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Last day to order a Boston Butt is Sunday,
May 21. Date for pick up is Friday, May 26,
from 9–11 AM in the Family Life Center.

To order, please fill out the form in the bulletin
and place it in the offering box, give it to a
member of the United Methodist Men or you can
call the church office and order it. This is a
fundraiser for the missions of the
United Methodist Men. Thank You!

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On Fire for Christ

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From The Pastor

There has been so much sad news lately in America. Thursday night, April 13, in Kansas City, Missouri, 16-year-old **Ralph Yarl** was shot twice when knocking on the wrong door. Ralph, an outstanding high school student and musician, was simply trying to pick up his younger brothers; they were actually at a house not very far away. Still able to walk, Ralph fled the house and sought help at several homes before finding someone willing to get involved. He was hospitalized over the weekend and is now recovering back at his home. Thankfully, he is expected to make a full recovery.



20-year-old **Kaylin Gillis** was not so fortunate. On Saturday night, April 15, in Hebron, New York, the honor student and several friends were on their way to a party. Their GPS failed them, and they went to the wrong home. Before they could even get out of the car to knock, the homeowner fired a round into the car, killing Kaylin.

These two news stories keep replaying in my mind. I grieve with the Yarl and Gillis families, and for the Kansas City and Hebron communities, and I grieve for America. What has happened to America that so many of our citizens are afraid of each other? When did it become normal to answer the door with a loaded gun in hand ready to fire at the least cause, or even for no cause at all? My friends and fellow Christians, let's not be this way. The world around us may be filled with fear and hate, but we are disciples of Jesus Christ. Let's show the world a better way. Say it with me.

- I look for the best in others, even strangers, and give them the benefit of the doubt.
- I will love my neighbors as myself and treat them as I would like to be treated – with love, respect, patience, mercy, and kindness.
- Taking the Good Samaritan as my example, I will live with eyes open to those in need and will do my part when needed.
- I will be salt of the earth, light in the world, and a peacemaker.

Grace & Peace, *Pastor John*

The Flame Deadline: May 21st

FELLOWSHIP MEALS: BECAUSE FAMILIES EAT TOGETHER!

The Family Night Supper this month is **May 17 at 6 PM**. The menu is **Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Home Fries, Onion Rings, Cole Slaw and Ice Cream with all the fixins**. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 4-12, and children 3 and under are free. Please RSVP with the form in the bulletin or call the church office.



Mother's Day Fellowship Lunch!

Did you know that the original Mother's Day was celebrated by having a church lunch at Andrews Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia, May 10, 1908? It was partially to honor Mrs. Ann Marie Reeves Jarvis, who had recently passed, and funds were left in her memory. Her daughter, Anna Jarvis was asked, "What should be done with these memorial funds?" She said her mother would like women to be honored while they are alive and wanted the memorial funds used for a lunch for all the women of the church. Keeping in that wonderful tradition, we are having a Mothers Day Fellowship Lunch on May 14, 2023 following the worship service. The meat will be boneless pork loin. Please bring some side dishes to share!

The Missions Committee:

This month in the Missions Committee we will be hearing from a representative from **ReStart Augusta**. This ministry believes that the best way to get a good start on the day is to have a good night's sleep! They donate "gently used bed and bedding for children, families, and veterans in the Augusta area." According to their website (restartaugusta.org) they have "donated over 3,100 beds, served over 1,600 Augusta area families, worked with over 1,500 volunteers, and partnered with over 100 local organizations." To learn more about this very interesting ministry join us in the Missions Committee, May 24, @ 1 PM in the Fellowship Sunday School classroom.



Speaking of Missions, at the March Wednesday Night Supper our guest speaker was the director of **Compass for Hope**, Mike Garrison. Mike shared of their ministry to the homeless population in Augusta. Part of their ministry is to give personal care items away each week. A list of needed items can be found at their website compassforhope.org. Scroll down on the homepage to "needs". The site also lists donation locations. Manuel Vanzuela was so moved by the presentation that he has already collected and made a donation of care items at the Lapels Cleaners location. Thank you for supporting this compassionate ministry to the "least of these" in Augusta.



Mother's Day Word Search

Happy Mother's Day!

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Caring

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Thank You

Hugs

Heart

Roses

Happy

Giving

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Honor

Devoted

Love

Beautiful

Mother

Inspiration

Home

Kisses

Celebrate

Holiday

Respect

Sunday

Cake

Grandmother

Fun

Children

Gifts

Memories

Laugh

Daughter

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