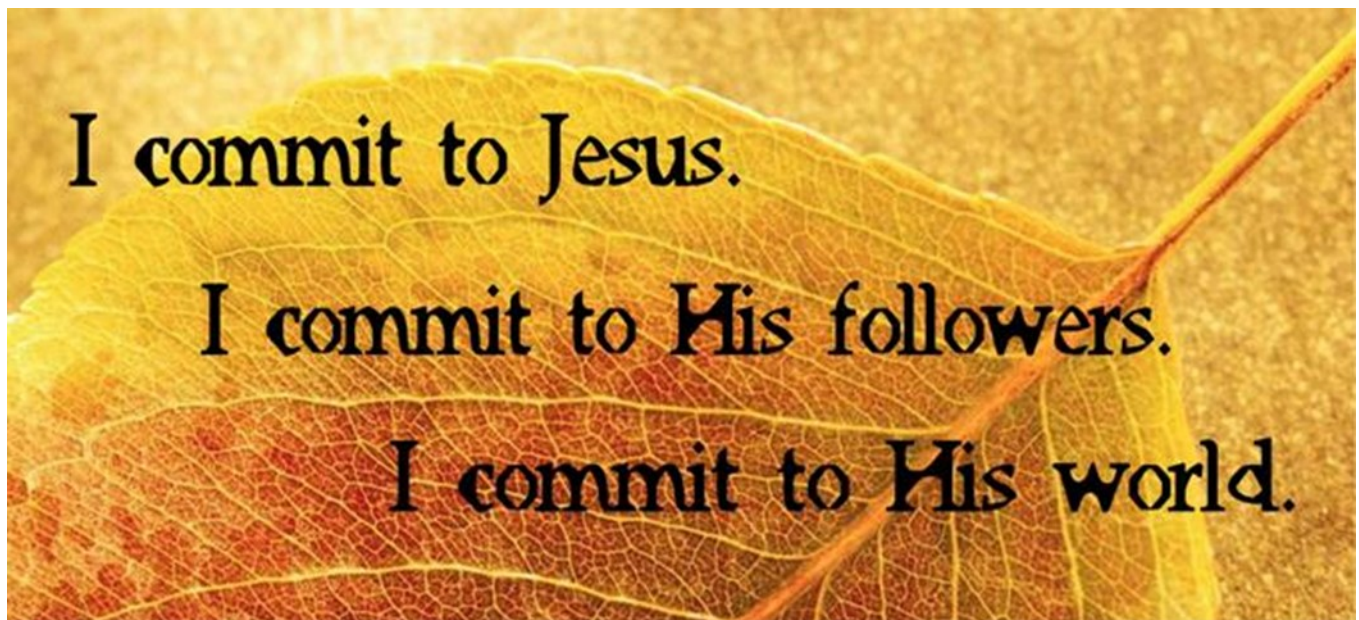




Alpha Community

Thanksgiving Service

Everyone is invited to attend the annual Thanksgiving Service at Alpha Baptist Church, Sunday November 23 @ 7pm. Those wishing to be involved in the service; Readings, Singers, Musicians, please contact Andy Busch pastor of the Alpha Baptist Church.



“What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?” Psalm 116:12

God has blessed us with abundance of gifts and talents. It’s time, once again, to make your Covenant with God for 2015 with your pledge for support to Alpha UMC. We will be handing out pledge cards on November, 9th. If you cannot attend, please contact Linda Lanning to get your card. Please prayerfully consider your commitment now.



Marvin Enstrom & Ian Yoder

November Liturgists: 02- Dale Lanning 09- Cathy Jordan
16- Angie Althaus 23- Ian Yoder 30- Eddie Bradshaw

November Birthdays:

06: Matt Gillette
09: Kevin Spivey
15: Tracy Harmon
Dave Lambin
18: Tucker Swanson
Betty Willett
24: Freeda Bonnett
27: Sam Althaus
29: Mackenzie Brown

November Anniversaries:

25: Ken & Phyllis Kearney

November Host & Hostess

02: Outreach
09: Harmon & Greenman
16: Ed & Karen Schultz
23: Edie Peden
30: Phyllis Kearney

Mission Meal
Nov. 9th

Community
Dinner
Nov. 1st

Newsletter Deadline:
Nov. 25th

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Be sure to check out the church website!
There have been many updates done to
meet the needs of
our church family and community.
Please contact Dean Kernan if you want
anything added to it!

Humility of Mary

We will not be traveling
to the shelter for the
month of November



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| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| 30 | | | | | | 1 5:00–7:00pm Free Community Dinner |
| 2 6:00pm Adult Bible Study | 3 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 4 | 5 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 6 | 7 | 8 5:00-7:00pm Men in Mission Soup Supper |
| 9 Mission Meal after Worship 6:00pm Adult Bible Study | 10 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 11 | 12 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 13 1:30 UMW | 14 | 15 |
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| 23 7:00am Men in Mission 6:00pm Adult Bible Study | 24 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 25 <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> | 26 6:30p Wolves & Bears | 27 HAPPY THANKSGIV- ING | 28 | 29 |

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Terry Evans, Pastor

Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. All Sunday School Classes Begin

9:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:00 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our website?
Dean Kernan is the creator and manager of our website.
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