



The Mountain Mission truck will pick up donations on Tuesday, October 24. They accept gently used and new clothing and household items. Donations may be placed in the back of the fellowship hall between Sunday, October 15th and Monday, October 23rd.

If you have questions please call the church office at 812-423-2483 or send an email to office@oldnorthumc.com



Trunk or Treat!
Sunday, Oct. 22
3:00- 4:30 p.m.

Stores already have the Halloween candy out so when you are shopping, please think of us and grab a bag to donate! Monetary donations can be given as well. See Linda Duke with donations or questions.

OLD NORTH LANTERN

September 2023

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The Pastor's Pen

September is a time of new beginnings. We call the first of January "New Years Day" but let's be honest, the new year begins with September. Seasons are changing, evenings are getting cooler, we're starting to think about school buses and pumpkins and bright red leaves.

Our church family is starting to think about the holidays coming. Sunday School classes are gearing up for another year. We've been a little

relaxed during the summer months, but now that September is here, we shift back into learning mode. The kids are back in school, the choir is back in rehearsal, the sports teams are back on the field, God is in Her Temple and all is right with the world! Our Muslim brothers and sisters will celebrate The Prophet's birthday at sunset on September 26th. Because Muslims follow a lunar calendar, this is a commemoration which moves around on the Gregorian calendar. The Jewish people also follow a lunar calendar, and so the period of Rosh Hashanah also moves around. This year it begins at sunset on September 15. Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the Jewish year and is a commemoration of creation itself.

September is a time of renewal and beginnings. Even if you don't celebrate The Prophet's birthday or Rosh Hashanah, you surely will join with me in the joyous celebration on Thursday, September 7 when Detroit will play Kansas City to start the NFL season! Oh, Happy New Year!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Homebound

Frenchie Ashby
Jo Ann Effinger
Jerry Feltman
Connie French
David French
Julie Hale
Pat & Marlan Maidlow
Jeanine Minor
Tom Smock

The Village at Holiday Health Care

Phyllis Grimm - Apt. 218

Barb Schaefer - Apt. 101

Janette Prickett - Apt. 250

Gloria Speer - Apt. 207

Holiday Willow Park

Leslie Schoenbaechler - Apt. 238

Those in Uniform

Unspoken - 15

Cameron Dunville

Grant Nickens

Jason Lewis

Malorie Hobbs



Fall Children's Ministry

This fall the Children's Sunday School will be using "Celebrate Wonder" as we wonder and explore different Bible stories through different experiences.

We are now meeting upstairs in the former Youth Room on Sunday mornings. If you might be interested in becoming a volunteer, come on up one Sunday and spend a session with us!



FAIR TRADE CORNER

Fair Trade Market open Saturdays

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sundays

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.



How about a little desktop corn hole set for fun all year! This is beautifully handmade in India by a Fair Trade artisan. See this and all our wonderfully unique items in the Old North Fair Trade Market.





Introducing: Old North’s Justice Ministry

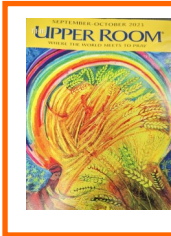
Old North’s Justice Ministry was birthed from a reduced number of Old North people involved with Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment (CAJE). Currently we are a mighty group of four plus Pastor Dan who are interested in continued involvement with CAJE and additional justice related challenges.

During 2023 Old North participated in Racial Justice Weekend (Feb.19), acknowledged the one-year anniversary of the Ukraine/Russia war, and had 10 Old North people attend the CAJE Nehemiah Action in June.

A CAJE House Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 17 at 3:00 p.m. in the upper room. A spiritual growth experience related to justice is in the planning stage.

We would love to grow our group. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the pastor’s office. Diane Arneson (812-205-0433), Merna Peden (812-455-3783), Lynn Penland (812-483-4828), and Anne Wright (812-457-0049) are your contacts for questions.





The September/October issue of the Upper Room is now available in the narthex.



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| 1 | Kalyn Craig | 22 | Lydia Higgins |
| 2 | Jennifer Davis | | Bill Thomas |
| 9 | Pat Bomkamp | 25 | Pat Maidlow |
| | Samuel Gerhardt | 27 | Bob Gilham |
| 16 | Mike Punke | 30 | Rachael Alley |
| 17 | Darlene Robinett | | Raaf Stevens |
| 19 | Angie Fields | | |
| 20 | Clara Craig | | |



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| 1 | Julie & David Hale |
| 2 | Ann & Larry Austin |
| 4 | Lynn & Bill Penland |
| 5 | Guyneth & Eric Dunville |
| 8 | Ellie & Fred Hand |
| 19 | Diane & Richard Arneson |
| 21 | Alice & John Rademacher |
| 29 | Kelsey & Samuel Gerhardt |



SPOTLIGHT ON OLD NORTH PRESCHOOL STAFF AND TEACHERS



My name is Melissa Stieler and I have been the Director of Old North Preschool since 2007 and have taught or been a parent here since 1997! I have seen so many students come through our school that I now have former students as parents! I run the daily operations of our school, which can sometimes be pretty easy because we have such an amazing staff! But my favorite part of my job is teaching music with all the students and getting to lead them in worship once a month!

I have been married for 31 years to my husband, David. We have three children, all graduates of Old North Preschool! Our son Joshua has been married for 5 years to his wife Jordan. He is a teacher at Washington Middle school and has two children, making me a grandma! Our son Christian lives in Phoenix Arizona and is working in civilian life after serving as a Marine. My daughter Grace also lives in Phoenix and is attending graduate school to receive her doctorate in physical therapy.

Old North has always had a special place in my heart and has had a true impact on my life as it is the church I was confirmed in, been employed to work with children and youth, and allows me to be a part of this amazing preschool.



Hello! My name is Julie Blume, I have been the P.E. teacher for Old North Preschool since 2008. I love to teach our students that exercise is fun and something they may continue to do their whole life. I am also the assistant in the office who manages school tuition.

My husband Bill and I have lived in Evansville since 2000. We have two children who are graduates of Old North Preschool! Natalie is 23 years old and graduated from University of Louisville this spring and Andrew is 20 and is a junior at Indiana State University.

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STUDY GROUPS

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Plan now to join this always-relevant class on Sunday mornings at 11:00 a.m. We meet in person in the Upper Room and virtually on Zoom.

In September, we will continue our discussion revolving around "ordinary people in extraordinary circumstances". Join us each Sunday as we learn about heroes in all walks of life!

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

The Old North United Women in Faith will have a special monthly meeting learning a new skill at Gayla Cakes at 320 N. Main Street. Join us on September 12 at 5:30 p.m. to have a hands-on lesson on cake decorating, and leave with your own 8-inch masterpiece cake. Reservations are required and must be made by September 7.

Contact Jerrienne Bonenberger at jabones59@gmail.com for more information and to make reservations. The cost for the lesson and the cake is \$25.00 per person.

Following the decorating fun, we will walk to Turoni's in the next block for dinner and conversation. If you would like to join us at Turoni's without the cake decorating class, please arrive by 7:00 p.m.

Please join this wonderful group of amazing women - we always welcome any woman of the church and all visitors!



**VISIT OUR FISH BOOTH #102
AT MT. VERNON RIVER DAYS
SEPTEMBER 8,9
MT. VERNON, INDIANA**

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**JOIN US
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
AT 5:00 P.M. FOR OUR ANNUAL**

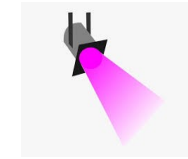


Kick-Off Fish Fry



**VISIT OUR FISH BOOTH #102
AT THE WESTSIDE NUT-CLUB
FALL FESTIVAL**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 - SATURDAY OCTOBER 7



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My name is Katie Vetter and I'm the Resource Room teacher here at Old North Preschool. I use our evaluations as a guide to develop fun activities to help prepare our students for kindergarten. I love being in the Resource Room because I get to know and work with all the students in our school!

I have been at Old North Preschool since 2019. My husband, Andy, and I have two children; Easton, who is a 7th grader at Thompkins, and Elise, who is in 4th grade at Highland. Both of my own kids are Old North Preschool graduates! We have a cat named Lulu and a dog named Barkley. When I'm not at work, I enjoy exercising, reading and watching my kids play their favorite sports.



New Fall Festival Volunteer Opportunity

If you are an early riser and would like to help the Old North Fall Festival Committee without fighting the Franklin street crowd, we have just the job for you! Each night during Fall Festival week, Bruce Wright will bring dirty fish tubs, frying baskets, and other cooking utensils to the kitchen area at the end of the shift (between 10 - 11 p.m.). Early the next morning, Mike Peden and Eric Dunville will arrive and clean all the "dirty dishes" before they start their morning duties on Franklin street.

We would like to find a volunteer or two that will be willing to arrive early and help Mike and Eric by having everything washed and ready to go before they arrive. If you are interested and willing to help, please contact Bruce Wright at anbrwright@twc.com

Bruce Wright
2023 Fall Festival Chair

SEPTEMBER 2023

PLANNED WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS	9:30 a.m. 10:30-11:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Worship Service Fair Trade Market open Coffee and donuts - Fellowship Hall Intentional Faith Development - Upper Room
TUES-THURS	8:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Preschool in session unless otherwise noted
WEDNESDAYS	6:30 p.m.	Overeaters Anonymous - Fellowship Hall
THURSDAYS	9:30 a.m. 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Thursday Morning Study Group - Upper Room Bible Study - Upper Room Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
SATURDAYS	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Fair Trade Market open

Meeting Rooms: (FH) Fellowship Hall (UR) Upper Room (3rd floor meeting room)
Group names: (UWF)United Women in Faith (UMM)United Methodist Men
(UCS) United Caring Services (MOPS)Mothers of Preschoolers
(SPRC)Staff Parish Relations Committee
(CAJE)Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:30 p.m. UMM - FH	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 9:00 a.m. MOPS - UR 6:00-7:00 p.m. 4-H - FH	12 5:30 p.m. UWF meeting Gayla Cakes	13 7:00 p.m. Trustees meeting Church office	14	15	16
17 3:00 p.m. CAJE House Meeting-UR	18	19 3:00 p.m. UCS Dinner preparation FH	20 6:00-7:00 p.m. Worship Committee meeting	21	22	23
		7:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting - UR	7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting - UR			
24 5:00 p.m. Fall Festival Kick-off - FH	25 9:00-11:00 a.m. MOPS - UR 10:00 a.m. CAJE meeting Pastor's office	26	27	28	29	30
	3:00 p.m. Fair Trade team meeting - FH					