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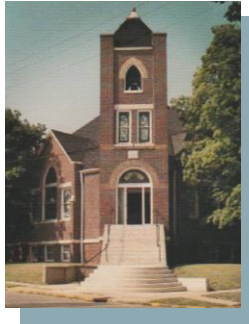
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9 A.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL
10 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL
11 A.M. WORSHIP

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JULY 2018



July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anniversaries

20th – Edd and Judy Consoer

Birthdays

1st – Tyler Huckstep

5th – Jeff Wheeler

9th – Carol Crowder, Lee Huckstep

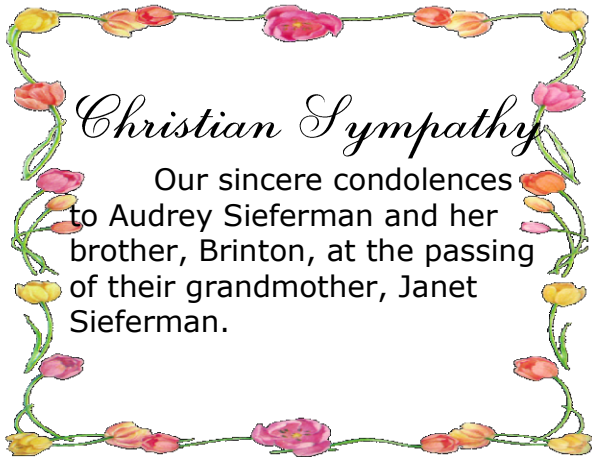
10th – Charlie Wheeler

19th – Shelly Hamm

20th – Carol Kline

23rd – Mary Bressie, Claudine Whalen, Troy Deckard

27th – Ruth Ellen Gillis (105 years young!)



Christian Sympathy

Our sincere condolences to Audrey Sieferman and her brother, Brinton, at the passing of their grandmother, Janet Sieferman.

AT THE BEGINNING OF RETIREMENT

In Honor of Ruth Grant

Eternal God, you hold the times and seasons, endings and beginnings, in your hands. Bless Ruth, who now enters a new time of life. We give you thanks for tasks accomplished, for the joys and pains woven into the fabric of her years. Give Ruth the guidance of your Holy Spirit. May days no longer filled with old obligations be free for new activities and associations. May fears and uncertainties about the future be transformed into quiet confidence. May each new day be received as a sacred trust and lived to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

From, The UM Book of Worship, #543

July Scriptures and Sermon Titles

1st – Psalm 130; 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Matthew 20:1-16; "The Laborers in the Vineyard" / Communion

8th – Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Luke 15:4-32; "Lost Sheep, Lost Coin, Prodigal Son"

15th – Psalm 24; 2 Samuel 6:1-5; 12-19; Ephesians 1:3-14; Matthew 13:1-23; "The Seed and the Soil"

22nd – Psalm 89:19-37; 2 Samuel 7:1-14; Ephesians 2:11-22; Luke 18:9-14; "The Publican and the Tax Collector"

29th – Psalm 14; 2 Samuel 11:1-15; Ephesians 3:14-21; Luke 16:19-31; "The Rich Man and Lazarus"



Thank You

I want to thank my family, Cheryl & John Luzader, Bill and Loretta Whalen, Carol and Bowie Kline, for the altar flowers in honor of me and in memory of Keith for what would have been our 75th wedding anniversary on June 6.

Thanks so very much, kids.

Mom (Claudine Whalen)



Bill and I would like to thank everyone for coming to our open house to help us celebrate 50 years together.

For all the well-wishes and cards that were given or sent, you made our day really special. Thanks, again.

Bill & Jane Remley

It is important that the work done at Annual Conference is shared with all of you. The information below was taken from the INUMC website.

WHAT IS ANNUAL CONFERENCE?

Each year clergy members and lay members of the Indiana Conference of The United Methodist Church attend the Indiana annual conference session for worship, fellowship, and to conduct the business of the conference over a 3 day period. These sessions include reports of past and ongoing work; adoption of future goals, programs and budgets; an offering collection in support of the mission of the Church; ordination of clergy members as deacons and elders; and election of delegates to Jurisdictional and General Conferences (every 4 years). The bishop presides over these meetings.

WHAT HAPPENED THIS YEAR?

THE INDIANA CONFERENCE IN NUMBERS

Membership at the close of 2017 - 184,513, 2% decrease

Average worship attendance - 92,523, 4% decrease

Sunday church school (all ages) - 29,407, 5% decrease

Professions of Faith through confirmation - 923 (new category)

Professions of Faith other than confirmation - 2,105, 32% decrease

Baptisms - 2,675, 10% decrease

**This information is not completely accurate due to the many churches that do not report.*

Mission offering - \$9,159.81 (with more gifts to come)

Emergency fund \$4,094.90



SEE ALL THE PEOPLE

32 clergypersons celebrated a milestone anniversary, fifth year intervals, with Called to Fruitfulness.

23 members were confirmed by the annual conference for commissioning and ordination.

34 clergy members who are entering retirement along with their spouses were celebrated and honored.

“More than 4 million people in Indiana are unaffiliated with a religious group. That is every other household on your street,” said Emily Reece, Director of Church Development during the Church Development report.

40 home owners in South Bend, Indiana have recovered from flooding this year because of the work of the Indiana Conference, and the South Bend Disaster Response Team, in partnership with Catholic Charities.

The General Board of Higher Education’s Francis Asbury Award was presented to Rev. Sharon Samsell with the United Campus Ministries of Terre Haute.

The Conference Cane, stewarded by the oldest Elder in the Indiana Conference, was presented to the Rev. Elmer Bosworth who is 99.

RADICAL GENEROSITY, CREATING LEGACIES

The United Methodist Foundation of Indiana and the Loan & Savings Ministry announced the giving of **\$226,557 to the Minister’s Retirement Fund** for Indiana Conference retirees.

The Advance celebrated its 70th anniversary this year. To date, **\$1.6 Billion**, have been given over the last 70 years.

The Indiana Conference has given nearly \$1.1 Million towards the General Board of Global Ministries and UMCOR throughout its ministry.

The Annual Conference collected a special offering designated to assist with UMCOR, Indiana Disaster Response, and Ministry With the Poor matching grants. Indiana Conference members gave **\$9,159.81**.

100% of the 2017 INUMC General & Jurisdiction Church Apportionments have been fulfilled to total \$5,259,000.

\$680,000 will be used for new church ministries created by the legacies left by congregations who have retired their ministries in 2017.

The 2018 Cabinet Emergency Fund, which is used for extraordinary financial needs for clergy and clergy families, is **\$4,094.90**.

The Conference approved the 2019 Budget, unanimously.

2019 Total Income Budget - \$13,149,000

2019 Expense Budget - 40% General Church, 60% Indiana Annual Conference .

CELEBRATING MINISTRY

We've reached our goal of starting **30 new faith communities by 2020**, two years ahead of schedule.

We commemorated the **50th Anniversary** of the merging of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and Methodist Church. We celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the merging of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and Methodist Church to make The United Methodist Church.

3,000 cleaning buckets, **3,000** health kits, and cash contributions from Indiana were given after hurricanes hit in Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Puerto Rico. These contributions totaled **\$1,385,000**.

Please see me if you have any questions.

Blessings,

Pastor Judi

JULY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>EACH SUNDAY</u> Choir Hiatus until September 10 a.m. SS 10:45 a.m. Coffee 11 a.m. Worship	<u>WORSHIP LDR</u> Jerry Whalen <u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u>	<u>GREETERS</u> 1 st – The Blacketers 8 th – Troy Deckard & Joey Gerold 15 th – Gail Horton & Linda Kingry 22 nd – Bill & Jane Remley 29 th – Jerry & Sue Whalen			<u>ACOLYTES</u> Joe Hutchins Linda Melevage	<u>CLEANING</u> Witness Cmte. <u>COFFEE HOST</u> Nurture Cmte.
1 Communion 10 a.m. Upstairs Ladies	2	3	4 Offices Closed / No Bible Study	5 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	6	7
8 Donation Sunday (See back of your Sunday bulletin)	9	10	11 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	12 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	13	14
15	16	17	18 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	19 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	20	21
22	23	24	25 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	26 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	27	28
29 Bucket Offering Sunday Fifth Sunday Pitch-in	30	31	<u>USHERS</u> Val Hester Karen Gerold			