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# Music Ministry

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## OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

It is a joy to once again begin our regular rehearsal schedule for music groups. This is a great time to join our choirs and be part of the fun of singing and/or ringing glory to God. The most important factor is that you have a desire to praise God through music.

Our **Senior Vocal Choir** sings most Sundays as part of our worship service. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 8-9 pm in the choir room beginning September 23rd. There will also be Sunday morning rehearsals beginning September 20th at 8:45 am prior to our worship service which is good for those unable to attend Wednesday.

Our **Adult Bell Choir** rings usually once a month for worship and rehearses Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the bell choir room or in the sanctuary with rehearsals beginning September 9th. There will be no rehearsal September 16th.

Our **Chime Group** is for children in 1st grade and up. Chimes are more sturdy than bells and easier to ring. Chimes are a great way to learn the techniques that will later be used for ringing bells. Practice begins on September 20th, immediately following the service.

Our **Praise Team** practices most Sundays at 1 pm. We welcome those who enjoy singing contemporary Christian music.

If you are considering being part of our music ministry, please talk with Diane Soper or email her at [soperdls80@gmail.com](mailto:soperdls80@gmail.com) or come to any of our rehearsals.

# We Need Your Family Picture

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We are beginning to collect your family and individual pictures to be included in a new pictorial directory. Unlike in past years where a professional studio has come in and done posed shots for the directory, we are asking you to simply email us a family portrait that you would like to have included in our next booklet. Maybe you have a shot from the beach trip, or from the holidays, or WDW or maybe you just want to take a new one in the back yard. You get the idea. [Send it along via email to the church](#) and we will take it from there. No sales pitch to sit through and no waiting and trying to keep everyone from getting messed up. By the way, we can take a picture for you at the church if you would like us to; just let PC know so we can arrange it.

## A few tips to help the process

- a horizontal picture is preferred.
- Remember this is a church directory, so please avoid those awkward family photos.
- Please tell us who is in the photo in order.

We may need to crop the photo for the best presentation. If you wish you can preview your photo before we insert it in the final book. Our hope is that we will have a better representation of our church family with your participation. [Email it to the church office](#) and make the subject directory photo.

# The “Bread of Life” Food Pantry

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## AUGUST PANTRY DAY



Celebrates 6 year Anniversary!!!

Another Milestone Celebration - 72 Consecutive Months

Over 6,000 Families Helped - Over 20,000 People Helped

Praise the Lord! God is Good!

74 Families Served in August. Ministry Partner Churches provided cakes and 1/2 gallons of ice cream to each family. Each family also received a small roasting chicken, eggs and apples from the Food Bank & Hunter's Farm Sweet Corn, as well as the regular pantry menu food items.

THANK YOU EPWORTH - To those who made cakes, to those who volunteered on Pantry Day, to everyone who supports the Pantry GOD BLESS!

Epworth is still collecting for the Food Pantry : boxed cereal, oatmeal, hot chocolate, tea bags, coffee, and fruit juice. The next Food Pantry Day is September 19.

# Volunteer with our Children's Ministry

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## volunteer with CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



We are looking for volunteers to teach our Sunday School children, grades K-6th grade. Please consider giving your time, one to two Sundays a month. No amount of time is too small and you could make a big impact in the faith journey of our children. If you are interested in learning more about our Sunday School, please contact Bill Condit or Sandy Grimes.

## Church Conference Reports

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This year there is a new plan and schedule for church conferences. As a result we will need to be ready to send our information sooner than ever before. As a consequence we are asking for all reports to be in the church office by September 15<sup>th</sup>. While this seems to be a way off, with the summer coming it will come very fast. If you would like to have your report included in the conference booklet please be aware of this request. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Care Notes

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In the narthex, we are making available to you “CareNotes”. These pamphlets cover a variety of topics including, grief, suffering, unanswered prayers, anger and busy-ness. You are invited to take them and our hope is that they may help you deal with a situation of life. Also feel free to share them if you know that they might help someone who is struggling.

## **Congregational Care Team**

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## CARE TEAM

If any church member has done a visitation to a shut in, please let the office know. We are trying to keep track so the visits are regular and no one is skipped over. If you know someone who would like a visit or to receive communion, please call Debbie or Bryan Campion. Five members of the Walk to Emmaus community from our church have been coached by Pastor Charlie to do visitations and communion.