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*September 16, 2022*

*From the Pastor*

I'm writing this note a little early this week (Wednesday evening) because I'm having my first cataract surgery in this morning, and I'm not sure how much I'll be able to see to work on the computer tomorrow afternoon. I'm a little anxious about the surgery and super excited to find out what I haven't been seeing. I'm also profoundly thankful for your prayers and encouragement. What a loving and compassionate faith family!

Please read the newsletter carefully because there are LOTS of fun things happening this weekend with lots of opportunity for service, fellowship and worship. Reservations are not required, but they definitely help us plan to have enough supplies and food.

This Sunday we will be led in worship by the amazing Hills of Kentucky Dulcimers and celebrate our Appalachian heritage with old hymns and outdoor worship. The weather is forecast to be gorgeous. Wear your sunscreen and bring your sunglasses.

We will explore 1 Timothy 2:1-7 which is an instruction about prayer. Before worship I encourage to read the text and to think and pray about it. It seems like a rather milquetoast text. How might the original hearers brushed it off, found hope, or been challenged? How might the Spirit be using this text to instruct, encourage, and/or challenge us today? Click [here](#) for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the [UPC website](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

*Peace, Pastor Lisa*

*PS*

Boone County is now at a medium level of covid community spread so masks are optional in worship. Remember, masks are only required in worship while Boone County is at the high or orange status determined by the [CDC's COVID 19 Community Level](#) guidelines.

**2<sup>nd</sup> order underway.  
Order your spiffy UPC tshirt TODAY!**

You may order on the sheet in the narthex or click [here](#) to order on the website. Shirts are \$10 for adults and free for children and youth. They are heather gray with the logo on



the front and “There is a place for you here” on the back. Please note “Tshirt” in the memo of your check or online payment. Orders will be placed Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.



## Oktoberfest Parking Friday, September 16th 5:45pm - 9:45pm

It's the first night of St. Tim's Oktoberfest, and we will be parking cars at UPC that evening from 5:45 pm – 9:45 pm. Proceeds benefit youth camps and conferences. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex and on the [website](#). Boy Scouts will park on Saturday night to benefit Troop #805.

## Day of Service Saturday, September 17th

UPC is joining forces with our friends in the 3rd NKY Ward of the Church of Latter Day Saints to give our facilities some love. We'll get started at 9am then break bread together at noon. Friends and family are welcome. More info and registration in the narthex. Click [here](#) to register on the website.

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Union Presbyterian Church  
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9:00 am - 12:00 pm (service)  
12:00 am - 12:45 pm (lunch)

A LOVE OFFERING will be received for Abraham's Pantry, a new food bank in Union. Please bring any non-perishable food item to help out Abraham's Pantry and their great cause.



SCAN CODE TO SIGN UP  
or go to <https://bit.ly/3wP2lP0> and select which opportunities you would like to sign up for.



## Brush Arbor Worship & Dinner on the Grounds Sunday, September 18th Please make a reservation.

We will worship outside, enjoy fried chicken for lunch, and spend some time enjoying the blessing of our church family along with our brothers and sisters from the community. Once again the Hills of Kentucky Dulcimer group will be providing music for worship. Our deacons will provide the meal. Reservations are not required but are extremely helpful to ensure enough food and tables. Click [here](#) to make your reservation.

### What is *Brush Arbor*?

Growing up in Alabama, the term was used for outdoor services that usually happened in the late summer or early fall. These services were most common in rural communities and could involve a single congregation or combine several community congregations. Brush Arbor could be a single worship service or services over several nights for a full-fledged revival.

I did a little internet research in order to learn where the term originated. Lo

and behold, Brush Arbor has Presbyterian roots and was birthed in Tennessee and Kentucky. The following excerpt is from <http://thelibrary.org/lochist/periodicals/bittersweet/fa75d.htm>.

*An American heritage that has always been cherished is the right of religious freedom. Americans have always been free to gather together to listen to the word of God. For the early New Englanders it was not a difficult task, for the people lived in close communities centered around a church. But as the frontiersmen moved farther west, people moved farther away from a community life, becoming semi-isolated from their neighbors and the outside world. Still, the people longed for fellowship and a place to worship together.*

*Then around the late 1790's a powerful Presbyterian preacher came up with the answer. His name, James McGready, and the answer, the camp or brush arbor meetings. The technique he developed was one which used the resources provided by the hilly regions of Kentucky and Tennessee where he preached. Trees and brush were used to build a temporary out-of-doors shelter for the people who came from miles and miles around to hear the word of God. This protected them from the harsh sunlight and rainfall.*

### Many Hands are Necessary to Make Brush Arbor a Reality Brush Arbor Helping Hands Opportunities

Click [here](#) to sign up to help make Brush Arbor happen. Generous disciples may serve in the following ways:

- **Set up crew** begin at 845am putting up tables and chairs.
- **Table decorators** begin at 915 am.
- **Food service set up** begins at 9:15 am.
- **Worship set up** begins at 9:15 am.
- **Lunch set up and service** begins at approximately 10:45am.
- **Clean up crew.** After the festivities anyone & everyone is invited to help clean up. It's a big job, but many hands make light work.



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### Abraham's Pantry Sign Up

Abraham's Pantry is the interfaith food pantry that lives at UPC. Our partnership with the Florence Islamic Center and LDS is still coming together, and we are looking forward to having members of those communities join with us to help feed our neighbors.

In the meantime, you may click [here](#) to sign up to work in the pantry on Mondays or Thursday. You may choose at what time you'd like to serve and will stock shelves, check expiration dates, note current needs and pack items for families. There are instructions in the food part of the pantry, and on-the-job training is available upon request.

## Abraham's Pantry Shopping List



Current needs are:

- Wine bags from Kroger or other liquor stores (They are FANTASTIC for packing canned goods.)
- Canned meats with the exception of tuna
- Macaroni & cheese (especially those that don't need milk)
- Oatmeal
- Rice (especially microwavable rice)
- Shelf stable and powdered milk
- Paper towels
- Laundry detergent
- Razors
- 2-in-1 shampoo & conditioner
- \$20 Kroger gift cards

We are working on leveraging your generosity and purchasing staple items from local food banks. In the meantime, the pantry depends exclusively on your donations of these items.

### Schedule for This Week

19th Sunday  
of Ordinary Time  
Sunday, Sept. 18th

8:45 Setup Begins

10am Brush Arbor Outdoor  
Worship and Dinner on the  
Grounds

3pm Iglesia Pentecostales  
Palabra de Vida

Oktoberfest at St. Tim's

Monday, September 19th

6:30p Session

7pm Boy Scouts 805

Tuesday, September 20th

12:30pm Florence Women's  
Club lunch & mtg

Wed. September 21st

12pm SafetyNet Alliance of



### BIRTHDAYS

9/19 - Bill Martin

9/21 - Emmett Pears

9/25 - Kevin Dern

9/27 - Dave Kozlowski

9/29 - Stacy Cole

9/30 - Hudson Clouse

10/2 - Shannon Eggleston,  
Elle Springer

10/3 - Jim Vanzant

10/9 - Lisa Stenner

10/13 - Robert Brown

10/17 - Madelyn Brooks,  
William Brooks,

Kevin Hillman

10/1/ - Blakely Brown

10/19 - Amanda Herdman,  
Laura Pears

### Online Giving

You  
may  
give  
online  
or via



text through the UPC website. You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift. You may make a memorial or honorary gift and even pay for youth conferences. The online transaction processes the gift from your checking account, savings account, credit card or debit card and is secured through Vanco Payment Solutions.

UPC does not receive the total amount of your gift due to processing fees. At the end of the transaction, you

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8pm AA

Thursday, Sept. 22nd

6:30pm Iglesia Pentecostales

Palabra de Vida

Saturday, September 24th

9:30a Union Children's Choir

**20th Sunday  
of Ordinary Time  
Sunday, Sept. 25th**

9am Sunday School

10am Worship

3pm Iglesia Pentecostales

Palabra de Vida

5pm Sr. High & MS Youth to

dinner @ Devou Park with

NKY Youth Group



will be asked if you wish to donate an additional 2.75% to cover the processing costs.

ANNIVERSARIES

9/27 - Winston & Jessica

Wood

10/3 - Jim & Andrea

Vanzant

10/4 - Bob & Linda Janes

10/6 - JD & Haley Lykins

10/7 - Will & Donna Jones

Adam & Amy Scott

10/8 - Paul & Ollie Seidman

10/16 - Earl & Marcia

Fischer

10/17 - Aaron & Kristen

Buchanan

10/18 - Jeff & Julie Hansel,

Todd & Sue McEntyre

10/27 - David & Peggy

Schadler

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