

First United Methodist Church of Richmond

June, 2017



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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

First United Methodist Church of Richmond will provide an environment in which people are invited and encouraged to learn, live and share in the teachings of Jesus Christ and celebrate in the worship of God.

Friends,

This month your VCI team read a book titled, "Worship Ways for the People within Your Reach." This book helped us to understand the people in the Richmond community, and what type of worship is effective in keeping them engaged. The largest demographic in Richmond is known as, Family Union-Stockcars and State Parks. They make up 15.9% of the people in Richmond. The second largest segment is Thriving Boomers-Unspoiled Splendor. They make up 14.95% of the people. Suburban Style-Sports Utility Families make up 11.3%. Golden Year Guardians-Town Elders make up 10.12%. Other segments that we took into account were: Singles and Starters - Digital Dependents (4.8%), Promising Families-Families Matter Most (3.96%), MiddleClass Melting Pot-Destination Recreation (3.67%) and Significant Singles-Bohemian Groove (3.5%)

I encourage you to go online and Google these MOSAIC Segment. It is good to know who your neighbors are. It is good to know what motivates them and what constrains them, if you want to create a ministry that effectively reaches the people of your community. These demographic profiles are very in-depth and very specific. For the context of this month's Vital Church Initiative, we looked at what they like in a worship service.

The two most dominant types of worship preferred by our community are Inspirational and Caregiving. Unfortunately for us, these two are nearly impossible to blend together. I would love to have a worship planning team that would help create effective worship in which ever style they select to pursue.

Inspirational worship is considered effective with 32.53% of our community's population. It is described in the book as powerful but not necessarily apocalyptic. It leads to self-confidence and a better attitude. It reconnects people with their original idealism and hope. Christ is perceived as a promise keeper and ultimately there will be victory of goodness, beauty and truth. Nothing should interrupt the worship service. Announcements, offerings, introductions are comparable to commercials that interrupt the experience. There should never be dead air as people wait for a speaker to adjust a microphone or a choir or band to prepare to sing.

Caregiving worship is effective for 44.12% of our community. A caregiving congregation perceives itself as faithful remnants of a movement that was once much larger. Families may sit in the same seat for generations. It is most profound, effective and impactful when love for the stranger outperforms love among members. The image of Christ as the Good Shepherd appeals to caregiving worshippers. Informal visiting is often present before worship begins. Ushers and greeters must be smiling and attentive to children and babies. The congregation must be tolerant of children, crying infants, preschool antics and teenagers if they are to achieve the necessary 100 regular attenders. Coffee hour, special dinners and potlucks are integral. Worship is usually slow paced and marked with pauses and silences that allow for participants to collect their thoughts.

Do these sound familiar to you? They did to me!

As usual, the book we used for this month's VCI is available on the bookshelves in the back of the sanctuary. I hope you will take the time to check out the chapters on Inspirational worship and on Caregiving worship. I hope you will volunteer to help me plan worship that is relevant and impactful for the community outside the doors of the building, so that if anyone is willing to take a chance and enter our worship service, they will find it to be a blessing in their lives.

Blessings,
Pastor Suzy

Peyton Harvey (granddaughter of
Sharron Jusko)
Troy Painter



On Going Concerns:

Margaret Gibson
Helen Hill
Signe Davis
Elenore MacIvor
Lois Michelson
Winnie Rickert
Pastor Brown Gaysue &
our sister church
in Liberia



THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Serving in the Military:

James Skoryanc (Rudolph)
Steven Pankiewicz (Gutt)
Bryan Oke (stateside; Quick)
Christopher Elam (Germany; Fuerstenau)
Paige M. Hoag
Thomas Blake (Stateside; Rowley)
Collin Keller (Turkey; Hutchison)
Kelly Walkowski (Marine Boot Camp)
John Johnston (Patchel)
Jack Monroe (McClellan)
Jamie Brooks (Walkowski)
Nick Miller (stateside)
David Patchel
William Stoffel, Jr (Gibbs)
Kyle Darmanin (Evans)



**Next month we will publish a combined
July-August Newsletter!
All information for that newsletter
is due by June 12th!!**

VCI Meetings this Month

The Away Team will be meeting on
Saturday, June 25th from 10 -2 in Capac

The Home Team will be meeting on
Monday, June 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the church.



Beginning Monday, June 12th
Our Summer Office Hours
will be

Monday—Wednesday
9:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

**HAVE A
GREAT SUMMER!**



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS..... UNITED METHODIST WOMEN...

"For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life." Ephesians 2:10

United Methodist Women

The 2017 Call to Prayer and Self Denial "Maternal and Child Health". The offering received will support partners that provide programs and advocate for the health of mothers and their children. Health care for women and children has been at the heart of United Methodist Women since the organization was founded in the 1800's. Our foremothers made the choice to act to save women's lives. They chose to build hospitals and clinics, to train women and girls to serve as doctors and nurses and to send missionaries to initiate the work.

One hundred percent of the offering will go directly to partners engaged in programs and advocacy to benefit women and children. May our offering, given sacrificially in His name, bring health to mothers and children around the world. If you missed this opportunity to give, we will have envelopes available at the next meetings.

We look forward to the June meeting with Pat Gibbs offering the program!

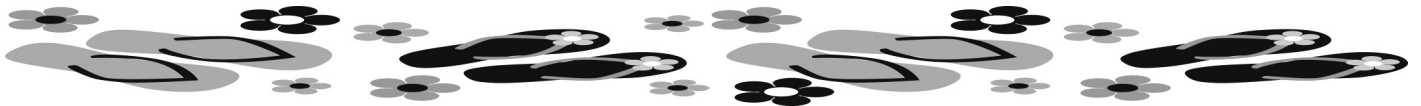
Dates to remember....

June 14, Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. ~ Regular Meeting
See 'U' there!

EVERY WEDNESDAY 10-12 "BUSY HANDS"! JOIN US!!!!

Looking forward to see 'U' at our 'U'MW opportunities for service and fellowship!

In His Service,
Donna Quick, President



June 25 @ 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Join Rev. Elizabeth Hill, Blue Water District Superintendent, at the annual district picnic. All laity and clergy are welcome! Please RSVP the Blue Water District Office at bluewaterdist@gmail.com or 810-385-8840 by **Friday, June 16, 2017**. The district provides the meat, drinks, and table settings. Attendees bring a side dish to pass and a comfy chair.

The Grass is GROWING!!

We are looking for volunteers to:
-Cut the grass on a weekly basis
-Weed whip and trim on a monthly basis
-Complete odd jobs around the building and grounds

If you would like to volunteer, you can find sign-up sheets for specific jobs at the back of the sanctuary. Please help us to keep our church grounds looking beautiful this summer!



June Birthdays

1st~ Art Breederland
 3rd~ Cheryl Rowley
 4th~ Rachel Carroll
 5th~ Gary Nieman,
 Tristan Grose
 6th~ Carole Evans
 8th~ Andy Rosick
 11th~ Olyvia Rosick
 18th~ Brian Deal
 20th~ Andrew Foster
 21st~ Stephanie Merecki
 22nd~ Nicholas Yelencich
 23rd~ John McClellan
 27th~ James Skoryanc
 Derek Habel
 29th~ Theodore Patchel



If you or your family member have a birthday or anniversary this month, but are not on this list, please contact the church office so we can update our information. Thank you!



Anniversaries for June

June 8, 1963~ David and Susan Foster

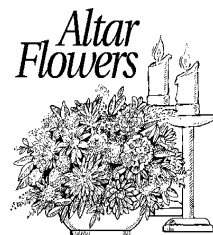
June 30, 1962~ Patrick and Sandy McClellan

The Flower Chart for 2017

still has dates available! The cost for an arrangement is \$17.50 for 2017!

These flowers are paid for by members of our congregation with specific dedications listed in the bulletin. This is a wonderful way to provide flowers as a memorial or to honor someone, or celebrate birthdays and anniversaries during the 2017 church year. **Please make sure your flower payments are in the office before your scheduled Sunday.** You may bring your payment to the office or put it in the offering in an envelope marked "altar flowers". Thanks, *Jennifer*

Below is a copy of the Altar Flower Calendar for the next few months of 2017. It shows the dates that are available. Call the church office (727-2622) if you would like to reserve a Sunday.



June, 2017

4 ___ Willer _____

11 ___ Fruin _____

18 _____

25 _____

July, 2017

2 _____

9 _____

16 ___ Walkowski ___

23 ___ Wisswell _____

30 _____

August, 2017

6 _____

13 _____

20 _____

27 ___ Wisswell _____



**June
18th!**

Facts and Figures as of

Sunday, April 23, 2017 10:00 a.m. ~ 59
Total Weekly Givings ~ \$1,660.00

Sunday, April 30, 2017 10:00 a.m. ~ 86
Total Weekly Givings ~ \$2,000.00

Sunday, May 7, 2017 10:00 a.m. ~ 80
Total Weekly Givings ~ \$4,005.00

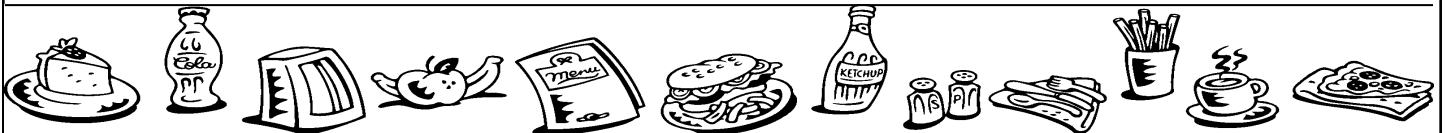
Sunday, May 14, 2017 10:00 a.m. ~ 76
Total Weekly Givings ~ \$2,316.00

Sunday, May 21, 2017 10:00 a.m. ~ 86
Total Weekly Givings ~ \$665.00



TABLES!!

The older heavy tables are now replaced with lighter ones, so the oldies, but goodies are available for sale to the church family.
If you would like to buy one, please let Susan Foster know. The ones that are left will be sold at the rummage sale in July.



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A BIG THANK YOU to Russ and Kim Grose for organizing a wonderfully successful Polish Dinner last month! Thank you to all the hard workers who put in some great effort and fed approx. 200 people! Thank you to all who helped, donated food and financial support to help lighten our organizers load. And finally thank you to all the people who came and feasted on some excellent food. We wouldn't have reason to do it without you!



The City of Richmond's 2nd Annual Rummage and Relic Sale

The UMW will again be participating in the city wide Rummage Sale on
Friday, July 28 from 9-6
and Saturday, July 29 from 9-2.

We have lots of "stuff" to sell which will help clean out the basement so we can make better use of the space.

If you are interested in having a table to sell your own "treasures", please contact Susan Foster.

There will be a limited number of tables available at no cost for our church family.

Mission & Outreach News!

Peace with Justice

Did you know Peace with Justice is the first Sunday after Pentecost? The Peace with Justice Sunday June 11, offering enables United Methodist Churches to have a voice in advocating for critical global injustices. When all our small donations are combined a difference can occur when local Christians are empowered.

The first Methodist Social Creed was adopted in 1908 and the focus was on the injustice of poor working conditions and the lack of health care for those living in disadvantaged situations. Today funds spearhead a peace ministry uniting Arizona border communities. Methodists in Liberia are being equipped to implement the denomination's Social Principles to address social-justice issues. In Pennsylvania students are educating their community about sex-trafficking at home and abroad.

Your donation in the Special Sunday envelope on June 11, makes possible the **Proclamation of Christ's Peace.**



**I would seek unto God,
and unto God would
I commit my cause."**

J O B 5 : 8

Submitted by,
Patricia Gibbs

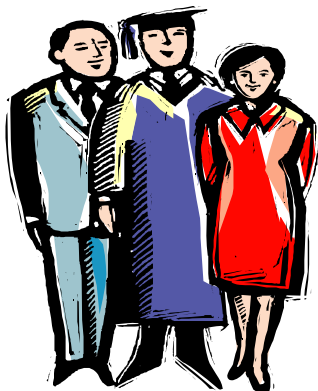


Thank you to all our
Sunday School teachers
for a great Sunday School year!
Everyone enjoy
your Summer!
See you in the fall!

Compassion Experience

Let's go find out how the rest of the world lives! June 8, 2017 at 6PM. We will meet at the church parking lot to go to the **Compassion Experience at The Woods Church in Warren** (If you work near there, you can just meet us there!) "This free event features an interactive journey through the true stories of children living in developing countries like the Philippines, Kenya, Uganda and the Dominican Republic.

In over 2,000 sq. ft. of interactive exhibit space, visitors will stop inside homes, markets and schools—without getting on a plane. Each child's story starts in poverty but ends in hope.



2017 Graduates

Will you or a loved one be graduating the near future? We will be honoring our graduates on **June 18th** during the service and with a Coffee Hour after the service. Please contact the church office at (586)727-2622 and let us know the name and school of the graduate! Thanks!

Building Worship Bridges with Cathy Townley

June 22, 2017, 9:30 AM to 4 PM @ Rochester: St. Paul's UMC

In this seminar, based on Cathy's new book, *Building Worship Bridges: Worship to Accelerate Neighborhood Connections*, you will learn the technical side of worship service development (competent) and the adaptive, relational side (compelling). The two aspect of worship bridge building always go together. Learn the five phases of worship development (worship, Hospitality, Technology, Discipleship, and Artistry) and also learn how to organize and mobilize.

Cathy Townley is an experienced worship leader, church planter, speaker and writer. With 30-plus years experience in starting worship services, revitalizing existing services, consulting with churches on how to improve their worship landscape and coaching church planters, pastors and worship leaders on how to communicate with their mission field through worship, Cathy makes worship design and leadership very practical and accessible for churches of any size.

Participants will receive a copy of *Building Worship Bridges*.

Registration Cost: \$49 each or all three for \$125



Parsonage Open House

Saturday, July 1st, 2017

11:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m.

Come and see the changes and share in some fellowship!



Vacation Bible School this year will be **August 8, 9, 10 from 6PM until 8PM at Trinity Lutheran Church**

on Division. There will be a meeting for all volunteers on May 25 at 6PM at Trinity. Please contact Trinity Lutheran if you are interested in helping.

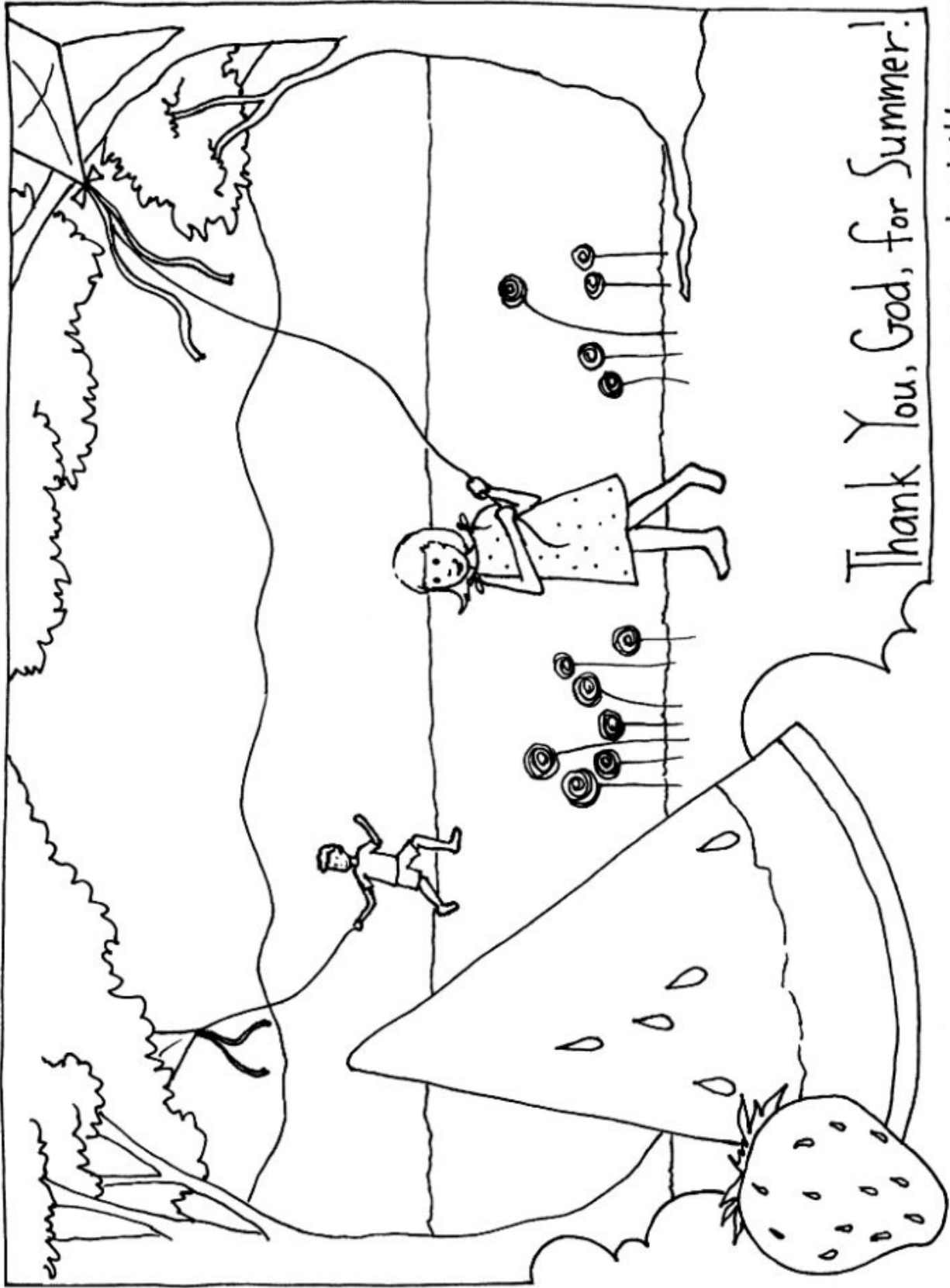
BUSY HANDS!!!

WE are looking for hands—your hands—to join us on Wednesday mornings—your attached body is, of course, welcomed to join us on Wednesdays from 10:00 to noon in the church basement to work on Bazaar projects! We spend 2 hours of fellowship & crafting.

No special skills required—just a willing spirit!

IDEAS are always welcome!!!!!!





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Mandy Groce '15