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 SEPTEMBER NEWS

First Church *Chimes*

Dear Friends,

What a full and good two months we have spent together! I'm finding my way around town a whole lot better than I did at first. I'm beginning to know names and faces. I've settled into my office and can find most things that I need (though not quite everything!). I have pictures on the walls at home and the boxes are gradually clearing away.

I'm beginning to feel "at home" and it feels good.

I want to thank you for the terrific welcome you have extended to me and to my family. The potluck picnic at The Connection was AMAZING. You're great cooks, and because I couldn't sample everything, I think we should schedule more of those. I'd also love more opportunities for casual conversation with you, because it was impossible to "meet and greet" everyone that evening. But, it was a great beginning!

It's always a good opportunity to come into a place with "new eyes." Have you noticed how you grow accustomed to some things and just don't see them anymore? It happens everywhere, including the church. It's like when you moved into your first home and that stained bathtub was such an eyesore you couldn't wait to replace it...but, after awhile, it didn't look so bad to you. You just got use to it, even though it was really ugly.

I've had the opportunity to come with "new eyes" to FUMC and see some things that maybe you've grown accustomed to. There are needs related to long-range planning, welcoming of newcomers (name tags!!), communication (use of email!), fellowship and some general "spiffing up." I know there are particular things that you're concerned about, too, and things that you're really excited about and happy with—so, I look forward to spending time together, listening to you, learning more history, and looking ahead.

You want to know what I've heard that ya'll are most pleased with here in the church? Over and over again, I was told about the great people who are here who really care about each other.

This is a great church. This is a great time. And we've got an awesome God who wants to do good work in this place.

I'm so thrilled to partner with you as we serve in Jesus' name.

Blessings!

Pastor Toni



**Open hearts
 Open minds
 Open doors**

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Adult Christian Education And Spiritual Formation at First United Methodist Church

- 1 "Beginnings" - For young women and men, couples or singles (and the "young at heart"). Twelve sessions to explore your initial Christian experiences and the beginning of your spiritual journey. Wednesday evenings part of "Kid's Night Out." **Begins Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 6:15 at the Connection .**
- 2 Disciple I "Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study". Thirty-four week survey of the entire Bible. Students commit to one half hour daily reading many of the most familiar Bible stories, writing reflections, praying and meditating, and joining their class for a two-hour weekly session. **Begins Thursday, Sept. 17 at 9:30 a.m. or at 7:00 p.m.**
- 3 "Asking the Questions." What are the critical questions being researched by the scholars in Bible and theology? What are the faith issues being examined by Christians not afraid to have their faith challenged? **Begins Sunday, Sept. 13 at 4:00 p.m.**

Sunday Morning Opportunities for Christian Growth (All classes begin Sunday, Sept. 13)

Downtown at 10:10 a.m.

*"Fidelity Class" — Room #3 — Art Howard
"Serendipity" — Board Room — Bruce & Leslie Andrews
"Livin' for the Line" — Chapel — Tom Ream*

Connection at 10:10 a.m.

"The Big Idea" — Bill Kaster — "Seeing Gray in A World of Black and White." We will explore the "radical center" between the extremes of fundamentalism and liberalism. All the hard questions of faith will be asked; all the difficult issues of living the Christian life in the modern world will be examined.

Weekday Opportunities for Christian Growth

Tuesday Bible Study -9:00 a.m./Tom Ream
Wednesday Afternoon Study Group -1:00 p.m./Jan Wilcox
Thursday Morning Bible Study -6:45 a.m./Tom Moore
Thursday Morning "Velvet Elvis" -9:30 a.m./Michele Carter

EXERCISE CLASS



FITNESS CLASSES

Beginning Monday, Sept. 14, First United Methodist Church is offering **three** opportunities per week for **you** to join in group exercise!

Classes are offered on **Mondays** from 5:30-6:30PM, **Wednesdays** from 5:30-6:30PM and **Thursdays** from 5:30-6:45PM. All classes are held at our Connection Campus.

Monday's class is **yoga**. The many health benefits from practicing yoga are healthy breathing, relaxation (release of stress), improving flexibility, strength, balance and posture. Many professional and amateur athletes are now including yoga in their workouts for these very reasons. This is not a

competitive class and there are many modifications to all the poses. If you can breathe, you can do yoga!

Wednesday's class is primarily **strengthening and stretching** by using dance workouts, Pilates and some influence from yoga. This includes some abdominal and leg work and light weights. The focus of this class is to strengthen the core, tone and strengthen muscles and improve flexibility, balance and posture. You will get a cardio workout as well.

The class on **Thursdays** will follow an **Interval Training** format. This class is three minutes of aerobics followed by one minute of strength training/toning for approximately 45 minutes. There is then about 15-20 minutes of abdominal work. The class concludes with stretching.

Wear comfortable clothing like sweats or shorts and a t-shirt for all three classes. Please bring a mat and towel. For the yoga class, a yoga block and strap are helpful, but not necessary.

These classes provide all the benefits of regular exercise – plus it's a **great** fellowship opportunity! Everyone is able to work at his or her own pace. Level of experience will not impact your exercise and fellowship time. **All** (men and women) are welcome to attend.

If you need more information, please contact Dianne Ratliff (574-269-4728 or ratliff4728@gmail.com), Peggy Rees (260-348-5879 or PRees@DPYUS.NJ.com) or Diana Wright (574-267-6497 or diyoga@gmail.com).

*We will be taking donations at each class to raise money to redo the fitness room.



Ta Dah! An Acting Experience Begins Sept. 8

About those Classes

All classes are one hour in duration unless specifically noted. Classes are offered on Tuesday and Thursday only for now. **Pre-registration is required.** Cost per class is \$30 per month plus a one-time fee of \$5 for all copied materials and art supplies.

Brochures with complete information and registration forms can be picked up Monday—Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday mornings at the welcome desks downtown and at the Connection. Please complete the form and return it to the church office with your check made payable to First United Methodist Church.

Pre-Acting for 4-5 years of age

This is a 30 minute class designed to engage children in story telling, following direction and not running aimlessly around the room. No reading skills required.

Acting I

For those students with no experience who want to go beyond shyness and develop self esteem. Requirements: Ability to read, some memory work.

Acting II

Continued skill building exercises as well as scene work, monologues and character development. Requirements: Reading skills and memory work.

One Act Production

For the student who wants to continue in small production and develop more character work.

Requirements: Reading and memorization.

Adult Classes

Acting

Learn to read cold from something other than a list... develop timing that is separate from driving your children to classes...discover new characters...other than your distant relatives, develop a propensity for laughter.

Writing

The poem, the journal, the book, the play, the children's story. Explore your hidden talents and be willing to share them with people who will be strangers to you until you open your mouth.

Requirements: Pencil and paper....lots!



"Our"-Reach

A Report from FUMC's
Outreach Ministry Team

Community Kitchen—*Feed My Sheep*: Area

churches and organizations continue to partner with FUMC in providing a free lunch each Wednesday in Fellowship Hall for the needy in our community. If your Small Group is looking for a service project or your co-workers are searching for a team-building event, contact Luke Becknell (269-1654) or the Church Office (267-6933) for the few open Wednesdays remaining in 2009. See "U.M.W. News" for how you can volunteer for the Community Kitchen on Wednesday, September 30.

*Thank you for your support of the **Feed My Sheep** project!*

Third Quarter Coin Offering for the Pastor's

Discretionary Fund: The Outreach Ministry Team names the recipient of each calendar quarter's coin offering, which is the loose coins received in each worship service's morning offering in addition to the children's Sunday School offerings. The third quarter coin offering is designated for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. The pastors use these funds for those individuals coming to FUMC seeking assistance for groceries, rent, transportation, medical expenses, etc. after having exhausted all other sources for aid. The third quarter coin offering has provided \$155.87 for this fund thus far. Since January 1, 2009, FUMC through the Pastor's Discretionary Fund has assisted about 70 individuals/families with over \$5,000 in aid. Five Sundays remain in this quarter to contribute your coins; however, you can contribute to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund anytime with your designated giving.

Thank you! for generously giving to the coin offering.

U.M.W.

United Methodist Women
N E W S

Warsaw District UMW Annual Meeting: On Saturday, September 12, 2009, 1st UMC's unit of UMW will be hosting Warsaw District members for a "Celebration of Our Years as Warsaw District." (Warsaw District will be "no more" with the restructuring to form one Indiana Conference of UMW.) Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by breakfast at

9:00. The *Celebration* begins at 10:00—there will be **no business meeting**. There will be a collection of items for Lucille Raines Residence's *Bathtub Ministry*. Needed items include personal toiletries for men and women, laundry supplies, paper products, individual servings of food (e.g. pudding, fruit), peanut butter, jelly, instant coffee, tea bags, and hot chocolate. Lucille Raines Residence is a transitional living facility in Indianapolis supported by Indiana Conference UMW.

Chicken & Pork Chop BBQ Fundraiser: UMW's annual Rally Day Chicken & Pork BBQ Fundraiser is Sunday, September 13. Members are selling tickets in advance at all worship services through September 6. In addition to BBQ chicken and pork chops, UMW will have Nelson's delicious *Pit-tatoes* available for purchase! Also, FUMC youth will be serving dessert and drinks in Fellowship Hall to complete your meal. Watch for more details in upcoming worship folders.

UMW Community Kitchen: Wednesday, September 30 is First Church UMW's next opportunity to provide food and volunteers for the Community Kitchen. The menu includes chili, hot dogs, salad, cookies and brownies. You can get your name on the list to provide food or volunteer to work that day by contacting Jan Wilcox (call 858-9548 or email her at janice_jean57@hotmail.com), signing up in the Atrium or Welcome Center at The Connection, or calling the Church Office (267-6933). Anyone from the Church Family is invited to participate!

Fall Cleaning "Must-Have": Again this year, UMW has "STREAK-LESS" microfiber cleaning cloths available to purchase--\$4 each or 3 for \$10. Proceeds are designated for UMCOR's flood relief fund for Northern Indiana. The cloths are available in the Church Office during the week or on Sunday mornings by contacting Kathee Reed, Ann Gephart, Priscilla Waidley, or Jan Wilcox. *Thank you for your support!!!*

Ongoing Activities: UMW continues to collect **BOXTOPS for EDUCATION** from General Foods cereal boxes and **Labels for Education** (actually, the UPC bar code/proof of purchase) from Campbell soup cans. Other products also qualify for these programs. UMW sends the boxtops and bar codes to Bashor Children's Home for the on-campus Bashor Alternative School. The collection containers and more information can be found on the shelves by the elevator in the Atrium and on a table near the Welcome Center at The Connection. **Baby Bundles**, UMW's ministry of providing a layette to new mothers in need at KCH, is always in need of disposable diapers. The layettes also include small toys, sleepers, onesies, and crib and receiving blankets. All items should be "newborn" size and new, not used. Any contributions can be taken to the Church Office. *Thank you!*

KOSCIUSKO CROP WALK 2009

This year's walk starts at the Center Lake Pavilion on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 1:15 p.m. Please join the walk to benefit local food programs and Church World Services. If you prefer not to walk... there will be individuals from First Church to walk for you — for a donation, of course! This event will be promoted as more information becomes available.



YOUTH PAGE



ATTENTION YOUTH GRADES 6-12!!!!

Youth Praise Team will begin rehearsing on **Wednesdays** from 5:30-6:15PM at **The Connection** beginning on September 16th.

If you sing or if you play an instrument, please come and join this group. We have a **great** time with **great** music while praising our **great** God!!!

Any questions? Contact Dianne Ratliff (269-4728 or ratliff4728@gmail.com)



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Youth Group for 6th - 12th graders begins on September 13th 6 -8 pm @ the Connection.
(Snacks provided, but eat dinner before you come.)

Contact Pastor Tom @ tream@warsawfumc.org or 267-6933 with questions.

Illuminate - Fall Youth Rally at Epworth Forest

Sunday, September 20, 2009 2:30 pm -7:00pm
Featured Artists/Speaker: This Beautiful Republic, Run Kid Run, and Jared Hall (an illusionist). Find out more at <http://www.impact2818.org/illuminate.html>.
Cost: \$10 for the concerts (bring a sack dinner).
We will depart from the downtown campus parking lot at 2:30pm and return at 7:30pm.
Pastor Tom will have registration forms available at the first youth meeting or in the church office.

Full Meal Deal

You heard us right, the Full Meal Deal, and it is no longer just available at DQ . On Rally Day, September 13th, the youth will be providing the everything that you could want to make the UMW Nelson's Chicken and/or Pork Chops a complete meal. The youth will be set up in the Fellowship Hall to provide a hot side, a cold side, a dessert, and a beverage for a suggested donation of \$3. Dine-in and carry-out will both be available. Proceeds to be used for the Youth Mission Trip.



KIDS NIGHT OUT 2009-2010

Kids Night Out (KNO) begins Wednesday, Sept. 16. This program includes dinner, a Bible study, crafts, games, and rehearsals for the children's choirs. Parents are welcome to eat with their children (a donation is requested).

The Methodist Gang is for children K-2nd grade and Kids' Praise is for 3rd-6th graders. Both choirs participate in worship on a monthly basis. Claire Elliott directs the children's choirs. Contact Claire at 269-7833 with questions.

KNO evening schedule:

- 5:30-5:45 Gathering/Recreation
- 5:45-6:15 Dinner
- 6:15-6:45 Methodist Gang lesson/Kids' Praise rehearsal
- 6:50-7:20 Kids' Praise lesson/Methodist Gang Rehearsal
- 7:20-7:30 Closing prayer and dismissal

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!!!

Help! We need your college/university addresses for this school year. Especially you College Freshman students. If we have your contact information, you'll receive the monthly CHIMES, notes from your church family, and those wonderful COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES sent packed with lots of goodies and surprises during the year.

So, either complete the form that will be included in the church bulletins over the next couple of weeks, or e-mail your information to Ann in the church office at abaker@warsawfumc.org. We'll need your name, college or university name, address, phones, e-mail and your parent's name. Thanks for your help.



ANGER and MANAGEMENT

I had a man come to see me for counseling about 25 years ago complaining he had no friends. Fred (not his real name) said he could not keep friends he met, that they just stopped calling him and made excuses why they could not do things together. His family had already "disowned" him because he always argued with them. After three sessions with him it was clear to me Fred had a problem managing his anger. I told him he had an anger management problem and it affected all of his relationships.

When he came in for his fourth session, he announced in a very loud voice and pointing his index finger at me, "John, when you told me I had a problem with my anger, that Reeeally Ticked Me Off!!!". Now normally when people tell me they are angry, I am usually cool, calm and collected. Fred happens to be a heavy equipment operator, standing 6' 8" and weighing 285 lbs., broad at the shoulder and narrow at the hip; his index finger was as big as my wrist!

I stood up and looked him straight into his armpit and said, "Sit Down Fred! And shut your mouth! Or I won't let you come see me anymore!". Fred did as I told him and we then

began to calmly talk about how he affects other people with his emotions.

Often when people tell me they are angry, I think of "change". When we get angry we want something to be different than it is. It can be a situation, a person or ourselves. Each of us can think of 25 examples in just this last week when we were angry. Anger is a normal emotion that we all have and express. It can be in the form of an irritation, an annoyance or dissatisfaction. It can be over a little bitty thing or a huge unjustifiable incident. It is perhaps the easiest and most common emotion to express.

I am going to write about anger in a three part series because it is such an important part of our social and emotional lives. What I would like all of you readers to do is to "notice" when you get angry. When and how do you get angry and how is it connected to "change". Think about Fred, what was he "ticked off" about and what did he do about it.

God is faithful and we are connected to Him through our faith and our prayers.

The Counseling Connection
Michele M. Carter, LMHC
John W. Florentine, M.A.

Year-to-Date Income and Expenses through July 2009

	Budgeted YTD	Actual YTD
Income from pledges	\$262,145.90	\$226,105.23
Income from non-pledges	52,500.00	44,729.42
Income from loose offering	4,666.65	5,486.24
Other income (church school, facility use, grants)	19,941.65	20,559.69
Total income	339,254.20	\$296,880.58
Expenses:	\$343,536.99	345,190.94
Total Income Less Expenses:	- 4,282.79	- 48,310.36

WORSHIP STATISTICS

	ATTENDANCE		GIVING	
	Time	Count	Category	Amount
Aug. 2	8:00	113	Offering	9,028.50
			Missions	275.00
	9:30	98	Coin	52.24
Aug. 9			Building Fund	625.00
	11:07	90	Youth Penny	0
	8:00	132	Offering	10,303.00
Aug. 16			Missions	90.30
	9:30	74	Coin	44.89
			Building Fund	648.00
Aug. 23	11:07	111	Youth Penny	18.00
	8:00	132	Offering	8,753.50
			Missions	0
Aug. 23	9:30	74	Coin	42.27
			Building Fund	1,897.00
	11:07	119	Youth Penny	0
Aug. 23	8:00	87	Offering	10,810.00
			Missions	22.00
	9:30	79	Coin	50.23
Aug. 23			Building Fund	167.00
	11:07	108	Youth Penny	0

NOTE FROM THE TRUSTEES....

The Trustees have done diligent work in monitoring and setting heating/cooling programs to keep our costs down. Thousands of dollars have been saved over the past year and we want to continue to see this trend.

However, there has been recent tampering with the thermostats in both locations. The Connection Campus was quite warm a few Sundays in a row... someone had turned the thermostats to heat! The Downtown Sanctuary thermostats were set at a very cool 55 degrees and at another time, the thermostats were turned off. These problems have been corrected.

We ask that you, please, not adjust the thermostats in the buildings. If you feel heating/cooling needs addressed, contact the church office or one of pastors.

Thank you.

SEPTEMBER

TUESDAY, 9/1

9:00 a.m. Parents Morning Out
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning—Board Room
6:00 p.m. Education Committee—Parlor
6:00 p.m. Bridge—CC
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group—Chapel
7:00 p.m. N.A.M.I. (mental health)—Room 3
7:30 p.m. AA—Room 203/3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, 9/2

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Board Room
11:00 a.m. Community Kitchen
12:00 p.m. District "Brown Bag"
Bible Study—CC
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room
7:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Parlor

THURSDAY, 9/3

6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Board Room
9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry—Room 3
10:00 a.m. Thursday UMW Circle—Parlor

FRIDAY, 9/4

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

SATURDAY, 9/5

Labor Day Weekend

SUNDAY, 9/6

8:00 a.m. Lucerne Park Service
(Blessing of Pets) LAST SUNDAY
9:30 a.m. Traditional Service Downtown
11:07 a.m. Contemporary Service—CC
7:30 p.m. AA—CC

MONDAY, 9/7—LABOR DAY/ OFFICE

CLOSED

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts/Bears—Room 2

TUESDAY, 9/8

9:00 a.m. Parents Morning Out
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning—Board Room
6:00 p.m. Bridge—CC
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group—Chapel
7:00 p.m. N.A.M.I. (mental health)—Room 3
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 730—CC
7:00 p.m. Monday Evening UMW Circle
7:30 p.m. AA—Room 203/3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, 9/9

8:00 a.m. Stroke Detection Screening—CC
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Board Room
11:00 a.m. Community Kitchen
12:00 p.m. District "Brown Bag"
Bible Study—CC

6:00 p.m. Tri-Kappa—Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

7:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Parlor

THURSDAY, 9/10

6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Board Room
9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry—Room 3
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (2010)
Info Meeting—Parlor

7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal—CC

FRIDAY, 9/11

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

SATURDAY, 9/12

8:30 a.m. District U.M.W. Annual Meeting
9:00 a.m. Lakeland Arts Association
Annual Style Show—CC

SUNDAY, 9/13 — RALLY SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service Downtown
10:00 a.m. U.M.W. Chicken BBQ Fundraiser
—Downtown Parking Lot
—Youth Fundraiser—F. Hall
10:10 a.m. Sunday School—Downtown
10:10 a.m. The Big Idea—CC
11:07 a.m. Contemporary Service—CC
4:00 p.m. Small Group/Becknell—Parlor
6:00 p.m. Disciple II—Confirmation Room

6:00 p.m. Youth Groups—CC

7:30 p.m. AA—CC

MONDAY, 9/14

9:15 a.m. Monday UMW Circle—Parlor
5:30 p.m. Yoga Fitness—CC
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Leader Trng—F. Hall
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts/Bears—Room 2
7:00 p.m. Open Basketball—CC

TUESDAY, 9/15

9:00 a.m. Parents Morning Out
9:00 a.m. Bible Study/Ream—F. Hall
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning—Board Room
11:30 a.m. U.M.W. general mtg.—F. Hall
12:00 p.m. Finance Committee—Room 3
6:00 p.m. Trustees—CC
6:00 p.m. Bridge—CC
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group—Chapel
7:00 p.m. N.A.M.I. (mental health)—Room 3
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 730—CC
7:30 p.m. AA—Room 203/3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, 9/16 — CHIMES articles due

9:00 a.m. Disciple I continues—Room 3
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Board Room
11:30 a.m. Community Kitchen
12:00 p.m. District "Brown Bag"
Bible Study—CC

5:30 p.m. Strength/Stretch Fitness—CC

5:30 p.m. Kids Night Out Activities—CC

5:45 p.m. Dinner

6:15 p.m. Methodist Gang lesson

/Kid's Praise Rehearsal

6:50 p.m. Kid's Praise lesson/
Methodist Gang Rehearsal

Closing Prayer/dismissal

7:20 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Study Group/Kaster—CC

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

7:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Parlor

THURSDAY, 9/17

6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Board Room
9:30 a.m. Disciple I—Parlor
9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry/Small Group—
Room 3
5:30 p.m. Interval Training Fitness—CC
7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal—CC
7:00 p.m. Disciple I—Parlor

FRIDAY, 9/18

6:30 p.m. Round Dance—CC

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

SATURDAY, 9/19

7:30 p.m. Warsaw Squares—CC

SUNDAY, 9/20

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service Downtown
10:10 a.m. Sunday School Downtown
10:10 a.m. "Big Idea" —CC
11:07 a.m. Contemporary Service—CC
2:30 p.m. Fall Youth Rally—Epworth Forest
4:00 p.m. Small Group/Becknell—Parlor
6:00 p.m. Disciple II—Confirmation Room
7:30 p.m. AA—CC

MONDAY, 9/21

5:30 p.m. Yoga Fitness—CC
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Leader Training—
Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts/Bears—Room 2

7:00 p.m. Open Basketball—CC

TUESDAY, 9/22

9:00 a.m. Parents Morning Out
9:00 a.m. Bible Study/Ream—Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning—Board Room
6:00 p.m. Bridge—CC
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group—Chapel
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 730—CC
7:00 p.m. N.A.M.I. (mental health)—Room 3
7:30 p.m. AA—Room 203/3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, 9/23 — CHIMES mailed out

9:00 a.m. Disciple I continues—Room 3
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Board Room

11:30 a.m. Community Kitchen

12:00 p.m. District "Brown Bag"

Bible Study—CC

5:30 p.m. Strength/Stretch Fitness—CC

5:30 p.m. Kids Night Out Activities (dinner)

5:45 p.m. Dinner

6:15 p.m. Methodist Gang lesson/
Kid's Praise Rehearsal

6:50 p.m. Kid's Praise lesson/
Methodist Gang Rehearsal

Closing Prayer/dismissal

7:20 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Study Group/Kaster—CC

6:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. AA—Board Room

7:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Parlor

THURSDAY, 9/24

6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Board Room

9:30 a.m. Disciple I—Parlor

9:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry—Room 3

5:30 p.m. Interval Training Fitness—CC

7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal—CC

7:00 p.m. Disciple I—Parlor

FRIDAY, 9/25

4:00 p.m. 4th Friday Scrapbooking—CC

7:30 p.m. AA—Board Room

SATURDAY, 9/26

8:00 a.m. Cub Scout Leader Training—CC

SUNDAY, 9/27

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service Downtown

10:10 a.m. Sunday School Downtown

10:10 a.m. "Big Idea" —CC

11:07 a.m. Contemporary Service—CC

1:15 p.m. Kosciusko Crop Walk 2009

4:00 p.m. Small Group/Becknell—Parlor

6:00 p.m. Disciple II—Confirmation Room

6:00 p.m. Youth Groups—CC

7:30 p.m. AA—CC

MONDAY, 9/28

9:15 a.m. Monday UMW Circle—Parlor

5:30 p.m. Yoga Fitness—CC

7:00 p.m. Open Basketball—CC

7:00 p.m. Steve Hall Piano Concert
—Sanctuary

TUESDAY, 9/29

9:00 a.m. Parents Morning Out

9:00 a.m. Bible Study/Ream—Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Worship Planning—Board Room

6:00 p.m. Bridge—CC

6:00 p.m. Prayer Group—Chapel

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 730—CC

7:00 p.m. N.A.M.I. (mental health)—Room 3

7:30 p.m. AA—Room 203/3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, 9/30

9:00 a.m. Disciple I continues—Room 3

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Board Room

11:30 a.m. Community Kitchen

12:00 p.m. District "Brown Bag"
Bible Study—CC

5:30 p.m. Strength/Stretch Fitness—CC

5:30 p.m. Kids Night Out Activities—CC

5:45 p.m. Dinner

6:15 p.m. Methodist Gang lesson/
Kid's Praise Rehearsal

6:50 p.m. Kid's Praise lesson/
Methodist Gang Rehearsal

Closing Prayer/dismissal

7:20 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Study Group/Kaster—CC

6:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. AA—Board Room

7:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Parlor

Upcoming Worship Opportunities
8:00 a.m. Lucerne Park ~ Last Sunday Sept. 6
9:30 a.m. Downtown, 11:07 a.m. The Connection

Sunday, August 30, 2009 — Pastor Carmer ~ “In Sync” ~ James 1:17-27
 Sunday, Sept. 6 — Blessing of the Pets (only at the 8 a.m. Service/Lucerne Park) ~ Mark 7:24-37
 Sunday, Sept. 13 — RALLY DAY ~ Pastor Toni Carmer ~ Mark 8:27-38
 Sunday, Sept. 20 — Pastor Tom Ream ~ James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a
 Sunday, Sept. 27 — Pastor Toni Carmer ~ Mark 9:38-50
 Sunday, Oct. 4 — World Communion Sunday ~ Pastor Toni Carmer

Our Mission Statement

First United Methodist Church embraces salvation in Jesus Christ and is committed to building a community of love.

We will be a church that:

- * Proclaims God’s gift of love and grace offered to people everywhere
- * Provides Biblically-based worship that touches our daily lives
- * Guides children, youth, and adults through dynamic Christian Education
- * Offers vital and relevant youth ministry
- * Draws upon the leadership and experience of senior adults
- * Invites and welcomes all people
- * Prays and cares for one another

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