WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Sunday, January 15
Human Relations Day
8:45 Early Worship
9:40 Sunday School for all ages
10:45 Worship Service
6:30 Evening Worship Service

Monday, January 16
6:30 Sea Scouts/Cub Scout
7:00 Boy Scouts
7:00 Administrative Council

Tuesday, January 17
6:30 Celebrate Recovery Dinner
7:00 Celebrate Recovery

Wednesday, January 18
5:30 Cherub/Celebration Choir
5:30 Youth
6:00 All Stars Dinner
6:30 All Stars Class
7:00 Choir Practice

Thursday, January 19
7:00 Crew/Troop 88

Saturday, January 21
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Sunday, January 22
8:45 Early Worship
9:40 Sunday School for all ages
10:45 Worship Service
6:30 Evening Worship Service

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Amount Received: Amount Needed Per Week: $8,760.81
January 1: $5,668.42
January 8: $7,762.84

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Morning Worship: 137 Early Worship: 26
Sunday school: 111 Evening Worship: 15

The purpose of Steele Memorial United Methodist Church is to enable people to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; to nurture them in their journey of faith; to offer opportunities to express their relationship with the living God through love, example, and service.

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STEELE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 15, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
This is a time to share the work of the church and recognize the community of believers as we prepare our hearts and minds to worship the Lord.

STORY FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
We've come to that time in the service when we collect the financial offerings and tithes. Your financial commitment sustains our many vital ministries. May God bless you, the giver, and your gift in the up-building of God's kingdom.

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:1-17 (NLT)

MORNING PRAYER
The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

ANTHEM *"Your High and Holy Name"* Choir

Children ages 4 through 2nd grade may exit for Children's Church and go downstairs to the 1st-2nd grade Sunday school classroom.

SERMON 2 Peter 1:3-11 Pastor Kevin Lantz
"The Church Mission: **DEVELOP**"

***INVITATION HYMN** *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*
No. 396 (vs. 1-3)

***BENEDICTION** *"Seek Ye First"*
No. 405 (vs. 1)

***POSTLUDE**

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Roxie Feese's 91st birthday on January 17th by Jim and Sandy Boggess.

The church family extends prayers and sympathy to Charles Hart and family in the passing of Betty Hart.

Prayer Concerns

Canzaza Arkle	Al Baker	Eloise Baumgardner
Buddy Beckett	Rosetta Blake	Shirley Bowen
Danny Childers	Buddy & Lilly Dick	Lori Godfrey
John Griffith	Phyllis Griffith	Peggy Hicks
Doris Hutchinson	Whitt Keefer	Virginia Keefer
Shawn Kelley	Jean Mays	Butch Morning

Friends and Relatives

Ethan (Grandson of Peggy Hicks)
Simon Ballengee (Grandson of Kevin & Cindy Ballengee)
Charlie Insalaco (Grandson of Mike & Lynette Call)
David Murray (Cousin of DiAnn Willis)

GIRLS OF FAITH - The girls of faith will be collecting feminine hygiene for the month of January as our mission project. Many women are unable to get these products in shelters due to them being a "luxury" item. We will be collecting them now through January 29th. Please give the items to Megan Turman, Jessica Ball, Mollie Bannister, or leave them in the youth room. Thank you for your support with this mission!

Our next meeting is Friday, January 27th for dinner at church followed by a trip to the movies. I hope everyone can make it for our January meeting! - Megan Turman

CONFIRMATION CLASS Rev. Lantz hopes to schedule Confirmation Classes in January or February of the new year for those interested. Confirmation Classes are generally for our youngsters in Middle School, as the Pastor and others share with participants the meaning of Jesus' call to "Follow Me!" so that our children can confirm the pledge and covenant made as some were baptized as infants.

But it's not only for those who have already been baptized. This is a time in the life of our children to consider the place Jesus' death and resurrection has in their own sense of faith and calling. If parents have any questions or would like to make sure their children are included, please contact Pastor Kevin at 304 638-4840 or Bobby Bannister at 304 687-7858.

TRACK FOR DISCIPLESHIP What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? And what is different from a faithful disciple and just a really good person?

These are the kind of questions with which we wrestle as we think of ministry within our Barboursville community. Defining the path for disciples, we offer four key words: ENGAGE; CONNECT; DEVELOP; and SERVE. These four categories describe the cycle of discipleship, representing the Church's ministry to those who are not yet enlightened by the grace and love of God. Today's sermon message focuses on the first, and what it means to ENGAGE with the lost who are around us.

✓ Intentionally ENGAGE with people in their own lives in order to demonstrate God's love for them.
✓ CONNECT people to a vital relationship with God and His Church through faith in Jesus Christ.
✓ DEVELOP spiritual growth and understanding for each person to identify their calling as children of God through Bible study, prayer, worship, and fellowship with other believers.
✓ Empowering believers to SERVE God within and beyond the Church, in order to express Christ's love, mercy and grace.

Effective Ways to Engage with New People

1. Have a meal a week with an unchurched family.
2. Frequent the same coffee shop or restaurant and develop relationships.
3. Go to the same non-Christian barber or stylist or manicurist, etc.
4. Pray for opportunities each day to develop relationships with unbelievers.
5. Join an organization to connect with non-Christians.
6. Develop meaningful relationships with your non-Christian co-workers.
7. Start conversations: just talk to people – your neighbors, the person in line with you at the grocery store or in the waiting room.
8. Hang out with people who enjoy the same things you do. Find some non-Christians who you can join enjoying what you enjoy: a book club; sports league; PTA; etc.
9. Volunteer somewhere. Find a place to serve in your community tutoring children, coaching, serving meals at a shelter, etc.
10. Tell stories. People enjoy good stories so get good at story-telling. Tell people your faith story, your life story, and even Bible stories. But be sure you first listen to their story.
11. Get to know people by asking questions about what they do. Intentionally ask people questions to tell you what they do; how they got interested in a hobby; etc.
12. Invite others to join you in worship or at some faith-related activity.
13. Pray with others. Ask non-Christians in your life what challenges they are facing and offer to pray for them. The key is to pray *with* them, too!
14. Address physical and spiritual needs around you. If you don't know of any needs in your area, ask those around you, "What needs do you or others you know have?" You'll be surprised at the amazing needs you'll hear about. Start small, but you can do one thing a week. Recruit others to assist.