



*The Chimes* of The Hebron United Methodist Church



*The Mission of Hebron UMC is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*



*Pastor Wayne's World*



I read an interesting book titled *In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day: How to Survive and Thrive when Opportunity Roars* by Mark Batterson. I have to be honest with you-- I started reading the book because the title intrigued me, especially the first part *In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day*. I've done a lot of things in my life, but I've never been in a pit with a lion on a snowy day ...until I read Chapter 1.

This book is based on a story found in 2 Samuel 23:20. It's about the valiant warrior Benaiah, who "went down into a pit on a snowy day and killed a lion" (2 Samuel 23:20 NIV). Mark Batterson likens the lion to our fears, our problems, anything that keeps us from truly worshipping God. Mark tells us, like Benaiah, we need to become valiant warriors and pursue our fears, issues, problems and destroy them, by giving them up to God.

I realized early in the book that in my own life, I have spent many days, months, and even years fleeing from the lions in my life and letting them influence me rather than giving "the lions" to God and letting Him guide and direct. Has this happened to you?

What causes us to stop running? When we run out of room to flee, when we are on the edge of the cliff where there is nowhere to run, we have to make a choice. We can jump, or we can stay in place and let the lion devour us-- either way the lion wins! Or, we can stop running and turn around and fight! I chose to fight, to invoke the power of the saving grace of Jesus Christ! I chased the lion into the snowy pit and with Jesus by my side we defeated the lion, climbed out of the pit and celebrated with tears of joy.

Mark Batterson in his book says this, "Some of your experiences won't make sense this side of eternity, but lion chasers know that God is connecting the dots in ways they can't comprehend. Lion chasers are humble enough to let God call the shots and brave enough to follow where he leads."

What are your lions? Are you in the pit? Are you standing on the edge of the cliff? Why not go to Jesus on your knees right now, give Him your issues-- your lions-- and together we can be a church of lion chasers!

Blessings!  
Pastor Wayne  
aka Lion Chaser

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United  
Women  
in Faith

The April General meeting was held April 15th with 10 members and Pastor Wayne present.

Our "Spring Rummage Sale" is Thursday, May 1st 4-7 pm, Friday, May 2nd 8-1 pm and Saturday, May 3rd 8-10 am. We hope you can come.

Pastor Wayne gave the program about the painting "What Our Lord Saw from the Cross." It shows Jesus looking down toward those gathered as witness to the crucifixion.

The tables were decorated in an Easter theme, and were beautiful. We celebrated Holly's birthday. Our hostesses were Melinda, Janet, Kathy, and Connie.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 20th.

**VBS**



**"Trusting Jesus in a Wild  
World"**

**June 16-18**

*Let Karen or LeAnn know if you are  
willing to help. We will have an  
organizational meeting soon!*



**Sunday, June 1**

**Join us in recognizing the  
Sunday School children and  
graduates during the  
church service**

## Food Pantry Schedule

Thursday, May 1	9:00-10:00 am/6:30 pm
Tuesday, May 6	9:00-10:00 am
Thursday, May 8	9:00-10:00 am
Tuesday, May 13	9:00-10:00 am
Thursday, May 15	9:00-10:00 am/6:30 pm
Tuesday, May 20	9:00-10:00 am
Thursday, May 22	9:00-10:00 am
Tuesday, May 27	9:00-10:00 am
Thursday, May 29	9:00-10:00

We are always in need of volunteers.  
Call Joyce Steinhilber at 219-628-2890.



## Food Pantry Wish List

CANNED SOUP  
BREAKFAST CEREAL  
PEANUT BUTTER  
PASTA & SAUCE  
TUNA  
NOODLES  
CANNED RAVIOLI  
CANNED SPAGHETTI  
FLOUR  
SUGAR  
PANCAKE SYRUP

## Upcoming Sermons

**May 4**

*“Surprise! The Unexpected Acts of God: An Unlikely Friendship”* (Acts 9:1-20)

**May 11**

*“Surprise! The Unexpected Acts of God: An Astonishing Imitation”* (Acts 9:36-43)

**May 18**

*“Surprise! The Unexpected Acts of God: An Unexpected Change of Menu”* (Acts 11:1-18)

**May 25**

*“Surprise! The Unexpected Acts of God: An Amazing Detour”* (Acts 16:9-15)

## District Information

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## Our Military Members

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**BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Pat Marshall
- 14 Rhonda Walker
- 14 Kathy Bryant
- 19 Nick Williams
- 21 Janis Ellenson
- 21 Travis Carter
- 22 Dawn Hernandez
- 26 Heidi Carlson
- 28 John Bryant

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 7 Kelly & Dana Darman
- 14 Dan & Bonnie McConnell
- 18 Gene & Angie Babiak
- 24 Doug & Loretta Kosloske
- 25 Don & Sheila Brawner



**Liturgists**

- 4 Denny Steinhilber
- 11 Barb Steffel
- 18 Doug Walker
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**Nursery**

- 4
- 11
- 18 Connie Clinton
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**Greeters**

- 4 Don & Sheila Brawner
- 11 Denny & Joyce Steinhilber
- 18 Connie Clinton
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**Ushers**

- 4 Don & Sheila Brawner
- 11 Connie Clinton & Rhonda Walker
- 18 Denny Steinhilber
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**Acolytes**

- 4 Ella Finley & Logan Walker
- 11 Evan Thacker
- 18 Charlotte & Logan Walker
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	28	29	30	1 Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am 6:30-7:30 pm Missions Committee 1:00 pm Rummage Sale 4:00 - 7:00 Praise Team Practice 6:15	2  Rummage Sale 8:00 - 1:00	3  Rummage Sale 8:00 - 10:00
	← Rummage Sale Donations 9-2 →					
4  Sunday School 9:00 am  Worship Service 9:45 am	5	6  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am	7  Handbell Practice 5:30 pm	8  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am  Choir Practice 7:00 pm	9	10
11  <b>Mother's Day</b>  Sunday School 9:00 am  Worship Service 9:45 am	12	13  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am	14  Handbell Practice 5:30 pm	15  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am 6:30-7:30 pm	16	17
18  Sunday School 9:00 am  Worship Service 9:45 am  (Noisy Offering)	19	20  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am  UWF Meeting 10:00 am	21  Handbell Practice 5:30 pm	22  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am	23	24
25  Sunday School 9:00 am  Worship Service 9:45 am	26  <b>Memorial Day</b>  Office Closed	27  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am	28  Handbell Practice 5:30 pm	29  Food Pantry 9:00-10:00 am	30	31