

THE Grapevine

AUGUST 2023



WISHING ALL OUR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS A WONDERFUL YEAR!

“Momentum”

You remember the merry-go-round. A dangerous contraption depending upon what size the kids are controlling the speed by which the merry-go-round is rounding! There is no telling how many children have been hurled off the spinning piece of playground equipment. BUT it is fun! The merry-go-round is exhilarating, thrilling, and conducive for dizzy spells. What makes it so it is a burst of fun is the momentum that builds by how fast the speed gets going ‘round. If you merely walk at a slow pace, well that is of course boring. If you start and stop your pace, the momentum gets choppy and not as good. Nope you gotta start at a good pace and then run, and run harder, and then run the fastest you can ‘round that contraption, and then leap on and enjoy the ride!

Well Goddard I feel we have a strong momentum. This has developed over the past few months, and has maintained a steady and growing speed. There is excitement as we see attendance average up, new members joining, and of course the various activities, events, and missions that we have.

It makes us feel momentum and the Spirit of God is with us, when in mission to Ballman Summer Program we handed out 114 food pantry bags and 180 snack bags to Ballman families.

It makes us feel momentum and the Spirit of God when this past month we had 5 new members join our church.

It makes us feel momentum and the Spirit of God when we have 22 choir members, and the fabulous music program that is so talented and spirited for our worship.

It makes us feel momentum and the Spirit of God when we have seen children at Wacky Wednesday this summer and at VBS, but a large volunteer pool to make it possible.

We will continue this momentum into this month and into the fall. What will it take? Commitment and desire to see what God can do through us. We will be there to make a difference for people because we want them to have a blessing of love like we have received from our Gracious God. Our momentum is different from what is required for a merry-go-round. At some point exhaustion says jump on. With a spiritual momentum, we rely upon God’s strength, endurance, and aid to do what we do in ministry. Let’s embrace this Holy Spirit who is pushing this momentum, let us ride and be there to meet people where they are.

Onward we go with God!

Grace & Peace
Pastor Chase

Rev. Charles (Chase) Henley Green Jr.
Senior Pastor
Goddard United Methodist Church
Office—479.785.1415 / Cell—501.827.8309



August 2023 Volunteers of the Month

The Goddard UMC Volunteers for the Month of August 2023 are Scott and Jean McCoubrey.

The McCoubreys have been members of Goddard UMC since before they were married. Scott became a member in 1960 and Jean became a member in 1971. They married at Goddard and have continued to be members ever since.

Scott volunteers his time as a greeter and usher on Sundays. He recently built the Goddard Blessing Boxes. Scott also teaches wood working to the Youth in the Carpenter’s Workshop.

Jean is a member of the Chancel Choir. She helps with Vacation Bible School.



Scott and Jean McCoubrey

Thank you Scott and Jean for being a blessing to our Goddard Family!

Submitted by Deb Moore



Welcome New Members



Pictured with Rev. Chase Green: (left) Barbara Rogers and Jane Rogers (center) Jim McPherson (right) Andy, Tarah, and Annslee Hanna



Please be in prayer for:

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|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Marcus Akins | Sally and Eddie Ridener |
| April Austin | Julie Rieder |
| Zoe Ann Batten | Robert Lee Roam, Jr. |
| Rick Bodine | Rita Robson |
| Bob Callaway | Mary Beth Rule |
| Betty Campbell | Cliff Rush |
| Jim Cavin | Cindy Sauter |
| Lauranell Cavin | John Sauter |
| Jim Cheyne | Grace Ann Settle |
| Jessica Clardy | Tracey Stecher |
| Charles Click | Hayden Stewart |
| Marilyn Click | Betty Steele |
| Kevin Cochran | Mary Beth Sudduth |
| Helen Cowan | Claudia Szendre |
| Sheila Croxton | Ruth Szendre |
| Linda Dickson | John Tarrant |
| Jason Echols | Polly Taylor |
| Rusty Echols | Ron Watson |
| Dewayne Edwards | Charles Williams |
| Andrew Godwin | Leslie Wintory |
| Gary Goembel | Bobbie Young |
| Jana L. Green | Our Essential Workers |
| Dennis Holland | Our Firefighters |
| Jim Kell | Our First Responders |
| Tom Kenny | Our Law Enforcement |
| Raye Levering | Officers |
| Thomas Levering | Our Troops |
| Jesse Lewis | Our U.S. Marshals |
| Judy Loux | |
| Linda Morrison | |
| Roy Nixon | |
| Sandi Parks | |
| Rachel Rhodes | |



Prayer Chain

**To add someone to the
Goddard Prayer Chain,
contact Donny Anderson
479.522.3080**


**To be a member of the
Prayer Chain,
contact Deb Moore
479.785.1415**



**For Columbarium Information
Call 479.785.1415**




The Gospel of



MARK

Bible Study
with Pastor Chase



Begins Monday, August 21 at 1:00pm

Goddard UMC Chancel Choir presents

Spirituals Concert

SPECIAL GUESTS

Barbara Tucker
Hedrich Nichols
Phillip Hall



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SUNDAY
OCT 1
6:00PM
FREE ADMISSION

August Birthdays

- 3rd Erin Clardy
- 5th Brad McCully
- 6th Sandy Johnson
- 7th Loraine Tarrant
- 8th Lauranell Cavin
- 12th Donny Anderson
- 16th Tim Peerbolte
- 18th Betty Campbell
- 18th Tom McAlister
- 20th Elizabeth Eubanks
- 21st Jon Gustafson
- 21st Serena Sutton



- 25th Suzie Dunn
- 25th Sherry Stockton
- 29th Deb Moore
- 30th Clara Crowder

August Anniversaries

- 10th Jim and Barbara Kell
- 11th George and Sheila Mann
- 20th Phil and Julie Milligan
- 26th Don and Jane Martin



Designated to General Fund:

- In memory of Tom Godwin by Larry and Janet Nelson
- In memory of Tom Godwin by Fred Stecher
- In memory of Tom Godwin by Tom and Carol McAlister
- In honor of Ronnie Apple by Jim and Suzie Dunn

Designated to Pantry:

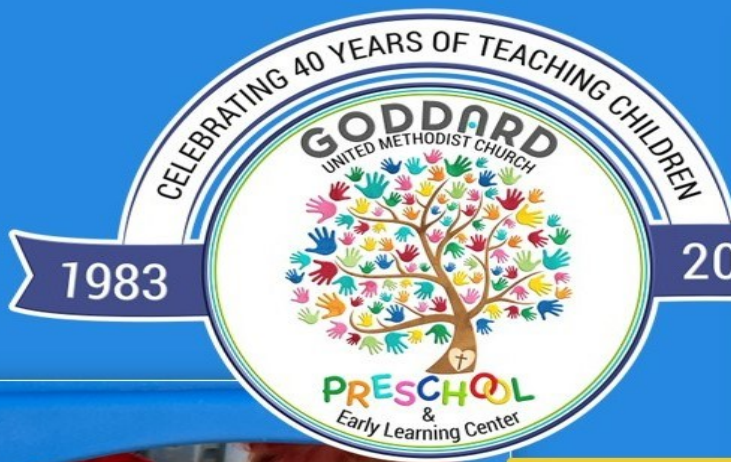
- In memory of Randy Woodard by Charles and Marilyn Click

Honorariums/Memorials may be given online or by check at any time. Your donations can be designated to a specific ministry or to the general fund.



Front cover and other graphics by: Rhonda Rieder





Now Enrolling for
Fall 2023!

Infants - Pre-K

 GoddardUMC.org/Preschool 



Pictures this page: (left) Children's Sunday school class working on their weekly craft. July 9, 2023 craft/lesson was Jonah and the Whale (above) Keri Cousins and Rhonda Rieder at VBS 2023

We love pictures!
Send your church photos to
secretary@goddardumc.org

GODDARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE GREAT GODDARD GARAGE SALE

INDOOR!

SEP 15-16
8:00 AM - NOON

KITCHEN FURNITURE
TECH CLOTHES
& MUCH MORE!



**CHANGE FOR CHURCH
FUNDRAISER**

**Collect Your Change in the Month
of August**

Special Offering Boxes
are waiting for you on the Narthex table.

Goddard Youth



Youth Sunday School!

We have the best snacks in the building!
Join us in the Youth Cinema each
Sunday at 11:15 a.m. after worship!



Get the latest information about Goddard Youth and
join our Youth Announcements text group!



**Send a Text to the number 81010 with the message
@goddardyou**

You will receive important updates about all of our Youth activities!

Youth Wednesdays!

3:15 – 5:30 p.m.

3:15 – 4:00 p.m. – **Drop Off**, Gathering Time, FOOD, and Fellowship

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Girls Group and Boys Group, The Carpenter's Workshop,
Cooking, Sewing, and More!

5:00 – 5:30 p.m. – Lesson and Discussion

5:30 p.m. – Pick Up

Register Online at GoddardUMC.org/Youth

For I know the plans I have for you ... plans to give you hope and a future.

-Jeremiah 29:11



Contact Ms. Keri
479-459-7110
kcousins@goddardumc.org

Wacky Wednesdays!

Back to School! Back to Wacky Wednesdays at Goddard UMC! Children Pre- Kindergarten to 5th Grade. We'll have games, crafts, music, snacks, and a lesson about God!

3:15 - 4:00 p.m. - Drop Off, Gathering time, Snacks, and Free play

4:00 - 5:30 p.m. - Games, Lesson, Music, Crafts

5:30 p.m. - Pick Up

August 16



Church Bus Pickup
available from
Ballman Elementary!

A graphic for "Fall 2023 Wacky Wednesdays" featuring a chalkboard background with school supplies like scissors, markers, and pencils. It includes a QR code, the text "3:15 - 5:30 p.m. Beginning August 16", and the Goddard UMC Kids logo. The text "Register online at GoddardUMC.org/Kids" is at the bottom.

Sunday School

Kids Sunday School is at 9:00 a.m. We meet in the Clubhouse in the Children's Building.

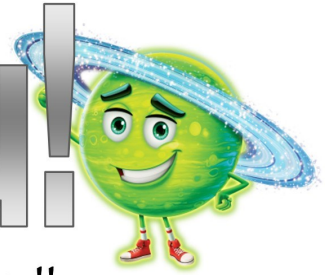
This month during Sunday School we will learn amazing Bible stories and celebrate going back to school!

- August 6 – Paul's Ministry
- August 13 – Back to School
- August 20 – Creation
- August 27 – Adam and Eve





Thank You!



Thank You to our Stellar **VBS** Volunteers!!

Ronnie Apple

Betty Bodine

Rick Bodine

Aiden Cheyne – youth

Mark Cheyne

Jenni Crawford

Linda Dickson

Star Duggan

Elizabeth Eubanks

Sharon Freeman

Rev. Chase Green

Michelle Greenfield

Ashlynn Griffin – youth

Lynne Gustafson

Jeannie Holland

Vicki Hopper

Mary King

Linda Lanning

Katie Linn

Melinda Lowrey

Mike Lyons

Rose Lyons

Carol McAlister

Tom McAlister

Jean McCoubrey

Brad McCully

Trish McCully

Bill Moore

Deb Moore

Rhonda Rieder

Jim Rose

Sue Rose

Pat Singleton

John Tarrant

Lorraine Tarrant

Dave Whiteis



Thank you
Summer
Wacky Wednesday
Volunteers!

Linda Dickson
Elizabeth Eubanks
Lynne Gustafson
Bill Moore
Rose Lyons

VBS 2023



More Pictures at GoddardUMC.org/VBS



VBS 2023

AUGUST 2023 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Preschool – 9 am – 2 pm	2 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Preschool – 9 am – 2 pm Bible Study – 1 pm	3 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Preschool – 9 am – 2 pm Children and Youth Meeting – 1 pm	4 Hilltoppers – 10:30 am	5
6	7 Ballman Staff Lunch – 12 pm	8	9 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Bible Study – 1 pm Choir – 6:30 pm	10 Food Pantry- 9-11:30 am Lydia – 1 pm	11 Hilltoppers – 10:30 am	12
13 Back to School Sunday	14 Preschool Fall Semester Begins Church Council Meeting – 5 pm	15	16 Food Pantry – 9-11:30 am Wacky Wed. Kids – 3:15-5:30pm Choir – 6:30 pm	17 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am	18 Hilltoppers – 10:30 am	19
20	21 Gospel of Mark Bible Study – 1 pm	22	23 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Wacky Wed. Kids – 3:15-5:30 Choir – 6:30 pm	24 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Lydia – 1 pm	25 Hilltoppers – 10:30 am	26
27	28 Gospel of Mark Bible Study – 1 pm	29	30 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am Wacky Wed. Kids – 3:15-5:30 Choir – 6:30 p.m.	31 Food Pantry - 9-11:30 am		

July Perfect Attendance

Sunday School
Adults 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
Children 9:00 a.m.
Youth 11:15 a.m.



Gathering Disciples

Betty Bodine
 Rick Bodine
 Betty Morkemo
 Barbara Rumage

Susan C. King

Sherry Stockton
 John Tarrant
 Loraine Tarrant

Pairs and Spares

Sharon Freeman
 Tom McAlister
 Carol McAlister
 Bill Moore

Bill Moore
 Tom King
 Charlie Smith
 Scott McCoubrey

**AUGUST USHER
 SCHEDULE
 10:00 a.m. Sunday
 Service**

Alternate
 Robert Neuffell

ADOPTION

Ziah Olivia Harmon

Great Granddaughter of Don and Jeannie Holland

BIRTHS

Maddox Joe Dickson

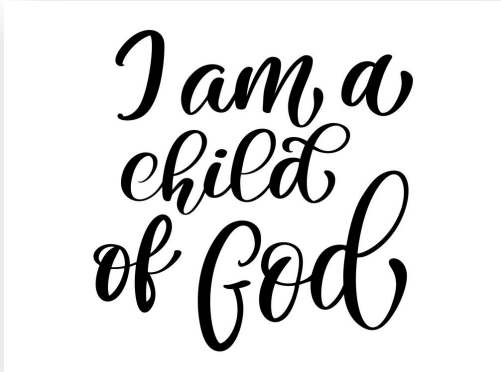
Grandson of Dan and Michelle Baumann

Presley Monroe Izara Hickman

Granddaughter of Brad and Trish McCully

Robert Jackson Gattis

Great Grandson of Mary Margaret Gattis



JULY 2023 CONTRIBUTIONS

	Jul 2	Jul 9	Jul 16	Jul 23	Jul 30	Total
General Fund Income	\$ 10,901	\$ 10,050	\$ 6,308	\$ 3,693	\$ 3,315	\$ 34,266
Pantry	405	565	292	150	107	\$ 1,519
Memorials*	50	0	25	55	0	\$ 130
Other	16,120	40	20	120	320	\$ 16,620
Total Income	\$ 27,476	\$ 10,655	\$ 6,645	\$ 4,018	\$ 3,741	\$ 52,535

*Designated memorials not included



August 2023 LECTONARY

6th Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Gen 32:22-31, Ps 17:1-7, 15 (UMH 749), Rom 9:1-5, Matt 14:13-21

13th Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Gen 37:1-4, 12-28, Ps 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b (UMH 828), Rom 10:5-15, Matt 14:22-33

20th Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Gen 45:1-15, Ps 133 (UMH 850), Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32, Matt 15:(10-20), 21-28

27th Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Exod 1:8-2:10, Ps 124 (UMH 846), Rom 12:1-8, Matt 16:13-20



GROWING IN GRACE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CLASS invites you to join them for a new bible study the group is beginning on August 6th:

Philippians: To Live is Christ!

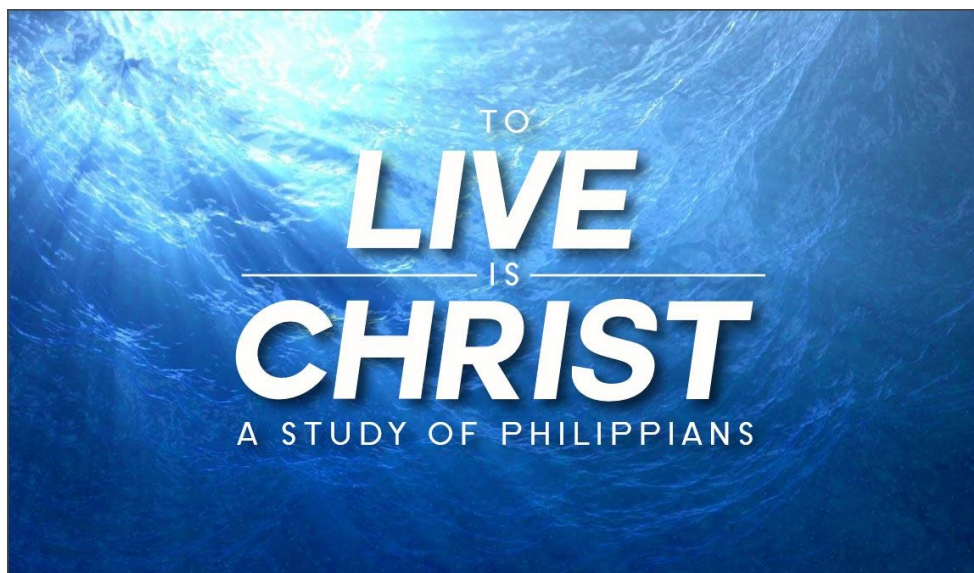
Is it possible to have joy at all times, regardless of our circumstances? Is it possible to live for Christ in every situation? Though it was written from a prison cell, Paul's letter to the Philippians exudes joy and gratefulness and shares a glimpse of what true discipleship looks like. Throughout this study, we will be taking a look at what Philippians can teach us about the DNA of discipleship: what it is, how we can find it, how we can share it, and how we can have it in all things. This study will encourage you

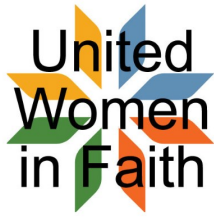
that joy is not the same as happiness—it is more stable, more permanent, built upon a sure foundation...and it may allow us to say, "To live is Christ!"

Leader: Paul Lanning

Sundays: 11:10 a.m. – 12 noon

Room: Gathering Disciples/
Growing in Grace Classroom





The Circle of Hope is our featured UWF Circle this month. This circle meets the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. Some of the mission work by the Circle of Hope Members includes supporting the Ronald McDonald Family Room, the Goddard Food Pantry, and the Circle of Hope Cradle of Caring which supports local mission organizations.

Goddard UWIF is on track to receive the Mission Today Jewel Unit again this year. To earn this recognition, Goddard UWIF has to meet twenty qualifying criteria. One of these qualifiers is new this year. We are asked to assist our church in examining ways of becoming better stewards of God's beautiful world. We are encouraged to use only non foam cups and containers at church functions.

We will now be using glass ware and cups when possible and paper products as needed. Please be encouraged to help with this effort.

Our next general meeting will be on September 12. Dr. Fudge will be our speaker. We will participate in our World Thank service and offering.

...and every day, love your neighbor.

Submitted by Elizabeth Eubanks, Goddard UWF President



Circle of Hope members (l to r): Betty Campbell, Barbara Braswell, Diann Ishmael, Mary Margaret Gattis, Vicki Hutchinson, Fern Daniel, Betty Forrest, Zoe Ann Batten, Judy Loux, Jean Woodward, and Suzie Dunn / Not pictured: Pat Baskin, Doris Beaty, Elizabeth Eubanks, Jeannie Holland,

Circle Meetings

Tuesday, August 1st

10:00 a.m. Circle of Hope / Parlor

6:30 p.m. Joy Goddard / See location at right

On August 1st, the Joy Goddard circle will meet for an August Ice Cream Meeting on Tuesday, August 1st, at La Nueva Michoacana Mexican Ice Cream Factory (corner of 19th Street and Rogers Avenue. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. Circle of Hope members and any one may join us for a time of fellowship and tasty treats.



SERVING THE COMMUNITY....



Goddard United Methodist Church

4 hours ago · 🌐

Over the past two months every Monday we have shared food bags, snack bags, and children's books to Ballman Elementary School families! It has been such a joy. We at Goddard seek to do our best to serve by God's grace!

A huge thank you to all our volunteers for helping to pull this off as we wrap up this summer ministry today.

Pastor and Staff of GUMC

Rev. Chase Green — Senior Pastor

George A. Mann — Choir Master/Organist

Sami Sue Welch — Associate Director of Music

Keri Cousins — Children's/Youth Director/

Online Ministries

Jenni Crawford — Preschool Director

Michelle Greenfield — Financial Administrator

Deborah Moore — Church Administrator/ Buildings and

Grounds/Grapevine Editor

Don Holland — Maintenance/Custodial

Timothy Peerbolte — Audio/Visual

Mark Cheyne — Live Streaming

Pastor Chase Green

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Goddard United Methodist Church



Jul 21 at 8:56 PM · 🌐

Goddard night out at the Naturals game! What a fun night of fellowship!



Visit the Goddard Facebook page often to see other fun things happening at church and in the community. Like our page to get notices of these and other Goddard posts at [Facebook.com/GoddardUMC](https://www.facebook.com/GoddardUMC).

PSALM 60 CEB

1 God, you have rejected us—
shattered us. You've been so angry.
Now restore us!

2 You've made the ground quake,
splitting it open. Now repair its
cracks because it's shaking apart!

3 You've made your people suffer
hardship; you've given us wine and
we stagger.

4 Give a flag to those who honor you,
so they can rally around it, safe
from attack. Selah

5 Save us by your power and answer
us so that the people you love
might be rescued.

6 God has spoken in his sanctuary:
“I will celebrate as I divide up
Shechem and portion out the
Succoth Valley.

7 Gilead is mine; Manasseh is mine;
Ephraim is my helmet; Judah is my
scepter.

8 But Moab is my washbowl; I'll
throw my shoe at Edom. I shout in
triumph over Philistia!

9 I wish someone would bring me to
a fortified city! I wish someone
would lead me to Edom!”

10 But you have rejected us, God,
haven't you? God, you no longer
accompany our armies.

11 Give us help against the enemy;
human help is worthless.

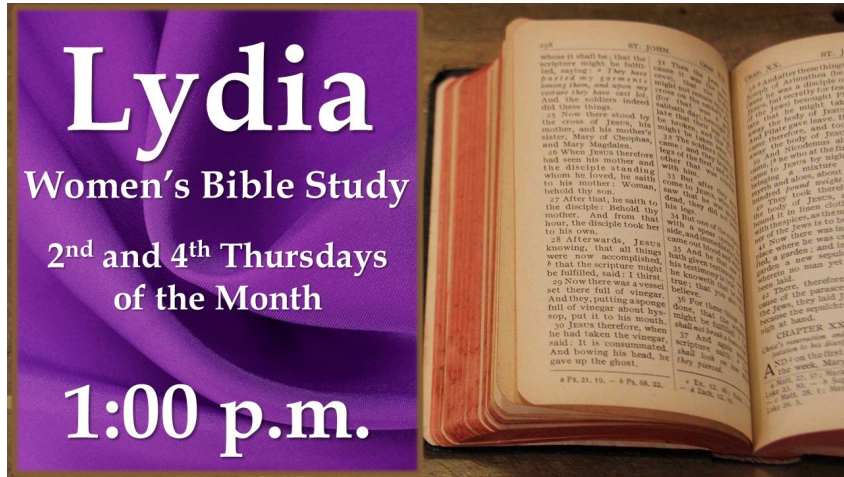
12 With God we will triumph; he's the
one who will trample our
adversaries.



COMMUNION AT HOME
First Sunday of Each Month

August 6, 2023 / 10:00 a.m.
During “Online” Live Streaming
Worship Service

Please have bread and juice ready in
your home to receive the elements
during Communion.



Lydia Study

Will meet on Thursday,
August 10th & 24th
1 p.m. / Parlor

Contact: Elizabeth Eubanks
479.629.8698



Goddard Food Pantry Report July 2023

Number of bags distributed at Goddard= 129

Number of individuals fed = 311

Total Pantry volunteer hours = 113

Pantry hours open = 20 hours

Number of bags distributed at Ballman= 41

Number of Kids bags given out at Ballman = 80

Total Ballman volunteer hours = 64

***Thank you for your continued support
of this vital ministry!***

Submitted by: Betty Morkemo, Pantry Committee



The exterior wood door project is almost complete. The doors have yet to be stained and sealed.

We are on the schedule for repair of the youth roof.

The bell tower speakers have been replaced and the carillon is working again.

The Preschool floors have been replaced.

Goddard Trustees



Goddard UMC continues to reach a great number of individuals and families each week with our live streaming.

The **average number of homes** that watched our Sunday 10:00 a.m. service each week in the month of **July 2023** equaled **164**.

Thank you for watching!!!

In-Person and Sunday Worship Live Streaming / 10:00 a.m.

Online at www.goddardumc.org
Facebook.com/GoddardUMC
Youtube.com/GoddardUMC

Event Sign-Up
goddardumc.org/events

Register your attendance at worship with the QR Code found in your bulletin

Open your camera

Hold over the QR code

Tap the link to register your attendance



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