



First Church *Chimes*

Friends,

I remember when I was a little girl that there was a song on the radio called “The Long, Hot Summer.” We can all relate to the “hot” part of summer at this moment, but “long”? Seems as though it barely gets started and suddenly, it’s over!!

I hope that you’ve had some time to rest and to get away. Vacations and getaways are a wonderful opportunity to take the deep breaths that we need, to visit, to reconnect, to explore. But, it’s good to be home, too.

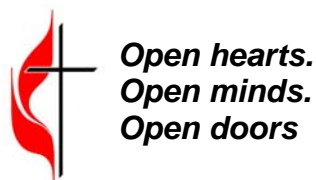
Worship in the park has been a blessed time. The weather has mostly held out, the birds have mostly been quiet, and the train whistle and the BMX announcers haven’t fully drowned out our voices. We’ll continue our worship in the park through Labor Day weekend, with our traditional “Blessing of the Animals” on Labor Day Sunday, September 4th. September 11 is Rally Day as we begin our Fall schedule. Watch for details of the day’s scheduled activities.

Through the summer weeks and into the Fall, members of our church are hosting small gatherings for conversation about the church, past, present and future. Scott and I are using this time as a “listening” time, asking particular questions, and then listening to your reflections. We have plenty of opportunity to tell you all kinds of things, but many of you aren’t able to share back with us about what you’re thinking—and so I’m hoping that you’ll participate as you’re able. Later in the Fall we’ll take the opportunity to share with you on a Sunday morning about what you’ve said and what we might do together in response. I have enjoyed the gatherings and look forward to sharing your responses.

Finally, as we look toward September, I’d like to invite you to join together in a preaching/reading series on “Emotionally Healthy Spirituality,” a book written by Peter Scazzero. I encourage you to participate in worship (as always!), to read the book and to join in discussing the topics in your small group and Sunday School classes. Call the church office or talk to one of the pastors if you need assistance in connecting to a group if you don’t already have one. A limited number of books and other resources will be available through the church office. Books are also easily found on line and in bookstores.

Summer is a blessed time...but I look forward to the Fall as we all come back together and continue to listen together for God’s word and God’s direction as we serve together in Jesus name.

Blessings!!



**Open hearts.
Open minds.
Open doors**

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And the wind's blew on July 22!!!

Thank you to everyone who showed up with chainsaws and other equipment at The

Connection Campus on Saturday morning! One of the windows to the nursery had to be replaced... and a lot of debris from trees needed cleared. Our neighbor to the west had several trees that had to be cut down due to the wind damage and was very grateful of our help.

"Connecting people to God and one another."

Church Archives



There is one more fallen soldier from our church:

Dorothy Poor told me about Russell L. Poor who lost his life when shot down over Hanoi, Vietnam [on a spy mission]. Not long ago, his remains were identified and buried in Arlington Cemetery near Washington, D.C. His poster will be the last one displayed the beginning of August.

*~ Janet Kirkpatrick,
First UMC Historian*



Help the office keep the calendar up to date —

Please set your meeting schedule for the coming church year and get the information to the office ASAP.

Let's Make Some Music for God!

Yes, it is again time for the Sanctuary Choir and Ginn Bell Choir to regroup for our new season of music for worship! And guess what? You are needed! We are always looking and welcoming new members to the groups. Isn't it time you started sharing your musical talents with God?



Hour-long rehearsals for the **Sanctuary Choir** begin on Wednesday, August 31, in the Sanctuary at 7 p.m. Their first Sunday to sing is on Rally Sunday

September 11. Please join us for rehearsals starting on the 31st! Experts are not needed. A desire to sing and to help out are all that you need!

The **Ginn Handbells** will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, September 7, at 6 p.m. Their first Sunday to play will be on the 25th. Please contact Scott Avery regarding your interest in this group as placements need to be assigned. We love to have extra people to sub at rehearsals and in the service. Call Scott for more info.



We look forward to a great season of music for God with your help.

Scott Avery ~~ 269-2486



FAMTABULOUS DAY! Sunday, Aug. 7

Join the Education Ministry Team for a day at Deep River Waterpark, Crown Point immediately

following the 8 a.m. Lucerne Park Worship Service.

Cost: \$9.95 for children under 46-inches tall and \$15.95 for those over (children under 12 months are free). Please let Monica Lyon know by August 2 how many from your family will attend. Join the caravan for a day of Family,

THE CONNEXION

SUMMER 2011

August

12-14 Jr. High, Sr. High Mystery Trip
(tentative)

28 Fall Kick Off (tentative)

As always all dates are subject to change; but we'll do our best to let parents and students know of these changes as soon as possible.

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VOTE FOR THE COMMUNITY CLOSET!!!

The FUMC Community Closet is one of three projects chosen for the Beacon Credit Union Project Spotlight!. Voting began online (www.beaconcu.org) and in the Beacon branches on July 13. However, voting goes thru the end of August. The project with the most votes receives \$1,000; second place \$500; and third place \$250.

GO VOTE!

Eyes of Hope for the Kenya Simba Scholarship Program

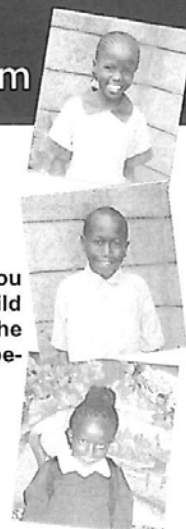
“LOVE ONE ANOTHER
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.”

What can you do with 55 cents per day? More than you can imagine! You can share love and hope with a child in Kenya. Come and hear how you can be a part of the Simba Scholarship Project through sponsorship or being a Partner Church.

Celebrate the love!

Step out in your faith!

See what Hope can do!



John 3:18 Dear Children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

JUST A BUNCH OF TEENAGERS.... WHO KNOW THE POWER OF GOD.



will offer their voices in praise and share how their love of and hope for the Simba Scholars of Kenya has led them on this Great Adventure.

Preaching Pastor for the service will be Rev. Russ Abel.

Service Dates & Times

Wed. 8/3 - 7:00pm
Saint Joseph UMC,
Fort Wayne, IN

Sat. 8/6 - 5:00pm
Winamac UMC, Winamac, IN

Sun 8/7 - 8:15, 9:45 & 11:00a
Christ UMC, Lafayette, IN

Sun 8/7 - 7:00pm
Warsaw First UMC,
Warsaw, IN



Spark: L to R: Emma Abel, Nick Erdman, Brooke Mayer, Chloe Tanner, Jackson Stringer, Natalie Erdman, Maureen McGauran, Rachel Erdman, & Rachel Haines


Rally
SUNDAY
September 11

WORSHIP STATISTICS				
ATTENDANCE			GIVING	
July 3	8:00	106	Offering	10,853.00
	9:30	71	Missions	427.91
	11:07	84	Coin	31.87
July 10	8:00	109	Offering	11,202.36
	9:30	67	Missions	311.13
	11:07	80	Coin	47.34
July 17	8:00	108	Offering	10,002.00
	9:30	126	Missions	367.00
	11:07	82	Coin	55.37
July 24	8:00	95	Offering	7,527.00
	9:30	66	Missions	946.19
	11:07	72	Coin	37.84



Happy Birthday!

8/1	Brittany Florentine Mariel Land	8/15	Reid Bishop Paula Devenney
8/2	Gracie Boren	8/16	Audrey Rich
8/3	Deb Marshal	8/17	Jill Beehler
8/3	Lindsey Stuart	8/18	Anne Easterday
8/4	Max Maile Shane Miller Skyler Shenefield	8/18	Shen Miller
	Barbara Vitaniemi	8/19	Sally Truman
8/5	Zach Allen	8/20	Duane Gable
8/6	Rose Ann McCammon Peggy Sawyer	8/21	Alexandra Miller
	Joe Simmons	8/22	Betty Ferguson Anna Ream
	Scott Smith	8/23	April Griner Kim Kelley Denny Mock
8/7	Ed Nordstrom	8/25	Maureen Hall
8/8	Blaine Allen Brooke Neubaum	8/28	Steve Devenney
8/10	Jorie Bickel Emily Hughes Andrew Scheidt	8/29	Dawn Allen Laurie Mock
8/11	Duane Gable Emily May	8/30	Rick Compton
8/12	Pauline Steffel	8/31	Jennifer See Rebecca See
8/13	Sierra Devenney		
8/14	Connie Craig		

(If your name is missing from the birthday list, it means we do not have that information on your membership record. Call the office!)

Notes from the Finance Secretary...

- Year-to-date giving statements will be mailed in the next couple of weeks. Please review these statements and notify me of any discrepancies.
- Please make sure you indicate on your giving envelope or your check memo if your giving is going to anything other than your pledge or the general fund. Counters need this information to accurately report each week's giving.

Thank you!
Ann



Enjoy your new teachers and making new friends this year!

Making the Connection



Successful students—those who are busy learning to the best of their abilities and taking pride in their accomplishments—possess three specific personal qualities. They are curious and motivated to learn, they persevere toward goals, and they obey rules. In addition, most successful students also have the advantage of coming from a home in which their education is valued and supported. They see their parents talking to their teachers and checking their homework. They are taught that school is a positive place where teachers, principals, parents and students are teammates, not adversaries.

As the new school year gets started, day one is the time for parents to start tuning in to how things are going for their child at school. First day jitters, adjusting to the expectations of a new teacher, and finding one's way around a new school are all part of the back-to-school routine. Problems with motivation, compliance, or focus are not, and are much more easily addressed sooner than later. There are a variety of reasons students may struggle in one or more of these areas, and the solutions may be simple. Don't hesitate to talk to your student, work with the teachers, and seek additional intervention early if needed.

Have a good year!

Julie Nethercutt, Psy.D., HSPP
Clinical Psychologist
574-269-3654

Stephen Ministry Class starting September

If you were unable to attend the Taste of Stephen Ministry earlier this year... but are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister... please contact Michele Carter at mcarter@warsawfumc.org.



"Stephen Ministry of First United Methodist Church Ministries will share the love and care of Jesus Christ with those who are hurting in our congregation and in the local community."

Please pray for:

For: Our Church
Our Country
Our service men and women
Our Pastors
Our missionary,
Maria Sabino Humbane
St. Matthews UM School, Monrovia, Liberia
First Church shut-ins and those in nursing homes

Our Church Family ~

Shirlee Clevenger
Lee Bair
Alec McPherson
Liz Plew
Dick Wright
Phil Jenks
Joe Simmons
Paul Whitesell
David Beall
John Arford
Mari Truman
Cathy May
Don Bixel
Jean Kolar

Tim McCammon
Jerry and Connie Craig
Carl and Cathy Love

Richard and Sue Balke
Prayer Coordinators

Our Family and Friends ~

Randy Hesser, friend of
Darrell and Judy Drudge
Jenny Wendt, friend of Max and Jan Clingaman
Tracy Faulkner, cousin of Toni Carmer
Susan Ritter, sister-in-law of Jim Ritter
Dayle Jacobs, mother of Jill Jacobs
Brenda Utter, friend of Priscilla Waidley
Carol Roberts, friend of Priscilla Waidley
Janet Suggs, friend of Pat Buskirk
Patria Molebash, mother of Jane Eaton
Jim Craig, brother of Jerry Craig

Those serving in the military ~

Krista Slone (Navy/Virginia Beach),
daughter of Sabrina Slone
Daniel DeGroff (Army/Korea),
Son of John DeGroff/Jennifer Savage
Sgt. Adam M. Davis (Army/Iraq 2nd tour),
friend of Darrell and Judy Drudge
Dean Jackson (Fort Riley, Kansas), son of Deb Marshall

My job is to abide in the vine and submit to the vine dresser. To do this is fearful because dying is required.

~Richard Balke

August

Monday, 8/1

7:00p Open Basketball-CC/gym

Tuesday, 8/2

6:00p Prayer Group-Parlor
6:00p Bridge-CC/#9
7:00p N.A.M.I.-Room 3
7:30p AA-Room 203
7:30p Alateen-Room 202

Wednesday, 8/3

11:00a Community Kitchen
5:30p Fitness Fusion/Peggy-CC/#11
7:30p AA-Room 3
7:30p Al-Anon-Parlor

Thursday, 8/4

6:45a Men's Study Group-Bd. Room
9:30a Study Group/Carter-Parlor
6:00p Education Team-Parlor
7:00p Music Team Vocals—Bd. Room

Friday, 8/5

7:30p AA-Room 3

Saturday, 8/6

6:00p Boy Scouts Annual Makahiki
Dance—CC/gym

Sunday, 8/7

8:00a Park Service at Lucerne
9:30a Traditional Service-Sanctuary
10:10a "Big Idea"-CC/#9
11:07a Contemporary Service-CC
3:00p Tom Eiser Recital—Sanctuary
7:00p Emmaus—Parlor
7:00p Spark—CC/gym
7:30p AA-CC/#9

Monday, 8/8

7:00p Open Basketball—CC

Tuesday, 8/9

10:00a Staff Meeting—Bd. Room
6:00p Staff-Parish—Board Room
6:00p Prayer Group-Parlor
6:00p Bridge-CC/#9
7:00p N.A.M.I.-Room 3
7:30p AA-Room 203
7:30p Alateen-Room 202

Wednesday, 8/10

11:00a Community Kitchen
5:30p Fitness Fusion/Peggy-CC/#11
6:00p Cub Pack-Fellowship Hall
7:15p Worship Cmte.—Bd Room
7:30p AA-Room 3
7:30p Al-Anon-Parlor

Thursday, 8/11

6:45a Men's Study Group-Bd. Room
9:30a Stephen Ministry-Parlor
7:00p Music Team Vocals—Bd. Room

Friday, 8/12

7:30p AA-Room 3

Saturday, 8/13

Sunday, 8/14

8:00a Park Service at Lucerne
9:30a Traditional Service-Sanctuary
10:10a "Big Idea"-CC/#9
11:07a Contemporary Service-CC
6-8p Youth ConneXion—CC
7:30p AA-CC/#9

Monday, 8/15 School Starts

7:00p Open Basketball—CC/gym

Tuesday, 8/16

6:00p Trustees—CC/#8
6:00p Prayer Group-Parlor
6:00p Bridge-CC/#9
7:00p N.A.M.I.-Room 3
7:30p AA-Room 203
7:30p Alateen-Room 202

Wednesday, 8/17

11:00a Community Kitchen
4:30p Finance Committee-Room 3
5:30p Fitness Fusion/Peggy-CC/#11
7:30p AA-Room 3
7:30p Al-Anon-Parlor

Thursday, 8/18

6:45a Men's Study Group-Bd. Room
9:30a Study Group/Carter-Parlor
7:00p Music Team Vocals-Bd. Room
7:00p 3rd Thursday Knitting at
Downtown Courthouse Coffee

Friday, 8/19

6:30p Round Dance—CC/gym
7:30p AA-Room 3

Saturday, 8/20

5:30p Warsaw Squares-CC/gym

Sunday, 8/21

8:00a Park Service at Lucerne
9:30a Traditional Service-Sanctuary
10:10a "Big Idea"-CC/#9
11:07a Contemporary Service-CC
6-8p Youth ConneXion—CC
7:30p AA-CC/#9

Monday, 8/22

7:00p Open Basketball—CC/gym

Tuesday, 8/23

9:00a Parents Morning Out
10:00a Staff Meeting-Board Room
6:00p Prayer Group-Parlor
6:00p Bridge-CC/#9
7:00p N.A.M.I.-Room 3
7:30p AA-Room 203
7:30p Alateen-Room 202

Wednesday, 8/24 -CHIMES articles due

11:00a Community Kitchen
5:30p Fitness Fusion/Peggy-CC/#11
7:30p AA-Room 3
7:30p Al-Anon-Parlor

Thursday, 8/25

6:45a Men's Study Group-Bd. Room
9:30a Stephen Ministry—Parlor
7:00p Music Team Vocals-Bd. Room

Friday, 8/26

7:30p AA-Room 3

Saturday, 8/27

Sunday, 8/28

8:00a Park Service at Lucerne
9:30a Traditional Service-Sanctuary
10:10a "Big Idea"-CC/#9
11:07a Contemporary Service-CC
7:30p AA-CC/#9

Monday, 8/29

7:00p Open Basketball—CC

Tuesday, 8/30

6:00p Prayer Group-Parlor
6:00p Bridge-CC/#9
7:00p N.A.M.I.-Room 3
7:30p AA-Room 203
7:30p Alateen-Room 202

Wednesday, 8/31 -CHIMES mailed

11:00a Community Kitchen
5:30p Fitness Fusion/Peggy-CC/#11
6:00p Cub Pack-Fellowship Hall
7:00p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30p AA-Room 3
7:30p Al-Anon-Parlor

CC-Connection Campus—1692 W. Lake
St. (Old US 30)

HERO Sandwich

To celebrate the Bible's many heroes, make this sandwich for a picnic.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- Shredded lettuce
- Olive oil and vinegar
- Seasonings (salt, pepper, oregano)
- Italian crusty bread (six inches per person)
- Mayonnaise
- Sliced meat
- Sliced cheese
- Sliced tomato
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Toothpicks
- Tape



What you do:

1. Drizzle shredded lettuce with oil and vinegar; sprinkle with seasonings.
2. Cut bread in half lengthwise and spread mayo on both halves.
3. On bottom half, layer meats, cheese, tomato and lettuce.
4. Top with other half of bread. Cut in half.
5. Cut paper into small triangles. Write your favorite Bible heroes' names on them.
6. Tape the triangles to toothpicks to make pennants. Stick in sandwich halves. Enjoy!



action-packed faith

The greatest "super men" who ever lived put their faith into action.

Directions: Match each Bible character to the correct description.

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| Noah | 1. This disciple wrote a gospel, recounting many events in Jesus' life. |
| Stephen | 2. This man responded to God's commands, including the order to move. God made many promises to this man and his descendants. |
| Abraham | 3. This man was eager to rebuild Jerusalem. He helped the people protect their city, reminding them that God was on their side. |
| Luke | 4. This man, who became king of Judah at a young age, obeyed God's laws and helped people repent. |
| Nehemiah | 5. God saved this honest, hard-working man from destruction by having him build a place of safety for his family and every kind of creature. |
| Josiah | 6. This man stood by God's Word, showing strength of character even when faced with persecution and death. |

On the lines below, write your name and describe how you're a "hero" for God. What are some ways you put your faith into action?

Name: _____

Answers: Noah 5., Stephen 6., Abraham 2., Luke 1., Nehemiah 3., Josiah 4.

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Toni Carmer

Scott Carmer

Business/Office Manager

Ann Baker

Director Children's Ministries

Monica (Wilson) Lyon

Director Adult Education

Rev. Bill Kaster

Director Music Ministry/Organist

Alan Chambers

Director Sanctuary Choir and

Ginn Handbells

Scott Avery

Licensed Mental Health Counselor

Michele M. Carter, LMHC

Julie Nethercutt, Psy.D., HSSP

Custodian

Lee Daffron

Worship Opportunities

8:00 a.m.—Lakeside Service at Lucerne Park/Pike Lake

9:30 a.m.—Traditional Service ~ Sanctuary Downtown

11:07 a.m. Contemporary Service ~ The Connection (1692 W. Lake)

Radio Ministry program live broadcast WIOE-FM 98.3 ~ 9:30 a.m. Traditional Service Church School during each service for children ages K-thru 3rd Grade.

Nursery available at 9:30 and 11:07 services only

August weekly scripture readings:

Aug. 7—Gen. 17:1-4, 12-28; Ps. 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Rom. 10:5-15;

Matt. 14:22-33

Aug. 14—Gen. 45:1-15; Ps. 133; Rom. 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matt. 15:(10-20) 21-28

Aug. 21—Exod. 1:8-2:10; Ps. 124; Rom. 12:1-8; Matt. 16:13-20

Aug. 28—Exod. 3:1-15; Ps. 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Rom. 12:9-21; Matt. 16:21-28

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