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pastor's column



A message from Pastor Marv Herman

I have been asked why I follow the United Methodist Revised Common Lectionary. Well, to begin with, the Common Lectionary, which I refer to and use every week, is 3-year rotations of the major themes and readings in the Bible. As you journey through your year, you can be assured that you are doing so with Christians across the world in hundreds of different denominations and settings who follow the same Lectionary readings.

I find it ironic that Christian movements which speak loudly about the authority of scripture will, in practice, often read very little of it in public worship. That is why I feel we need Biblical

responsive readings on Sunday for those of us who might not get the chance to open their Bibles during the week. Though it is left up to the appointed minister to use the lectionary or not, I feel it is important to observe the Christian church calendar and colors throughout the year also.

I have visited larger non-denominational churches over the last couple of years and found their worship time filled with large praise bands and media driven services. Contemporary services though well done, lack prayer, (sadly they shun the Lord's Prayer) and the only Bible I heard came from a passage the worship team or pastor shared during the message. Even though the worship services were wonderful, I found most churches had based their worship around familiar passages, purchased programs, videos, books, or proof-text points with verses out of context. I sat through several services without once hearing any reading of scripture. Gone also in the larger churches are the crosses, the altars, and very few observe Advent, Lent, Good Friday and other themes of the year. In this day and age, many people are unfamiliar with the stories and cadences of God's word. That is why I feel it is important to do the Psalm, Gospel and New Testament readings for the week as a way to improve the church's scriptural

'diet'. Consider using the posted readings each week in the bulletin and use them as devotional readings too.

Also, I will include the following information about the Christian Church calendar to let us brush up on what we at Howarth and Paint Creek UMC observe throughout the year.

Advent - celebrates the coming or birth of Christ and is the beginning of the church new year (any day between November 27 and December 3; always contains four Sundays; ends Christmas Eve). The traditional liturgical color is purple (violet) but blue is gaining popularity.

Christmas - celebrates the anniversary of the birth of Jesus which begins on Christmas Day and lasts for 12 days. The liturgical color is white.

Epiphany - celebrates the manifestation of the divine nature of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi and begins the first Sunday in January and varies in length depending on the date set for Easter. It lasts until Septuagesima Sunday, 64 days before Easter. For the first and last Sundays, the liturgical color is white, for Ash Wednesday, it is purple, and for the other days, it is green.

Lent - observes a season of penitence (fasting and praying)

Lent is the season lasting forty-six days (not counting Sundays) beginning Ash Wednesday and ending the eve of Easter. The liturgical color is purple (violet). Good Friday, all colors, banners and flags are to be removed. Within the Lenten Season, we observe the following sacred events:

Ash Wednesday – addresses sin and death. The day ashes are rubbed on foreheads symbolizing that we are dust, and to dust we shall return, but with God’s grace we can learn to live this life more fully, embracing our sinfulness, allowing God to transform us.

Palm Sunday – signals the upcoming end of Lent and the beginning of Holy Week. The day commemorates the spreading of palms and clothing in Jesus’ path as He entered Jerusalem prior to His crucifixion.

Holy/Maundy Thursday – the word “Maundy” comes from the Latin word for ‘command’ (mandatum) The command Jesus gave His disciples to love one another. The day, on which Jesus celebrated the Passover with His disciples, sharing a meal with them, which we call the Last Supper.

Good Friday – a day of mourning. The holy day of meditation for Christians, celebrated the Friday before Easter. It commemorates the suffering and death on the cross – the Crucifixion of Jesus at Calvary.

Easter – celebrates the commemoration of the Resurrection of Christ. Easter begins on Easter Sunday and continues for fifty days until Pentecost. The liturgical color is white and/or gold.

Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and women followers of Jesus, fifty days after Easter, and ten days after Ascension Thursday. After the ascension of

Jesus, the apostles having retired to a house at Jerusalem, they there waited for the Holy Spirit, which Jesus had promised. (Read Acts 2:1-3) The Season of Pentecost celebrates that first Pentecost when all those who believed in Jesus Christ were gathered awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit filled all who were present on that special day was the beginning of the Christian Church.

I hope you found this useful and I pray all of you will consider worshipping often and inviting others to join us for our upcoming services.

God bless you, Pastor Marv

CROP WALK

May 5th
50th year of the walk!

Begins at: Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church
2700 Waldon Rd
Lake Orion 48360

Sign in: 1:15 pm
Walk begins at 2 pm
10K walk or 2 mile walk
See Elizabeth (H) or Gail (PC) to get a pledge sheet. If not walking, please find out who in your church is walking, and donate to them. 25% of the monies raised are given to Love, Inc. and FISH.

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PAINT CREEK NEWS:



Birthdays & Anniversaries: **May**

Betty Wilber	May 2
JoAnn Bourez	May 4
Emily Barkham	May 5
Floris Stoner	May 9
Ethan Gomez	May 12
Dottie Spitsbergen	May 13
Frederick Barkham	May 18
Pamela Bowman	May 18
Charlie Bonten	May 21
Leonard Nichols	May 27

Anniversaries

Dick & Jo Ann Bourez	May 25
Scot & Stacy Cleaveland	May 26

June

Beth Hunter	June 3
Colleen King	June 4
Vera Rhine	June 10
Reva LaFountain	June 14
Richard Smith	June 19
Izzy Bonten	June 23

Anniversaries

Mike & Colleen King	June 17
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July

Shaila Herbert	July 1
Parker Taylor	July 1
Steffani Glygoroff	July 8
Heidi Paterson	July 13
Gretchen Drader	July 27

Anniversaries

John & Stacey Taylor	July 18
David & Clarke Bonten	July 21
Pastor Marv & Deb	July 26



A huge thank you to Andy and Sandy Knaack for purchasing the new piano for Paint Creek UMC! Such a beautiful and generous gift for the enjoyment of the entire congregation.

Thanks to Steffani for all the hard work she has put in for the choir and for special services.

Gail Stoner for her dedication and hard work to get the meals organized and running after church service. Thanks to her helpers as well.

PERSON OF FAITH

Stacy White Cleaveland

Stacy Cleaveland was born in Washington D. C. She moved often living in Maryland, New Jersey, several Michigan cities and finally Rochester. Her father worked for AT&T. Occasionally her mother worked as a substitute teacher but usually was a stay-at-home-mom and volunteer worker. Stacy has 2 siblings - an older brother and younger sister.

Her education has included graduating from Rochester Adams High School. She went on to

obtain a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Acting and Musical Theater from New York University/Tisch School of the Arts.

Stacy has worked at a variety of jobs. Ford Motor Company had her doing commercials on and off camera and voice overs for the Ford Warriors in Pink Campaign. She traveled the U.S.A. for thirteen years doing Buick car shows. Stacy has served as adjunct professor of musical theater at Michigan State University. Her work has involved teaching and directing in the theater/music area. Presently she is the artistic director, president and founder of the Peanut Gallery Players (a non-profit organization) and musical director for Warren Consolidated School of Performing Arts and Meadowbrook Performing Arts Company. Her special skills include: singing, piano, guitar, accompanying and conducting performances. She is also exceptional at sight reading music.

Stacy married Scot Cleaveland in 1991. They have 4 sons (including twin boys) ranging in age from thirteen to twenty-three years. Scot is a teacher and theater manager for Bloomfield Hills High School.

While performing at Meadowbrook Theater, Stacy received the WILDE award for her performance in the musical, SISTERS OF SWING. She has also been recognized 3 times in Whose Who Among America's Teachers.

Though busy, Stacy has found time to perform in Avon Player productions and now performs with professional theater groups. She volunteers with Heart of the Hills players, a group for those 55 and up, visits nursing homes, hospitals and schools to

entertain. Volunteer work was always encouraged by her parents.

Travel has been limited for the Cleavelands, due to busy schedules, though they visit family on the east coast whenever time permits.

How did Stacy find Paint Creek church? She saw a flyer advertising our opening for a key board player. The family was also looking for a church to attend. Stacy started playing piano for the choir and church service in September. She brought on board Scot and her son Wyatt, both are now singing in the choir. Paint Creek church is blessed Stacy has joined our church family. She has proven to be a wonderful addition as pianist and singer during offertory time. We thank Stacy for the music she provides each Sunday to make our service special.

HOWARTH NEWS:



Birthdays & Anniversaries:

May

Dawn (Pollitt) Key	May 1
PJ Sandstrom	May 15
Lindsay Waite	May 29
Rick Rowden	May 30
Ray Sauls	May 30

Anniversaries

John & Pat Pollitt May 9
Jim & Pat Staley May 14
Frank & Beth Hunter May 14

June

Beth Hunter June 3
Casie Rowden June 8
Trent Davis (Getz) June 12
Adam Sandstrom June 13
Cheryl Everhart June 19
Pat Staley June 25
Marilyn Foster June 28

Anniversaries

Rick & Sharon Rowden June 10
Scott & Cheryl McKay June 23
Dean & Linda Holbrook June 27

HOWARTH WATER PIPE:

As most of you know, a water pipe broke in the ceiling of the fellowship hall the first week of February. 90% of the church was flooded. Thank goodness Pastor Marv happened to stop in and saw it, and knew how to shut the main water valve off, before the damage became much worse.

Carpeting had to be replaced through out the entire church, walls painted, pews and sanctuary doors had to be restored. Wood trim along carpet in sanctuary had to be replaced. Tables in fellowship hall damaged. There were several soggy items that had to be trashed.

It took 4 ½ weeks to get most of the work done. The insurance payout for the work done was over 100,000.00. There are a few items that still need to be taken care of, but we are pleased with the results.

All of us at Howarth would like to thank Paint Creek for their hospitality during this time. Being able to join them in their worship service was a joy for all of us. Thank you!



Thank you everyone who helped during the restoration project at Howarth. It was a long and tedious project, but everything is up and running again.

Thanks to Tim Northrup for making our envelope/pen holders for the back of the pews. They look great. And for making the wooden holders for our new banners.

To all our coffee hour hostesses. We are need of more hostesses for the next 6 months. Please consider volunteering. Sign-up sheet is in fellowship hall.

Thanks to Jim Staley for finding a home for the piano cart. He was able to sell it for \$100.

From Marilyn Foster: Thanks for all the prayers, cards and phone calls during my looong recovery. Am almost back to normal.

PERSONS OF FAITH

Bob and Tena Hostler Representing Howarth as Persons of Faith are Bob and Tena Hostler, recent new members of the church.

Tena Hostler was born in Albany, New York. Her father was a director of the Y.M.C.A. Due to his work, the family moved every 4 years to communities in West Virginia and Kentucky. At that time, mom was a stay-at-home mother. Upon the death of her husband, mom and family moved to Pennsylvania to be near family members on mother's side. Tena's mom worked as business manager for a local school district to

support her family. An older brother who now resides in Virginia is Tena's only sibling.

She received her high school from Hollidaysburg High School. From there she went on to attend a business school for 1 year. Tena's work experience has included employment at the Department of Agriculture and as a manufacturing rep.

Bob Hostler first appeared in Tena's life in the early 1960's. They met at a football game and dated 2 years before marrying 55 years ago in 1964. The Hostler's have 2 children (a boy and girl), 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. They have lived in Michigan 38 years - first in Rochester, Farmington Hills and now Lake Orion for 6 years. The grandchildren live in this area and they babysit them, the Hostler's moved here to be near them.

Tena loves to read mystery books, attend movies and enjoys eating at restaurants. Before moving to an apartment, she tended her flower gardens and enjoyed cooking.

Both Bob and Tena have enjoyed traveling in and around the lower United States (especially the east coast states and Florida) Alaska, Canada, Mexico and the Bahamas.

How did the Hostler's find Howarth church? When they moved to Lake Orion they often drove past the church. Finally, Tena agreed with Bob in July, 2018, they should attend a church service. They fell in love with the people in attendance because of their welcoming manner and friendliness. Today both attend Bible study, work the dinners and socialize with church members. Tena also plays the bells in the bell choir.

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Persons of Faith cont.

Bob Hostler was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania. His father was a truck driver doing long distant hauls across country. Mom was an elementary school teacher. There were 4 children with Bob having a brother and 2 sisters.

In 1958, Bob graduated from Altoona High School. He started working in a sporting goods store and then for Addressograph-Multigraph for 5 years on machines. In 1963, he received a letter from Uncle Sam that his service was required by the Army. Once discharged, Bob moved to Erie, Pennsylvania and started working for Wilson Sporting Goods in sales. He was transferred to Michigan and made Division Sales Manger for the company due to his outstanding sales performance. Bob retired from Wilson Sporting Goods in 2002 after 32 years of employment.

His activities have included playing baseball, doing woodworking, golfing, bowling and eating at nice restaurants in the metro area.

Bob being a people person has enjoyed talking and working with the Howarth members. He frequents the social time after church service and goes out to eat with 8 couples for breakfast. Howarth church is blessed the Hostler's finally found this church as they have been an outstanding addition to our membership.



BANNERS

We have purchased 6 sets of banners for different holidays during the church year. So far the Lent and Easter banners were put up. Banners are beautiful.

The cost of the banners was \$1,176. We have had received donations of \$548 towards that cost. If you would like to donate, please send a check into the office or put in offering plate. Thank you in advance.



May 12th

A Newborn's Conversation With God

A baby asked God, "They tell me you are sending to Earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?"

God said, "Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you." The child further inquired, "But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy."

God said, "Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you. And you will feel your angel's love and be very happy." Again, the child asked, "And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?"

God said, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your

angel will teach you how to speak."

"And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?"

God said, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray"

"Who will protect me?"

God said, "Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life."

"But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore."

God said, "Your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you."

At that moment there was much peace in heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, "God, If I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name."

God said, "You will simply call her, "Mom."



May 27th

Memorial Day is a day we as the country come together to honor and remember our servicemen and women who answered America's call to service and paid the ultimate price. **Memorial Day** is the time for Americans as one body to stand up and say, "Thank you. We remember you. We are grateful to you."

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

June 16th

2019 – 2020

Howarth complete dinner
schedules will be sent out the
first week of May. First dinner
is May 22nd.

God took the strength of a
mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these
qualities,
When there was nothing more to
add,
He knew His masterpiece was
complete,
and so, He called it ...Dad

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WHAT MAKES A DAD

