### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Monday** 

8:30am Faith and Fitness

8:00pm AA

<u>Tuesday</u>

11:00-12:00pm Service of Prayer in the Sanctuary

1:00-2:00pm

Virtual Zoom Visitation

**Wednesday** 

8:30am Faith and Fitness

7:00pm Prayer Study

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday** 

11:00-12:00pm Service of Prayer in the Sanctuary

1:00-2:00pm

Virtual Zoom Visitation

<u>Friday</u>

8:30am Faith and Fitness

Saturday 8:00pm NA

Sunday

10:00am Worship in the FLC or watch it on Facebook

If you do not have access to Facebook, please go to the Website: www.abernethyumc.com under the tab "Services"



Thanks to everyone who helped with packing and giving out food bags in October. We gave out 27 food bags and gave the leftover food bags to CDC, a total of 41 bags.

Beginning November 4th, Take out meals can be picked up at the drive-thru (FLC) each first Wednesday of the month. We need bottled water and prepackaged sweet goods such as cookies, Little Debbie cakes, etc. to distribute with meals.

## Fill a Shoebox!

For gift suggestions visit samaritanspurse.org/occ. Please do not include the following: candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications/vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; and aerosol cans. Bring your filled shoebox to the church by November 15th. If you cannot fill a box but would like to pay for shipping make your check out to the church for \$9.

#### **STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. Logan Miller Admin. Assistant: Diane Turner Choir Director: Katie Tharpe Organist: Alice Pounders

CDC Director: Georgianna Quinney CDC Assistant Director: Amanda Cox





DO YOU HAVE AN OLD COAT YOU WANT TO GET RID OF?

PLEASE DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED COAT!

DROP YOUR COAT OFF AT
THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER
FROM NOW THROUGH
CHRISTMAS.

# ADORE Christmas Cantata

December 20th in the 10:00am worship service

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### **From Pastor Logan**

I remember growing up how much I loved to read books and hear stories being read. Literature was such a staple in our home. As kids, my brother and I were able to travel back in time to the many histories of the world, explore the vastness of space and the solar system, and pretend to be whatever it was that we were reading at the time. This was our way of exploring and exorcising our creative imaginations. The reason that I am bringing this up is because now at my current age and place in life I lean on my recollection of tales and great stories to make since of life and faith. One of the stories that has stayed with me through the years is the great classic Moby Dick.

Here recently in my devotional reading, I have found myself working through 1 Corinthians 1:1-9. The thing about this letter from Paul is that while it was written for the Church in Corinth it also speaks loudly to the church today. Much like churches throughout history, the modern church continues to shape itself into the world around us. The need of growing in relationship with God that once was at the forefront of the life of the church has now been set on the back burner for growing ambitions of the world that we are called to transform into the kingdom of God. Like Captain Ahab from Herman Melville's novel, we have blinded ourselves with our emotions and desires. As I reflect and meditate on the scriptures each week I often find myself wondering how the church has walked in these foot

steps. How is it that we have this letter from Paul to the Church in Corinth warning them of the exact same things that the church today is going through, and yet we still choose to put our faith in the things of this world and not our faith in Jesus. Instead of building relationships — we build factions; instead of working together — we spend time competing with each other; instead of nurturing each other in the faith — we drown each other in spiritual smugness, all of which as I mentioned earlier, Paul believed was poisoning the Church. Instead of working on growth in relationship with God, the church has walked toward a reliance on the things of this world that divide us, much like the Corinthians.

Today we have been invited to evaluate our relationship with God. As we walk through Paul's address and the implications for us as a community of believers, my hope is that you all will open your hearts and thoughts to God's transformative power and moving. These traits from God are given to us when we form and live into our faith in Jesus. Instead of being bogged down like the Church in Corinth with Instead of building factions — let's build relationships with each other; instead of competing — let us spend time working with each other; instead of drowning each other with smugness — let us learn to nurture each other.

Your Friend and Pastor, Rev. Logan Miller



October 4 \$2.840.00

October 4 \$1,250.00 (Housing)

October 11 \$2,995.90

October 11 \$4,460.00 (CDC)

October 18 \$4,847.45 October 25 \$1,920.00 Total: \$18,313.35

Total Year to Date: \$199,373.82





**Building Supplies Needed!** We are going to build an <u>Outdoor Food Pantry!</u> If any of you have extra building supplies such as lumber, shingles, posts, tin roofing etc... please call or email Linda Hallman at 828-234-2400 or Imhallman@hotmail.com.





#### November Sermon Series: Exploring The Apostles Creed

**November 1** - I Believe in the Holy Spirit, Acts 2:1-4, Matthew 3:16-17, Hymn 1 - Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing, (Special - Alice) Jesus Paid it All

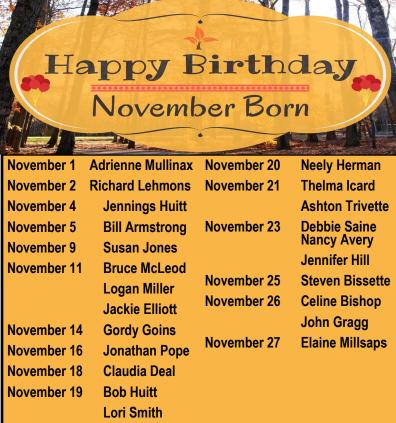
**November 8** - The Church and the Communion of Saints, Acts 2, Hebrews 12:1-2, *When We All Get to Heaven, (Special - Every Promise of Your Word) Because He Lives* 

**November 15** - The Forgiveness of sins, Luke 7:48, *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, (Special - Somebody Prayed For Me) What A Friend We Have in Jesus* 

**November 22** - The Resurrection of the Body, Thessalonians 4:16-17, *Open the Eyes of my Heart, (Special - This I Believe) When the Roll is Called Up Yonder* 

# Coming end of November – Advent





# Pastor's Prayer Corner

#### Pray For:

Pastor Roger Holland

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Jeff Lamb, brother of Jerry Lamb
Sandie Loyer

Larry Millsaps
Bob Seagle

Karen Williams, sister of Alice Pounders

**Our Homebound:** 

Carl Avery
Randy Benfield
Celine & Jeff Bishop
Claudia Deal
Mary Jane Drum
Martha Goforth
Carolyn Hanly
Jimmy Hilton
Johnnie Hobbs
Thelma Icard
Bertha Lail
Jerry Murray

Irene Starnes

Jane Stearns Kay Travis Dear Abernethy Family,

I want to thank all of you for the Certificate of Appreciation for my work in prison ministry. Also, thank you for the line item in the budget that will certainly go a long way in supporting me in the ministry I love. Because of having to wear a mask that Sunday morning, you weren't able to see the smile on my face but, I assure you, I was smiling from ear to ear. Due to the coronavirus, since March 15th we have not been able to go in the prison. I am however, able to stay involved in the lives of the men by exchanging letters and sending cards to those who came through my Bible study class. There are a few who call me at their own expense just to see how I am doing and to encourage me to keep serving in the prison because it does make a difference. Thank you so much for supporting me in this important ministry. I am blessed bevond measure.

Jerry Lamb

