Adel UMC Special August Edition Newsletter



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Thoughts on the Journey:

Well, where did the summer go? August is upon us and in a few weeks it is back to school for our children and teachers.

My husband and I are moved in, not totally settled! There are still boxes to unpack - then there is the task of trying to find a place to put everything. And perhaps the larger task is remembering where I put everything! I'm already at the point of saying to myself... "I remember unpacking that, but where did I put it?"

The task of moving is not an easy one! But the excitement of new possibilities for ministry and mission together outweighs the downside of moving. I am excited to be here, eager to meet with you, to explore your goals, and your passions for ministry. I am eager to move forward as the Holy Spirit leads us.

My days here in the office are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9:00 to 3:00. I may be in the office later than 3:00 but I try to do visitations in the afternoons so if you need me for something please try to stop by before 3:00. Friday is my day off and I plan to be in Dallas Center on Wednesday. I invite you to stop by and introduce yourself. I will never remember all your names by just seeing you before or after church on Sunday.

Jesus was all about relationships. He didn't just heal someone; he established a relationship of loving grace between himself and the person in need of healing, his disciples, and all those he met. Relationships are important and I want ours to be filled with grace and joy!

I am also planning to do a sermon series this fall. My thoughts for subjects are: "Our Membership Vows", "The Lord's Prayer", "Psalm 23", and the "Book of Acts". Any of those topics sound interesting to you? If you have a passion for a certain subject please let me know.

I am excited to be here and begin ministry together with you. May God bless our journey.

Pastor Linda

Mission Team Update:

Our team has been busy the last few months and we appreciate all of the support from our congregation!



In June we delivered 20 baby baskets filled with baby items to the Dallas County Hospital for new moms. On Saturday, July 13th, members of the Mission Team and Circle of Friends stood at the 4 corners by the Courthouse in Adel collecting donations to support Dorothy's House, an organization committed to assisting victims of Human Trafficking. In total we raised \$1,603.96 during this Mission Outreach.

Each quarter the Mission Team makes a \$500 donation in support of a worthy cause or organization. For the 2nd quarter of 2024 the recipient of this donation is the Adel-DeSoto-Minburn School District's School Lunch Deficit. At the end of the 2023-2024 school year the school lunch deficit was - \$28,719.24. The Mission Team has challenged the congregation to make donations to match our \$500 so we can make a total



donation of \$1,000 to the ADM School District's School Lunch Deficit.

The Mission Team is collecting clothing items for use at the Adel Elementary School. Below are the items we are collecting. Please bring them to the church and put them in the collection bins as you walk into the church. We will deliver these items to the Adel Elementary School in mid-August.

Shoes (new or gently used) - Kids sizes 12-2

Shorts, pants, and underwear for boys and girls - Youth sizes 5-8

Winter Gloves (new or gently used) - Youth sizes

Our Noisy Offering will be held on the 4th Sunday of each month and is designated to the following areas over the next three months:

July - ADM School Lunch Deficit

August - School Supplies

September - Kids underwear - school donations

Thank you for your support of the Adel UMC Mission Projects.



Dress a Girl will be sending dresses to South Africa thru Blessman International in October.

We will be blessing the dresses on Sept 15.

Dress a Girl has workshops the 2nd and 4th Tuesday every month.

You do not need to be a seamstress to participate. You can cut elastic and bias tape, make kits which has everything you need to make a dress, stuff panties in the dresses or select material for the pockets. And many of you washed and ironed the donated material.

Thanks to everyone for making this mission a success.

Sue Ladd





We need YOU as we TEAM UP to offer Adel UMC's Hospitality for the 2024 Sweet Corn Festival on Friday night, August 9th & Saturday, August 10th!!!

Adel UMC will offer our best hospitality as "Good News People" on Saturday, August 10th with places to sit under our giant tent in the courtyard, free root beer (made from water), free ice water, entertainment from our Praise Band, and lots of friendly smiles.





This year, we will also be serving a meal on Friday night, August 9th under our giant tent for all the volunteers who will shuck the sweet corn right outside our church. This meal will extend our generosity and broaden our involvement in the Adel community.

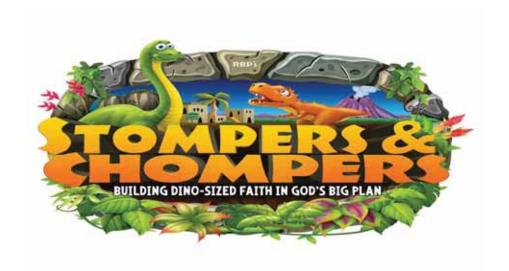


We can't make this "Good News People" hospitality happen without you!!! We need servers, greeters, table cleaners, and clean-up helpers. Sign-up sheets

are in the narthex or contact
Ben Kern at 515-250-6329 if
you want to help. We will be
wearing our blue Adel UMC
"Good News People" T-shirts
both Friday and Saturday. If you

need a shirt, contact Carolyn Kern at 515-250-6328. We had SO MUCH FUN last year! Let's have even more FUN this year!





Ecumenical Vacation Bible School Adel UM Church

with Mobile United Methodist Missionaries, Dallas Center UMC, Minburn UMC, Grace Lutheran, & Adel Christian Present!

5:30 – 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday

Aug. 5-8

Kids 4 & up --join us for a creative, fun time!

(Includes meal.)

Please register with this

QR code!!











TEACHER & BACKPACK BLESSING SCHOOL TO CHURCH

INTERESTED IN PLAYING BELLS?

Let's talk!



See Jan Tetrick or Sam Long for details



Church Calendar

August

- 4 BP Checks 9:30 & 11am
 Worship with Communion 10am
- 5 VBS 5:30pm-8pm
- 6 VBS 5:30pm-8pm
- 7 VBS 5:30pm-8pm
- 8 VBS 5:30pm-8pm
- 9 Sweetcorn Festival Volunteer Supper 5:30pm
- 10 Sweetcorn Festival 9am
- 11 Worship 10am
- 12 Trustee Meeting 5pm Finance Meeting 7pm
- Dress-a- Girl Workshop 2pmMissions Meeting 5:30pmAD Council Meeting 6:30pmEmmaus— Chapel 7pm
- 14 Wednesday Night Meal 5- 6:30pm Praise Band Practice 6:30pm
- 18 Worship 10amClothing Drive Items DeadlineBackpack & Teacher Blessing
- 21 Wednesday Night Meal 5- 6:30pm Praise Band Practice 6:30pm
- 25 Worship 10am- Noisy Offering
- 27 Dress-a- Girl Workshop 2pm
- 28 Wednesday Night Meal 5- 6:30pm Praise Band Practice 6:30pm

