



Newsletter of:
The First United Methodist Church
214 W. Main St.
Carbondale, IL 62901

Our Mission Statement: "Called together by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim God's presence and love in the world through prayer, worship, education and service. We invite children, youth and adults to become disciples of Jesus Christ, live fully in the Holy Spirit, and embrace God's love."

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IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY JUNE 18, 2017

8:15 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Sermon: "Leaving our Prayers"
Rev. Alan Rhein

Scripture: Matthew 9:35-38

Anthem:
8:15 *Abide with Me*
Jeremy Holmes, soloist

10:45 *Abide with Me*
Sanctuary Choir

Hymns:
57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*
157 *Jesus Shall Reign*
500 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*
664 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Altar flowers this week are given by Alan Rhein, in celebration of his and Connie's 45th wedding anniversary.

Indoor Greeters: Barbara & Dan Kimmel

Acolytes: 10:45 Reese Funk and Lexi Frick

Sound System Operators:
8:15 Joe Swindell; 10:45 Ron Browning

Liturgists: 8:15 Gordon White; 10:45 Janet Earnest

June Ushers: John Washburn, Captain;
8:15 Bill Tally, Larry Good
10:45 Don Bryant, Jr., Paul Chugh, Greg Gibson,
John Hinde, Angie Voss



Musings

Dear Friends,

Our Church's Annual Conference was held in Peoria last week. This is the meeting each year when the program, budget, and leaders are set for the coming year. Sometimes there are a lot of items for discussion and often some heated debate. This year there wasn't much debate, except when it came to health insurance. No surprise there, is there! There was a proposal presented that was referred back to the Health Benefits Committee for further study. We have a new bishop by the name of Frank Beard. Bishop Beard comes from the Indiana Conference and ours was his first assigned conference - - the Illinois Great Rivers Conference. All in all, it was a rather quiet session.

There were nearly 1,000 clergy and laypeople in attendance. It is always an inspiration to gather 1,000 people together and hear the singing that happens. This year was no exception! There is something about many voices singing together that makes me feel as though this is what God had in mind all along, when he called those early Hebrews to gather and worship. Down through the centuries, groups of people from all over the world have gathered, in various venues, to sing the hymns of our faith. Each time our conference gathers, it reminds me of the strength that comes in unity. If we could work together, as well as we sing together, we could solve a many of the problems that plague our nation and our world. How to get people to come together in unity is no easy task and one that requires much sacrifice and compromise to accomplish.

I am afraid we live in a time when pride and selfishness are the things that lead us, rather than compassion and humility. What would it be like if we lived in a world where people focused on the needs of others, rather than the needs of themselves? What would it be like if we all put ourselves as our second consideration and others as our first priority? What would it be like if we really lived the way we know Christ taught, instead of watering down his message of love for others and self-sacrifice? Oh, I know, this is just a "pipe dream," but I also know that, if we really tried just a little, it could make a difference in all of our lives. But in the mean time, let's keep singing together the hymns of the faith, and maybe the words will make their way into our heart, and then into our living. Just another one of my "preacher thoughts."

Finally, I would like to offer the invitation to any of you who are not a member of this Church, as yet, to become a member. Some have spoken to me about joining and we will have a group joining soon. If you would like to join, please call the Church office (457-2416) and let me know.

See you Sunday,

Alan

IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

June 

14 Wednesday

10:00 Children's Storytime, Diane Neill Dorsey
Memorial Children's Library, Room 413
1:30 Wednesday Women's Fellowship, Heritage Rm
2:00 ALTERNATE Golden Yoga, Rm. 404

15 Thursday

5:45 Gentle Toning, Stretch, Yoga, Room 404
7:00 Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary

16 Friday

9:00 CANCELED Golden Yoga

17 Saturday

ASP Trip to central Appalachia, through 6/24.

18 Sunday *Father's Day*

8:15 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School for all ages
10:45 Worship Service and Children's Church

19 Monday

20 Tuesday

8:30 Men's Group, Heritage Room
9:00 CANCELED Daniel Plan
9:30 Morning Circle, Heritage Room
10:00 CANCELED Golden Yoga
5:00 Rotary Club, Heritage Room
7:00 Eagle Board, Room 308
7:15 Arrow Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

21 Wednesday

10:00 Children's Storytime, Diane Neill Dorsey
Memorial Children's Library, Room 413
2:00 ALTERNATE Golden Yoga

22 Thursday

11:30 PrimeTimers Luncheon & Program, Fellowship
Hall, Program by Teresa Gilbert, "Bald Knob
Cross"
5:45 Gentle Toning, Stretch, Yoga, Room 404
7:00 Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

23 Friday

9:30 CANCELED Golden Yoga

24 Saturday

25 Sunday

8:15 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School for all ages

PARISH
pulse
As of June 13, 2017

In Sympathy: Sympathy to John & Lianne Watson, family and friends, on the death of her mother, Ann Lee, who passed away June 8, 2017 in North Carolina.

In Sympathy: Sympathy to Barb Swinburne and Necia Jannings, family and friends, on the death of Barb's husband, Dick Swinburne, who passed away June 7, 2017.

Our Apologies: The following names were not included on the Pentecost Sunday Red Geranium List insert. We apologize for these omissions:

Red Geraniums in Memory of our grandparents and fathers, by Laura Depolo
Red Geranium in Memory of my mother, Anna Milroy, by Paulette Milroy
Red Geranium in Memory of my husband, Raymond, by Barbara Stotler

Thank you: Thank you to our church family for your thoughts, prayers and care during Dick's illness and death. Your love and support are appreciated. *Barbara Swinburne and family*

Children's StoryTime: Parents and children are invited to join us each Wednesday, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Diane Dorsey Memorial Children's Library.

Vacation Bible School: You are invited to share your **super powers** for our Hero Central VBS this July 23-27, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Contact Necia to share your superpowers!! Supplies needed: Oatmeal containers (round), paper towel tubes, large appliance-type cardboard boxes.

LEGO AND LET GOD

Coming Soon: Calling all Master Builders ages 5 - 11. **JEES** (Jesús es el Señor UMC) **Kids CAMP** opens

July 5, 2:00 p.m. - July 8, 1:00 p.m. at Little Grassy UMC Camp,
One Methodist Camp Road, Makanda, IL. Contact the recruiter, Alex Uribe,
(jeescof@live.com, or 618-893-2050.

"We must LEGO to the things of this world and let GOD show us his master plan!"

To register go to <http://www.igrc.org/campsessions>

Disciples for Sunday, June 18, 2017

Outside Greeter: Joyce & Bill Crippen

Van Drivers: Dan Anderson III, Don Bryant, Jr.

Welcome Center: 8:15 Carol White; 10:45 JoVonna Noble

Coffee Hosts: 8:15 Sharon & Larry Meyer; 10:45 Carol Cain, Joan Hart

Nursery: - *Info*; - *Youth*

Children's Church: K-2nd Claire Beaupre; 3rd - 5th Rob & Linda Lucas

Children's Church Registration: Sharon Sims

June Nametags: Barb Bedient

SIGN UP TODAY!!

PRIMETIMERS
Luncheon and
Program

Thursday, June 22
11:30 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Program by Teresa Gilbert, "Bald Knob Cross"

PLASTIC BAGS ARE STILL NEEDED

Thank you for your bag donations to date! They are being made into sleeping mats that support the homeless in southern Illinois. It takes 500 bags to make one mat!

"HELPING OTHERS" Service - Everyone is welcome to the weekly mat making sessions on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at St. Andrews Episcopal Church. **Questions?** Please contact Susan Watson at 618-316-3575 or susanymca22@gmail.com



JUNE CALENDAR

- June 14 Wednesday** **Women's Wednesday Fellowship,** 1:30 p.m. Heritage Room
"Bad Girls of the Bible"
- June 20 Tuesday** **Morning Circle,** 9:30 a.m. Coffee and Rolls
10:00 a.m. Meeting Heritage Room
Co-Hostesses and Program: Smoky Reed and Carolyn Saunders



GOOD SAMARITAN HOUSE

Thanks for the great FUMC response to the Good Sam Food Pantry drive during May. The final delivery of May food was made June 5. There was the usual crowd of people at University Baptist, lining up for food items. Since gardens are beginning to produce, there were more fresh vegetables than during the cold months. As a pickup full of food was delivered, one of the staff commented, "We are so glad to see this food. We are short of many items and this will help refresh our supply for a while." So the May deliveries were welcomed and badly needed. The Missions Committee will continue to collect food for various local food pantries during the summer. Food and household items will go to Jesús es el Señor at the end of June. We hope you will assist. School is out, and some students are looking to pantries to take the place of school lunch.

*Thanks for all of your support.
Missions Committee*

NOTE: Our future donations to Good Sam's Food Pantry must only be FOOD items and nothing in GLASS containers. *Thank you!!!*



SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children's Opportunities

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School - (K - 5th grade) uses *Deep Blue* from Cokesbury. The morning begins with music at 9:30 a.m. in Room 415.

Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Children's Church - (K - 5th grade). All children are invited to Children's Church following the Children's Time at the 10:45 a.m. worship service.

Youth Opportunities, 9:30 a.m.

Faith development through Bible lessons, emphasizing a relationship with God through Jesus.

Middle School meets in Room 410 and uses *On the Go*.

High School Class meets in Room 409 and uses a variety of materials connecting the lessons of the Bible with issues relevant to today's youth.

Adult Opportunities, 9:30 a.m.

Renew - Renew is a group of women seeking deeper meaning in their lives through Bible study, reflection, and prayer. They meet in Room 402. Women of all ages are welcome.

HomeBuilders - For young adults, couples and families, this class focuses on social issues, relationships, spiritual issues, and current events in building stronger values, growing in faith, and developing loving, lasting relationships. Please join us in Room 308.

The Investors Class - Investors is an intergenerational class for all adults. They continue the new Adam Hamilton study, *Creed - - What Christians Believe and Why*. Books are available in Room 404 (the Chapel), where they meet. Everyone welcome!

The Electives Class - Scripture studies are led by John Sims. They meet in the Heritage Room.

Small Group Opportunities

The Daniel Plan meets in Room 402 at 9:00 a.m. on most Tuesdays. Check the church calendar. Everyone welcome.

Grateful Hearts meets Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., Room 308.

Jr. High Youth Group is on break for the summer.