

Breckenridge United Methodist Church

October – November Newsletter



Breckenridge United Methodist Church – Connecting with the Community

Pastor Monique is shown above presenting a plate of homemade cookies to Breckenridge Community Schools Superintendent, Kim Thompson. This was part of our church's effort to recognize the contribution that the school employees make to the fabric of our community. One hundred lunches were packed and delivered to the schools on September 12 for the employees to enjoy. Each sack lunch also contained a prayer card telling the school personnel that we are praying for them. Other treats with prayer cards have been delivered to the employees of Boland Tire, Siler's Market, and Isabella Bank. Pictured below are the group of church members that came on the 12th to pack and deliver the lunches to the schools.



First Movie Night a Big Success



79 people attended the first Free Movie Night held in the Fellowship Hall on September 27. The movie Pets 2 was shown and lots of kids were in attendance with their parents. Most of the kids came in their PJs with blankets and pillows for laying on the floor. Popcorn, M&Ms, pretzels and lemonade were served. Thanks go out to Jared and Justine Ruszkowski for organizing and sponsoring this activity.

Outreach Team Gearing up for another Year of Weekend Care







The truck pulled up to the high school at 9:40 on October 3 and after 20 minutes, 3,000 pounds of food was moved into the new *Weekend Care* room at the High School. Jim Brown, Ray and Karen Rohn, Ted and Angie Sherwood, Gary Johnson, George Bradley, and Dave Briggs unloaded and stacked the food in preparation for the first day of distribution which will be Oct. 11. This year *Weekend Care* will expand and provide weekend food for students in grades K-8 instead of just K-5.

Outreach is also sponsoring the *Fifth Quarter*. The first one saw 69 high school students attend. They were served pizza and snacks. The SanMiguels, Briggs's, and Colbrys chaperoned along with Jim Brown. October 31 from 5:30 – 7 will be the *Church Full of Treats*. We expect around 600 trick or treaters to come through. If you can provide candy or would like to be present and pass out candy, see Dave Briggs or Karen Rohn.

Words of encouragement as We Pray for one another!

You and I have a unique opportunity and ability to pray for this community. We can come together and pray for each person, family, and group that it takes to make up this community. We may not personally know them, but we can pray for them. We can become aware of specific prayer needs just by opening our eyes and ears to our surroundings. Prayer needs have been put into our church bulletin every week and sometimes because it has been there consistently, we become as though we see it, but we don't really see it. So, I want us to encourage one another to pray. Consider taking a walk or drive around the neighborhood in which Breckenrdige UMC is located to pray for each house, business, individual, and family. Reach out to others and join them in prayer for one another, the church, and this neighborhood. If you don't know what to pray remember the five suggestions.

- 1) Pray for the Holy Spirit to reach the hearts of the people so that they can see their need for Christ
- 2) Pray that we as the Church in this community will be committed to present the gospel message clearly, creatively, and faithfully.
- 3) Pray that our church and all local churches will become concerned about the lost in the community.
- 4) Pray that our church would be biblically faithful in our approach.
- 5) Pray that YOU will be the one that God sends.

Also, you can pray this prayer based on the lord's prayer, but for others.

Our Father in heaven, I pray for ________, praising Your name for them, asking You to fill their heart with worship and adoration for You today. I pray that their desire is to advance Your kingdom and share the good news where ever they may be. Your will be done on this earth as You design it in heaven. Provide them, I pray with their needs fulfilled with their daily bread. Supply them with all that is needed for them to be successful in fulfilling the call You have placed on their life. Grant them a repentant heart and restore the joy of your salvation. Allow them to forgive as You have forgiven me. Keep all of their relationships free from bitterness and difficulty as they forgive those who have errored against them. Provide Your protection from temptation and adversity. Deliver them from all evil, every fiery dart, scheme and attack of the enemy. Surround them with Your protection as a shield. For yours, Lord, is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory, Forever. You reign and rule with all Power and Authority. In Christ's name, I pray and give thanks,

Amen

Pastor Monique French

Two Baptisms on October 6th







Anna Cooper with her family and Pastor Monique

On October, we celebrated two baptisms at the BUMC. Josh and Molly Gulick presented their daughter Emerson Gulick for baptism. Josh and Josh & Brittnee Cooper brought their daughter Anna Cooper for the sacrement. It was wonderful seeing these young families bringing their children into the church.

Mission Sewing Project

Several Women of the Church are sewing dresses to be distributed by UMCOR to girls in need in several countries including the U.S.A. Anyone wishing to help, should come on Tuesdays at 10 AM and join in the fun in the Fellowship Hall. Sewing skills aren't necessary. They will also be sewing boy's shorts for UMCOR and adult bibs for an Adult Foster Care facility. This group would also appreciate donations of cotton and flannel material for this mission. For more information, see Joyce Short.

Mark Your Calendars! (lots of upcoming events)

October 11 – Fifth Quarter gathering after the football game (Chaperones needed)

October 18 @ 7 PM – Movie Night (movie being shown is Lion King, (the new one)

October 20 @ 2PM - The Taste of Breckenridge Dinner in the Fellowship Hall

October 25 – Fifth Quarter gathering after the football game (see Carin to volunteer to help)

October 27 – First Responders Reception after the worship service in our fellowship hall.

October 31 @ 5:30 – 7 PM – Church Full of Treats (if you would like to pass out treats or help with the refreshments, see Karen Rohn or Dave Briggs)