

News & Notes Continued

ALL-STARS! All 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are invited to our first All-Stars of the year! Join us **Wednesday, September 9, 5:30—7:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall. We will have dinner together, learn bible stories, play games, make new friends and have a lot of fun! Dinner is provided (suggested donation of \$3).

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN—Reserve **Saturday, September 12, 12:00-2:00 PM** for food, fun and fellowship at our "Getting To Know You" event! All women are invited!

PRIME TIME will meet **Monday, September 14** for lunch (\$5) at **12:00 PM** (second Monday of September due to Labor Day). Please make your lunch reservations by 10:00 AM on Friday, September 11. Also please start saving plastic grocery bags & the plastic sleeves that cover newspapers. Ruth Morgenthaler will teach us how to "recycle" them by making pads for the homeless (PADS) to sleep on. We will be cutting & knotting—nothing too difficult, plus we can visit all we want while doing a useful project. Sounds like a winner! PLEASE BRING PLASTIC BAGS, SCISSORS & YOUR ENTHUSIASM! (If others would like to donate plastic grocery/newspaper bags as well, please put them in the kitchen labeled "for Jan." Thank you!

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE—**FAITH:** It doesn't make things easy, it makes them possible. If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please contact Stephen Ministry Leaders Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.

2016 PANAMA MISSION TRIP is in need of these supplies for the Panama children: crayons (8, 16, or 24), pencils, stickers, and VERY THIN coloring books. We can also use toothpaste, toothbrushes (children and adult sizes) and "beanie babies" or very small stuffed animals. Drop donations in the Panama Bin in Fellowship Hall or in the church office. Thank you for your support! Questions? Call Becky Traut (847-367-0295) or Linda Kraemer (847-816-8896).

WILL YOU HELP? PADS SITE MANAGERS NEEDED. PADS will begin the first week of October, and we are in need of additional site managers. If you would be willing to work as a site manager one Saturday evening, 6:00-11:00 PM, each month, from October to April, please let Cathy O'Brien know. We need 1 man and 1 woman (but not necessarily a couple, so anyone can serve.) If enough people volunteer, it could be every OTHER month, instead of every month. Call Cathy O'Brien at 847-367-8062 to sign up or with questions.

YES, PADS BLANKETS still need to be washed! Please take 2 or 3 blankets home, wash them, and bring them back at the end of the summer (so the washed blankets stay separate from those not yet washed). Blankets can be found on the back counter of Fellowship Hall. Thank you so much!

ELECTRONIC GIVING! As you look toward fall schedules, why not also consider scheduling your giving, by making a move to the new electronic giving option? Monthly electronic fund transfers (EFTs) can be set up through the Church's bank to make your contributions regularly. Registration forms are available from the Church Finance or Main Office. Questions can be directed to Ruth Ross, Business/Operations Manager, at the church.

ALTAR FLOWERS! Call the church or go to our website (www.umcl.org/altar_flowers) to sign up to provide altar flowers in honor of, or in memory of, special people and events. August, September and October dates are available! Cut flowers arranged in a vase from your own garden are welcome as well. Contact: Joannie Foley at foleyszoo@aol.com.

IMAGINE NO MALARIA—UMCL has answered our Bishop's Challenge by pledging to raise \$30,000 for the Imagine No Malaria initiative by the end of 2016. Offering envelopes are available on the side tables for any time you would like to make a donation. Questions? Contact Kevin Garren at 847-816-7340 or visit www.imagenomalaria.org.

SECOND MILE GIVING FOR AUGUST will help support: **1) Aprendiendo Jugando.** Founded over 20 years ago at Hawthorn School District 73 in Vernon Hills by long-time UMCL member Ruth Brockman, this program provides enrichment activities for Hispanic children in the 1st through 5th grades. Funding helps provide a healthy after school snack, after school programs and a safe bus ride home for the children at the end of their extended school day. (District 73 Hawthorn School of Dual Language, 847-990-4900, www.dual.hawthorn73.org. **2) Grace Children's Hospital and Pediatric Clinic, Haiti.** A Northern Illinois Conference Advance project, this facility provides care for children and families with tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, chronic illness, and those impacted by the earthquake. Located in Port au Prince, the hospital specializes in providing much-needed immediate care and follow-up clinic care. (www.umcmmission.org/projects)

Church Calendar

Sunday, August 16, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:30 AM—Summer Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
9:30 AM—Sunday School for children & youth meets in Education Wing
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
11:00 AM—Children's Ministry Committee
6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, August 17, 2015

7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Faithful Threads (off site)
7:00 PM—Resource Committee
7:00 PM—Stephen Ministry
Wednesday, August 19, 2015
9:00 AM—MEMOS
9:30 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
7:00 PM—Ruth Circle (off site)

Thursday, August 20, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
Friday, August 21, 2015
11:00 AM—UMCL at "Out To Lunch" in Cook Park

Saturday, August 22, 2015

~ No Scheduled Activities ~

Sunday, August 23, 2015

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:30 AM—Summer Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
9:30 AM—Sunday School for children & youth meets in Education Wing (Promotion Sunday)
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE

Monday, August 24, 2015

7:00 PM—Troop #72

7:00 PM—UMW Leadership Team

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA

7:00 PM—Faithful Threads (off site)

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

9:30 AM—Staff Meeting

9:45 AM—Lectio Divina

Thursday, August 27, 2015

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA

7:00 PM—Staff Parish Relations Committee

Friday, August 28, 2015

5:15 PM—Confirmation Retreat Departs

6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum

Saturday, August 29, 2015

9:00 AM—Sunday School Teacher Brunch

11:30 AM—Golf Outing

5:15 PM—Confirmation Retreat Returns



The United Methodist Church of Libertyville

August 16, 2015

9:30 AM

The Season of Pentecost

Today's Scripture Passage

We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord: you must no longer live as the Gentiles live, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart. They have lost all sensitivity and have abandoned themselves to licentiousness, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. That is not the way you learned Christ! For surely you have heard about him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus. You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

—Ephesians 4:14-24

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A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

PASTORS

Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams

Summer Service ~ 9:30 am



Greetings & Announcements (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)

We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

Prelude "When I Can Read My Title Clear" B. Nix

*** Call to Worship** Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Leader The Holy Spirit has given us life and pours on us the power to become new people!

People The winds of the spirit have given us breath and the fire of the spirit has enkindled in us a love for God and each other.

Leader Come here with open hearts, ready to grow and flourish.

People We open our lives to the presence of God and trust God's promise to us that we can live new lives of freedom and grace. May God help us to be true people of the Spirit, letting holy surprises fill our days!

*** Opening Hymn** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" No. 402

Congregational Prayer A Prayer by Howard Thurman

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Here is the citadel of all my desiring, where my hopes are born and all the deep resolutions of my spirit take wings. In this center, my fears are nourished, and all my hates are nurtured. Here my loves are cherished, and all the deep hungers of my spirit are honored without quivering and without shock. In my heart, above all else, let love and integrity envelope me until my love is perfected and the last vestige of my desiring is no longer in conflict with thy Spirit. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Amen.

Musical Response "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" K. Medema

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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First Scripture Reading Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

Solo "People Need the Lord" McHugh/Nelson
Mark Schweitzer

Community CONNECT

- Where have you seen signs of things growing and flourishing in the world around you this year?
- What has helped you to grow spiritually?

Sharing our Joys and Concerns** Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer No. 895

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

** Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the Fellowship Hall. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you.

*** Hymn** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" No. 454

Second Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:14-24

Sermon "Grow & Flourish" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory "I Will Follow" C. Tomlin

* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

* Prayer of Dedication

*** Closing Hymn** "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)" Praise Band

Verse 1 You call me out upon the waters, the great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find you in the mystery, in oceans deep, my faith will stand.

Chorus 1 And I will call upon your name, and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in your embrace,
For I am yours and you are mine.

Verse 2 Your grace abounds in deepest waters,
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me,
You've never failed and you won't start now.

Bridge Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,
Let me walk upon the waters, wherever you would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger, in the presence of my Savior.
(Repeat)

Chorus 2 I will call upon your name, keep my eyes above the waves.
My soul will rest in your embrace. I am yours and you are mine.

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*** Pastoral Benediction**

Postlude "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It" M. Hayes



A Warm Welcome to All!

We are so glad you have chosen to share with us in worship this morning! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table at the entrance to Fellowship Hall to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (Joyce.Bedell@umcl.org), for more information about our church family. All are invited to stay after the service for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing. We look forward to meeting you!

Many thanks to the following people for helping
with our service this morning!

Sound Tech: Darin Chartier

Praise Band: Woody Bedell, Jeff Brown, Jeff Davis,
Jeanette Frisbey, Tom Seibert, Tim Tonon, Jamie Twedell

August Ushers: John Aten, Bob Kowal, Wes Swearingin, Clem Vath
Coffee Fellowship: Please join us for coffee and refreshments after the service
and hosted by Al and Karen Kuhlman.

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EXTRAVAGANZA - RALLY DAY & ALL-CHURCH PICNIC! Join us on **August 30** for Family Sunday and an ALL-church picnic! Children and youth are invited to bring their backpacks or totes to the worship service for the annual "**Backpack Blessing**" as the 2015-2016 school year begins. (Sunday School will NOT meet on August 30). Following the service we will come together for an All-Church Extravaganza in the Grove next door, with food, games, pony rides, bouncy castle and activities for all ages! Grilled hot dogs, fried chicken, and drinks will be provided. You are welcome to bring a blanket or chairs, a picnic or dish to pass, and a joyous spirit. The Spiritual Growth Committee will launch its "Connect, Grow, Impact" Campaign, providing adults with all kinds of ways to get involved in the church this fall. Tours of the Sanctuary and new Entry Area will also be offered that day. Don't miss this special time of celebration, worship and fellowship! Save the date!

SUNDAY SCHOOL Kids are invited to **Promotion Sunday on August 23 during the 9:30 AM service.** We will be graduating to the next grade and making decorations for our new classrooms!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NAME CHANGE! We are looking for a fun, kid-friendly name for our "Sunday School" program. You can still submit your new name ideas through TODAY! Visit the table upstairs in the Education Wing to enter; winners will be announced on August 30!

TEACHER BRUNCH! A Sunday School and Kids Own Worship Teacher Brunch will be held on **Saturday August 29, 9:00 to 11:00 AM.** This brunch is a way for volunteers to get to know one another, share ideas and learn some new teaching tips. Anyone who has taught over the years or is interested in teaching is invited to this event! Childcare will be provided. Please RSVP to Amanda Seibert if you are able to attend.

TEACHERS NEEDED—Our Sunday School classes are in need of teachers for the fall! We ask volunteers to commit for a month at a time, or find a friend to share a month with. Please sign up at the bulletin board across from the nursery or contact Amanda Seibert at Amanda.Seibert@umcl.org

RUTH CIRCLE will meet on **Wednesday, August 19, 7:00 PM** at the home of Janet Hartkopf (24671 W. Russell Lane, Mundelein, IL, 847-526-8416). We look forward to hearing Steve Neil tell us about the "ins and outs" of his position as Lay Leader of our church, as well as what the attraction is that has kept him on the Youth Council for many years! If you would like to carpool to Janet's home, please call her and she will make arrangements. All are welcome!

NINTH ANNUAL UMCL GOLF CLASSIC & DINNER will be held on **Saturday, August 29.** Please join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship on the golf links with consecutive tee times starting at 11:30 AM, at Steeple Chase Golf Club, a Mundelein Park District course, at 200 N. La Vista Drive in Mundelein. Entry fee for the event will be \$80 per person which includes greens fees with cart and a catered dinner from Catered Productions at 5:30 PM at the home of Jack and Linda Kraemer in Libertyville. Non-golfers are welcome to join the Dinner at a cost of \$15 per person. For more information, or to reserve a spot, please contact Scott Allen, 847-217-9067 (scott.r.allen@jci.com), or call the church office at 847-362-2112.

SCHOOL BAGS FOR UMCOR—Please return filled school bags as soon as possible. Contact June McCoy (847-849-0530) if you are able to help bring the school bags to the United Methodist Committee on Relief Distribution Center in Chatham, near Springfield, Illinois. Thank you to all who have made this mission a success!

BUILDING ACCESS DURING CONSTRUCTION

- The Sanctuary, East Room, and Foyer are now closed with no admittance to anyone. There is no access to the building from the parking lot doors or the boiler room. On Sundays, you may utilize the west parking lot exterior doors only to reach the elevator. Fellowship Hall and Brainerd entrances are accessible. An ADA ramp is in place at the Brainerd (Education Wing) entrance. There are two handicapped parking spots by the Brainerd entrance.
- Thank you for being considerate of those who are unable to walk longer distances by utilizing the library parking lot or perhaps carpooling to church with a neighbor.
- Thank you as well for not parking at any time along the drive entering the parking lot. This entire drive must be kept clear for safe access to the parking lot.
- Check out www.umcl.org/building-access for all building updates and access information.