

The Directory REVEAL

On page 12 of your directory you will see a paragraph toward the bottom of the page. It contains a challenge to find several "hidden" items in the activity pages 1-12. Some are more obvious than others.

This document shows where the items are hidden. See how many you were able to find.

Flame and Cross

This has been a symbol of the United Methodist Church since 1968. The cross represents our faith in Jesus Christ while the flame represents the fire of the Holy Spirit giving us passion, energy and excitement for the mission of making disciples.

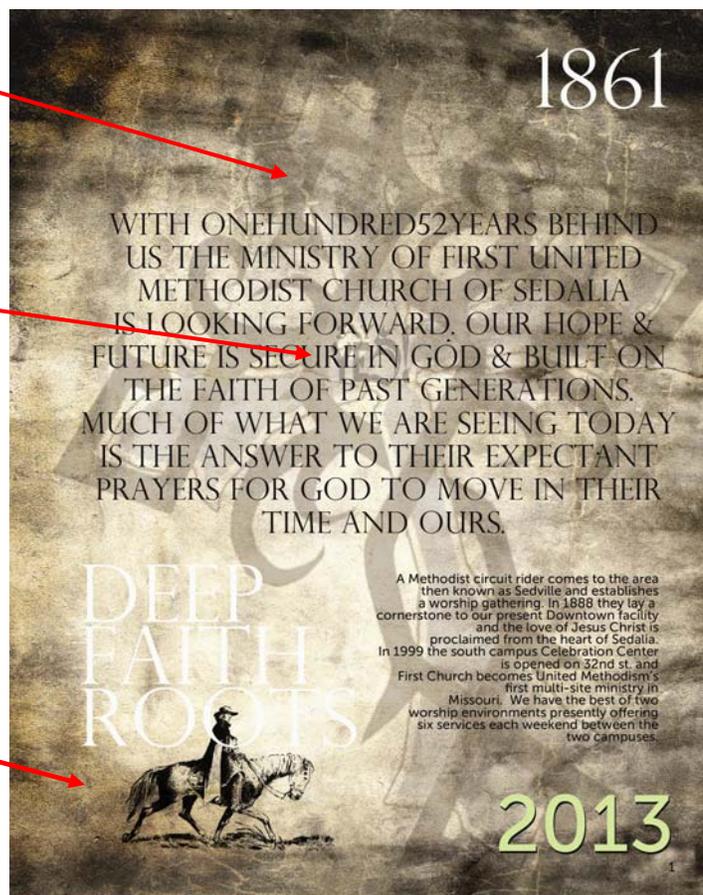
SAY YES! (this one is actually the last of several found in the first twelve pages. If you want to know how many are in these pages, the number appears on the last page of this document.



Maltese Cross (background). This is an ornate version of the Maltese cross. If you go into the sanctuary Downtown, stand in the middle aisle and look up you will see the ceiling is in the shape of the Maltese cross. The congregation worships under the cross each weekend.

SAY YES! (in the middle of the maltese cross) is the first of several found in these pages. Keep a count and we will reveal the number at the end! **SAY YES!** Is our community theme. The full phrase is: "Say YES! To life, to love, to God." In a world where there is so much negativity we want to be a positive voice offering God's hope and encouragement.

Circuit Rider (obvious, eh?) Established a small group of Methodist believers in the Sedville area. His name was _____. Circuit riders had an average life-span of 33 years



MISSION

Leading People to an

Faith//prayer is *our* foundation. It connects us to God and is our power source for faith.

Friendship//being sensitive to seekers in all we do.

Fellowship//transforming lives in small groups

Followership//mobilize people in gift based ministries.

Fruit//do our best for God's glory!



Did you know? Originally there was a cross on top of First Church Downtown that turned 360 degrees symbolizing God's love is for all!



Pointing Finger and Scratch N' Sniff!

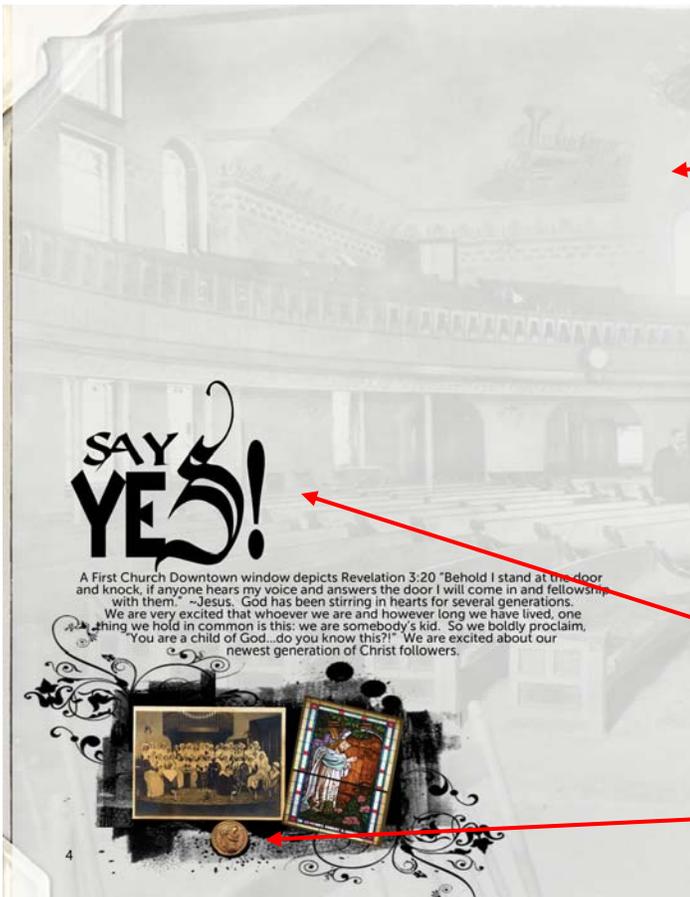
(sticker added). This may be a little unrefined, but you have to admit it is pretty fun, right?! And, of course, there isn't another directory in the country that has been produced with a seek and find section, let alone a "scratch n' sniff." There are five smells so the one in your book may be: chocolate, fruit punch, grape, orange or cherry.

Crouching Tiger (no hidden dragon!). We put the tiger in because it is the mascot of several area teams, including Smith Cotton, Smithton and University of Missouri (which was supposed to be relocated to Sedalia after administration building burned around 1900).

SAY YES! (Yep, it's another one. Keep looking for more!)

Active Faith in Jesus Christ





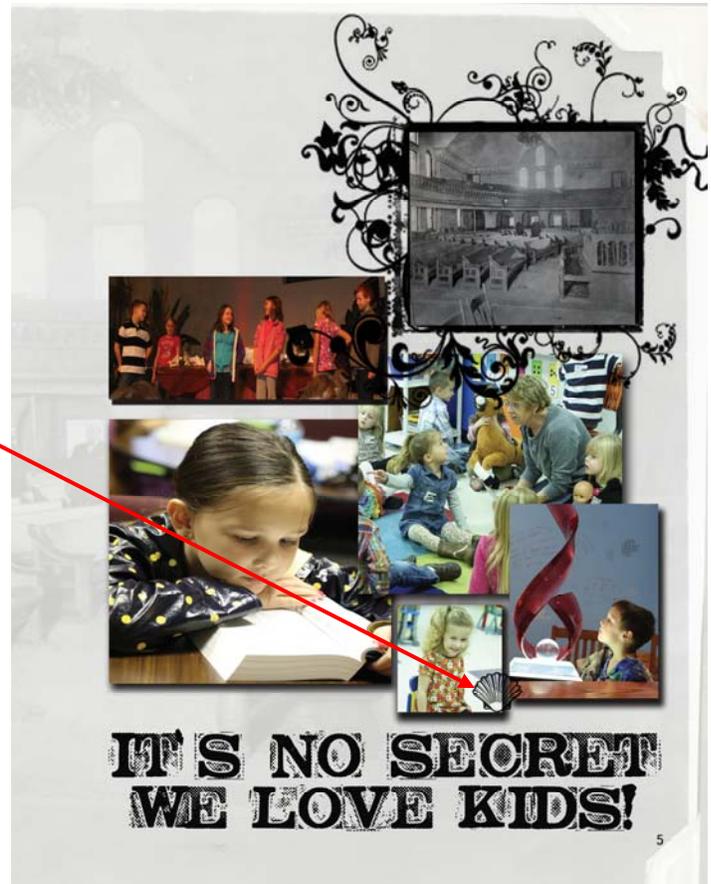
Steam Engine.

A chief source of industry, some might have called Sedalia a "railroad" town. In 1932, a group of women from the church went out to the shops and prepared a meal for 2,000 railroad men. The steam tables exploded leaving nine dead and 30 wounded. The women were raising funds to keep the Downtown building open (the effects of the Great Depression were devastating financially). As a remembrance of those women, there are nine Bradford Pear trees that line the entry to Celebration Center and they are planted 30 feet apart. At the base of each tree is a memorial marker each bearing a name of a woman who gave her life to keep the doors open.

Another SAY YES! so easy to find even cavemen, or in this case—Jim and Jared can find !

Old Bible Coin. Jesus said, "Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God. " You are a treasure to God!

Shell. This has long been a symbol of baptism. Around the top of the worship space Downtown you will see a repeating border of shells and water drops. Baptism is not only about God washing away our sins and anything that would separate us from His love, it is also about God claiming us as His kids. On this page there are many pictures of children from First Church. WE LOVE ALL KIDS (regardless of age)! And you are one of them!



TAKE THE NAME OF JESUS WITH YOU

We believe worship strengthens us to live fully devoted lives for Jesus inside and outside the walls of a church building. Our largest community worship gathering is held once a year at the Missouri State Fairgrounds Mathewson Center. Below is a picture from Easter Sunday in early 1900's.



Wow, haven't seen one of those in a while...keep counting!

Grape Cluster.

Sometimes the grape cluster has been associated with the Fruit of the Spirit, listed in Galatians 5:22-23. They are:

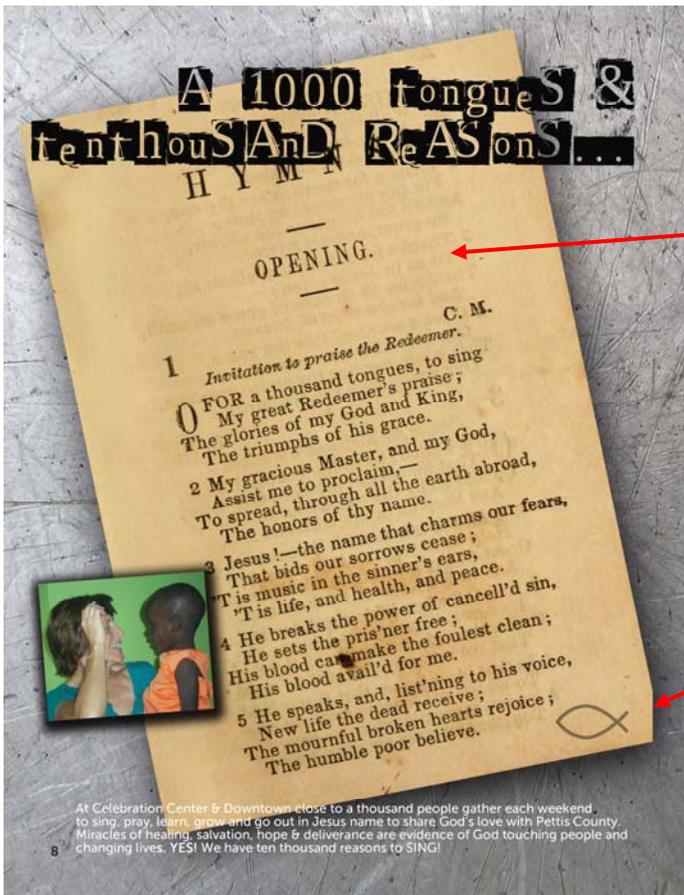
LOVE
JOY
PEACE
PATIENCE
KINDNESS
GOODNESS
FAITHFULNESS
GENTLENESS
SELF-CONTROL

These are God qualities and characteristics the Holy Spirit wants to bring into our lives!

B-2 Silhouette

Whiteman Air Force Base is just 22 miles from Sedalia. Many of the military families are members of our congregation. We are grateful for the men and women who honorably serve our country.





Charles Wesley Hymn

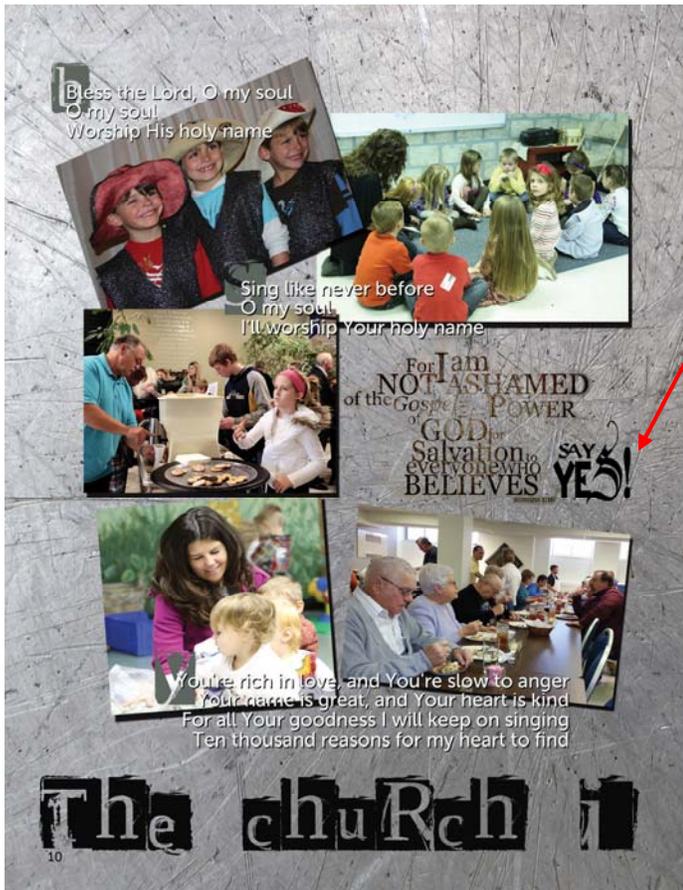
“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” has been the first hymn in Methodist Hymnals for about 200 years. It is found on page 57 of our current Hymnal. In his lifetime, C. Wesley wrote over 6,000 hymns (and no, they aren’t all in our hymnal!).

ICTHUS Fish is perhaps the most ancient of Christian symbols. Early believers in Jesus had to live under cover in a Roman world. Some stories suggest that believers would draw an arc in the sand with their foot. If another person then completed it forming the **ICTHUS** it indicated that they, too, believed in Jesus. The symbol is reflective of the call of Jesus to the first disciples to “follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”

Old Time Bicycle

One of the beautiful things about Sedalia is the Katy Trail. It runs through all the way through town and many people enjoy walking, running and biking on the trail. The Katy Trail truly is a treasure to our community!

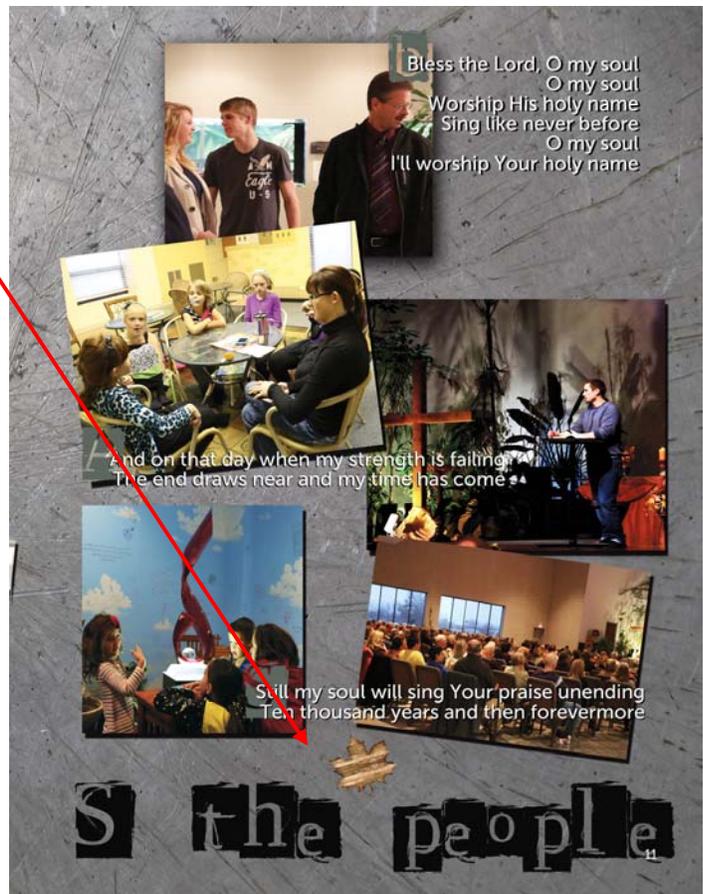




**SAY YES! To life, to love, to GOD!
 Hope you have been keeping count.
 The reveal number is at the bottom of
 this page...**

Maple Leaf.

Sedalia is known for many things, among them, being the home of Scott Joplin and Ragtime music. One of the most famous pieces of ragtime is The Maple Leaf Rag. Each year there is a community festival held in early June. Music lovers from all over the world come in as people tickle the ivories, filling the air with music. At our Downtown facility an ice cream social is held in the Fellowship Hall while ragtime symposiums take place upstairs.



***There are SIX total SAY YES symbols found
 in the first 12 pages of the directory!
 Thanks for playing along.***