Holly Daze Set Up Starting and Saturday Night Life Restarts THIS WEEK!!!

Upcoming Events:

All week - Oct 14-18 Holly Daze Set up

The Church will be very busy next week as we get things set up for our annual Holly Daze Event on October 19th. If you are coming to the church for events, please be aware that some of the classes and events may have been moved to help make room for this fun event!

Saturday, October 12: Saturday Night Life, 6 pm, Overflow Room

Message by Chris Becker and music by Clear Waters and Friends. See Pastor Mark's comments below for additional information.

Tuesday, October 15: Cornerstone classes postponed this week to help make room for Holly Daze

We will be hitting the "pause" button on our Cornerstone classes this Tuesday to help make room for the Holly Daze Events at the church.

Thursday, October 17: Bell Choir Practice, 6:30 pm

Bell Choir will be practicing for the Advent season in the sanctuary this Thursday evening

Thursday, October 17:Ministry Planning Meeting

This Thursday at Oct 17th at 7pm

We will be having our next Ministries Planning Meeting. Due to continuing construction and set up for the Holly Daze event, the room location will be determined soon. If you are part of a group doing a program or special event in the months of November or December or if you have an idea for something new we could be doing in the future to help us fulfill our call to create disciples of Jesus that transform the world, please come and help us schedule, plan and dream of what we can do and be!

Saturday, October 19: Holly Daze Bazaar, 9 am - 3 pm

The annual one-day community fair throughout the church offers a Farm Shoppe, dozens of tables of crafts, decorations, needlework, vintage holiday items, and, of course, the famous Pepiot Bean Soup Mix to taste and buy. The popular bakery will feature homemade apple pies created by the Tuesday Morning Circle, candy, breads, cakes, and cookies galore. There also will be select local vendors.

Sunday, October 27: Fall Festival, 4:30 - 6 pm

Carnival games and activities, trunk-or-treat, a costume contest, a concession stand and so much more!! This event supports Impact Tri-Cities.

A few thoughts from Pastor Mark

Hi Friends,

Just a couple reminders of important things coming up at KFUMC in the next week or two.

- 1)This Sunday I will be continuing with the "Does It Matter?" sermon series. If you are a Facebook member I want to invite you to check out our Facebook page. On it I have started a thread with an opportunity for you to reply in the comments with examples of how KFUMC matters for you. Please feel free to write a comment and share with us and others why this congregation is important to us, our neighborhood, city, and our world!
- 2) This Saturday our Saturday Night Life worship gathering will be starting up again. If Sunday Mornings are not an option for you to meet together with others to worship and celebrate, or if you just want to spend some time with friends at an informal worship gathering, join us October 12th at 6 pm in the overflow area of the sanctuary.
- 3) Don't forget our next Ministries Planning Meeting coming up on Thursday (see the announcement above).
- 4) Finally, I want to give you a note from Dave Hare our Facilities Team leader and Rich Nelson our Finance Team Leader regarding the unexpected repairs and construction to the basement of the church:

"If you have visited the church during the last few weeks, you have probably noticed the dank smell. If you visited the Wesleyan Rooms in the basement, where many of our Sunday School rooms and the Youth Chapel are located, you have seen the damage caused by a flooding/drain issue from a few weeks ago.

This has been a wake-up call to us to realize that our facilities are aging and require much more maintenance than in the past. The waste water lines that have been in place for decades are made up of a combination of clay, cast iron, ABS and PVC sewer pipe and are in various states of decay. We are in the process of surveying the sewer system to determine what type of piping is located at what locations and the condition of that piping.

We also have learned that much of the old flooring in the Wesleyan Rooms contains asbestos. Actions are being taken to abate the asbestos affected areas, but insurance is covering only a portion of the expected expenses (those areas directly damaged by the flood event). The remaining costs borne from asbestos removal and reflooring are the responsibility of the church.

The Facilities Team is doing a great job of identifying those problem areas, prioritizing and securing contractors to restore the use of our facility. They are also developing a plan to resolve any systemic issues with the plumbing system of our church.

These unexpected expenses are large. You can help cover the remediation of our facility by designating extra mile contributions to the BMR Fund (Building Maintenance and Repair). The flooding has been an unpleasant surprise. However, the facilities we have, although they are aging and will require rising costs in maintenance to keep them in good working condition, are a gift that allow us to do much of the work and ministry we feel God has called us to. We solicit your support."