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They're Just Words - Or Are They?

It seems that almost every United Methodist meeting I attend these days includes the following words and phrases: liminal, asynchronous, actionable, emotional intelligence, nimble, new normal, transparent, and adaptive. In fact, I even use them myself. And while they can be helpful in describing the world in which the church finds itself, I am increasingly convinced we also need to employ the language of faith. The reason is simple. How we talk about something goes a long way in determining what we actually do about it.

By Bishop Gary Mueller

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There Is No Planet B

In a recent statement, 11 General Agencies of The United Methodist Church pledged to achieve net-zero emissions across ministries, facilities, operations, and investments by the

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UMC General Agencies Commit to Net-Zero Emissions

“Our Climate Commitment to Net-Zero Emissions”

Read the full statement from 11 of the UMC’s General Agencies on their commitment to reach net-zero emissions by 2050.

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Empty Bowls is an annual fundraising event put on by the Arkansas Foodbank, and one of this year's honorees is Geyer Springs UMC in Southwest Little Rock.

By Caleb Hennington

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Rev. James H. Lenderman Named 2021 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year

The Reverend James H. Lenderman, Asbury Theological Seminary class of 1991, has been selected the Distinguished Alumnus of the year 2021. Rev. Lenderman is the senior pastor at Central UMC in Rogers, Arkansas.

From Asbury Theological Seminary

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Camp Tanako Is a Blessing to Children's Ministry

This month, Children's Ministry Coordinator Melinda Shunk explores how Camp Tanako is a blessing to the Children's Ministry in Arkansas because they specialize in elementary-age camping ministry most of the summer.

By Melinda Shunk

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as Historic Property

The Mammoth Spring United Methodist Church has received the honor of being added to the list of Arkansas Register of Historic Places

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