

# First United Methodist Church Holliday

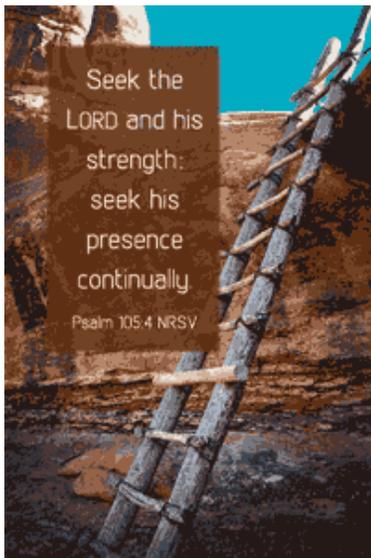
## Message from the Pastor

September 2015



Sunday School  
9:45 & 10:00 a.m.

Worship  
11:00 a.m.



### From the Pastor

Grace and Peace is yours from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that this newsletter finds you blessed, healthy and happy. Now that summer at least officially is over, and school has started back up, we can refocus our lives on our true meaning on this earth and that is to serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We all have gifts and graces given to us by God and we all need to evaluate what they are and use them to the glory of God. In the next month or so, I will be asking those active in our church to serve in leadership roles and/or to serve on one of the many important committees or boards that are part of our church life. Choir will resume meeting/practicing on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 6pm, if you enjoy singing come and join our choir. Under the leadership of Robin Calhoun and Patti Moore our choir has fun and is blessed in our vocal worship of God.

After each Holliday Eagle home football game our church is sponsoring Junior High Dances. These dances begin around 9pm and end by 11pm. We could use adult volunteers to chaperone these dances. It is a lot of fun. We also can use donations of 2 liter bottles of soda. This is a ministry of outreach to the community and a means to meet many parents in our community.

Our church will feed the students of the MSU Wesley Foundation on Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will serve lasagna, salad, bread and iced tea. If you would like to help and/or donate food please contact Ethel Cook. Finally, I would like to invite those church members who do not participate in Sunday school to join one of the two adult classes, bring children to Sunday school or to contact me about setting up another Bible Study group during other times in the week.

I appreciate all who work for the glory of God and want each of you to know that I am here whenever you need me. My prayers are always with you.

Love and Blessings  
Pastor Paul

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## Job Description for Christians

As a follower of Jesus, you'll share his love and gospel with everyone. Kindness and humility are vital as you speak about your hope in him. To battle evil, you'll receive a complete set of armor. Use it to defend against attacks by a prowling lion or the temptation to place self above others.

Preferred qualifications:

- complete surrender to God
- a desire to follow his commandments
- a servant heart
- courage to face fiery furnaces or shipwrecks



Everyone's welcome, and training and support are provided. Though you can expect persecution and adversity, the rewards are lifechanging — and eternal!

## A Prayer for Uncertain Times

An hour before the 9/11 terrorist attacks, pastor and author Stan Purdum was reading Psalm 66, which includes the words, "We went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place" (v. 12, NRSV). After watching the destruction, Purdum composed a prayer that remains relevant today, as terrorism and threats often make peace seem more "specious" than "spacious":

O God of heaven and earth, who's bigger than nations and factions, be with us as we live through times of terror, despair and danger. Be the strength of people who've been touched personally by disaster. Come with healing to those who are injured. Be the eternal rest of those who've died. Be the energy, compassion and fortitude of those who must pick through the wreckage. Grant our leaders courage and a double portion of your wisdom. The day of universal brotherhood seems farther off than ever, O God, but help us not despair of trying to ac-

## GREETERS SCHEDULE

Sep. 6 —Greeters: Kelle L. & Sandy M.  
Children's Church: ??? Nursery—Sandy M.

Sep. 13 —Greeters: Ed & Gloria Davis  
Children's Church: Debbi C. Nursery: Lana N.

Sep. 20 —Greeters: Brad M. & John Dyes  
Children's Church: ??? Nursery: Debbi C.

Sep 27 —Greeters: Bill & Charlene Deisler  
Children's Church: Katie & Sandy Nursery: Cindy P.



## Grandparents Are Great!!!

"What a bargain grandchildren are," said comedy writer Gene Perret. "I give them my loose change, and they give me a million dollars' worth of pleasure."

When it comes to family heritage, grandparents are worth their weight in gold. They serve as storehouses of history and wisdom, helping children see how they fit into a family's legacy. Christian grandparents also provide a faith heritage that passes from generation to generation.

The apostle Paul acknowledged this important role of family elders when he wrote to young Timothy: "I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you" (2 Timothy 1:5, NRSV).



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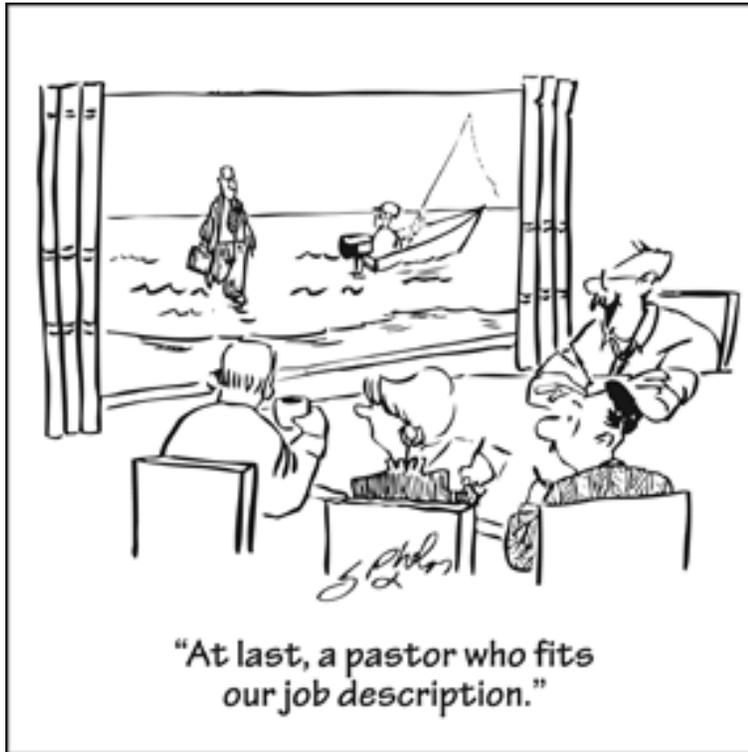
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 *Heath Aldrich*	2 *Cliff Swanson*	3	4	5
6 *Joyce Strange*	7 *Tony Cope* *Drew Patrick* 	8 *Bill Deisler* *Chris Jolly*	9 Choir—6:00 Worship Committee— 7:00	10 **Karl & Kelle Lillie	11 Jr. High Dance 9:30 — Midnight	12 *Michelle Baker*
13  Grandparents Day Council Meeting—12:00 Vespers—6:00 IPUMC	14 *Martha Collier* *Dusty Davis*	15 **Gary & Marie Balthrop	16 *Tyler Jolly* *Charles Finnell* Choir—6:00	17 *Chris Gravitt* *Rob Nichols*	18	19 *Paul Meyenberg* *Alexis Williams*
20 Fellowship Meal—5:00	21 *Wilburn Nichols* *Kendel Stubblefield* *Landon Kunkel*	22	23 *Gaye Roberts* Choir—6:00	24 **Paul & Sandy Meyenberg	25	26 *Shane Calhoun*
27	28	29	30 Choir—6:00	1 Wesley Foundation Meal 10:00 a.m.		

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