

Washington First United Methodist Church

Church Calendar

- **Sunday, August 9**
NO Sunday School because ...
10:30 a.m. Centennial Celebration in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Lunch in FSH
3-4 p.m. PreK Open House
4:00 p.m. Dave Ramsey study begins in FSH
6:00 p.m. *Experiencing God* orientation in FSH
6:00 p.m. UMYF—Supper provider: Lukich
 - **Monday**
9:00 a.m. Pre K begins New Year!
 - **Tuesday, August 11**
5:00 p.m. Band Practice in FSH
7:00 p.m. Prison Ministry at Pre-Release Center
 - **Wednesday, August 12**
7:00 p.m. *Hearing the Voice of God* Study in Parsonage
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice
 - **Thursday, August 13**
5:00 Girl Scouts in Wesley Hall
7:00 p.m. Seekers' Circle Dinner at La Cabana
7:00 p.m. Prison Ministry at Pre-Release Center

Shepherds Class

The Shepherds Sunday School Class is starting next Sunday, August 16th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Parsonage. This class is for parents of young children. We will be studying *Experiencing God*. The books are available in the Narthex. Let's look forward to good fellowship and discussion as we grow in our faith. Rich



Annual Conference Notes—Kay Bray, Lay Member Annual Conference Let's Re-Think Church—Doors are everywhere!

Have you noticed the doors out in front of the church? Everyone around town is asking about them! These doors represent different missions of our church and opportunities for new ones. You are invited to join a ministry or you may want to start your own. Listed are what some of the doors represent: Prison Ministry, Angel Tree, God's Marketplace, Inc., Praise Band/Guitar Ministry, Meals for Seniors and Shut-ins, Transitional House, Pie Ministry, Back to School Backpacks Ministry, Parish Nurse Ministry, Pre-School and Mother's Morning Out, UMYF (United Methodists Volunteers in Mission), and ARK (Acts of Random Kindness).



August 9, 1909—August 9, 2009 CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF WORSHIP IN OUR SANCTUARY

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OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

August 9, 2009

Pastor: Gale L. Seibert

Minister of Music: Shay Harris

Pianist: Janet Pharr Organist: Belle Guin

Greetings, Welcome and Announcements

Henry Harris

Prelude

“Blessed Assurance”

Janet Pharr & Belle Guin

CELEBRATING OUR PAST

Hymn No. 64

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Michael Pharr, Trumpet

The Apostles’ Creed, No. 881

Moments in our Church History

Rev. Sanford McDonald

Skeet Willingham

CELEBRATING OUR PRESENT

Message in Song

“Here In This House”

Chancel Choir

We've gathered here, in faith we believe. We lift our voices, His Praises we sing. Whatever we need our God will provide. The Father is waiting with Arms open wide. Here in this house there is a blessing. Here in this house He's given a song. Here in this house refreshing anointing, filling our hearts with perfect love. There's mercy and grace falling like rain here in this house.

Here in His Presence, there's fullness of joy, Peace like a river flooding our soul. We see His Glory surrounding this place. There's healing, forgiveness, mercy and grace. Here in this house there is a blessing. Here in this house He's given a song. Here in this house refreshing anointing, filling our hearts with perfect love. There's mercy and grace falling like rain here in this house.

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Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Gale L. Seibert

Current Ministries

Lay Leader, Alice Lindsey

Remarks by Gary D. Dean, District Superintendent

Hymn No. 98

“To God Be the Glory”

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“In the Presence of Jehovah with Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”

Janet Pharr

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise God the source of all our gifts,
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit,
Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

(Children ages Pre-K through 2nd Grade are invited to attend Children’s Church)

CELEBRATING OUR FUTURE

Looking to the Future

Rev. Gale L. Seibert

Message in Song

“I Then Shall Live”

Men’s Ensemble

I then shall live as one who's been forgiven; I'll walk with joy to know my debts are paid. I know my name is clear before my Father; I am His child, and I am not afraid. So greatly pardoned, I'll forgive my brother; The law of love I gladly will obey.

I then shall live as one who's learned compassion; I've been so loved that I'll risk loving too. I'll know how fear builds walls instead of bridges; I'll dare to see another's point of view. And when relationships demand commitment, then I'll be there to care and follow through.

Your Kingdom come around and through and in me; Your pow'r and glory, let them shine through me; Your hallowed Name, oh may I bear with honor, and may Your living Kingdom come in me. The Bread of Life, oh may I share with honor, and may You feed a hungry world through me. Amen.

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Scripture Lesson

Bishop B. Michael Watson

Sermon

Bishop B. Michael Watson

Song of Commitment

“We Will Be Your Church”

Congregation

We have prayed and prayed concerning Your will, asking for guidance to see. And here and now, not knowing exactly how, we want to be all we can be. We will be Your church, Your light and Your beacon, making Your vision our own. We will be Your church, to do what You've asked, committed to all You've begun.

We ask for strength for the job set before us, grace for the challenge ahead. Knowing the way, we can't see beyond today, but sure of the choice that we've made. We will be Your church, Your light and Your beacon, making Your vision our own. We will be Your church, to do what You've asked, committed to all You've begun.

We will be Your church to the lost and the needy, reaching our arms out in love. We will be Your church, the best we can be, completing the task, not looking back, committed to all You've begun.

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Benediction & Blessing of our Meal

Rev. Gale L. Seibert

Postlude

“How Firm A Foundation”

Janet Pharr & Belle Guin



Rosa (at McDonald’s), Judy Thompson, Sydney Townsend, Calli Nickels, John Morrow, Susan Hargrove, Louise Williams, Vivian Wickersham, Mildred Brown, Marjorie Tyler, Tommy & Eleanor Walton, Libby Ivey, Marquerite Thornton, Sara Gresham, Maxine Gresham, Leon Johnson & Mary McClearn



The flowers are placed in the sanctuary
to the glory of God
and in memory of Ben Bell
by Pauline Bell and family