

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

10.15.2026 - 10.21.2026

LIFE AT HUMC

To stay up-to-date on more events happening at HUMC, be sure to check the church calendar at <https://connecthvilleumc.org/>

UMM Breakfast-Oct. 17 @ 8:00 a.m.

Enjoy a morning of delicious breakfast and fellowship with the United Methodist Men on October 17!

Lunch Bunch Oct. 20 @ 11:30

Come enjoy a meal and fellowship at Lunch Bunch at Applebee's!

Book Club-Oct. 20 @ 1 & 7 p.m.

Join Book Club as they discuss Highway of Tears by Jessica McDiarmid.

Shepherd's Staff Volunteer Celebration- Oct. 24 | 3-4:30

All Shepherd's Staff Food Pantry volunteers are invited to join us at the church for an afternoon of ice cream, cake, celebration and gratitude as we give thanks for the incredible difference you are making in our community.

Follow us on Facebook and check out the HUMC website!

To stay informed on church and community events, have access to daily scripture readings and more, follow our Facebook page at facebook.com/harrisonvilleumc or go to the HUMC website at <https://connecthvilleumc.org/>

How to Put This Week's Sermon Into Practice

From Pastor Jon

This past Sunday we celebrated United Women in Faith and the ways we are called to be Salt and Light in our world as we live out Micah 6:8. We were reminded that we are called to grow in our relationship with God, experience the fellowship of Christian community, and put our faith into action through service and advocacy, especially on behalf of women, children, and youth.

Here are three ways to live out that calling this week:

Do Justice — Notice Who Needs Someone to Stand Beside Them

Jesus calls us to hunger and thirst for righteousness. That means caring about what is right and good, not just for ourselves but for others. Pay attention to someone who may be overlooked, struggling, or treated unfairly. Listen to their story. Consider one practical way you can help, encourage, or stand beside them. Justice often begins by simply noticing someone else's need.

Love Kindness — Make Mercy Visible

Kindness is more than being polite. It is choosing to respond to others with the same grace and compassion God has shown us. Intentionally practice mercy toward someone. Offer forgiveness, extend patience, make a phone call, write an encouraging note, or help someone without expecting anything in return. Let someone experience God's love through your actions.

Walk Humbly — Grow Closer to God and Serve Together

Walking humbly means recognizing that we are still learning, still growing, and still being shaped by God's grace. We don't have all the answers, and we don't have to do God's work alone. Begin each day with a simple prayer: "God, open my heart to You and my eyes to the needs of others." Then look for an opportunity to join with others in serving your church or community. Remember, we can accomplish far more together than we can alone.

A Thought for the Week

Faith isn't simply something we believe. It is something we live. When we seek justice, practice mercy, and walk humbly with God, we become part of God's work of transforming the world. And we don't have to change the whole world this week. We can begin by making a difference in one person's world.



Hannah's Sisters Nut Sales Begin This Week

This week, we kick off the four-week sprint to buy nuts from Hannah's Sisters Sunday School Class. You can place your orders this week and next, or in person using the order form in the bulletin or in The Hub. The nuts will be delivered the first two weeks of November, just in time for holiday baking or gift-giving. All proceeds from the sales will go to the mission programs that Hannah's Sisters support.

Love One Another T-Shirts Are In!

Our first order of T-Shirts will be available for pick-up this Sunday. If you didn't get your order in, you can order one this week as well, and we will get it as part of our second order. Yard signs have been ordered and are on the way!

New Worship Series: MESSY: Imperfect People, Faithful God

Life is messy. Relationships are messy. Even our faith can be messy. We don't always get things right, and neither does the Church. Yet throughout Scripture, God consistently calls imperfect people to accomplish extraordinary things. You don't have to have it all together to be welcomed here or to be used by God. If you are a mess – join us. You'll feel right at home!

Love One Another Food Drive

All throughout October, we will be collecting 29 oz cans of yams, regular-size cans of cranberries, and boxes of Stove Top Stuffing for the Shepherd's Staff Food Pantry Thanksgiving baskets. You can purchase and bring the items yourself or make a cash contribution of \$6, and we will purchase them for you. You can give online or in person by marking Food Pantry in the memo. Our goal is 100 items!

Stocking Up For Halloween

We are still collecting bags of candy to be used at Trunk or Treat on the Square. This is a great opportunity for us to meet folks, share information about our church, and have fun. We are looking to serve 1,500 people. That's a lot of sweet treats!

Coming Soon – HUMC Love One Another Campaign beginning November 1!

In a world filled with division, loneliness, and uncertainty, Jesus gives his followers a different way to live: Love God. Love our neighbors. Love one another. We invite you to join our Love One Another Campaign as we discover how God's love can shape every part of our lives.

Over these weeks, we will:

WORSHIP — Gather each week as we learn to receive God's love and live it out.

GROW — Use our daily devotional booklet to spend time with God and put faith into practice.

SERVE — Look for practical ways to love our neighbors and make God's grace visible in our community.

GIVE — Prayerfully consider how our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness can help share God's love in the year ahead.