



Grace and Peace in the name of Jesus Christ!

The Holy Spirit is moving at Woodlake United Methodist Church. We see it in growing worship attendance, in the faces of the 35 new members we've welcomed and 20 individuals we've baptized so far this year, in families fed through our partnership with Belmont. We hear it in the voices of children and youth reading Scripture in worship, in lively discussions in Bible studies and small groups, in the laughter of fellowship shared in the Gathering Space. We feel it in hugs from old friends and handshakes from new friends who have gathered to worship and serve in our community. God is up to something among us—and the Holy Spirit is calling us further.

Over the last few months, the leaders on our Church Leadership Council have prayed and planned for how we might continue to pursue the big dream that the Holy Spirit has placed before us. These leaders have discerned that God is calling us to grow in our community outreach, to deepen our discipleship, and to build stronger connections with one another.

We dream of new neighbors finding welcome and getting to know Christ through our ministries. We dream of growing in our love for God and one another. We dream of people of all generations serving side-by-side as we love our neighbors together.

In order to live into those dreams that God has given our church, we need you! You are uniquely called and equipped to be part of God's vision for Woodlake UMC. Your gifts are necessary for our church to live into the fullness of God's dream for our community. Your generosity is essential for our church to grow.

Please review the materials provided and pray about how God is calling you to be part of this big dream. Pray about how you can give generously of your time, your talents, and your finances to support the big dream God has given us. Then respond to God's call by filling out the enclosed response card and submitting it in the offering plate or online as we prepare to celebrate Ignition Sunday on October 25.

God has invited us to be part of a divine dream for our community. With your help and generosity, we can make that dream a reality at Woodlake UMC.

In Christ,

Rev. Lauren Lobenhofer

(804) 739-4535

WOODLAKEUMC
A Roof Digging Church

info@woodlakeumc.org
woodlakeumc.org