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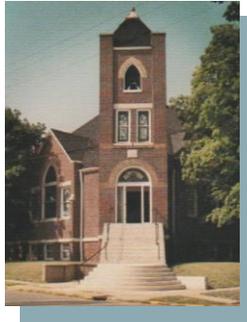
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9 A.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL
10 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL
11 A.M. WORSHIP

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OCTOBER Sermons & Scriptures

7th – Psalm 25; Job 1:1, 2:1-10; Hebrews 1:1-14; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16; "A Life Untested—Until It Is" / World Communion Sunday / A Way Forward Discussion w/Bishop Trimble at Mt. Pleasant UMC, Terre Haute

14th – Psalm 22:1-5; Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-33; "Job's Lament"

21st – Psalm 104:1-9; Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45; "God Answers Job"

28th – Psalm 34:1-8; Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52; "Job Is Reinstated" / Reformation Sunday / Bucket Offering

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anniversaries

- 1st – Chet & Amy Remley (1994)
- 12th – Andrew & Denise Blacketer (1974)
& Charlie & Tracy Wheeler (2013)
- 29th – Bill & Loretta Whalen

Birthdays

- 2nd – Jenna Whalen
- 5th – Carter Tharp
- 6th – Jane Remley
- 8th – Mabel Grimes
- 10th – Annabelle Workman
- 22nd – Mark Whalen
- 28th – Sonya Sosbe
- 29th – Mike Sosbe
- 31st – Jason Cowherd



role in determining what you think and believe as a Christian, as opposed to having someone else tell you what to think and believe. The founder of Methodism, John Wesley, instructed us to base our beliefs and decisions on four things: Scripture, tradition, reason and experience, more commonly known as the Wesley Quadrilateral. As taken from the *Discipline*, "Wesley believed that the living core of the Christian faith was revealed in Scripture, illuminated by tradition, vivified in personal experience and confirmed by reason" (§105, p. 82). In other words, Scripture is always the foundation on which our faith is based, viewed through the lenses of experience, tradition and reason.

I highly encourage you to try theological reflection yourself, keeping in mind these two questions as you study, reflect and pray:

- Am I being faithful to the Bible?
- What does it mean to me to be faithful to God?

We are all a part of God's wonderful creation. There is nothing that you can sense, (see, smell, taste, feel, or hear), that isn't beloved of God.

Blessings during this season of change,

Pastor Judi

Season of Change

It's October 2nd already as I write this message. We've entered the season of autumn and evidence of change is once again all around us. The hummingbirds at the feeder are rapidly depleting the nectar I put out as they prepare for their annual trip south. Leaves have begun falling from the trees and I've begun my annual battle with the crickets, who feel sure that I would be pleased to share my home with them. Change is apparent in other aspects of my life which makes me even more grateful for the one thing that doesn't change: God's love, grace and forgiveness.

The United Methodist Church is also in a season of change. Last Sunday, I shared with you three different suggested plans of action developed by the Commission for a Way Forward. I don't know yet which, if any, of the three plans, (or the 94+ additional petitions), will be presented for consideration at the Special Annual Conference that will meet on February 23-27, 2019, in St. Louis.

The path to a way forward may not be clear at this time, but there are some things that you can do as you wait for further direction. As United Methodists, we are all responsible for something called "theological reflection," a fancy term for taking an active

BISHOP TRIMBLE TO VISIT WEST DISTRICT

Sunday, October 7, 2018, 2-4 p.m.
Mt. Pleasant UMC - Terre Haute

Bishop Julius Trimble will present information on the Commission on a Way Forward. All clergy are expected to attend with church leadership and interested individuals. There will be time for fellowship, worship, and discussion. Please mark your calendars now, and plan to attend.

Sympathy

Eternal God, we praise you for the great company of all those who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labor. We praise you for those dear to us whom we name in our hearts before you. Especially, we praise you for Edd Consoer, whom you have graciously received into your presence. To all of these, grant your peace. Let perpetual light shine upon them; and help us so to believe where we have not seen, that your presence may lead us through our years, and bring us at last with them into the joy of your home not made with hands, but eternal in the heavens; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

UM Book of Worship, p. 143

From the 

No one could ever ask for a better church family. Your love, your prayers, the many cards we received throughout Edd's tough times were all appreciated more than you'll ever know. Thanks, also, for the pretty planter that you sent to me. May God bless each and every one of you!

Love,
Judy Consoer



I really appreciate everyone that prays for me. I'm slowly "healing", but it's going to take some time. Also, a big thanks for the shawl. It works, as well as being beautiful.

Love,
Janet Campbell



Dear Sisters in Christ,

What a lovely surprise I had when Pastor Judi presented me with a prayer shawl that you had made and blessed with love. During difficult times, a gift of love means so much. Thank you. I ask that you please pray for our daughter-in-law, Deanna, and the family as she fights Acute Leukemia.

Sandy Ruby



We would like to thank all of our church family for the prayers, concern and cards while John was in the hospital. We both know that is what got him through. Please continue the prayers as he is still receiving treatment for the blood infection and getting the blood thinner corrected. Special thank you to Pastor Judi for making a flying trip to St. Vincent for us when we needed her.

God bless you all.

John and Cheryl Luzader



Annual Soup Supper
Trick-or-Treating
Wednesday, October 31
5-7:30 p.m.



Please come in costume if you wish, for this family fun fellowship with the community.

Please have your soup arrive by 4:30 p.m.



MINUTES of the MEETING
of the
CHURCH COUNCIL
September 24, 2018

Those present: Denise Blacketer, Troy Deckard, Pastor Judi Early, Joey Gerold, Gail Horton, Paul Largent, Linda Melevage, Jane Remley, Jerry Whalen, Loretta Whalen, Sue Whalen

Loretta Whalen, chair, asked Pastor Judi to open this meeting with prayer.

Membership (Paul Largent) Reports that we've lost nine people to date: seven deaths, one transfer, and one withdrawn. Current membership is 107. On the roster you will notice a division of members and members by baptism, (which are not technically counted as professing members). We have 63 fairly active members, but several are out of town and homebound.

Finance Cmte. (Jerry Whalen) Proposed the 2019 budget. It is up from 2018. A motion was made to accept, a second was heard, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Linda Melevage) There is \$17,800 in the savings account and we have not had to draw from it for a while. There is \$2,418.19 in the checking account, of which \$1,300 is money from Mariam Brown's estate.

Youth (Troy) Sees the boys from time to time around town and always encourages them to get back to Sunday school and church.

Nurture Cmte. (Jane Remley) Seeking a new organist/pianist. Will put an ad in the local papers. Had a lead, but didn't pan out. Joey is going to contact a Wabash student to see if he is interested. Right now, Rosemarie Hutcheson and Cheryl Everett are helping us. Mariam Brown bequeathed \$1,300 to the church. The Memorial Committee would like to purchase new banners and a new Christ candle (oil filled). Six or eight banners would be between \$474/\$632 and the candle would be approx. \$160. The banners and the candle base would be labeled, "In Memory of Mariam Brown".

History Cmte. (Sue Whalen) Filing papers for getting the church on the historic landmarks registry. One of the benefits of this, could be receiving future grant money. We will need to make certain that we maintain the building.

Trustees (Jerry Whalen) Have lost one member of the trustees and will leave the committee at eight.

Pastor's Report (Pastor Judi Early) Need someone to serve as Lay Member to Annual Conference. There was a question as to the mission report being blank. It will remain so for the time being. All 2019 committees have been filled and approved. There was a brief discussion on a Way Forward. Will stay with the lectionary until the end of November. For Advent, we will be doing a sermon series. For January to Lent, may be doing a series on the beatitudes and for Lent, may be doing "21 days with Wesley". There will be a Longest Night service, Christmas Eve service, and the last Sunday in December, a Wesley Covenant service.

This meeting was adjourned.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>EACH SUNDAY</u> 9 a.m. Choir 10 a.m. SS 10:45 a.m. Coffee 11 a.m. Worship	<u>WORSHIP LDR</u> Gail Horton <u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u>	<u>GREETERS</u> 7 th –Blacketers 14 th – Loretta Whalen & Carol Kline 21 st – Karen Gerold & Joey 28 th – Val Hester & Karen Holt		<u>USHERS</u> The Remleys	<u>ACOLYTES</u> The Luzaders	<u>CLEANING</u> Trustees <u>COFFEE HOST</u> Upstairs Ladies
	1	2	3 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	4 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	5	6
7 World Communion Sun. 10 a.m. Upstairs Ladies Mtg. 2-4 p.m. Way Forward Mtg. w/Bishop Trimble @Mt. Pleasant UMC in Terre Haute	8	9	10 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	11 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	12	13
14	15	16	17 10 am. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	18 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	19	20
21	22	23	24 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC	25 7 p.m. Thirty on Thurs. Prayer Time	26	27
28 Bucket Offering 2 p.m. Charge Conf. @First UMC	29	30	31 10 a.m. Bible Study @Christ's UMC 5-7:30 p.m. Soup Supper/Trick or Treating		Daylight Saving Time Ends November 4	

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