



Morris First United Methodist Church

Upcoming Events:

February 1st – Choir 6 pm

February 4th – Fire Dept. pancake breakfast

February 5th – Souper Bowl lunch after church

February 5th – Youth Super Bowl Party 5-?

February 7th – SASSY'S

February 8th – Choir 6 pm

February 8th – Board Meeting 7 pm

February 11th – Trustee & Finance training

February 12th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

February 15th – Choir 6 pm

February 15th – UMW 7 pm

February 16th – Christ's Cupboard open

February 18th – UMM 8 am

February 19th – Baked Potato lunch after church

February 19th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

February 22nd – Choir 6 pm

February 26th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY



**Sunday, February 5th
Following the Service**

Donations will go to Christ's Cupboard.



From the Pastor's Desk

By the time you get this, some of my stress will be over. I have mentioned to some of you how busy I have been these past few weeks preparing for my Commissioning interview. For those of you who don't know the process for persons pursuing ordination in the United Methodist Church, I'd like to give you a glimpse into my world.

The first steps toward ordination include meeting with a mentor and discerning if I truly want to become an ordained elder. One of the requirements is to complete a Master of Divinity degree or a course of study that accomplishes the same purpose but in a different format. I chose to go to Phillips Theological Seminary to work toward a Master's degree. This Master's program is 82 credit hours. It has taken me four years and I will graduate in May. Also, in May I hope to be commissioned which is another big step in the process.

Commissioning begins with an interview by the District Committee on Ministry. The committee has to recommend me before I can continue. That happened in November and they have recommended me to the Board of Ordained Ministry for the Oklahoma Conference. The process requires the completion of three main original works by the applicant; a 28 page paper answering 17 questions displaying my understanding of United Methodist doctrine, a Bible study over selected chapters chosen from a set group, a manuscript and recording of a sermon and my theology of the order of worship for the service. There are other forms and assessments and recommendations that have been accomplished as well. All of this is due February 1st. So, I have been busy trying to complete this work while still trying to serve you as your pastor.

The Board of Ordained Ministry will interview me in March and make the decision of whether or not I should be commissioned. If I am commissioned then I will be a Provisional Elder and have three years where I will be asked to accomplish certain tasks like actually teaching the Bible study that I have designed as well as other papers, etc. I will be interviewed every year and hopefully at the end of three years, I will be ordained as an Elder. Your prayers are appreciated as I continue through this process and after Wednesday February 1st, I hope to be more present and available to the church and begin to work with the leadership in planning and discerning God's call on our church.

Pastor Tracy

Morris Fire Dept.
Pancake Breakfast



Saturday, February 4th
7-11 am

Morris Elementary Cafeteria

**All You Can Eat Pancakes,
Sausage, and Bacon**

Adults \$3

Kids 5 & under – free

All proceeds used to help purchase and
upgrade equipment and supplies.

For delivery call 918-759-3037!!!



Feb. 5th – Super Bowl party
5pm-end of game

Feb. 12th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

Feb. 19th – Baked Potato Lunch

Feb. 19th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

Feb. 26th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

March 5th – Youth 5-7:30 pm
at Morris FUMC

Baked Potato Lunch

Sunday, February 19th after church



Money will go to the Youth Mission Trip.

Christ's Cupboard



**The food pantry is in need of peanut
butter, jelly, cereal, dry beans,
spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, pancake
mix, syrup, rice, macaroni & cheese, dry
pasta, canned meat, cornbread, diced
tomatoes, and canned fruit.**

Prayer Requests



Don Sellers	Pastor Joy	Debbie Haynes	Jennifer Roper	Crystal Nolan
Jim Ledford	Bill Patterson	Ronda Stephenson	Delana Devin	Heather Longan
Shawn Metlock	Edith Jones	Freida Daniels	Jerry Zink	Carl King
Mike Vaughn	Penny's brother	Matthew Zink	Elizabeth Zink	Harvey Grundman
Brailey Fogle	Christ's Cupboard			

January							March						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Fire Dept. Brkfst.
				Mick Clark		Robert Bergevin
Souper Bowl Lunch Youth Super Bowl Party	5	6	7	8 Board Mtg. Bob Crandall	9	10 11 PPRC, Trustee, & Finance Training @ Claremore FUMC
12	13	14	15 UMW	16 Christ's Cupboard Open	17 Erica Workman Roger King	18 UMM Harvey Grundman
19	20 Ray King	21 Jerry Zink Larry Barnes JoAnn Holland	22	23	24 Jace Clark	25
26	27 Sarah Kellner	28 Roy King Bill Golden III				