



CORE Ministry Team

Joyce H. Orem
Lay Member to Annual Conference

When the council was called the Administrative Board, there was a Council on Ministries, which is now called the CORE Ministry Team. The Church Council, like its predecessor, the Administrative Board, is not in the business of setting up ministries. The Council does set goals for ministry work, such as build 3 new community partnerships or activities to promote ministry work within our community. One continuing ministry which is a prime example of setting up partnerships is the Open Hearts Food Pantry. Many organizations provide food or monetary donations, such as the Bishop's Warehouse, Harper's Bread, Idaho Food Bank, and local churches in our community. New possibilities in our community is the Humanitarian Center (in the old Swenson grocery building), the Boys and Girls Club at the old Pershing school location, or OATS Family Center in Heyburn.

The *Discipline* lists many specialized ministries, and the charge conference may elect people for these ministries (pages 184 and 185). These ministries may be age-level, family, or specialized ministries such as Sunday School, VBS (Vacation Bible School), interreligious relationships, missions, prayer advocacy, earth advocacy, etc. (pages 254 and 255).

Under the CORE Ministry, people are urged to volunteer to work on ministry in our community which they are passionate about and ask people who share their passion to join them for as long as needed. If there are any ministries you see our church can be involved in, ask people to join you and help you accomplish them. Maybe the women's shelter or OATS Family Center need donations, or the Boys and Girls Club need volunteers for a program.

Not sure where your passion wants you to serve? Ask Pastor David, and he can help guide you, or ask Sharon in the office for a form to fill out to start your ministry team. There are many possibilities in our community and beyond.

Remember, the first ministry work in the New Testament was not done within the walls of a church building, nor was John Wesley's parish within the confines of walls, but the world. Where will your passion for ministry work take you?

Ruth Circle will be making & delivering their annual Valentine Plates for our seniors & shut-ins on Sun., Feb. 10th. You can help with donations of cookies and treats.



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Fully Human
Rev. David Madden

God loves us so much that he sent his only Son to save us from ourselves, and to teach us how to be fully human. He sent Jesus to teach us how to live peacefully, and how to love one another. If we would only listen to the teachings of Jesus and apply them to our lives, we can reach our full potential and become fully human. But, more times than not, we reject God, and his Son, because we think we are perfectly capable of managing our own lives.

God's image. In Genesis God makes these first humans "in his own image" and calls his creation very good. From the beginning, humans have been given the capacity to relate to God and to receive his abundant life.

So, what keeps us from being fully human? Adam and Eve weren't satisfied with living in paradise because they sought to be more than they were created to be. Instead, they wound up being less than the image of God and less than fully human. To remedy the problem, God sent his Son to speak his Word to us in order for everyone to reach their full potential and become fully human. Jesus' life revealed to us what it means to be fully human, and Jesus is the example of how we are to fully engage ourselves in a relationship with God and with our neighbors.



Brothers and Sisters, I think we should listen to Jesus because what's at stake for us isn't just our understanding of the nature of God and the person of Christ, but also the nature and purpose of ourselves as human beings made in

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Do you want to improve your balance? Join, Over 60 and Getting Fit and Active Aging, classes at the Civic Center in Rupert at 9:00 am on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. You can sign up on the first day you attend class and there is no charge for those over 60. CSI has sponsored this class for over 30 years and has become a model to other senior fitness programs across the nation. You will join many other fun-loving seniors in a great social environment.

We will enjoy a presentation by Adria Masoner, health educator and Falls Prevention coordinator for South Central Public Health District. She will join us at the Valentine's Day breakfast hosted by the United Methodist Men at 9:00 am on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at the church. It will be great information and a feast.

In February we will offer each member at worship a wonderful brochure on what you can do to be safer and prevent falls. We will also have a drawing for a set of Trax, one size for women and one for men. These are steel spikes you slip over your shoes or boots to help you walk safely on ice.



Women of RUMC, the United Methodist Men invite you to attend their annual Valentine Breakfast. Sat..

February 9th at 9:00 a.m. They request that you give a RSVP to either Jim Rodgers, or the office by Monday, Feb. 4. This will help them prepare the proper amount of food.



END-OF-YEAR - By the time you read this the end-of-year reports required by Conference have been prepared and sent. If you are interested in the membership and financial data for 2018, these reports are available in the office. The 2018 audits are also available.



**SOUPER BOWL
OF
CARING**

Since 1990, young people have been leading the charge and inspiring others to collect dollars and food weeks leading up to the Big Game (Super Bowl). Teaming up with local partners, these groups give 100% of donations to local charities, changing the nation's largest weekend of football into the largest weekend of caring. Souper Bowl of Caring was originally founded by a church youth group. Even though the movement has since expanded from the faith community to many types of participating groups, they continue to be fueled by those coming together to worship and make a difference in their community.

On Sunday, Feb. 3rd, drop your donation in the soup pots as you leave the sanctuary. All money collected will go to Open Hearts Food Pantry.



I wish to thank all those who placed Christmas gifts and/or envelopes on my desk, both signed and unsigned. You are very kind and generous. I am appreciative and very grateful. I have always said Rupert United Methodist Church is the best place to work in the whole area. Sharon



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As of January 1, 2019, our tenant, Bright Beginnings Day Care, has changed owners. The new owner is Lacey Rich, and the name has been changed to, Rich's Bright Beginnings Day Care. The local fire chief has inspected, Lacie has applied for her state license, and has procured the proper insurance necessary. A new lease has been signed between RUMC and Lacey. Positive changes have been made upstairs. If you are able, please make it a priority to take a peek at the new day care.



Join the week long celebration of Random Acts of Kindness, Feb. 18-22, 2019. But why just a week? Continue the fun of Random Acts of Kindness all year.