Prayer List

George and Louise Brame Junior McHenry Michelle Honeycutt and family Dwight Callis Raymond and Edith Tanner Bernard Nash Beverly Hill Charles Blackman Bertha Arthur Edna Bagley Jeff Hendricks Sarah Sutton Edith Parham Carl Wright Janice Harris Jody Hogan Dee, Sara, Alex, Robert and Reed Hite Kenneth McDaniel **Dorothy Shields**

Dorothy Driskill Mae Overby Helen Holder Mary Crowder Judy Sites Bernard Dagner Alicia Clarv Elizabeth Crowder Haley Hayes Bernard Bottoms Donna Clary Mary Ellis Roger Tanner Tom Tanner Jerry Davidson Charlotte and Lawrence Webb Betty Thompson Scott Carter Otha Wilkins Kathy McReynolds Vincent Keller Susan Murray

Frank Wood's family Grace Marshall Joan Parrish Roberta Rickers Gil Hales The family of Earl Reems Shirley Becker and family Edith Hite Marvin Charles Geake David Cook Brad Morris Allen Alcock David Jones Dee Welch Virginia Gee Agnes Thompson Hilda Ozlin Hazel Tavlor Jo Ann Vansickle

Prayers for the church, nation, and world:

-For Charis Storms for health, the ability to develop some connections with an orphanage in Mongolia and good relationships.

- -For the new United Methodist Church plant in the Fort Lee area and for their pastor, Rev. Gina Anderson-Cloud, as they begin the STAND preschool
- -For progress in the talks for peace in Palestine and Israel
- -For the United Methodist church in Hungary and for their efforts to share Christ's love with the Roma people.
- -For the people of Belarus, Moldova, Russia and Ukraine

Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers: Others I would like to pray for:





Inviting you to daily time with God.

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

Sunday, September 19th

Sermon Notes:

What does it mean to be shrewd for God?

Read Luke 16:1-13. In what ways is Jesus telling us that we should imitate the shrewd manager? Think about your own life. Do you act wisely/shrewdly in regards to how you live out your faith, or do you limit your shrewdness to other aspects of your life?

Monday, September 20th

Read Matthew 9:16. Think about what it means to combine both wisdom and innocence. How can you act with the wisdom (or shrewdness) of the serpent who tricked Eve in the Garden, but do it in innocence and worship?

Tuesday, September 21st

Read Matthew 25:1-13. Not acting in wisdom and preparing for the Bridegroom cost five of the bridesmaids a chance to go in to the banquet, that is, the Kingdom of God. What can we learn from this parable about the role of wisdom in being prepared for Jesus' return?

Wednesday, September 22nd

Read Matthew 7:24-29. The last words of the Sermon on the Mount (ch.5-7) declare that wisdom is putting Jesus' words into practice. How do you put Jesus' words into practice? Read through chapters 5-7 and find one way you can better live out Jesus' words.

Thursday, September 23rd

Read Mark 12:28-30. Think about the four different ways that Jesus invites us to worship. What is one act of worship that you do to honor God in each of these four different ways?

Friday, September 24th

Read Luke 12:42-48. Here Jesus equates wise actions with caring for those who are around us. Do your actions appear wise based on this comparison? Why or why not?

Saturday, September 25th

Read Proverbs 8. Here finding wisdom is equated with finding life. Do you pursue wisdom with that kind of commitment? What is one way that you can be more committed to growing in wisdom?

Sunday, September 26th

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: "Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Readings: Jeremiah 32:1-15; Psalm 91; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31