

Parent Power-Up



Get Connected



If you do not have your touchpoint login, please email Pastor Kyle so he can send it to you. Then you will be able to update your own information (address, email, birth date, etc..) including adding or updating your picture. You will also be able to access contact information for other people in the church.

Have you ever clicked on the church directory tab on the website? Wait, did you know we have a website? Do you follow us on Facebook or Twitter?

While I am a firm believer in face to face relationships, I also embrace the world of technology for data and often it is the fastest way to keep in contact especially when dealing with a large group of people that live all over the place.

The first place many of us now go to check out things before we try them is a webpage or online review. This includes when we are looking for a church. We do have a website www.thejourneymc.org that gives information on worship, ministries, online giving, online directory access (Touchpoint), and MUCH MORE! If you are not receiving a weekly email from us or if you have never received a birthday message from Pastor Kyle, it would be helpful if you could update your information on our online directory. You can even choose your own picture and update it as you like for the online directory.

We have a public Facebook page and Twitter account that you can "Like"/"Follow". We also have a private Facebook group called "The Journey UMC Community Cares" that you can join which is a place where people can share joys and concerns including #10KReasons4Thanks.

In addition to connecting online, I highly encourage to connect by having a meal with another family that you encounter during our meet & greet time and getting to know them or by joining a small group ministry like one of our Bible Studies, Sunday School classes, a GROW group, a 10th Week group, or the monthly Family Read-Along. It is through these connections that people can share in the highs and lows of life and that we grow as a community in Christ. Let's connect, share, and GROW as a family of faith together!



Sharing God's Love & Grace,
Cheri

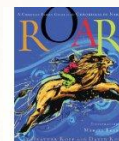
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Loving, teaching, learning, sharing-morning til night, at home & on the go
Deuteronomy 6: 4-9



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ADVENTURE CREW NEWS

November 2015



Family Read- Along Book of the Month: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

Join us on this fun new adventure for the WHOLE family into Narnia. Whether you have read the book or not, you are invited to join us on the 1st Sunday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm for fun activities and discussion around the previous month's book. We are starting with The Magician's Nephew, on Sunday Nov. 1st which will even include some yummy toffee. In December, in addition to our book talk, we will also get to watch the movie, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

read this:



We hope you have been following along as we kicked off our 1st week of #10KReasons4Thanks. You can access the calendar and follow the Twitter feed at:

<http://thejourneymc.org/featured/10kreasons4thanks/>.

I will be sharing some of what the Adventure Crew gives thanks for each day on both Twitter & Facebook. We would love for you and your family to share as well either with pics or words. Also be sure to help your child fill out their "I am blessed by..." calendar each day. This is a simple way for them to live life out of a place of gratitude!

Please remember that the soft foam mat area in the back is designed for families to sit with and supervise children that may need extra space to move. If you cannot sit at the mats with your child, then your child is welcome to take a clipboard, book, or quiet activity to his/ her seat next to you in worship to ensure that children are supervised.

parent spot!



yes!

i am proud to initial that my child has worked on his/her GPS!



Time for Relationships

Choose a time each day that you are intentionally going to go without using technology (tv, video games, ipads, phones, etc...) preferably during a time when you do. **TURN IT OFF** for at least an hour each day and use this time to build relationships with your family, friends, neighbors, or with God by doing something that does not use electricity, battery power, or gas/fuel. This would be a great opportunity to read this month's Narnia book, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe.



Meal:

Bountiful Blessings

Go to a farmer's market together. Let your child(ren) help plan a menu or a special dish based on what you find at the market. Should you make a veggie omelet with fresh eggs and zucchini? A winter stew with root vegetables and local beef? Rejoice in the many blessings God provides us with each day as you share in the meal as a family around the table and perhaps you can share in your blessing by inviting someone to join you or sharing what you made.



Roadway:

In All Circumstances

The NIV translation of this month's verse says, "give thanks in all circumstances". That means whether you are happy, sad, mad, scared, etc... While you are walking or driving in the car, practice saying this month's verse in a variety of voices such as a questioning voice, a whispering voice, an emphatic voice, or a shouting voice. Work on it each day until you have the verse memorized.



10,000 Reasons for Thanks

We are each blessed in many ways each day and often take these blessings for granted. Take time each day to fill in your "I am blessed by..." chart and then pray and thank God for these big & small things. Adults can share pictures of some of these things you are thankful for with us using #10KReasons4Thanks.

Stump the Grown-Up!



Ask an adult to help you answer this question:
Tell me 5 things you know about the person who wrote Psalm 103?

Scripture Starters:

- Nov. 1st: 10, 000 Reasons- Ah Mercy
Psalm 103: 6-12
- Nov. 8th: 10, 000 Reasons- Small Me, Big God
Psalm 103: 13-18
- Nov. 15th: 10,000 Reasons- I Choose Thankfulness
Psalm 103: 19-22
- Nov. 22nd: 10,000 Reasons- I Love My Church
1 Thessalonians 5:18
- Nov. 29th: Not a Silent Night- Beginning with the End
Acts 1: 8-14



MEMORY VERSE:

GIVE THANKS NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS.
GOD WANTS YOU TO THANK HIM
BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE IN CHRIST JESUS.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

NEW INTERNATIONAL READERS VERSION (NIRV)



I am blessed by...

1. Someone I love	2. Someone who lives in my home	3. Something outside	4. Something required for survival	5. Someone I see almost every day
6. Something in nature	7. An answered prayer	8. A gift I received	9. One of my talents	10. Someone I have known all (or most) of my life
11. A right or privilege I have as an American citizen	12. A relative outside of my immediate family	13. Something in the kitchen	14. A place I go to often	15. A Bible verse that is special to me
16. An activity I get to participate in	17. Something about my appearance or body	18. Something that cannot be seen	19. An invention	20. One of the seasons
21. Something I use every day	22. Someone who has made a difference in my life	23. Something God has done for me	24. Somewhere I feel peaceful	25. Something someone did for me within last week
26. Something that nourishes me	27. A book that I have read	28. A challenge you have faced	29. A way I show God love	30. FREE SPACE anything you haven't listed yet