

## South Ashland United Methodist Church

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Anchored to the Rock Relevant to the Times Reaching to the Future!

## December 2019

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We will very soon be in the Advent season. By the time that you are reading this, the Sanctuary will be decorated for the Christmas Season. The altar paraments will be blue instead of green and we will be enjoying Advent readings each Sunday morning in worship. The season of Advent is a time to prepare for the coming Messiah; God-in -the-flesh come to dwell with us. And while this season reminds me to prepare for Christmas, it also reminds me that we are about to close another calendar year.

Each year at this time, I begin to reflect on what has transpired in the past year, where we have been and where we are headed. And in the past year, we have met some great goals in terms of ministry. We have launched new ministries with Restoration Recovery, Loving Arms, and Evangelism Explosion. We have seen growth in ministries like the Backpack Blessings that continues to feed more and more school kids every weekend. We trained Kathy Hughes as a Stephen Leader, replacing Debby Clark, who served in that position for years. We continue to support ministries like Hillcrest-Bruce in our community and Mary Woods and the Costa Rica Mission. All of this is done even while we achieve landmark accomplishments like paying off the church mortgage which has been in place to some degree for the last 25 years!

And now we are looking toward the end of 2019 and the beginning of 2020. And I have one more goal to attain before 2019 comes to an end. Because of printing deadlines, I am not sure exactly where we are on the Lighthouse Mortgage, but a fair estimate is that we owe about \$6,000. This is after the increase in giving to the lighthouse since the church mortgage payoff and using the remainder of the Bell Fund against the Lighthouse.

Rannie Cooper says that he has never seen the church without debt of some sort in all his years here. How about if we change that this year and enter 2020 debt free. And then we will look forward to 2020 and the work that God will lay before us.

Pastor Keith

### <u>Honors & Memoríals</u>

#### <u>Music</u>

In Memory of Bert Baker Given by Tony & Rose Grossl Given by Bill & Martha Rice

#### Lighthouse

In Memory of Doug Riffe Given by Ernestine Blanton Given by Lisa Hammond Given by John & Sue Lambert Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

In Memory of Bert Baker Given by John & Sue Lambert Given by Dick & Trish Wheeler

In Memory of Bert Baker In Memory of Kathy Martin In Memory Gaye Mansfield In Memory Jimmy Mansfield Given by Bill & Martha Rice

#### Costa Rica Farm

In Memory of Ann & John Spears Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

#### **Gideon International**

In Honor of Ray McCann for singing at Doug Riffe's funeral services Given by Garnet Riffe

> In Memory of Doug Riffe Given by the Wesley Class

#### Parsonage Renovation

*In Memory of Doug Riffe* Given by Lou & Bev Moore

#### Hillcrest Bruce Mission In Memory of Ed Shytle Given by Mike & Charlene Qualls

Youth In Honor of John Lambert Given by Anonymous

Given by Ed & Cheryl Spears

Budget

In Memory of Ed Shytle

Given by Dr. Malcolm King

In Memory of Lucy Charles

Given by Steve & Toby Simmerman

In Memory of Doug Riffe

Given by Karen Sue Walthall

Given by Jean Chandler

Given by Faye Lenning

Given by Steve & Darlene Meyers

Given by Drexel & Sonnie Blanton

Given by Fred & Juanita Fields

Given by Carla Skaggs

In Memory of Bert Baker

Given by James & Megan Elam

Given by Carla Skaggs

**Jail Ministry** 

In Memory of Nita, Glenn & Scott Nunley

## Hospital Visitation

If you, a family member, or friend are having surgery or being admitted to the hospital and would like to be visited and have prayer please contact:

> The Church Office: 324-6961 & Elfi Sologic: 325-4349

- Our most heartfelt sympathies are extended to:
- Trish Wheeler, Kent Mansfield and family in the loss of their sister in law, Gaye Mansfield.
- Steven and Jonathan Shytle and family in the loss of their Dad, Ed Shytle.
- Lou & Bev Moore in the loss of his brother, Fred Moore.

# South Ashland UMC Treasurer's Report - October 2019

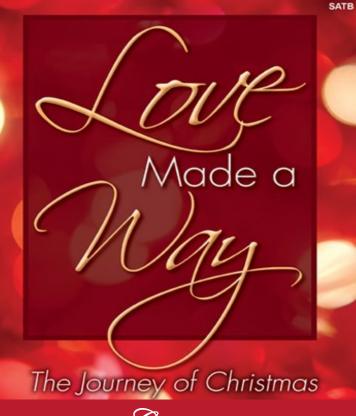
Current Month	Budget Items	Specials	Mortgage Fund	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$19,662.07	\$25,802.67	\$8,346.74	\$53,811.48
Receipts	\$34,988.39	\$6,262.58	\$0.00	\$41,250.97
Disbursements	(\$37,558.17)	(\$5,655.59)	\$0.00	(\$43,213.76)
Transfer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Closing Balance	\$17,092.29	\$26,409.66	\$8,346.74	\$51,848.69
Year-to-Date				
Balance 12/31/2018	\$39,841.52	\$63,924.38	\$17,463.02	\$121,228.92
Receipts	\$355,212.95	\$45,693.60	\$52,091.60	\$452,998.15
Disbursements	(\$380,132.61)	(\$83,880.64)	(\$61,207.88)	(\$525,221.13)
Transfer	\$2,170.43	\$672.32	\$0.00	\$2,842.75
Closing Balance	\$17,092.29	\$26,409.66	\$8,346.74	\$51,848.69



Bake some cookies and be prepared to deliver them as we go to sing carols in some of our area assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and on the porches of our church shut-ins.

## <u>December 15th</u> Bring your cookies and your singing voice and meet at the church at 5:00pm.

Come help us spread some joy! We will meet back at the church to enjoy some hot chocolate afterwards.



*Cantata* Sunday, December 8, 2019 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Christmas Cards for our Ill & Shut In Members and Friends

Let's shower our ill and shut in members and friends with much Christmas love, to let them know we are thinking of them at this special time of year.

In the church foyer, you will find a box to place addressed Christmas cards. These will be delivered to them and need to be dropped off at the church by Monday, December 16. Please contact the office if you would like to add someone to the list.

Kaelyn Wellman Mary King Tootsie Baldock Mona Leibee Dot Ellington Ernestine Blanton Lisa Hammond Carol Armstrong Tish Crawford Margaret Hanks Drexel & Sonnie Blanton Stella Pennington Evelyn Crawford Maxine Romick Bob Wheeler Toby Williams Bill Turner Aileen Caines Jack & Betty Nuckols Bill & Linda Meyers Darryle Toney Mike Yazdandoust

Dear Bereavement Committee,

What a lovely lunch you provided for my father's memorial service! Everything was so delicious! We so enjoyed being able to be with family and friends. It really enabled us to have a happy family reunion even though it was a sad time for us. Thank you so much for your kindness! All of you were such a blessing to us.

Gratefully, Tom & Denise Neyer Wanda Baker and Lois Baker

Dear South Ashland UMC,

Thank you, thank you, thank you! The Baby Bottle Blessings Fundraiser was a great success! The total is over \$67,000.

South Ashland United Methodist Church's grand total is \$2,252.91 which includes all individual donations and change. Your offering/blessing has truly humbled and honored Two Hearts by your outpouring of God's Love. I stand in awe of God's goodness, His churches that participated, the special people He placed as church liaisons, and each of His people who said, "Yes" and filled a bottle.

All Because of Jesus, Sandy Bellomy What a blessing SAUMC is!! To all of you who purchased gifts, packed shoeboxes, donated money or prayed for the children who would receive these boxes, I thank you with all my

heart! From April to November, you continued to fill the collection boxes each month. We had an outpouring of gifts and love! We fully packed 151 boxes to be shipped! You have ensured that a child will have a smile on their face as they open their box filled with gifts. But most importantly, they will be introduced to Jesus and learn about his love for them. Thanks again to each of you and to Pastor Keith for supporting this ministry. You are AMAZING!!!

May you have a Blessed Christmas! Gloria























## Youth & Children's NEWS AND EVENTS Hello Everyone,

Our Sunday night Children's Ministry Program, God's Gang, has continued to provide our kids with an opportunity to have a good time on Sundays and participate in highly engaging lessons! The kids got to build towers while talking about the Tower of Babel one Sunday in November.









During Children's Church the kids have been learning from the book of Daniel. These are their versions of the statue that King

Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream that Daniel interpreted for him.





During one of our youth nights this past month, two teams of youth worked to build bridges out of popsicle sticks and tape to see whose could hold the most bibles! The teams did great at working together to accomplish this task before our lesson time. We have discussed the stories of Job and Cain and Abel this month and discussed what these stories can tell us about our relationship with God.



Confirmation is underway this year for kids in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up. Our first retreat was Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>- Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> here at SAUMC. We had 12 youth participating! Special thanks to several SAUMC church members who came out to teach each of our sessions; Pastor Keith, Lou Moore, Rev. Phil Zimmerman, and Laci Hart. The dates for our next retreat are Feb. 7th at 6:00pm - Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. We have combined with Advance UMC and Christ UMC to put on the series of three retreats! The next retreat will be hosted at Advance UMC.



Puppet Ministry had their stick The performance in November! The performance date for the Children's Choir next month is December 22<sup>nd</sup> and the Puppets will perform at the 6pm Christmas Eve service.





Join us for Christmas caroling on December 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00pm. Youth, children, and adults are all invited to go out and sing. We will be visiting several of our assisted living facilities in the area and our church shut-ins. We would love to have as people as possible participate in this fun evening. There may even be hot chocolate involved! manv



It is time again to start thinking about Winter Blitz! This is a youth event put on in Louisville by our Kentucky Annual Conference where youth from UMC's all over the state can come together. This year the event is January 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. Make sure if your kid is in the youth that they sign up for this trip!





Dear Brothers and Sisters, I pray that you all have a very blessed and Merry Christmas!

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As I write this, your Team will be leaving for Costa Rica in 87 days. It is hard for me to believe as I know the days will fly by as we celebrate the birth of our Lord. I spoke to Mary last week about team plans, feeding program in Pital, and other ministries where Mary is involved. Due to some church politics, for lack of a better way of stating it, the feeding program has been on hold for a few weeks. When I spoke to Mary, she was getting ready for a church district meeting. I had the pleasure to speak with the District Superintendent of that area. Mary and he told me that the feeding program was starting again on November 17, 2019. I was so very pleased to hear that! Our church had some money to support that mission, which we sent. The bad part is that fund is depleted now and in need of funds and prayers. If anyone would like to donate, they can make a check out to church and mark Costa Rica feeding program. Mary and the DS both ask that I express their love and thanks for support-ing this mission.

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I don't often ask for direct support for Costa Rica, but after much prayer and God leading me to different bible verses, I am sure that is what HE wants me to do. As you all know, Mary's ministry is only supported by American churches, campers that use the farm, Marion's retirement and Mary's social security. She told me last week that her funds were running very low. We were blessed as a church to be able to send \$1,537.00 for Mary's ministry and \$325.00 for the feeding program. She is so very thankful and grateful for the support and prayers. You can support Mary by a donation made to Costa Rica farm account. Please pray what God wants you to do.

### Here are some of the bible verses that God has led me to in the past week.

Luke 10:1-2 "After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Jesus told those He sent out to not take money bags with them, apparently showing that God would support them, but since there were few laborers in that day, and it appears in our day too, He told them to "pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" and today, we are still praying for more laborers as there's a shortage of witnesses in the church and a shortage of missionaries due to a lack of financial support from the church. We can pray for more laborers but we must support the ones we already have!

### James 2:14-18 Faith Without Works Is Dead

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and

one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

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Proverbs 31:20 She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy.

Thanks so much for all your prayers and support for all these many years in this mission field.

In His Love and Service Eduardo



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- Shirley Dixon 2 3
- John M. Hinkle
- 4 Ashley Crawford
- 5 Hollie Crank
- Candy Lett 7 Kent Mansfield
- 8 Susan Hunt
- 9 Josh Daniel
- 10 Lynda Cannon John Hinkle David Bolen Bri Williamson

- 11 Jack Daniel
- 13 Susie Carter
- 14 Skippy Simmerman
- 17 Russ Ryan Brandon Miller
- 22 Mark Meenach 23 Linda VanHoose
- Valerie Highley
- 25 Carol Barnhorst 31 John N. Cannon

Happy Birthday

5 Ken & Kay Bush 17 Frank & Cheri Sloan 22 Matt & Kim Hart 26 Greg & Arland White 27 Randy & Cynde Elkins Mark & Paulette Meenach Rodney & Erin Miller 29 Jim & Susan Ifert 31 Jack & Susie Daniel

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