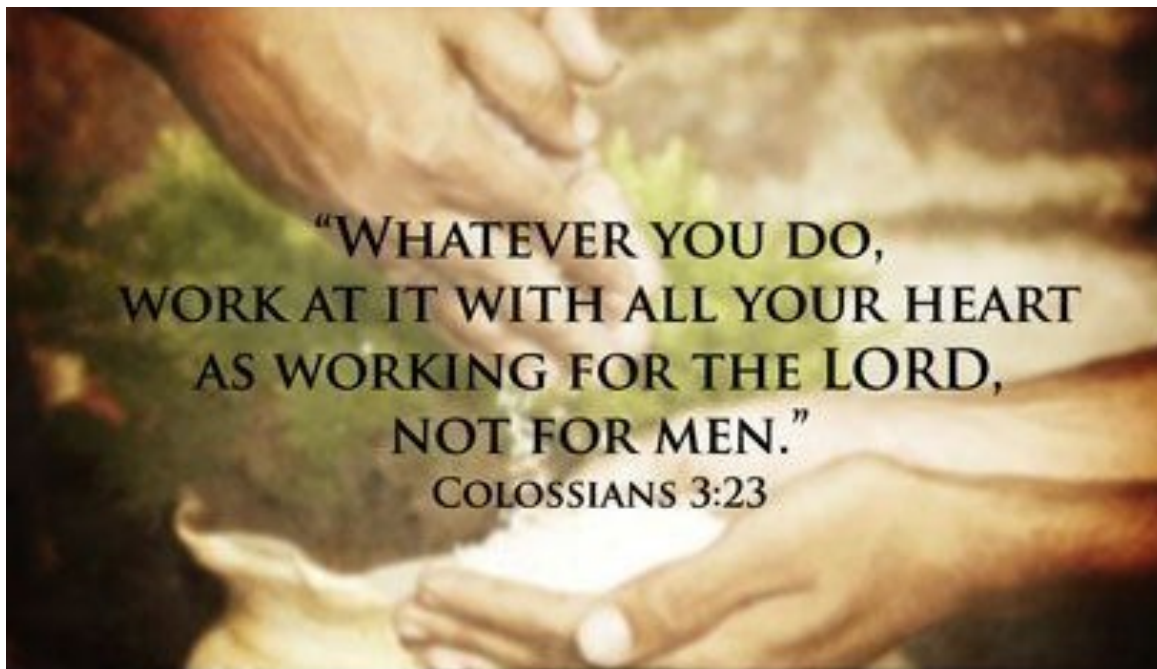


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A Mini-Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church



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Hello to our Friends and Family,

Phase 2 has begun! Just in time for Labor Day.

According to the US Department of Labor, Labor Day is, "a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country." Most of you know that Labor Day occurs on the first Monday in September, but.....

- Did ya know... Labor Day was created by the labor movement in the late 19th century?

- Did ya know... the first Labor Day parade was on September 5, 1882? 10,000 workers took unpaid time off to march from City Hall to Union Square in New York City.

- Did ya know... President Grover Cleveland signed the law making Labor Day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories? That was on June 28, 1894.

- Did ya know... two different men are credited with proposing a Labor Day holiday? Peter J. McGuire, cofounder of the American Federation of Labor and Matthew Maguire, a secretary of the Central Labor Union. (Goes to show what one, or two, people can accomplish.)

Well, that's your trivia for this holiday. Labor Day has a purpose that many of us have forgotten. Today is the perfect day for a little history lesson to remind us what we celebrate. (By the way, most of these facts are courtesy of <https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/labor-day-1>.)

Back to Phase 2, we are opening the church up a little more each day. We look forward to seeing you in the offices. Even more exciting is our first physical church service in six months. Attendance at that service is limited to 40. With God's help, we will be worshipping in the church before you know it!

In His Joy,
Your Pastors and Staff

In His Words

☞ **Therefore my dear brothers and sisters stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the lord because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. - 1 Corinthians 15:58**

☞ **Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. - Matthew 12:28**

☞ **Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. - Colossians 3:23**



Spotlight

Baby Basics: Provides diapers for infants of needy working families not qualified for other assistance in local catchment area. Families pick the diapers up monthly at Oakhurst UMC.

Methodist Children's Home: Provide spiritual and monetary support for this home for children. Special offerings on "fifth Sundays" in months with five Sundays provide support for this FL United Methodist facility

NEXTDOOR WEB SITE

• 23 hr ago - BOB LUSTER :

Election Poll place at Oakhurst United Methodist Church. I wish to thank all the poll workers and others that prepared the site for today. My wife and I both feel strongly about casting our vote in person so we know it will count.

Posted in General to 39 neighborhoods



Thank



4 Comments

8

See 2 previous comments



Terry (Theresa) Markle • Tradewinds Ave

I prefer to vote in person as well. I like to be with my fellow voters.

15 hr ago

Thank

Reply

1



Bill Greene • Riviera Heights

Agreed - Oakhurst United Methodist has always been great. Enjoyed visiting yesterday...

2 hr ago

Thank you for making us
look good,
John Payne!!

Tips for Self-Care During COVID-19

Take 2

During times of change and uncertainty, it is ever more important to incorporate self-care and structure into your schedule. And while your typical self-care routine may no longer be available, there are ways to stay healthy and remain connected. Every day take a moment (or more) to take care of yourself.

⇒ **Sleep:** Sleep plays a major role in our overall health, improving emotional regulation and management of anxiety. It's important to get 7 to 9 hours of sleep, especially during times of stress. Try to limit your exposure to the news and social media a couple of hours before bed.

⇒ **Learn and Explore:** Research shows people engaged in learning feel more confidence, hope and purpose. Keep your mind active by taking virtual tours of museums, reading, trying new recipes, or solving puzzles.

More to come in the next issue!!

WANTED

Volunteers to help with Street Ministry as we move into Phase 2.

We have openings for

Cooks

Drivers

Cake Bakers

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Cooks and Drivers please contact Mary at mchamp1469@aol.com or Lin at rjohnson6944@tampabay.rr.com

Cake Bakers please contact Sandy and Bill at wfussner1@tampabay.rr.com

A Prayer for Labor Day
 Lord on this Labor Day,
 we thank You for the blessing of work.
 We ask for strength to complete each day.
 We ask Your guidance
 for everyone seeking employment,
 and we ask that
 You be with those whose faces
 we might never see
 but who work tirelessly each day
 for the good of us all.
 Amen.

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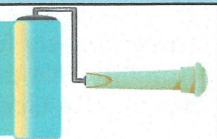


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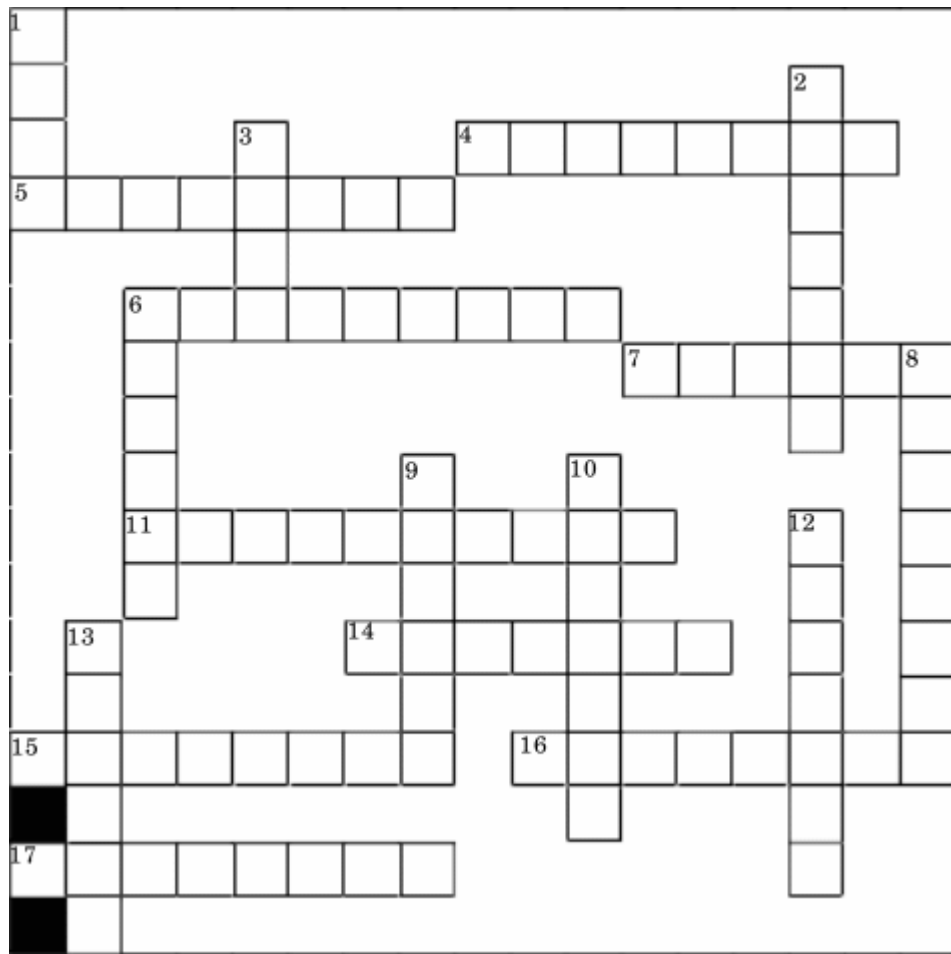
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LABOR DAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 4 Monday through Friday
- 5 Worker holiday
- 6 Holiday month
- 7 Outside lunch
- 11 Profession
- 14 Do with a tent
- 15 Branch of production
- 16 Workers
- 17 Cookout

DOWN

- 1 Autumn
- 2 Saturday and Sunday
- 3 Travel
- 6 Kids go after Labor Day
- 8 Cooked over fire
- 9 Amount earned
- 10 Special day off
- 12 Laborers
- 13 Holiday day of week

Solution

