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From The Desk Of Pastor P.

by Pastor Pamela J. Sayre

As I sit down to write this article, I am at The St. Joseph Catholic Retreat Center in Tipton, IN. I am attending CULTIVATING COMPASSION, a five-day course offered by the Upper Room's Academy for Spiritual Formation. This is the "first leg" of my four-week spiritual

renewal leave. Yes, your pastor is currently on leave. This is something all pastors are to do from time to time. (Well, every four years... and this is my first time...)

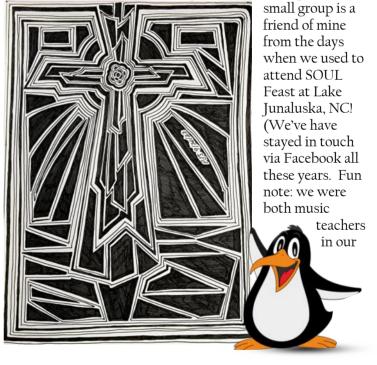
While the schedule has been a bit grueling (morning prayer at 7:30 a.m. followed by breakfast and class and the contemplation... discussion then lunch... a bit of a break then back to class and more contemplation and more discussion... Then Eucharist followed by dinner

then small groups and ending with worship again at 9:00 p.m.) there have been some incredible moments! For example: upon arrival I promptly ran into one of the

pastors from my online accountability group! We've been meeting via ZOOM for 2 -1/2

years... and had never met in person!





previous lives!) Example: There are several folks here from around Wapakoneta, not far from where I (Continued on page 8)

Do You Know About It? Have You Experienced LIFT?

We have resumed and we are having fun!!!! Wednesdays! Doors open at 5:00 p.m.!!! Confirmation starts at 5:00 p.m.!! Youth Group starts when the kids arrive! Other classes start at 5:45 p.m. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. (We are looking for folks to help with dinner! Please let Kathy Faller know if you are interested!) There is plenty of time to visit, work on puzzles, play foosball, etc.! See page 2 for more details.

Lunch Bunch: Food, Fun & Fellowship

Lunch Bunch meets the second Thursday of each month.

The next Lunch Bunch is Thursday, October 12th at 11:30 a.m. in the HUMC Fellowship Hall. Our program is Norma Cook on piano. The menu is hamburger gravy & mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, rolls & butter, and apple dessert, and is catered by Janet Majoy. Cost is \$9.00. Please pay in cash the day of the luncheon. Extra funds will be used for future programs.

A signup sheet is in the Welcome Center. Questions or to sign up by phone, contact Dee Hartley at 419-357-8825. Please sign up by Monday, October 9th.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Saturdays @ 5!

Less structured, more relaxed! There's music, prayer, sharing, learning, and caring! (And on third Saturdays there is a potluck! This is just one more way for us to come together and praise God!

Sunday Morning Worship

Now that Fall is here, both the 8;00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. worship times are held in our Sanctuary. We livestream both celebrations to the church's Facebook page; and to YouTube. Find archived versions on both sites any time. No account is needed to watch! If attending online, please be sure to let us know!

Sunday Bulletin/Order Of Worship are emailed at the end of each week; copies of the sermon at the beginning. If you are not receiving them and would like to, let us know.

LIFT (Living In Faith Together) Is Back And Going Strong!

Our Fall LIFT Wednesdays have resumed and you are invited to join our evening of multigenerational fellowship. We have classes, conversation, puzzles, foosball and games. This is a perfect time to grow your faith, get reacquainted with old friends as well as meet new ones.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m., Confirmation Class starts at 5:00, and Children's and Adult fellowship groups begin at 5:45 p.m. Confirmation Class is for students entering the 4th grade and above, UM Youth Fellowship is for older youth; there's a Children's Class called Deep Blue, and an Adult Bible Study using *The Chosen* video series.

Children's classes feature a series called Deep Blue. This awe-inspiring resource incorporates adventure, exciting stories, science experiments, and more into a living faith experience! Children will explore families in the Bible, learn how today's faith families

care for children as they grow, build loving relationships, and find out what it means to be part of God's family! The Deep Blue curriculum includes: weekly session plans, Bible verses, games, art, worship, prayers, activity sheets, posters, and interactive Bible stories. Each week children are encouraged to dig deeper and apply the Bible story and lesson to their daily lives.

This fall, our adults will focus on the popular video series called *The Chosen.* The hour-long episodes will be broken into segments to fit our



study time. Each week, we will view a segment and discuss and reflect on its message to us.

At 6:30 p.m. we gather together in the Fellowship Hall for dinner, and at 7:00 p.m. there is Chancel Choir rehearsal and continued fellowship. Come for any or all of the evening!

If you would like to lead/teach/facilitate a group study or discussion please contact Jenessa Faller (discipleship@huronumc.org) or Pastor P.

Food Pantry Sunday

A reminder: Pantry Sunday is always the third Sunday of each month (October 15th), but items can be dropped off anytime the church is open. All donations help



those in need in Huron and the surrounding area.

The pantry is NOT accepting egg cartons at this time. Please recycle.

Confirmation Class 2023-24

We have begun!!! We have had to make a couple scheduling changes, but things



are going well! Part of the class is currently meeting on Wednesdays during LIFT at 5:00 p.m. Following class, we are spending time putting together a puzzle, playing foosball or hanging with the Youth Group! Then we eat with the rest of the LIFT folks at 6:30 p.m.

We have another group that, due to scheduling conflicts, will be meeting on scheduled Sundays following the 10:00 a.m. Worship celebration. (Dates to be determined.) There is still time! If you or your son/daughter/grandchild is in grades 4-12 and would like to learn more about the church and become a member, please let Pastor P. know ASAP! It's going to be a great year!



UPPER ROOM

Upper Room

HUMC has *The Upper Room* available in our Welcome Center for anyone to pick up. It is a two-month booklet of daily devotionals that comes in a pocket size and large print size. Please take them and use for yourself, take to friends, hospital and care center patients, or homebound.

Our Daily Bread is also available.

Youth Group! Youth Group!
Youth Group!

Our new UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship) has begun! We meet on Wednesdays at 5:30/35 during LIFT! (Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.)



WooHoo!!! Room 6/7 is the new YOUTH ROOM! It has been painted! A new white board has been installed! A new TV is coming soon! If you are in grades 5-12 (and have, hopefully, gone through Confirmation), this is the place for you! You are also encouraged to invite/bring a friend!

Volunteers Needed For Trunk Or Treat!



"Trunk" or Treat is a *spooktacular* outreach event put on by HUMC. It will take place on Tuesday, October 31st from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The Halloween night will include trick or treating from volunteers' car trunks and spooky snacks under the tent. Volunteers are asked to decorate the trunk of their vehicle and bring treats to pass out to the community children. We are also seeking volunteers to help with the hot dogs, popcorn, and drinks under the tent in Bettcher Park. Costumes are STRONGLY encouraged!

To participate in this fun event sign up in the Welcome Center or email Jenessa Faller at discipleship@huronumc.org.

College Students - Where Are You?

In search of addresses for College Students

Now that our college students have gone back to campus, we really want to keep in touch with them while they are away from home. (Maybe



send a treat, a card, a special surprise now and then...) In order to do that we need addresses! Please submit your student's name, address, email and phone number to Beth Anne in the church office as soon as possible.

Nurture Team

We are still searching for a team leader to head up our Nurture Team. The Nurture Team is a caring ministry that nurtures and encourages spiritual growth in our HUMC family (member care). Some of the responsibilities this team helps with include: meals for families experiencing life changes, organizing visits for shut-ins, helping to grow our small group programs, coffee hour, and other fellowship opportunities.

If you feel called to share your gifts to help strengthen our church, please contact Jenessa Faller at discipleship@huronumc.org.

We Need You !!!

We need some volunteers! We need some AUDIO/ VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM MEMBERS! This now also includes ONLINE

GREETERS! We offer free training and tons of moral support and... our eternal gratitude!!! Please consider being part of the A/V worship team and help us



do what we already do – better! If you are interested, please contact Derek Callin, Chris Harlan, or Pastor P.

Volunteer Opportunities

We need your talent!!! There are plenty of ways to help Huron United Methodist Church in our missions and ministries. Be on the lookout for the Volunteer Job Bank in the Welcome Center. There you can find job openings, the job description and the level of commitment that particular position requires. We have an IMMEDIATE need for the following: Audio Visual Tech, LIFT teachers, and On-Line Worship Greeters.

If your team or group would like a volunteer job opening posted, please email the job title, description, and commitment level to Jenessa Faller, discipleship@huronumc.org.

From Romans 12, verses 6-8 (NLT), which was part of the liturgy on August 27th:

o In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.



Chair Yoga Class



Class is every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. led by Linda Wilson. Please wear comfortable clothes and tennis shoes (or go barefoot).

Chair Yoga involves slow and controlled movement and the participants remain seated for most of the class. There is no specific charge for the class, but a free will basket will be available. No need to sign up - just show up! We will have a chair for you.

Bring a friend and join us! Let's keep moving together!

HUMC Quilt Connection



Our next sew days are Fridays, October 6th & 20th, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the basement Quilt Room. BYO projects and lunch. Contact Cathi Dix Houghton at 419-433-5645 or quintquilt@aol.com to receive meeting email reminders.

Our primary mission is making prayer quilts. If you have an interest in sewing quilts, you are welcome to join us. (We have fabric you can use.)

U-Knitted Nations

The Knitters meet in Rooms 1 & 2 at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays. Bring your project, join the fun and fellowship!

Ink & Toner Cartridges

The collection of empty cartridges continues. Place in the box by the Fellowship Hall doors. Thanks for all you have donated!

Links to Happenings



www.facebook.com/huronumc

On the web: www.hurounumc.org



To view on the You Tube app or YouTube.com, search for huron united methodist church and subscribe!



Get the Instagram app and see event photos and videos!

UMCOR Is There!

The United Methodist Committee On Relief (UMCOR) is ready to respond immediately when disaster

strikes not just here in the US, but anywhere in the world. You may donate to UMCOR at any



time, just indicate UMCOR on you check or offering envelope. And remember that 100% of your gift goes to relief efforts

Sunday Coffee Hour

We invite all to stop by the Fellowship Hall between worship times to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea or cocoa, a sweet or savory treat, and some fellowship. (A monetary donation is appreciated.) We are in need of

volunteers to purchase items/set up and clean up for each Sunday. There is a sign up sheet in the Welcome Center.

Do You Have A New Number? **Email? Please Update Us**

Many of our records only have a house phone listed. If you have dropped your landline in favor of your cell phone, please be sure to let the Church Office know your cell number so we can stay in touch. Your email, too!

Lions Club Eyeglass Collection

All eyeglasses have been collected from the wooden Lions Club box in the Welcome Center and it's ready for your contributions. The pandemic threw them way off schedule with this program, but now they are starting it up again.



If you have any eyeglasses

that you can no longer use, please consider donating them to the Lions Club "Recycle For Sight Program" which supplies corrective lenses to low- and middle-income countries that lack basic eye care services.







1) Tuesday morning Chair Yoga is growing into a sizeable group. If you would like to join in, just meet us at 10:00 a.m. every Tuesday. 2) We welcomed Earl Musick, cartoonist, comedian, and spokesperson, as our guest speaker for Rally Day on September 10th to help kick off our Fall season. 3) Joe Beebe and Linda Wilson helped with the "game" part of Earl's presentation. 4) Pastor P. was cast as the villain in one of Earl's stories. 5) The girls of LIFT cut up with Pastor P. on a Wednesday night. 6) Some of the prep and paint people for the Youth Room rejuvenation. 7) The color chosen by the group looks like mint ice cream, so this large graphic appeared on the wall one day.









Dinner & A Concert

Mark your calendars! We are planning a special Veterans' Day Dinner & Concert on Saturday, November 11th! We are still working out all the details, but we want to invite all the area veterans to have dinner and enjoy a concert featuring the Firelands Brass Quintet "on us!" All others attending will have the opportunity to give a donation to our Roof/Boiler Project.



Communion Elements

In an attempt to better include our online congregation, we now have prepackaged Communion elements available in the office for pick-up.

Roof/Boiler Project

We are still collecting change (and any other gifts!) to go toward the roof and boiler project! The water jug in which we are collecting is in the sanctuary each Sunday! Please bring in your change (or bills work, too (3))! Let's see how quickly we can reach the "top" again! When it's filled, we will see who can come closest to guessing the amount in the jug!



And don't forget about our Square By Square fundraiser! See the display in the front hallway. Fill out your Pledge Card and drop in the box at the display to claim your square. Be sure to add your sticker to the poster. This campaign is for a 3 year period.

Huron UMC: A Lighthouse Church!

Our Lighthouse Church "training team" is made up of the following: Pastor P. (Pastor), Scott Whitehurst (Lay

Member to Annual Conference, Band Member), Jenessa Faller (Director of Discipleship Ministries), and

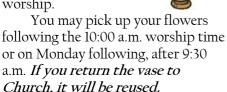


Dave (Lay Leader) & Judy Wilber (Past Treasurer, Choir Member). Huron United Methodist Church – where All are invited! All are welcome! All means ALL!

2023 Altar Flowers

There are a few open Sundays in November and December on the 2023 Flower Calendar. Please check in the Welcome Center to sign up for a date.

Arrangements are \$30 each. Indicate "Flower Fund" on your check's memo line. Thank you for continuing to beautify our altar during worship.



Ways To Help Fill The Virtual Plate

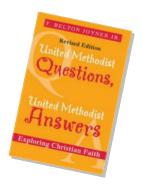
If you are not yet worshipping with us in person on Saturday evenings or Sunday mornings, there are options available to give while worshipping from home.

- Mail your offering to HUMC directly or use your bank's bill pay service.
- Drop off your offering at the church.
- Sign up and give online with e-giving through Realm. This OR code will take you to the Realm giving page.

Interested In Becoming A Full Member Of Huron UMC?

If so, please see Pastor P. and pick up your copy of UNITED METHODIST QUESTIONS, UNITED METHODIST ANSWERS: Exploring Christian Faith by F. Belton Joyner, Jr.







Pastor's Current Reading List

- AND THERE WAS LIGHT: Abraham Lincoln And The American Struggle by John Meacham
- BOTH/AND: Maximizing Hybrid Worship Experiences For In-Person And Online Engagement by Jason Moore
- THE DANCE OF THE DISSIDENT DAUGHTER by Sue Monk Kidd
- DON'T LOOK BACK: Methodist Hope for What Comes Next by Will Willimon
- BOUNDLESS COMPASSION: Creating A Way Of Life by Joyce Rupp
- LOVE IS THE WAY by Bishop Michael Curry
- FOR SABBATH'S SAKE: Embracing Your Need For Rest, Worship, and Community by J. Dana Trent



Huron Prayer Path

The Prayer Path Work Days will be Saturday, October 14th, starting at 9:00 a.m. Please join us as we work to maintain our beautiful Prayer Path. BYO garden gloves.



"You can invest in tomorrow and in the future."

For Endowment Fund information, please contact Chip Houghton, Carole Dreffer or Mike Prosser.

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grew up. We've been talking about the upcoming eclipse (since the Armstrong Museum is in Wapak and this is a

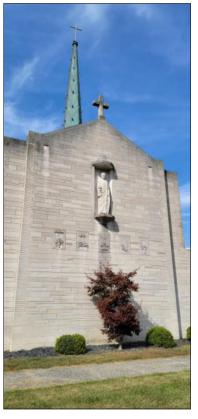
"big deal"). Interesting and marvelous how God works!

I've come up with a new list of books to read... and, of course, I have been doodling... And I am trying NOT to "count down" the days until I am back in the pulpit... I am so excited about all the future holds in store for Huron United Methodist Church (WooHoo!) and all the mission and ministry to which we are called!

Indeed, God has a plan! The Holy Spirit is moving! We are Huron United Methodist Church! (WooHoo!) We are disciples of Jesus, the Christ, followers of the living God, and sharers of the WORD! May God continue to encourage, empower, and equip us as we strive "to make [and mature] disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!" WELCOME -**WORSHIP - WITNESS**

Grace and peace, blessings and health,

Pastor P.





10:00 Greeters/ Ushers

October 1:
Bob Hastings
October 8:
Bonnie/Ben Lindsley
October 15:
Nancy Meyer
October 22:
Becky/Tank Rogers
October 29:
Alyson Wilson



Liturgists

October 1:

8:00 Lisa Beebe 10:00 Derek Callin

October 8:

8:00 Lisa Beebe 10:00 Carol Schell

October 15:

8:00 Cathi Houghton 10:00 Al Meyer

October 22:

8:00 Carole Dreffer 10:00 Linda Sue White October 29:

8:00 Carole Dreffer 10:00 Alyson Wilson

Money Counters

October 1:

Dee Hartley, Bonnie & Ben Lindsley

October 8:

Joe Beebe,

Mark Claubaugh

October 15:

Alyson Wilson,

Norma Cook

October 22:

Joe Beebe, Ted & Jane Meyer

October 29:

Wanda Lyons,

Mike Lyons, Bob Hastings



October Worship Plans

<u>September 30/October 1</u>: Eighteenth Saturday/ Sunday After Pentecost/World Communion Weekend

Scriptures: Isaiah 49:1-6; Matthew 28:16-20; *Revelation 7:4-12

Sermon: "A Great Multitude" - Rev. Skip Myers

October 7/8: Nineteenth Saturday/Sunday After Pentecost, Laity Sunday

Scriptures Psalm 91; Ephesians 4:1-6; *Matthew 4:12-22 Sermon "God Calls Sinners! Thank God!" – Scott Whitehurst

October 14/15: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Scriptures (Saturday): *Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon (Saturday): "Don't Miss The Feast!" – Pastor P./ Jenessa Faller

Scriptures (Sunday): Psalm 30:1-5; Luke 5: 12-16; *Ionah 2

Sermon (Sunday): "Finding Your Belly Of The Whale" – Rev. Sharon Seyfarth Garner

October 21/22: Twenty-First Saturday/Sunday After Pentecost

Scriptures: Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; *Matthew 22:15 -22

Sermon: "...What Belongs To God"

October 28/29: Twenty-Second Saturday/Sunday After Pentecost, Stewardship Campaign begins Scriptures: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Matthew 22:3-46;

*Malachi 3:6-12

Sermon: "We Can't Out Give God"

* denotes scripture used for basis of sermon

October Team Meetings & Church Events

Christian Education Team: Tuesday, October 17th, 7:00 p.m., Rooms 3 & 4.

Potluck Dinner: Saturday, October 21st, immediately following Saturdays @ 5!, Fellowship Hall.

CHURCH CHARGE CONFERENCE: Saturday, October 28th, 10:00 a.m., here at Huron UMC

Trunk or Treat: Tuesday, October 31st, 5:00-7:00 p.m. (in conjunction with the Huron City Trick or Treat event). Set up by 4:30 in our Williams St parking lot.

Other October Events

• Thursday, October 19th: Card Gals Workshop, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Rooms 3 & 4.

October Birthdays

Kendra Bronner	1
Gary Dugan	1
Evan Lindquist	1
Mike Lyons	2
Zachery Souter	2
Emily Moore	2
Paul Hitchcock	3
Brian Dees	4
Quinlan Spitzley	4
Jeff Scheid	4
Halle McFarland	4
Justin King	4
Chloe Greenawalt	5
Taylor Prosser	5
Mason Prosser	5
Porter Hernandez	6
Tom Lesnett	7
Judi Graham	8
Rebecca Maddix	8
Linda Dees	10
Kelly Meyer	13
Cathy Nye	13
Addison Fries	14
Patrick Fortune	15
Gretchen Moore	15
Kris Gerish	18
Kenneth Simpson	19
Peg Whitehurst	20
Angela Barbour Doll	21
Jason Foster	21
Trevor Greenawalt	23
Richard Rogers	23
Sherry Wilson	23
Ron Brooker	25
Bonnie Lindsley	25
Carolyn Brooker	25
Christian Ennis	26
Matthew Mulkey	26
Robert Hoffner	29
Jim Fialka	30
Hannu Rirthda	Ш



You are invited to worship with us in person: "Saturdays @ 5" (5:00 p.m.) in our Fellowship Hall, and Sundays 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. in our Tent/Sanctuary (Sundays are livestreamed to Facebook and YouTube)

Pastor: Rev. Pamela J. Sayre; Director of Discipleship Ministries: Jenessa Faller; Director of Music Ministry: Ron Brooker; Organist: Norma Cook; Housekeeper: Kathy Faller; Treasurer: Joe Beebe; Administrative Secretary: Beth Anne McFarland; Financial Secretary: Linda Ziegler; Website: Derek Callin; AV: Derek Callin & Chris Harlan; Lay Leader: Dave Wilber. Current Office Hours 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday. (Building open 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. M-Th.) Closed Fridays.

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Activities Capsules

world communion sunday October 1st - Special Sunday Offering

Cloggers' Practice

Mondays & Thursdays, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

U-Knitted Nations

Mondays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Rooms 1 & 2

CHAIR YOGA

Tuesdays 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Girl Scouls

Alternate Tuesdays, 4:30 -6:15p.m. Rooms 1 & 2

Ballroom Dancing

Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall



Every Wednesday, Door open at 5:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Confirmation Class

Each Wednesday during LIFT 5:00-5:45 p.m., Room 10

Choir Practice

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice Wednesdays 8:10 p.m.

HUME QUILT CONNECTION

Friday Sew Days: October 6th & 20th. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Basement Lounge

Saturdays @ 5

Relaxed Worship every Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall (includes a Potluck Dinner on the 3rd Saturday each month)

Laity Sunday

October 8th - Scott Whitehurst Speaking

Christ's Community Meals

Every Monday at Noon and Wednesdays, October 11th & 25th 5:00-6:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church

LUNCH BUNCH

Thursday, October 12th 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Prayer Path Work Day

Saturday, October 14th 9:00 a.m.- Noon at Zion Lutheran Church

Pantry Sunday

October 15th

Circuit Rider Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, October 15th for November issue

Church Charge Conference

Saturday, October 28th 10:00 a.m. at HUMC in Fellowship Hall

Start planning your trunk design for

TRUNK OR TREAT

Tuesday, October 31st, 5:00-7:00 p.m. (set up by 4:30) HUMC Parking Lot & Tent

AND IN NOVEMBER:

all saints weekeno

communion

Saturday/Sunday, November 4th/5th

election bay

Tuesday, November 7th Huron A & C polling here. PLEASE VOTE!

Veterang Day Dinner

Saturday, November 11th, Fellowship Hall serving begins at 4:30 p.m.

See previous page for October Team Meetings and other events.