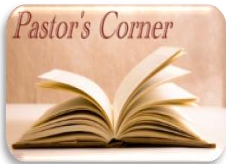




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This Pastors Corner finds us in the middle of the General Conference in Charlotte North Carolina going on. The first Geneal Conference since COVID. Among the top legislative items are *Regionalization* making the American, African, pacific and European United Methodist Churches into independent conferences instead of the worldwide conference we have now. Another top legislative item is rewriting the *Social Principles* so that the Social Principals of the United Methodist Church are more welcoming to society at large, this will involve redefining marriage, human sexuality and what a family is to name a few proposed changes to the *Social Principles*.

Another legislative proposal is to change the mission of the church from, —The mission of the church is *to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world* to, The mission of the church is *to reflect the light and love of Jesus Christ through the entire world so that disciples are made, and the world may be transformed*.

Another legislative proposal is to do away with the Restrictive Rules I-V.

¶ 17. Article I.—The General Conference shall not revoke, alter, or change our Articles of Religion or establish any new standards or rules of doctrine contrary to our present existing and established standards of doctrine.

¶ 18. Article II.—The General Conference shall not revoke, alter, or change our Confession of Faith.

¶ 19. Article III.—The General Conference shall not change or alter any part or rule of our government so as to do away with episcopacy or destroy the plan of our itinerant general superintendency.

¶ 20. Article IV.—The General Conference shall not do away with the privileges of our clergy of right to trial by a committee and of an appeal; neither shall it do away with the privileges of our members of right to trial before the church, or by a committee, and of an appeal.

¶ 21. Article V.—The General Conference shall not revoke or change the General Rules of Our United Societies.

In order to implement many of the changes proposed to the Book of Discipline the Restrictive Rules need to be done away with as being authoritative. This General Conference will have a seismic impact on the Unted Methodist Church going forward. I encourage you all reading this Newsletter to pray for God’s guidance through his Holy Spirit be at this General Conference.



Save These DATES



Tea with Friends – by WalthaGaye Leavitt
May 6th, 2024, the United Women of Faith of CCUMC are hosting a tea party. Tea has been found in writings and has been used in many ways for about 5,000 years.

Gary L. Hauck is speaking on tea with a tea tasting afterwards. He used to be Dean at MCC and did a great monologue on Rev. Ole Amble, an early Norwegian minister who started many Lutheran Churches in Montcalm County.

AARP DRIVERS SAFETY CLASS

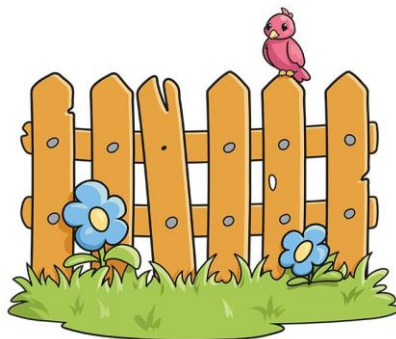
Thursday, May 9th
8:15am to 4pm,
613 N State St., Stanton.

Cost: \$20.00 AARP members or
\$25.00 non members.
Payment made to the instructor at the
beginning of class.

AARP Drivers Safety Class can help lower your insurance cost. Some insurance companies will give you a discount if you have had this course. The certificate is good for 3 years, so call your insurance company today to see if they give discounts for this certificate. This is a classroom driver refresher course for drivers age 50 and older. The course explains the changes that occur in vision, hearing, reaction time as we age, and provides useful driving safety tips for handling these changes.

You will have a working lunch so you can bring your lunch or get lunch from our soup & salad bar. The cost for lunch is seniors 60 and over is a \$3.00 donation, under 60 is \$6.50 charge.

Call 989-831-7476 press 4 to register for this class by May 6th, and if you would like lunch tell us when you register for the class.



MCC's AGRICULTURE CLUB

Hanging Basket Sale

MCC's Ag Club is selling six different varieties of hanging baskets.

All the plants are grown in the greenhouse on Sidney's campus. They will be available for pickup on May 5th
Each basket is \$18 or 2 for \$30.

To order, email

michelle.gibson@montcalm.edu



BAKE SALE



Sunday, May 12th, before and after Sunday services.
There will be a variety of baked goods, pies, and treats.
All money raised will go to the V.B.S. fund.



We Love Vacation Bible School!

Join Us
this Summer



V.B.S. decorating session:
Saturday May 18th from 10-Noon

BOARD MEETING

Finance Committee Meeting

Everyone Is Invited

When: Wed, May 22nd
Time: 6:30 pm

If you have anything you would like to discuss please get it to us no later than Mon, May 20th so we can add to the Agenda.



Heritage District Spiritual Growth Retreat

Friday and Saturday, May 17-18, 2024
St. Francis Retreat Center, 703 E. Main St., Dewitt, MI

(You need not be a member of UWF to attend.)

Rev. Paula Vergowven, pastor of Webberville Methodist Church, will lead us as we explore "A Closer Walk with God", make new friends, renew old friendships and enjoy the beautiful grounds and great food of this 90-acre retreat center.

Take time from this busy world for yourself as you experience renewal on this journey together with other Women of Faith. We should always look for ways to grow deeper in our relationship with God and to share the joy of God's love and grace with people we encounter.

Friday Night Fun Night ingathering event will be a "Purse Auction" Bring a new or gently used purse and let the bidding begin! Proceeds will go to the Food Pantry, Redeemer Church, Dewitt.

Registration information

Time: Friday, 4:00 p.m. through Saturday, 12 noon.

Costs: Commuter (includes 2 meals) \$23 ____
Double occupancy \$75 ____ Single occupancy \$108 ____

Make check payable to Heritage District UWFaith \$ _____

Name _____ Church/Unit _____

Sharing room with _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Unit Office, if any _____ Food Allergies/Restrictions _____

Send registration and check to: **Kay Lambright, 9600 Churchill, 49201 Jackson, MI**

Phone- 517-569-3881 Email - wayneuofm@juno.com Deadline: May 5, 2024



FLOWER POWER POT PLANTING PARTY

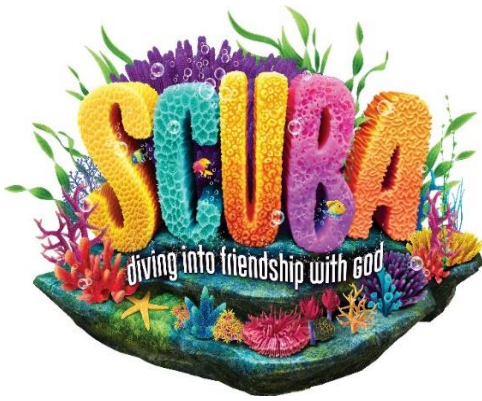
Make & take

Friday, May 31st
12:30 to 2:00pm
Cost \$8.00

CoA, 613 N. State St, Stanton

Come join me out on the patio for a cold glass of tea and a snack all while enjoying some sunshine and conversation.
Will include a 8" pot, flowers and dirt.
Sign up and pay by May 17th at 989-831-7454

Vacation Bible School 2024 – SCUBA



Reminding you this year's fun-filled theme, Scuba, will be held July 14-18, Sunday through Thursday from 6:00-8:30 pm each evening.

The signup sheet for adult and teen volunteers is in the church lobby. We still need crew leaders and people to assist at various stations. Please contact Roberta if you have any questions. Preregistration will begin early in June.

The Pre-Order form for VBS Youth Theme T-Shirts is located on the VBS table in the church lobby. Children's sizes X Small through Large are \$5.00. Adult sizes are also available on the order form ranging from \$8.00-\$10.00. Order deadline is Sunday, May 19th. Payment is due when the shirts are delivered, no later than Sunday, July 14th.

The overall scripture deals with friendship which is Scuba's goal of "diving into friendship with God."

"...I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you." John 15:15



Please continue to save the following items and place them in the designated bin in the lobby:

- packing peanuts, loofah sponges, glue sticks,
- styrofoam balls(3" or bigger), coffee filters
- tissue paper, egg cartons, clear hair gel (must be clear)
- any size of plastic water bottles
- cane sticks (found at M57 Surplus in the back)



Our next decorating session will be Saturday, May 18th, from 10:00 am to Noon.

We have lots of fun, decorations to create, helping Scuba to be one of the best VBS programs ever!



Bible studies & small groups



Kids' Sunday's Cool Hour is 9:15 am.
The last study before summer is June 2, 2024.
See you in the fall. For more information,
please call our office at 989-584-3797.



United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith meets the first Monday of the month usually at 10 am. All women are invited as we learn about what our organization's purpose is and what missions we support in caring for women, children, and youth around the world.

There is no cost to belong- just time.

The last meeting for the summer is May 6, 2024. See you in the fall.

Personal
Transformation



P.T. is a group that meets to hold ourselves up and others in prayer. We also learn God's Word through studies, movies, discussions, laughter, and tears. We meet every Monday from 6:30-8:00 pm. For more information call WalthaGaye Leavitt at 989-640-0238.



A.R.K. (Armor Ready Knights) meets every Tuesday from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Scripture, Bible stories, games, and activities will help learn about God in a variety of ways. For more information call Roberta Kile at 616-255-1275.

The last meeting before summer is May 7, 2024.
See you in the fall.




We are Moms meeting with other Jesus loving Moms to build a community to support each other and pray together throughout life's stages. Moms are welcome to join at any stage in motherhood and faith. We want to build a village of women with similar values and goals to raise our children in a way that glorifies God. If you are seeking friendship, support, and accountability partners we want to have your back.

We meet the first Thursday of each month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am in the CCUMC Sanctuary. For more information call Isabelle Esch @ 989-307-4781.

Keeping you Informed



Pastor Ian will be on Vacation:
From: Mon, May 6th
Through: Mon, May 20th
Please contact Pastor Larry during these dates.

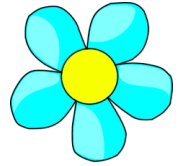


Birthday Celebration: Sylvia Martin is turning 99 on May 30th. Let's shower her with birthday cards. Her address is 3507 Knollwood St. S.E., Rockford MI 49341 c/o Teri Heyden. Thank you for your participation in Christian love to a great lady and parishioner of CCUMC.

Mission U

Mission U – by WalthaGaye Leavitt
Mission u, a women's educational and spiritual event is being held at First United Methodist Church in Mt. Pleasant from July 18-20. The study is a continuation of last year's study on the kin-dom and living under the sovereignty of God. We fellowship and develop practices for building healthier communities as a result of being anchored in God's love and grace. Look for further information as it gets closer.

Keeping you Informed

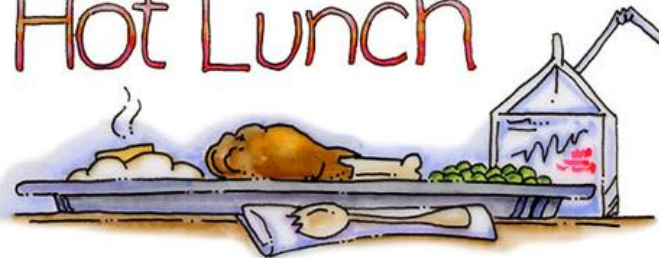


CCUMC has camp money available for kids that will be attending summer Church camp. If you know anybody that is interested we will need to verify the dates and information about the camp.

For more information, please contact the CCUMC office at 989-584-3797 by May 15, 2024.

SPRING
is in the
AIR

Hot Lunch



Don't forget, Food with Friends meals are served on Tues & Thurs at noon in the Fellowship Hall at CCUMC, 119 E. Elm St., Carson City. For a donation of \$3.00 for 50 years and older, and \$6.50 under 60 years old you can enjoy awesome Fellowship and Food. Call by the Monday before to reserve @ 989-831-7476, option 1.



Ad Board/Finance meeting - April 26, 2024 (March was cancelled)

Present: Phil Krantz, Robin Shepler, Ed and Fran Osborne, Deb Burt, Diane Hoard, Deb White, Judy Evitts, Aaron Esch, Josh Severson, Heather Kile, Roberta Kile,, WalthaGaye Leavitt, Pastor Ian McDonald

Meeting was called to order by Phil Krantz ay 6:35 pm. Pastor Ian led us in prayer.

Finance: Robin reported

\$887.88 balance in check book

\$5965.96 in Emergency fund

\$1018.73 in Memorial fund

\$6495 in Identified giving

\$300 was given and used for the new kitchen door. \$495.05 was taken from the Emergency fund for the rest. Discussion ensued about where the money should come from to put back into the Emergency Fund. WalthaGaye made a motion to use the \$150 from the Kile memorial and the rest from the Sherd memorial . Seconded by Roberta and carried.

Paperwork was signed to remove Tyler Wilson’s name from the accounts.

Robin reported that she had talked to Wilson Plumbing, and they are fine with us paying \$200/ month on the parsonage bill. The balance is \$880.84. She also talked to them about doing the backflow test instead of Fire Pros. They will check to see if they are able.

There are a few bills yet to pay, but they are essentially up to date. \$100 comes in monthly for District mission shares and that has been paid to the District.

VBS fund is \$2449.24. Money came in for that and there are 2 bake sales coming up and Noisy Sunday.

There is also \$310 in the camp fund. An article will be included in the newsletter that this available.

Trustee Report: Josh reported that Red Oak Gutters will be replacing the 2 gutter sections that went down this winter on the North side of the church. They gave us an estimate of \$500. The kitchen door will get replaced soon. The mold in the choir room has not expanded and has not gotten into the music.



Ad Board/Finance mtg cont'd:

Children's Ministry: Roberta reported that there will be a VBS decorating bee Friday the 26th from 5-7pm. There will be another session on May 18th from 10-12.

Cool Hour will continue through June 2nd. Then there will be activity folders for the children to pick up to work on during church.

During summer, the nursery will be open, but there will not be an assigned person.

Outreach: WalthaGaye reported that the UW in Faith are hosting a tea party May 6th. 30 area churches have been invited. Deadline for reservations is April 26th and there are 43 reservations thus far.

Cards are being sent to Sylvia Martin for her 99th birthday.

Marketing: Aaron reported that he hasn't put together a team yet. He is also looking for pictures of events that show off the Fellowship Hall and the Sanctuary.

Pastor Ian: General Conference has started. If anyone wants to see any of the sessions or the worship, email Pastor Ian and he will email the link. The main topics are Revising the Book of Discipline, Rejecting Rules, and Regionalization.

Old Business:

The covering and hanging of the sound boards was brought up. If the women get the boards covered, the men will hang.

New Business:

Roberta met with Toni and Nancy Wilson this week about the SS Curriculum. They are wondering if they could use the Servants of God room during our worship (10:30 am) for Sunday School for their middle school group ages 12-14 starting in the fall. It was decided to table this until the next meeting.

The rug is buckling in places and out 'track'. This is becoming a greater trip hazard.

Frontier Days coming up. The menu will be grilled hot dogs and brats, salad bar, baked beans, chicken salad sandwiches and sloppy joes and pies. There will also be fruit pies for sale.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Pastor Ian dismissed us after prayer at 7:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,
WalthaGaye Leavitt



May



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	April 29 Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	April 30 Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	1 Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	2 National Day of Prayer Breakfast 8-9am Mt. Hope Fellowship Hall Mom Group 9-11 COA 10-2	3	4
5	6 Pastor Ian Vacation UWF Tea w/friends 12:30 pm to ? P.T. Class 6:30 pm	7 Pastor Ian Vacation COA 10-2 A.R.K. 3-5pm Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	8 Pastor Ian Vacation Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	9 Pastor Ian Vacation COA 10-2 Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	10 Pastor Ian Vacation Drivers Training Class 5:30-7:30pm	11 Pastor Ian Vacation
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Schedule subject to change – contact office @ 989-584-3797 for more information.

Our calendar is also available via our website www.carsoncityumc.com





**Join Us Each Sunday
Worship Services
Carson City UMC: 10:30 am
Maple Rapids UMC: 9:00 am**



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