

ARMA/GRACE  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

9:30 am Worship Service -- Grace  
11:00 am Worship Service – Arma  
Church School – following Children’s Moment -- Arma  
COME WORSHIP WITH US!!!

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<sup>27</sup> So God created humankind<sup>1</sup> in his image, in the image of God he created them;<sup>2</sup> male and female he created them. (Genesis 1:27 NRSV)

God created man in His own image. This is true that God made man and woman. It has a significant meaning for us because God informs us to live together. I today bring a Chinese character, which means a person. But it characterizes kindness, mercy, and compassion. Thus, a person is related with kindness, mercy, and compassion. How do these principles process? These principles can be a function when a person lives with another person. If the person lives alone, his/her life and the function (kindness, mercy, and compassion) are meaningless and no process.

Aristotle claims that “Man is by nature a social animal.” In other words, man cannot live alone. It is true we should live together. How do we live? Jesus Christ shows us how to live our lives. We live in righteousness with others through faith in Jesus Christ. But, our sinful nature constantly lures us to ignore people and get away from our family, friend, and neighbors. Please, come back to Jesus Christ if you feel lonely and isolated. It is time to pray and worship together with your family, friend, and neighbor in the name of Jesus Christ.

Have a good month!

Pastor K. Lee

## GRACE NEWS

**We would like to wish the following people a Happy Birthday:**

**Oct 5                   Lois Amershek**  
**Oct 10                Stacey Kramer**  
**Oct 14                Teri VanBecelaere**  
**Oct 15                Hilary Duderstadt**  
**Oct 30                Joe Grisolano**

### **Upcoming events:**

**Oct 6 –           the Grace UMC Fall Spaghetti Dinner and Silent auction will be held on October 6th from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The meal includes spaghetti, bread, salad, dessert and drink. Be sure to invite your friends, neighbors and coworkers to attend. The cost for adults is \$6.00 and for children under age 12 is \$3.00. A Silent Auction will also be held during the event. Please let Pastor Lee know if you have donations or items for the Silent Auction.**

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### **ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE**

**The annual charge conference for the Arma and Grace churches is scheduled for**

**November 9, 2016  
at Arma UMC**

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### **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS**

**Tuesday, 9:00 – 1:00 pm at the Arma UMC  
Thursdays, 9:00 – 1:00 at the Grace UMC**

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**PLEASE NOTE THE PASTOR'S NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:**

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## ARMA NEWS

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct 2	World Communion Day
Oct 5	Education Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Oct 10	Finance Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
Oct 12	Administrative Board at 7:00 p.m.
Oct 13	Worship Committee at 2:00 p..
Oct 21	U.M.W. meeting
Nov 6	All Saints Day and carry-in dinner

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Oct 1	Linda Manion	Oct 11	Lilly Sue Graham
Oct 2	Dianne Reiken	Oct 12	Gage Cowan
Oct 3	Phyllis Hay	Oct 13	Cassandra Jones
Oct 4	Dale Parsons	Oct 15	Brandi Palmer
Oct 5	Judy Smerchek	Oct 15	Hilary Duderstadt
Oct 6	Harry Brunk	Oct 17	Shirley Mullins
Oct 7	Mandy Cameron	Oct 20	Mary Cleland
Oct 10	Sharon Starr	Oct 21	Ken Culbertson
Oct 11	Eileen Prettyman		

WHOOOPS – we missed the birthday of our pastor. Pastor Lee's birthday was celebrated on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Please wish him a Belated Happy Birthday!

### OCTOBER GREETERS

Oct 2	Sheri Pyle
Oct 9	Emma Lou Ales
Oct 16	Susan Herrell
Oct 23	Wilma Lollar
Oct 30	Norma & Murray Lockwood

### READERS

Agnes Doue
Ray Vail
Youth
Roger Doue
Dolores Bierbrodt

### U.M.W.

U.M.W. will meet on Friday, October 21 at 11:00. Don't forget canned goods and paper products for the Wesley House.

### CHARGE CONFERENCE Scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup>

All committee chairs and members are approved at the annual charge conference. Please consider serving on one of the committees for 2017 and if interested, please let Pastor K Lee know. The Finance Committee will be meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup> to prepare the 2017 budget that will be presented at the Charge Conference. All committee chairs should let the chair of this year's Finance Committee, Joan Cleland, know if the dollars budgeted for 2016 were effective for their committee's work.

### "ANGELS CLOSET" A SUCCESS

Thank you to the many people who donated clothing and other items and to those who organized and staffed the clothing giveaway on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Several families from the local school district visited the church during the clothing drive.

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**PARSONAGE REPAIR & FINANCE UPDATE**

**In the August newsletter was enclosed a special offering envelope for dollars to repair the existing Master Bath in the Parsonage. No major changes to the fixtures in the master bath had been made since the Parsonage was built in 1970. We are pleased to report that through the generosity of several people, including members from both the Arma and Grace churches, enough money has been collected to complete the entire remodel. All the fixtures have been ordered for the bathroom and work is scheduled to begin in the very near future. Thanks to everyone for your generosity!**

**While the church family always finds a way to complete the special projects in our church, we must let you know that the balance in the general operating fund of our church continues to shrink. Much of this is due to a \$2,000 per year increase in property insurance that affected our church 3 years ago (so to date we have expended \$6,000 in expenses more than we had anticipated). Continue to keep the church in your thoughts and prayers as you consider your tithes and offerings. Thank you.**

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