



Hawkins United Methodist Church

3736 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS

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Dear Good Shepherd Family and Friends,

With the upcoming holiday season soon to be upon us, Good Shepherd would like to wish you and yours the happiest of holidays with lots of turkey and gifts to fulfill your family's needs and wishes.

No doubt that many of us remember when we went to grandma's or mama and daddy's house and stuffed ourselves with Thanksgiving dinner or opened more gifts that we could play with. Unfortunately, there are many families less fortunate, seniors forced to fend for themselves and parents working multiple jobs just to make ends meet who aren't able to purchase "Santa" at Christmas.

Like you, our hearts are burdened and we cannot look away. Good Shepherd offers hope and a lot of Jesus. We have made it our mission during the holiday season to help seniors and children alike to make lasting memories. Whether it be a long sought-after toy or doll a child wants, a senior whose Thanksgiving may be their last, or a friend's Thanksgiving food box. Either way, our mission is how we love matters.

Without YOU there would be no Good Shepherd Thanksgiving or Christmas assistance. With your partnerships, the elderly receive a food box to help celebrate the Thanksgiving season and children up to twelve years of age receive presents. It's been said that when you cast a stone in the water, it makes a ripple effect. We believe together the ripple can spread throughout our community. This is us casting a stone.

There is also another way you can join the Ripple Effect. We are currently renovating our 1939 gym for our children, youth and holiday programming. It is not an inexpensive endeavor to achieve our mission, so if you feel led to donate funds to help us achieve our goal and better serve our community, we would welcome your blessing.

Come partner with us! You can join the Ripple Effect by supporting our gym renovation, donating food for the Thanksgiving canned food drive or adopting a child for Christmas (purchasing items from their provided Christmas list).

For more information about Good Shepherd or ways you can help with any of these projects, please call Cindy McCarley or Mark Mitchell (601) 636-7687 at Good Shepherd.

Sparkles, Love and Jesus,

Cindy McCarley, LPC, NBCC
Executive Director

Mark Mitchell
Administrative Director



United Methodist Men's
Barbecue Chicken Dinner Fundraiser
Saturday, October 5th
Tickets are \$15 each and on sale now!



United Women in Faith
Garage Sale
Bake Sale &
Plant Sale Fundraiser
Saturday, October 5th
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Donated items for the garage sale can be brought the week before beginning September 30th. No clothes please.

**Administrative Council will meet
Monday, October 21st at 5:30 pm in the
fellowship hall.**

**Charge Conference will be Sunday,
November 3rd at 3:00 PM at St.
Matthew's United Methodist Church.**

Golden Wedding Anniversary!



Chuck & Debbie

Can't believe they've been married 50 years! They're really excited about it! They have some food and drinks and they want to share them with you! So, they're having a party...

6:00-10:00 PM on
Saturday, October 12th, 2024
At Crosscreek Farm in Vicksburg, MS (111
Danawood Lane)

They would love to see you there!
RSVP 601-218-3494

**It's great to find that one special person you
can annoy for the rest of your life! Seriously,
did anyone think they would make it this
long?!**

No gifts please.

PRESCHOOL



Fall is in the air! With the cooler temperatures this last week, everyone at the preschool is enjoying playtime outside. During October, the preschoolers will be learning about pumpkins, leaves and any and everything about Autumn. We will also be visiting the Delhi Safari Park on Thursday, Oct. 17 to pick pumpkins and see animals on a safari ride. The children will also have fun playing games at our Fall Festival during preschool hours on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Just a reminder that the preschool will be closed Oct. 9 - Oct. 11 for Fall Break.
Have a great month!!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!

- 3 - Becky Berger
Elijah Montgomery
Mary Frances Warren
- 6 - Harrell Moore
- 15 - Frances Reeves
- 18 - Ann Walters
Cheryl Lloyd
Jennifer McAlpin
- 23 - Edna Richardson
- 27 - John Oakes
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IN LOVING
Memory

A Memorial has been given in Loving Memory of **Joe & Jane Lindsey** by Mike & Mary Jane Lamensdorf and Family.

A Memorial has been given in Loving Memory of **Lester Hatcher** by Barbara Parsons.

Memorials have been given in Lovin Memory of **Dylan Bagwell** by Charlie & Becky Berger, Marilyn Wienke & Jane Hanes.



In 2026 Hawkins will celebrate our 75th anniversary! Although this seems like a long time off, it will be here before we know it. If you would like to serve on the planning committee, or if you have ideas or memories to share, please contact the chair of this committee, Nancy Renfroe at 601-529-1921.



Items needed for the Blessing Box and Food Pantry at church are:

- Tuna Helper
 - Tuna
 - Individual packets of oatmeal and grits
 - Ramen noodles
 - Spaghetti Sauce
 - Jelly
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Hawkins will again host a Trunk or Treat event for the community on Thursday, October 31st from 5:30 to 7:00 PM in the lower parking lot. Please consider decorating a car for Halloween. There are lots of fun, easy ideas on the internet.

We are asking the congregation to donate candy and/or small toys to hand out to the children. These items can be brought to the church office. This event is a wonderful opportunity to fellowship together as a church body as well as an opportunity to invite our friends to participate with us.

Please contact Teresa Cain or Jennifer McAlpin if you plan to decorate a car for the event. After many years hosting Trunk or Treat at Hawkins, our event has become a highlight for many in the neighborhood – let's make this year the very best!

Upcoming Youth Event!

Youth Lock-In
Saturday, November 9th
All Day

For ways you can help, volunteer or be a part of this event, please call Andrea Weaver at (601) 868-0673.



August Stewardship
Income: \$33,330.33
Expenses: \$29,839.97
3,490.36

Ways to Give to Hawkins UMC

There are several ways to continue to give your tithes and offerings to Hawkins UMC

You can:

- 1 - Write a check and mail it to the church at 3736 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS 39180.
- 2 - Give online. Visit www.hawkinsumc.org and click on Give then Ways to Give.
- 3 - Give via mobile app. Download the "Give + Plus" app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
- 4 - Give via Hawkins' mobile app. Click Give at the bottom of the screen.
- 5 - Give via PayPal located on the right half way down the hawkinsumc.org web page.

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Hawkins UMC on the Radio

Sundays at 10:30 am

Hawkins UMC is on the radio! Listen from 10:30 to 11:00 am each Sunday morning on River 101.3 or K-Hits 104.5.

Or listen with iheart radio!

