

The Good News

Romans 15:13 NLT

I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.

I shared with you recently in a sermon that; "Everyone you encounter is going through something!" I've tried now for days to get that out of my head, and it just won't go away.

I've tried to remember where I heard it but I can't remember.

In the world and in our country right now, even more specifically in our state and in our small town of Hardinsburg Kentucky, there is "Someone who is struggling with something". If we are going to be honest, even in the United Methodist Church, we are going through something.

So, what do we do? Do we just throw up our hands and give up or give in? I think the best place to start is to put our hope and trust in something or someone bigger than our struggles. We start with putting our trust our hope in God alone.

Matthew 11:28 NLT Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

We go to God who is our source of hope, strength and encouragement. Our struggles and our difficulties are not to big for God to handle. We can be encouraged that there is nothing that we are struggling with that God hasn't already provided a solution for.

We just trust him and know that God will work out everything for our good even if we don't see it yet. So, no matter what you are facing just take it to God and let Him handle it.

Remember the great promises God gives us in scripture, like this one. Deuteronomy 31:6

" So be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid and do not panic before them. For the Lord your God will personally go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor abandon you."

Blessings, Bro Greg

Word of the Month: Encourage

The Greek word for encourage is "parakaleo", which means to call alongside, to exhort, to comfort, to instruct, or to plead

Ephesians 4:29 Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.



HUMC's Graduates of 2024 High School and College

High School: Carsen Elizabeth Moreland Breckinridge County High School

Carsen will be attending University of Kentucky, Majoring in Elementary Education

College: Abigail Faith Shannon Lindsey Wilson College 2024 Health/Physical Education Major

Rebekah Maye Shannon Lindsey Wilson College 2024 Drama Major/Christian Ministries Minor

Ellis Kurt Basham University of Kentucky 2024 Gatton College of Business/Business Management



The Blessing Team

Every Monday at

9:30am in the

Heart & Soul Room

Everyone is

Welcome!

Fishes & Loaves Free

Community Meal

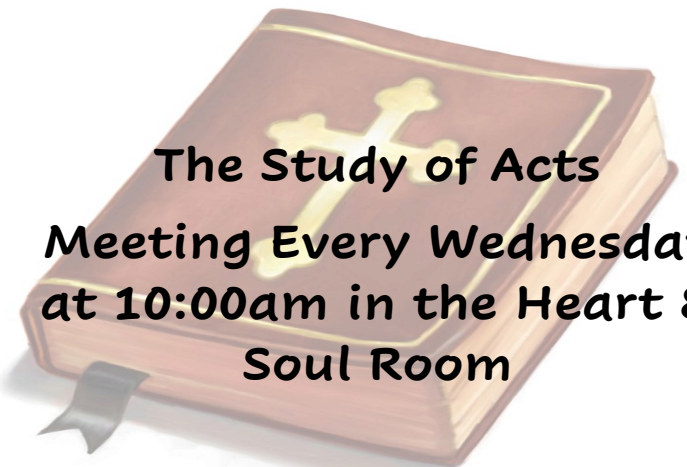
Every Saturday in May sponsored by various churches in the county

In HUMC Memorial Hall 4:30pm -

6:00pm



The Study of Acts
Meeting Every Wednesday
at 10:00am in the Heart & Soul Room



Quarterly Outreach: The Blessing Box

A Blessing Box is a standalone miniature pantry where a person in need can come discretely anytime of the day or night for just a bit of food, a toiletry item or maybe just a pair of socks. Blessing Boxes are being erected all over the country, by churches, businesses and even individuals. We are grateful to Larry Welch for crafting a beautiful and unique Blessing Box using reclaimed wood from our former main entrance. For protection from the weather, the HUMC Blessing Box is located under the porch of Memorial Hall facing the street. The idea is to offer a small bit of help when nothing else is open or there just isn't enough money in the cookie jar for those last couple of days before major assistance is available. Anyone in the community can participate, and in fact we hope they do. The Blessing Box is never locked. "Take what you need, leave what you can, little becomes much in the Master's hand." Items should be non-perishable and withstand uncontrolled temperatures. Items that come several to a box like instant oatmeal should be taken out of the box. A list of some examples of items is located on top of the cubby cabinet in the Welcome Center.

Circle 4

Meeting May 7th at
5:00pm in Memorial Hall

Ministry Action Team
will be meeting May
14th at 4:30pm in the
Heart & Soul Room

Our May Gopher Fund
will be going towards
Camp Loucon
Scholarships

Crafting Group will be
meeting May 15th at
11:30am and May 16th
& 17th at 9:30am in the
Heart & Soul Room

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Sundays

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship Service and YouTube
Livestream

5:00 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Sunday Night Live Youth Ministry

**Welcome Home to
Hardinsburg United Methodist Church**