

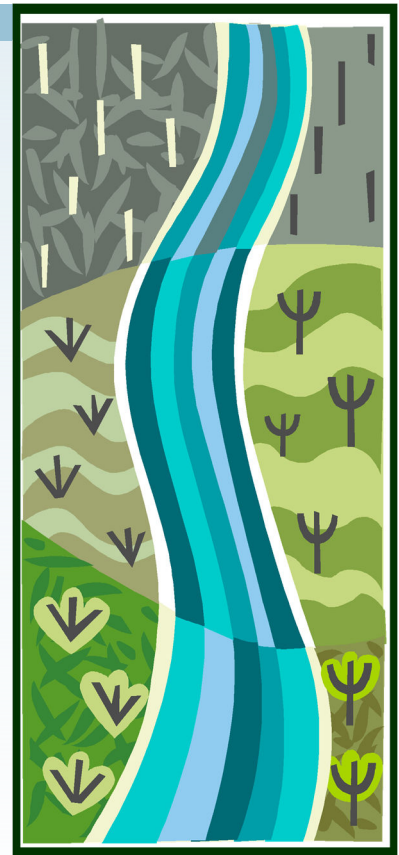
Living Water

I HAVE COME TO THE END OF THE LIST. Well, one list, anyway. I've had a wonderful time this summer visiting each and every church on the district. To have spent time with each pastor; listened to key lay-folk talk about what excites them about their church; and heard what they believe God is calling them do at this moment in time. These visits have been very helpful to me at this beginning stage of my time here in Five Rivers District. Thank you for making time and taking time for me.

Listen, learn, love and lead—that is the pattern I try to follow in ministry. And what I'm listening for and learning about right now are those pastors and churches who are "ready". READY....to take some risks. READY...to risk some failures. READY...to discern what God is doing and come alongside God in the work of vital ministry. I want to recognize readiness when I see it—and respond appropriately as a leader. Gil Rendel says: "If church leaders don't recognize readiness and align themselves with it, nothing will happen."

How do **you** recognize readiness?

David Watson
District Superintendent



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October 2015

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Oct. 1st DS in Salina for PCM Training

Oct. 13-14 PAUMCS Meeting
District Office Closed

Oct. 28th 6:30—8:30 p.m.
District Superintendency Meeting at Ottawa: Trinity Annex 630 North Cedar, Ottawa, KS 66067

Prayer Calendar:

Oct. 4th ~
Richmond UMC

Oct. 11th ~
Michigan Valley UMC

Oct. 18th ~ Osawatomie/
Lane UMC

Oct. 25th ~ Lyndon UMC

Church Conference Schedule for October

- Oct. 4th ~ after worship (10:30 a.m.) Colony UMC
- Oct. 4th ~ 2:00 p.m. Salem UMC with picnic to follow
- Oct. 4th ~ 6:00 p.m. Iola Wesley/Calvary/Trinity at Calvary UMC
- Oct. 5th ~ 6:00 p.m. PPR to meet at Plum Creek
- Oct. 5th ~ 7:00 p.m. Plum Creek/Princeton at Plum Creek UMC
- Oct. 6th ~ 7 p.m. Lawrence: Central UMC
- Oct. 11th ~ 3 p.m. Garnett/Greeley at Garnett UMC
- Oct. 12th ~ 7 p.m. Ottawa UMC
- Oct. 13th ~ 7 p.m. Mapleton UMC
- Oct. 18th ~ after worship Moran/Bronson at Moran UMC
- Oct. 18th ~ 3 p.m. Mildred/Elsmore at Mildred UMC
- Oct. 18th ~ 6 p.m. Uniontown/Redfield at Uniontown UMC
- Oct. 20th ~ 7 p.m. Prescott/Pleasanton at Pleasanton UMC
- Oct. 21st ~ 7 p.m. Fulton UMC
- Oct. 25th ~ after worship Parker/Beagle/Fontana at Fontana UMC
- Oct. 25th ~ 3 p.m. Ottawa Trinity/Richter at Ottawa Trinity UMC
- Oct. 25th ~ 6 p.m. Vinland UMC
- Oct. 26th ~ 7 p.m. Paola UMC
- Oct. 27th ~ 7 p.m. Kincaid Selma/Welda at Welda UMC

Rev. Don Flanner ~ Happy Birthday Oct. 21st !

Below is a Lay Servant Opportunity in 5R. There are 8 scholarships to cover the cost of registration for anyone in our district to use for this training event. They were created from an offering at Rev. David Watson's installation service this summer. Please make a request to our office or Dave Wasserfallen, if you would like to use one of them for this training event. The scholarship covers the registration fee only.

LAY SERVANT TRAINING

Nov. 13th-14th

Ottawa 1st UMC

203 E 4th St, Ottawa, KS 66067

(785) 242-1419

Friday 5pm to Saturday 4:30pm

Registration Deadline is: Monday, November 02, 2015

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Church: _____ District _____



Seminar Courses:

_____ Basic Course: led by Julie Schropp

Text: Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course Participant's Book*

(If you intend to certify as a Lay Servant, this is a pre-requisite to all other courses.)

_____ United Methodist Polity: led by Jada Hodgson

Text: [Polity, Practice, and the Mission of The United Methodist Church](#) by Thomas Edward Frank, available from Cokesbury. Also, a copy of the UM Book of Discipline (2012) will be needed during class (can be borrowed from your local church or pastor).

_____ Tell The Story: led by Rev. January Kiefer

The Biblical text is essentially oral/aural in nature. We will explore the vital role of imagination in the interpretation and proclamation of scripture. Participants will have the opportunity to practice techniques and methods of internalizing texts for effective oral performance. Handouts, no text, Bible

Class size limit is 20. Enrollment is determined on a first-come basis.

Fees: \$50: This fee covers meals, snacks, class materials, and instructors. *The book for the Basic Course is included in the registration fee, other required texts should be obtained and reviewed prior to arriving.

Please make checks payable to:

Great Plains Conference UMC

Please return enrollment form and fee to:

David Wasserfallen

PO Box 11, Wellsville, Ks. 66092

Email: drw1490@hotmail.com

REFUND POLICY

Your registration fee can be refunded only if you let David Wasserfallen know by the Monday prior to the seminar.

MOTELS NEARBY

Super 8 Ottawa, Ks. 2315 S. Oak St. 800-536-9326

Econo Lodge 2331 S. Cedar St. 785-242-3400

Best Western Ottawa Inn 212 E. 23rd St. (between S. Cedar & S. Oak) 785-242-2224

Comfort Inn 2335 S. Oak St. 785-242-9898

Travelodge 2209 S, Princeton St. 785-242-7000



Another Successful Project Revolution

by Marvé Ralston

“We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.

Proverbs 16:3 NIV

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young. Instead, set an example for the believers; in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity

1 Timothy 4:12 NIV

Through the Cracks was the theme of the 8th annual Project Revolution. The lock-in was held at Lawrence 1st West campus, Sept. 12th-13th.

This rally is a yearly project of the District Council on Youth Ministry (D.C.Y.M.).

They begin planning the next year's rally as soon as possible after the previous one, and it is the primary function of this council.

They start with a theme that has a scripture base, design a t-shirt, research and select a Christian Band, plan worship, food, and games for all youth in our district to enjoy.

Three very important folks that help orchestrate and coordinate the group are Co- Coordinators, Tami Clark from Lawrence 1st and Richard Croll from Burlington UMC. Also very present at all meetings, and lending great support is Eva Durand from Baldwin 1st.

Any one of them will tell you however, that the youth are depended upon to lead the direction, and plan what they would like to see the outcome of the rally to be.

This year the band chosen was a local one, by the name of *The Paper Route* with Andrew (Drew) Markley (guitar/vocals), Hannah Markley (vocals) and Simon Stigall

(guitar/Vocals). The band was well received. Here is their Facebook address if you want to check them out. Facebook.com/thepaperoute3.

The officers from this year, that did a wonderful job of leading this group are: President-Jessica Grinage, Vice-President-Austin Croll, and Secretary/Chaplain Riley Bane. All three of them are seniors and will be missed greatly next year.



Left to right Austin Croll, Jessica Grinage, and Riley Bane

If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining this group and are Junior High to High School age, please contact Tami Clark at tami@fumclawrence.org or Richard Croll at rcrollo@yahoo.com, or call the district office at 785-841-4804, and we will make sure you are invited to the next meeting.

You can see more pictures from this year's event on our website at 5riversdistrict.com.

Thank you for all the churches that participated in the Youth offering that went to help this program and Camp Chippewa.

The DS Got In On The Fun!



Project Revolution 2015



The Band Ate With Us ~ Cool!



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Happy 155th Anniversary to Humboldt UMC

Humboldt UMC will be celebrating its 155th anniversary Sunday, Oct. 11. The event will take place at the church located at 806 N. 9th St. in Humboldt, Kansas.

The celebration will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a reception in the fellowship hall. Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m. which will include past pastors and district superintendent, the Rev. David Watson. Immediately following the service, there will be a catered lunch at the Humboldt High School Fieldhouse.

The congregation invites all current and former members, and the community to come and join them in their celebration. Questions? Contact the church office at humboldtumc@hotmail.com or 620-473-3242..