

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** on July 18th- 22nd from 9:00am to noon. Children, preschool through 5th grade are invited to come and experience a week at Cave Quest!

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SUNDAY JULY 10th!**

Registration forms are available in the office or on our website [www.umcl.org/vbs](http://www.umcl.org/vbs).

**VOLUNTEER** opportunities are still available!

**SNACK DONATIONS NEEDED!** Donation slips are available in the Community Room. Please take as many as you feel you can fulfill by July 17th.

**VBS T-shirt decals and music CDs** will be available for pick up in the Community Room on Sunday, July 10th and 17th after the 10:00 service. Mark your calendars for Youth & VBS Celebration Sunday on July 24th.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** –Sunday School teachers are needed June through August! Since people are busy with summer travel we are changing our teaching commitment to a week at a time. This means we need A LOT more volunteers than usual! Please email [amanda.seibert@umcl.org](mailto:amanda.seibert@umcl.org) if you are able to give up an hour or two of your summer!!

**SECOND MILE GIVING FOR JULY WILL HELP SUPPORT**

**Midwest Mission Distribution Center** – Operated by the North Central Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church and located in Chatham, Illinois, this disaster relief facility functions as a depot in the UMCOR Relief-Supply Network. It provides disaster relief kits and resources, as well as educational and medical supplies to those in need both locally and internationally. Please go to the Relief-Supply Network tab at [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org), or call 217-483-7911 for more information.

**Prisoner Release Ministry** – This Joliet-based organization was founded by a group of United Methodist men and women from the Northern Illinois Conference, and has found over 15,000 jobs for men and women clients since June 1, 1976. It is estimated that 65% of their clients have remained out of prison and are doing well in their communities. For more information, please go to [www.prisonerreleaseministry.com](http://www.prisonerreleaseministry.com), or call 815-730-8541.

**Calendar**

**Sunday, July 3, 2016**

8:15 AM—Explorers Adult Class  
8:30 AM—Cornerstone Adult Class  
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time Sunday School  
10:00 AM—Summer Unity Service  
9:30 AM—Coffee Time  
11:00 AM—Kids’ Own Worship (room201)

**Monday, July 4, 2016**

7:00 PM—Troop 72  
7:00 PM—UMW Leadership

**Tuesday, July 5, 2016**

12:00/7:30 PM—AA Living Free

**Wednesday, July 6, 2016**

8:45AM—Memos  
9:30 AM— Staff Meeting  
9:45 AM—Lectio  
7:00 PM—Junior High Tide

**Thursday, July 7, 2016**

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—Praise Band

**Friday, July 8, 2016**

No Scheduled Activities

**Saturday, July 9, 2016**

1:30 PM—Praise Band

**Sunday, July 10, 2016**

8:15 AM—Explorers Adult Class  
8:30 AM—Cornerstone Adult Class  
9:00 AM—Pancake Breakfast  
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time Sunday School  
10:00 AM—Summer Unity Service  
9:30 AM—Coffee Time  
11:00 AM—Kids’ Own Worship (room201)

**Monday, July 11, 2016**

5:45 PM—Daisies

**Tuesday, July 12, 2016**

10:30 AM—Sr. High Six Flags  
12:00/7:30 PM—AA Living Free  
7:00 PM—Stephen Ministry  
7:00 PM—Endowment

**Wednesday, July 13, 2016**

9:30 AM— Staff Meeting  
9:45 AM—Lectio  
7:00 PM—Junior High Tide

**Thursday, July 14, 2016**

9:30 AM— Faith Circle  
12:00 PM—Living Free/AA  
7:00 PM—Praise Band

**Friday, July 15, 2016**

No Scheduled Activities



**The United Methodist Church  
of Libertyville**

July 3, 2016

10:00 AM

**Summer Unity Service**

**Today’s Scripture Passage**

**Ephesians 1:1-10**

*From Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by God’s will.  
To the holy and faithful people in Christ Jesus in Ephesus.  
Grace and peace to you from God our Father and our  
Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Bless the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! He has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing that comes from heaven. God chose us in Christ to be holy and blameless in God’s presence before the creation of the world. God destined us to be his adopted children through Jesus Christ because of his love. This was according to his goodwill and plan and to honor his glorious grace that he has given to us freely through the Son whom he loves. We have been ransomed through his Son’s blood, and we have forgiveness for our failures based on his overflowing grace, which he poured over us with wisdom and understanding. God revealed his hidden design to us, which is according to his goodwill and the plan that he intended to accomplish through his Son. This is what God planned for the climax of all times: to bring all things together in Christ, the things in heaven along with the things on earth.*

**Happy Fourth of July Weekend!**



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**A Stephen Ministry Congregation**

**PASTORS**

**Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams**



**Gathering Music** Patriotic Medley Jim Grace

**Greeting & Announcements**

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.

Thank you for passing the attendance pads at this time.

**Opening Video** "An Independence Day Prayer"

**\*Call to Worship**

**Leader** Gracious and loving Creator, we come today in a spirit of joy;

**People** We come to celebrate your love in our midst;

**Leader** We come here secure and assured--

**People** Of your forgiveness and truth,

**Leader** Your salvation and joy,

**People** Your sustaining love and your alluring will.

**Leader** Yet in this hour we know, too, and confess our weakness--

**People** Our faltering faith and our broken lives.

**Leader** Lead us, great God, into wholeness and holiness, justice and peace.

**People** We ask for your powerful presence and gracious blessing, in Jesus' name. Amen.

**\*Opening Song** "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)" M. Redmond  
The Praise Band

**Opening Prayer** Ben Hallett

**Children's Message** Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

**\*Congregational Hymn** "America the Beautiful" No. 696

**Community Sharing**

Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

\* 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.

**Special Music** "The Lord Bless You And Keep You" P. Lutkin  
Jeff Brown

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:22-26

**Scripture Reading** Ephesians 1:1-10

**Sermon** "The Wholeness of God" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

**Holy Communion** "In The Garden" M. Hayes  
Cynthia Nash-Fry, Piano

As you come forward for Holy Communion, we invite you to bring your offering and place it in the baskets provided. The United Methodist Church has an open table. All who are seeking the grace of God are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The Communion Rail is also open for prayer. (Gluten free wafers are available)

**\*Closing Song** "Shine, Jesus, Shine" G. Kendrick

**\*Blessing**

**Postlude** "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Reprise



**Thought for the day**

"God longs for wholeness and joy for each of us and for all of creation."  
- Mary Lou Redding, The Power of the Focused Heart

**A Warm Welcome to All!**

We are so glad you have chosen to share with us in worship this morning! All are invited to stay after the service for coffee, refreshments, and sharing in our new Community Room.

If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Desk at the new front entrance to the church to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (Joyce.Bedell@umcl.org) We look forward to meeting you!



**SPIRITED SUMMER WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP 10:00AM**

July 10th- Pastor Steve preaching on The Good Samaritan, Luke 10:25-37

Pancake Breakfast before church at 9:00 AM

July 17th- Guest Speaker, Reverend Debbie Fisher

July 24th-Children & Youth Celebration Sunday, VBS/ASP

Sizzling Cookout after church

July 31st- Pastor Jamie preaching

**GUEST SPEAKER** On July 17, Rev. Deborah L. Fisher will be our guest speaker. Before her retirement in 2012, Rev. Fisher was the pastor of Grace UMC in Lake Bluff. She is an excellent preacher and leader who served as the District Superintendent for the Chicago Northwestern District and then the Aurora District from 1994-2001. During her 32 years of active service in the Northern Illinois Conference, she also chaired both the Board of Ordained Ministry and the Board of Church and Society. She will be preaching on Luke 18:1-8 and Amos 5:21-24. Please join us and welcome Pastor Debbie to our congregation!

**PRIME-TIME** Prime Time will meet on the 2nd Monday, July 11th at noon. (1st Mon. is a holiday). Cathy O'Brien will entertain us with her pictures and adventures in Morocco. Please sign up by Thursday July 7th. Hope to see you!

**FAITH CIRCLE** will be meeting on Thursday, July 14th at 9:30am. We will be helping DeeAnn prepare for VBS. We will provide child care that morning. Children of all ages are welcome as we have tasks they can help with usually. Please wear clothes that can get messy. In years past, we have painted. Please contact Andrea West 847-356-3846 (adwest5@yahoo.com) for more information.

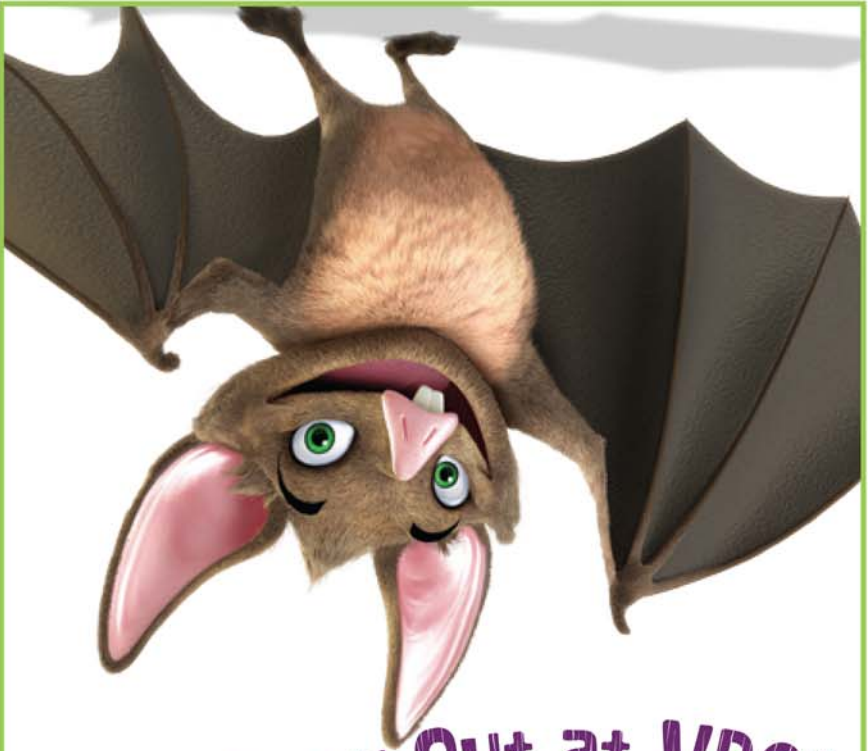
**RUTH CIRCLE** will meet at 6:15 on Wednesday July 20 to share a meal and discuss ideas for programs for the coming year. Those attending should bring a salad or dessert and lots of ideas. Perhaps you would like to present a program! Julie Garren is hosting (736 Valley Park Dr., Libertyville, 847-816-7340). We love it when new folks join in with fresh ideas!

**STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE** "The Bible is the rock on which our Republic rests." Andrew Jackson. If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please contact Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Mary Spooner (847-5248-3703) or the Pastors.

**THANK YOU** from the Outreach Committee to all who contributed food during June to help replenish the shelves at the Libertyville Township Food Pantry. We collected a total of 193 non-perishable food items and household supplies. Included were: canned beef hash, canned salmon/sardines, hot chocolate mix, mayonnaise, mustard, oatmeal, toothbrushes, and various other miscellaneous items. The guests at the food pantry will benefit greatly from your generosity. Thank you for helping to show God's love to those in need in our community.

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

**Sound Tech:** Connor Clausen & Travis Wegren  
**Ushers:** Jane and John Aten, Jack Hansen, and Jay Hazlett

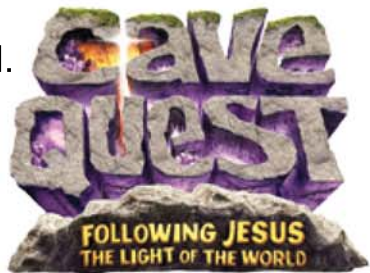


**Come Hang Out at VBS!**

**July 18-22<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM-Noon**

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For more details and to register visit  
[www.umcl.org/vbs](http://www.umcl.org/vbs)



# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

JULY 10TH 9:00AM-10:00AM

FRESH FRUIT, BAGELS, SAUSAGES AND  
PANCAKES (MAYBE EVEN BLUEBERRY!)



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED  
MORNING OF FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD  
BEFORE THE SPIRITED WORSHIP