



E- Circuit News

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Parsonage Open House

(251 South Lisbon Street, Carrollton)

Sunday, December 3 from 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Community Christmas Program

Please bring UNWRAPPED gifts to Carrollton First UMC by Monday, December 4. Please contact the church office with any questions.



Please Take Note of Upcoming Services:

Christmas on the Square

Sunday, Dec. 17 at 6 p.m.

Dec. 24 is the 4th Sunday of Advent

8:15 & 10:45 a.m. @ Carrollton First UMC
and 10 a.m. @ The Bridge

Christmas Eve Services

5 p.m. @ The Bridge
7 & 11 p.m. @ Carrollton First UMC



A Visit with History

Visiting our Methodist Church on November 13, 2017, was the family of Charles L Bryant, the artist in glass who in 1900 designed and installed the beautiful stained glass windows in our building. The Rev. John Bryant, the great-grandson of Charles, and his two sons, Caleb and Justin came from Mount Vernon Ohio to see their ancestor's work. They spent more than an hour examining each of our many windows, taking pictures from many angles, even climbing our high stepladder to have a close up of the face of Christ in the large ascension window. They, so carefully, would run their fingers gently over the surface of the glass maybe to have a connection to their great-grandfather.

John gave us a written history of Charles L. who was born in Cadiz and educated in the Carrollton Schools, studied art in New York City, and with his brother established the Bryant Brothers Company in Columbus in 1893.

The family has just recently discovered hundreds of the churches, government buildings, and synagogues where the company worked. They were also known for creating fresco work in buildings including our own Carroll County Courthouse. After lunch we toured the courthouse discussing the interior designs with Judge Olivito. Returning to the church, they took another look at our windows, marveling at the number of windows not only in the sanctuary, but in the hallways and what would have been the back rooms of the church, now the minister's office and behind the altar. They appreciated the care we have taken of the windows over the years noting the repairs and coverings that were done in the late 1970's.

The Reverend John Bryant recently retired from active ministry in the Brethren Church in Mount Vernon and has been followed in the pulpit by his son Justin. Caleb has founded a new Bryant Brothers Co. as a graphic artist. They appreciated the hospitality of our church and our community during their visit.



The Bridge is honored to host Tammy Rogers from ***Born in a Barn Art Expressions*** as she shares with us her love for the Lord while teaching our youth about the wonders of art.

Classes are open to children in grades 3-5 and is limited to 12 students. Classes will be held at The Bridge from 4-5:30 p.m. every Monday from January 15 through February 19. Reservations are due by January 3. Cost is \$60 and must be paid at the time of the reservation.

To RSVP, please call the Carrollton First UMC/The Bridge office 330-627-7671. Payment may be cash or check (checks payable to Tammy Rogers).



Wild Wednesday's last night in 2017 is December 13.
Our first night in 2018 will be January 3!

Wild Wednesday Mission Project

Our Mission Project for Fall 2017 was Operation Christmas Child. Each week we collect an offering which is used to help with expenses. On November 15, we packed 50 shoeboxes! Pastor Kimberly dedicated the boxes and they began their journey to share the love of Jesus with children across the world!



'Hanging of the Greens'

Wreaths were hung, swags were stretched, trees were trimmed, and candles were placed in window sills on Sunday afternoon, November 26, by a small but intrepid crew of loyal decorators from the worship committee. Pat Roudebush was in charge of this year's effort to adorn our church for the celebration of Christ's birth.



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