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What to Read this Week

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What's Next?

That's a question I've asked myself throughout my life, especially when I have reached major milestones. And like me, it's probably a question you probably are asking right now as you

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COVID-19 landscape that will have an impact for months, if not years, to come.

By Bishop Gary Mueller

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New Stories to Tell

Think about the stories that we will one day be able to tell our children or our grandchildren because of this pandemic.

I hope and pray that we will all learn something from this experience. I know that God didn't cause this tragedy to happen, but he is definitely using it for the betterment of our world.



By Caleb Hennington

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Stories

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Hendrix College Junior Competes on 'Jeopardy!'

Joe Coker, a junior studying physics at Hendrix College in Conway and son of the Rev. Keith Coker, made it to the 2020 Jeopardy! College Championship. Read more about his time on the show in our Q&A.

By Caleb Hennington

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Southwest Little Rock Food Pantry Gets Help From Young Volunteers

Geyer Springs and St. Andrew UMC food pantries were at risk of closing, but a young man stepped up to continue the operation and keep the older volunteers safe from COVID-19.



From THV11, Little Rock

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First UMC Siloam

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RENOVATION OF HISTORIC Building

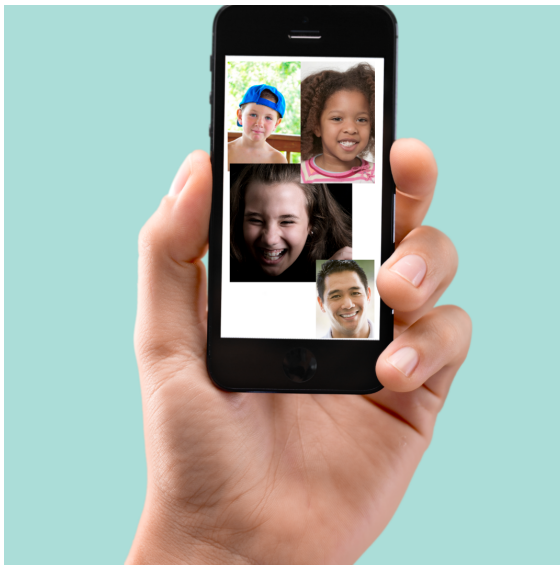
The historic First United Methodist building in downtown Siloam Springs will be renovated on its 100th anniversary to create a ministry center. Work on Phase One is set to begin soon.



From the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

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Children's Ministry



Doing Children's Ministry Differently

Like all ministry in the days of COVID-19, we have to do things differently when ministering to children. Vacation Bible School will look very different than the traditional “hands-on” approach in years past.

By Melinda Shunk

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Methodist Family Health Minute



MFH Hosts Mental Health Webinars

Methodist Family Health has partnered with the Arkansas Conference to offer a series of three webinars dealing with mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic. You can view the two previous webinars by clicking the links below.

[Webinar 1](#)

[Webinar 2](#)

And be sure to join us today at 10 a.m. for the third webinar in the series!

Zoom link: arumc.zoom.us/j/94478598038

Facebook Event Page: facebook.com/events/941553136300272

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