



MEMORIAL MESSENGER

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Latest News

The Urban Mission item of the month for October is Peanut Butter. Please place your donation in the box by the church information

Is your information correct? The office is updating the directory. Please contact Lisa with any changes.

Memorial is hosting the Indian Nations Presbytery meeting on Friday, October 7. Volunteers needed for welcoming, ushering, and serving the meal.

Trunk or Treat will be Monday, October 31 from 6:30-8:00. Participating trunks will gather in the front parking lot. There will be a moon bounce, free hot dogs, popcorn, pickles and bottled water. There will be a sign up sheet for donations and to enter your trunk. This has been a wonderful outreach to our community and a lot of fun to participate in. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a frightfully good time! If you have any questions contact any Fellowship & Hospitality member.

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 16, following worship. This will be to act on the slate of officers for Deacons and Ruling Elders for the Class of 2019 as presented by the Nominating Committee. The following people are being nominated: Eileen Burke, Grace Tamakong and Bree Upton for Deacon and Trudy Beard, Nick Lindley and Charlotte Lovett for Elder. Nominations may be made from the floor.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, we are hosting the meeting of the Presbytery of Indian Nations at Memorial this Friday, October 7.

Our presbytery is one of the 171 presbyteries in the United States and Puerto Rico. Our denomination is known for its connection as we work together to hear the Holy Spirit speaking to us, as was witnessed at our bi-annual General Assembly this summer in Portland. Commissioners from all presbyteries (plus ecumenical advisory delegates, youth advisory delegates, staff and visitors) gathered to worship and carry out the work of the church in the world.

Why have presbyteries? Can't we just do our own thing? Our presbyteries help us to be accountable to one another, to share resources, to better reflect God's world. When Jim Burns retired, the Presbytery of Indian Nations came in to assist with the transition and assist with calling me as your pastor. Memorial was not alone! When we have a few youth, and other churches have a few youth, and we all get together, we can share in a great event like YouthQuake. When a pastor or a church experiences a tragedy, other churches and pastors can assist. But more importantly, when we come together to hear one another, to share in mission together, to lovingly direct one another, we can better reflect what God intends for us.

Our presbytery is in a time of transition. At the request of a group of pastors and elders, an Administrative Commission has come in from the Synod of the Sun to assist us in getting our leadership back on track. Our Executive Presbyter has retired and this position will not be filled for a while. A consultant will be brought in to assess our strengths and weaknesses and see what type of individual will best lead us in our next chapter.

Our congregation has a history of good connections in our presbytery. We have had members of this church serve as presbytery moderators, committee moderators, commissioners to General Assembly and committee members. While it is not easy work, we can be grateful for those who give of their time, talent and energy for the greater church.

You are welcome to come to the presbytery meeting this Friday. Registration begins at 8:30, and the meeting begins with worship at 9:30. Rashell Hunter, Director of Racial Ethnic & Women's Ministries of the PC(USA) will be the guest preacher. Opportunities to volunteer are still available, too!

Grace and peace,
Tracy

Clerk's Corner

Session met on September 20, 2016 at 7PM at the church for its regular meeting. The following items were approved:

1. The slate of elders and deacons (Class of 2019) were approved to be presented to the congregation for their vote at a congregational meeting set for Sunday, October 16, 2016 immediately following worship. Here is the slate:

Elders: Nick Lindley, Charlotte Lovett, Trudy Beard

Deacons: Breanna Upton, Eileen Burke, Grace Tamakong

2. Session approved using part of the Peace Offering collected on World Communion Sunday to go to Norman's Women's Resource Center

3. Session approved contract with 2 Green Chicks for the church's janitorial services for 2017. The next meeting of session will be held Tuesday, Oct 18, 2016

Joan Cole

Clerk of Session

Stewardship Update			
August 1 to September 30, 2016			
	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	2016 Budget
Pledges	\$116,072.60	\$113,949.00	\$151,932.00
Other Income	\$7,185.89	\$17,333.28	\$26,000.00
Total Income	\$124,098.92	\$133,448.94	\$177,932.00
Total Expenses	\$138,221.65	\$141,989.49	\$189,321.00



HERITAGE CENTER GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

AT DWIGHT MISSION

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12:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Afternoon DAY AT DWIGHT

(OVERNIGHT OPTIONS AVAILABLE)

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

October Worship Duty Schedule

Head Usher: Carl Forthman

October 2

Ushers: Mike and Joan Cole
Communion Servers: Joan Cole & Julie Forthman
Coffee: Jim Rodriguez & Lisa Upton
Sound Booth: Will Farris
Acolyte Assistant: Lisa Upton
Nursery Assistant: Trudy Beard/Karen Girdner
Lock-up: Jim Rodriguez

October 9

Ushers: Tim and Jona Thiessen
Coffee: Linda Eckel & Donna Vint Wright
Sound Booth: Mike Cole
Acolyte Assistant: Joan Cole
Nursery Assistant: Donna Vint
Lock-up: Loreen Upton

October 16

Ushers: Doug and Ann Forsyth
Coffee: Loreen Upton & Doris Hinson
Sound Booth: Mike Girdner
Acolyte Assistant: Trudy Beard
Nursery Assistant: Linda Eckel
Lock-up: Trudy Beard

October 23

Ushers: Carolyn Montgomery and Harold Conner
Coffee: Joan Thrailkill & Jona Thiessen
Sound Booth: Larry Upton
Acolyte Assistant: Karen Girdner
Nursery Assistant: Karen Upton
Lock-up: Mike & Joan Cole

October 30

Ushers: Harry Wright and Donna Vint
Coffee: Georjana & Holly Van Auken Forsyth
Sound Booth: Tim Thiessen
Acolyte Assistant: Jona Thiessen
Nursery Assistant: Joan Cole
Lock-up: Charlotte Lovett



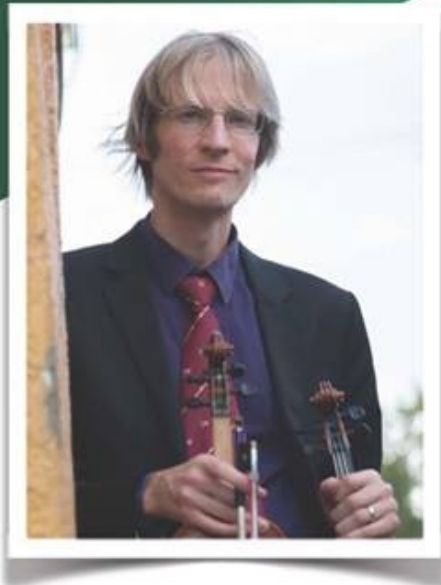
MENTAL ILLNESS Awareness Week

During #MIAW, join NAMI in shining a light on mental illness and replacing stigma with hope. Find ways to help at www.nami.org/miaw.

Oct. 2-8
2016

Shine a Light on Mental Illness

Special performance by Kyle Dillingham
with messages of hope and appreciation



October 4th, 2016

Edmond Festival Market Place,
30 West 1st Street, Edmond, OK

7:00 - 8:30 pm.
Admission is Free

Kyle Dillingham, world-renowned fiddle sensation and Oklahoma Musical Ambassador, with a special performance sure to remind us all that sometimes beauty is in our imperfections. Special appreciation to the Edmond and OKC Crisis Intervention Team police officers who show compassion to individuals experiencing a mental health crisis. Presentation of hope and inspiration from our church leaders and other special guests.

For more information. 405-408-0886

Sponsored by the The National Alliance on Mental Illness: Edmond-North OKC; An all volunteer non-profit organization helping families by providing free support and education. All donations are tax deductible and fund local efforts.

PO BOX 5304 Edmond, OK 73083 - www.namiedmond.org

A Mustard Seed Faith

He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." Luke 17:6 (NIV)

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.



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seed	obey	planted	mustard
tree	small	mulberry	faith

Known Joys and Concerns

Those who seek healing

Gene Bergstresser
 Lola Carroll
 Sandy Clarke
 Janice Crump
 Dave Iske
 Vince Leseney
 Jayelle Martin
 Jeff Roesel
 Devyn Upton
 Jim & Linda Eckel
 Jan Ferguson
 (friend of Georjana Mauldin)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

Family of Paula Coffman
 Family of Ruby Marsh

Joys

Liam Timothy Farris born September 9,
 2016
 Esau and Nicholine Jangha who are new
 U.S. citizens
 Jetson Lee Martin July 31 to Kenny Martin
 and Isabella Alexander

Seminary Student

Samuel McCann

In an effort to stay apprised of our on-
 going prayer concerns, prayer requests of
 those outside the MPC family will stay on
 the concerns list for one month. Please let
 the office know if there is a need to be
 listed longer.

To receive prayer requests by email,
 please contact Jona Thiessen at:
jthiessen2@att.net

October Birthdays

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| 1 | Adrien (AJ) Roesel |
| 9 | Kevin Eckel |
| 11 | Christy Fisher |
| 12 | Trudy Beard
Amanda Bliss |
| 13 | Joe Garlett |
| 15 | Holly McClure
Jimmy Rambur |
| 16 | Tracy Evans
Aidyn Pennington |
| 17 | Bill Taylor
Dave Iske |
| 18 | Tim Thiessen |
| 19 | Leilund Autry |
| 22 | Erica Phelps |
| 23 | Caitlin Stensrud |
| 28 | Harry Wright
Steven Wusrt |

October Anniversaries

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| 10 | Mike & Trudy Beard |
| 11 | Daniel & Michele Schaub |

October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	4	5 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	6	7 8:30A.M. Presbytery Meeting Registration 9:30 A.M. Presbytery Meeting	8
9	10 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	11 6:00 pm Mission & Evangelism Committee 7:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting	12 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	13	14	15
16 12:00 P.M. Deacon Meeting 5:30 P.M. Stewardship Meeting	17 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	18 7:00 pm Session Meeting	19 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir	20	21	22
23	24 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts <hr/> 31 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts 6:30p.m. Trunk or Treat	25	26 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	27	28	29
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