



United Methodist Church of Libertyville

Lifting Up Christ, Using Our Gifts, Ministering To All

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A Summer Parable

“Now it came to pass as summer drew nigh that Mr. Church Member lifted up his eyes unto the hills and said, ‘Lo, the hot days come, and even now are at hand. Come, let us go out into the heights, where cold breezes refresh us and glorious scenes await.’”

“ ‘Thou speakest wisely,’ quoth Mrs. Church Member, ‘yet three, yea four, things must we do before we go.’ ”

“ ‘Three things I can think of, but not four,’ responded Mr. Church Member. “We must arrange for our flowers to be watered and cared for, discontinue our paper, and see that the mail is forwarded, but the fourth eludes my mind.’ ”

“ ‘The fourth is like unto the first three, yet more important than all. Thou shalt dig down in thy purse and pay our Church Budget commitment, that the good name of the church may be preserved and that it may be well with thee; for verily I say unto thee, thou hast more money now than thou wilt have when thou dost return.’ ”

“And it came to pass that Mr. Church Member paid his pledge for the summer, and the treasurer rejoiced, saying, ‘Of a truth there are those who care for the Lord’s work.’ And it was so.”

Pastor Steve & Pastor Jamie

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

BUILDING ACCESS DURING CONSTRUCTION — We expect demolition to begin this week. When it does, the parking lot doors will be closed, except for weekend elevator access. The Fellowship Hall and Brainerd entrances will remain accessible. The new ADA ramp is in place at the Brainerd (Education Wing Entry Stairs) entrance. The Sanctuary, East Room, and Foyer will be closed. There are two handicap parking spots by the Brainerd entrance.

Once construction begins, we 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.

Please check out www.umcl.org/building-access for all the building access information.



Barb and I appreciate all the calls, prayers and comfort we have received on the death of my brother, Dick Plohr. — Tom Plohr

Sandy and I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, numerous cards and words of comfort on the passing of my sister, Barbara Deery, on May 28th. — Don Palmer

MATTHEW MCCORMICK CIAGLO

was baptized
on June 14, 2015 in the 9:30 service
by Pastor Steve.

Congratulations to parents David & Kristy



JAXON WOLAVKA CIAGLO

was baptized
on June 14, 2015 in the 9:30 service
by Pastor Steve.

Congratulations to parents David & Kristy

Congratulations to
BILL AND MARY ARENDT
on their 35th Wedding Anniversary
June 14, 2015



Congratulations to
KEITH AND DESIREE ANDERSON
on their 30th Wedding Anniversary
June 29, 2015



Happy 86th Birthday to **June McCoy**
on June 24, 2015



REMINDER—Lake County United will have an action assembly on **June 18th** from **6:30-8:00 pm** at Santa Maria Del Popolo Catholic Church in Mundelein. Support our efforts in mental health & affordable housing by attending. If you can attend, please contact Bob Kowal at 847-223-9426 or e-mail kowalrx@gmail.com.



PRAYER CHAIN—Please hold in prayer all those in our church family who are ill, hospitalized or recovering at home. Also please pray for our pastors and committees as they work to discern and shape our future in ministry. If there are specific prayer requests you would like circulated through our prayer chain, please contact the church office (info@umcl.org), Mickey Donahue (missmickey2005@gmail.com), Karen Kuhlman (akkuhl@att.net) or Kathy Locke (klocke@ameritech.net).



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PASTORS: Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams
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Building Project Update

As of June 12, the roof work is complete, but some snags in getting the building permit from the Village have delayed the start of work on the major project. The Village was unwilling to let the contractor begin any work based on preliminary drawings, so final drawings were submitted on June 1 incorporating all changes agreed between the building committee, the architect, and the general contractor. For example, it was necessary to redesign the new sidewalk because the proposed slope to reach the existing city sidewalk was barely greater than that required by the ADA. Additionally, the committee's attention to detail resulted in some last minute changes that needed to be reflected in the drawings. The Village has been on the premises the week of June 8, and we anticipate the permit will be issued soon. Hallelujah! Construction is expected to begin the week of June 15. The contractor is staged to begin, and has said they still expect to complete the project by the originally planned date—before Christmas. Meanwhile, the Building Committee continues to meet regularly to finalize other details such as specs for the audio/visual equipment, final stained glass window design, and interior finishes. Once construction begins, a sub-set of the building committee will meet weekly with the contractor and architect to monitor progress, resolve any potential issues, and keep the project on track. So while the start of the project has been delayed, the finish will be on time and our Christmas services will be in our new worship space. Thank you for your prayers and support

Please check out www.umcl.org/building-updates for all the updates.

Collection for the Libertyville Township Food Pantry

Hunger does not take a vacation during the summer. Help show God's love to our hungry neighbors in need. The Outreach Committee is asking for your help to replenish the shelves at Libertyville Township Food Pantry. We are collecting the following food items: canned corned beef hash, canned potatoes, canned sardines, muffin mix, pasta, and salad dressing.

Please return your donations of these items to the Food Pantry Boxes - located in Fellowship Hall or in the Education wing starting **Wednesday, June 17th until Sunday, June 28th (11 am)**. For more information, please contact Carol Sim-Campbell at simcampbell@comcast.net.



School Bag Time!

SCHOOL BAGS for UMCOR and needy children throughout the world will be ready to fill on July 6th. They will be located in the Education Wing and **filled bags can be returned by August 5th**. Filled bags will be sent by UMCOR to needy children in Africa, Asia and Central America.

	<h3>SCHOOL BAG SHOPPING LIST</h3>
- 1 pair blunt scissors (rounded tip) - no plastic scissors	
- 3 pads (or loose leaf) of 8 1/2" x 11" ruled paper (totaling 450 sheets or less)	
- 1 30-centimeter ruler	
- 1 hand-held pencil sharpener - at least 1 inch long	
- 6 unsharpened pencils with erasers (no advertising, please!)	
- 1 Pencil Eraser, 2 1/2" - or larger	
- 1 box of 24 Crayons (24-count only)	
- \$1.00 placed in outside pocket to cover shipping	

Thank You
 For Your
 Continued
 Support in
 Filling These
 School Bags
 —June McCoy

Christian Education

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Register now for Vacation Bible School on July 13 – 17 from 9:00 am to noon.

Children, ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to come and experience a week at Everest! Where kids learn to conquer challenges with God’s mighty power.

**Please note that VBS will be at The Mundelein Chapel (1966 W. Hawley Street Mundelein) this year due to construction but Amanda Seibert will be leading and is in need of volunteers.

Registration forms and more details about the location switch are available on our website www.umcl.org/vbs.



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

All of our wonderful programs here at UMCL would not be possible without our volunteers.

Sunday School teachers are needed for June and July!

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 contact Amanda Seibert at Amanda.Seibert@umcl.org if you are able to give up an hour or two of your summer!!



KID-FRIENDLY NAME NEEDED!

We are in need of a fun, kid-friendly name for our “Sunday School” program. From now until August 2nd we are collecting submissions for what you think the name “Sunday School” could be changed to. Visit the table in the Education Wing to enter. Winners will be announced on August 30th.

OPERATION KID-TO-KID

June 2nd kicked off a new summer mission for the Sunday School kids, which will run through August. They will be collecting an offering for Operation Kid-to-Kid to help children in Thailand get a kid-friendly Bible of their own. For every 50 cents our kids bring in they are able to put a book from the Bible on our giant Bible on the wall. Stop by the big room (206) to see how full our wall Bible is getting!



Second Mile Giving For June Will Support:



Homes of Mercy – Palestine – Celebrating its 75th year, this organization is the only one in Palestine that offers rehabilitation services 24/7. Its 68 full-time residents, 1/3 of them children, are encouraged to live fulfilling lives despite their disabilities. The families of the residents can rarely help with the costs of the various services provided by this organization. To learn about the past 75 years of this ministry, the wonderful successes it has had, and the lives it continues to transform, please go to www.fourhomesofmercy.com.

United Methodist Children’s Fund for Christian Mission – This fund, jointly sponsored by GBGM (General Board of Global Ministries) and GBOD (General Board of Discipleship), enables children to learn about others, the importance of mission, and opportunities for mission giving. Four projects, two international and two US-based, are chosen each year. Projects change from year to year in order for children to have a variety of learning experiences and a diverse understanding of children in other states and countries. New projects are generally listed each May or June, and additional information and materials can be found at www.gbod.org/childrensfund. A contact for the fund can be reached at 212-870-3690.

United Methodist Women

RUTH CIRCLE



Come join Ruth Circle on Wednesday evening, **June 17** as we head out on our annual garden walk. At **6:30 pm** the car pool will leave the church parking lot to go view some interesting gardens: a prairie garden and a garden that incorporates bee keeping. Afterwards Dessert and fellowship will follow at the home of Beth March (15660 W. Timber Ln, Libertyville). Contact Beth if you need directions: 847-367-5175.

We welcome all who are interested in gardens or just fun fellowship!!

UMW NEWS

THANK YOU to everyone who made UMW Sunday such a blessing by stepping into facilitate the service, offering kind words to our guest speaker, Rev. Young-Mee Park (she was so thrilled at the number of people who remembered her!), singing in the choir or just being present to worship and celebrate with us.



ADDITIONAL THANKS to all who contributed toward the Cleaning Buckets our delegates will take to Annual Conference. We will have pictures next Memos, but we are sending 5 complete buckets and a check to cover shipping and a little extra for additional needs. Final total will be almost \$300 in supplies and funding.

On Sunday afternoon, June 7th, Beth Bishop and Mary Ann Burson represented UMCL at the Retirement Service and Reception for our District Superintendent, Rev. Oscar Carrasco. A beautiful service of celebration and thanks was held at Crystal Lake UMC. Many from throughout the Northern Illinois Conference offered words of thanks and shared experiences. All four of the Carrasco's adult children were there to share in this tribute to their father, who still carries the influence of his humble beginnings in rural Chile. Gifts from throughout the District provided a check for more than \$7000.00 to complete the renovations to Oscar's home church in Chile. Oscar and Joyce Carrasco will begin serving Prophetstown UMC in July.

DEADLINE for registering for **Mission u** (July 16-19) is **July 6th**. For more information, contact MaryAnn Burson at bookwormburson@att.net or 847-270-0633.

UMW SAVE THE DATES		
One Day Mission u	FUMC Oak Lawn, IL \$50.00	July 11
Weekend Mission u	Northern Illinois University DeKalb, IL	July 16-19
Korean Praise Night	South Suburban KUMC, Homewood	August 9
Elgin District UMW Annual Celebration	FUMC of Arlington Heights	September 19
NIC UMW Annual Celebration	FUMC, Park Ridge	October 24

Stephen Ministry Minute



The simple path: Silence is prayer, prayer is faith, faith is love, love is service. The fruit of service is peace. Mother Teresa. *If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, contact Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.*

Fellowship and Nurture

Clip & Put on Your Fridge As A Reminder!

PRIMETIME — Monday, July 6th 12:00 PM



Ken Milner who is a talented wood carver will demonstrate his skill and perhaps would sell his works if interested. There is a \$5 charge for the lunch.

Please sign up or call the church office by 10:00 a.m. Thursday, July 2 to make your reservations, as Friday is a holiday.

YOUNG COUPLES

On July 10th at 6:30 PM, the Allen's will be hosting Young Couples at their house at 1201 Hampton Lane, Mundelein.

Wine Country Themed Dinner

Please bring a side dish or your favorite beverage.

Please RSVP to (847) 968-4565.

OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE PRAYER

The early church was a community that found their identity in and through prayer. As Luke describes it in Acts, "They all joined together constantly in prayer." Would you like to join me to explore the many and powerful ways that prayer can impact our lives and the lives of others?

We are offering a few options this spring and fall. Of course, we always love to add members to our e-mail prayer chain as well.

Simply Pray - join us as we come together for a time of silent and spoken prayer. This will be a safe place to begin to experience the power of group prayer. No experience or skill required. Right brain, left brain, Millennial to Boomer to Silent Gen, all are welcome. It is a busy time of year so come when you can. *Five (5) Tuesday evenings beginning July 7 at 7:15 pm.*

Prayer: Does it Make a Difference? – Join us for a DVD study based on Phillip Yancy's book. In this study we will explore the most challenging, perplexing and rewarding aspects of our relationship with God in Prayer. *Six (6) Tuesday evenings beginning September 22 at 7:15 pm.*

Both groups will be facilitated by Kathy Locke. E-mail klocke@ameritech.net with questions or if interested in attending.

Service Opportunities

PADS BLANKETS NEED WASHING OVER THE SUMMER

Please take 2 or 3 blankets home, wash them, & 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!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Volunteers are needed for making and serving coffee from 8:30 a.m. and for a short time after the service. A sign up sheet is located by the donation basket on the table as you walk into the kitchen 'entrance' door. Hope your family or church group will consider helping. Any questions, please call Jan at 847-362-8473.

Finance Notes

As of 5/31/15

HOW ARE WE DOING?

	Month-To-Date	Year-to-Date
Offerings/Revenue	\$47,625.08	\$328,697.67
Expenses	\$75,561.76	\$369,246.63
Actual Difference	(\$27,936.68)	(\$40,548.96)
Anticipated Difference	(\$12,892.30)	(\$54,594.33)

In May, year-to-date income dropped below our budgeted expectations (by about \$4,000) and year-to-date expenses continue to be less than anticipated. That does result in an income to expense gap, but that too is less than anticipated by about \$14,000.

Calendar

Deadlines for MEMOS articles: Friday, June 26; for Sunday Bulletins: the Wednesday before by 10:00 AM. Helping hands are always appreciated to help assemble MEMOS; we'll next meet at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, July 1, in Room 101!!

MEMOS & BULLETIN PUBLISHING POLICY—It is the policy for the MEMOS and Sunday bulletins to publish items related only to the United Methodist Church of Libertyville or the specific activities, programs, and missions it sponsors. Any items submitted to the MEMOS or Sunday bulletins will be subject to editing as available space may require. Likewise, the timing of publishing articles is an editorial decision.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>June 21</p> <p>8:00 AM—Adult Class 8:15 AM—Adult Class 9:30 AM—Summer Service 9:30 AM—Sunday School for Children & Youth 10:30 AM—Coffee Time 6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE</p>	<p>June 22</p> <p>No Scheduled Activities</p>	<p>June 23</p> <p>12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free / AA 7:00 PM—Faithful Threads (off site)</p>	<p>June 24</p> <p>9:30 AM—Staff Mtg. 9:45 AM—Lectio Divina 1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM—Spiritual Growth Committee 7:30 PM—Trustees</p>	<p>June 25</p> <p>12:00 PM—Living Free / AA</p>	<p>June 26</p> <p>7:00 PM—20's Group @ Ben's</p>	<p>June 27</p> <p>No Scheduled Activities</p>
<p>June 28</p> <p>8:00 AM—Adult Class 8:15 AM—Adult Class 9:30 AM—Summer Service 9:30 AM—Sunday School for Children & Youth 10:30 AM—Coffee Time 11:00 AM—Children's Ministry Committee 6:30 PM—SrHI TIDE</p>	<p>June 29</p> <p>No Scheduled Activities</p>	<p>June 30</p> <p>12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free / AA 7:00 PM—Faithful Threads (off site)</p>	<p>July 1</p> <p>9:00 AM—MEMOS 9:30 AM—Staff Mtg. 9:45 AM—Lectio Divina</p>	<p>July 2</p> <p>12:00 PM—Living Free / AA</p>	<p>July 3</p> <p>7:00 PM—20's Group @ Ben's</p>	<p>July 4</p> <p>No Scheduled Activities</p>



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Nick Minor
 Daniel New
 Brooke Sowa
 Danielle Swift

Jason White



SUMMER ADVENTURES — Before you head off for your summer adventures, why not consider moving to the new electronic giving option? Monthly electronic funds transfers (EFTs) can be set up through the Church's bank to make your contribution even when you aren't able to be here in person. The needed registration form is available from both the Finance office and the main office. Please contact Ruth Ross at 847-362-2112 or ruth.ross@umcl.org if you have questions or would like more information.

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