

The Mission of First United Methodist Church, Champaign is:

- *To introduce all persons to Jesus in loving ways*
- *To grow as disciples through Wesley Covenant Groups*
- *To relieve suffering.*

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Star Watching

I find myself staring at the stars these days. I'm talking about the stars that have graced the sanctuary during the Christmas season. They are beautiful and hopeful and encouraging. I know many of you have been staring at them as well.

On Epiphany Sunday I talked about the wise men who followed the star in faith, in the dark, not knowing for certain where it was leading until they arrived and were "overjoyed." Life in the church at its best is like that.

I am encouraged as we journey together into this New Year. I am happy to share that we ended 2015 with an operating fund surplus. This is the third year in a row for a surplus, following deficits over several of the preceding years. Statistics also show that the average annual financial gift to FUMC has grown over recent years. At its January meeting, LIFT approved a balanced budget for 2016.

I share this news about the church's finances not so much as a business note as to convey a message on faithfulness and ministry. We are able to focus our energy on fruitful ministry so much more easily when we are not distracted by financial stresses. Additionally, your faithfulness in giving plus the church's fiscal

responsibility equals solid financial footing. Most importantly, every dollar you give is turned into ministry which helps change the world. Thank you.

By now you have received word of the new program staffing model set to be in place beginning July 1. This new model will support the further development of our church's vision around significant relationships, spiritual growth, and serving others. If you have questions about this new staffing model, there is one more informational session scheduled for Sunday, January 24, from 10:10-10:50 a.m. in the Chapel.

As our Visioning Team moves toward the conclusion of its work, we expect more recommendations to come. Most of all, I believe we are beginning to see that all of our conversations have the potential to lead us toward positive and faithful change.

On the first Sunday of the year, we celebrated an adult baptism by immersion. Our friends at New Horizon United Methodist Church graciously lent us their Café space and baptismal. On that same day, five persons were received into the membership of First United Methodist Church during the 11:00 service.

Wesley Covenant Groups will study "The World-Shattering Ministry of Jesus" beginning the week of January 24. I believe this study will help us further perceive and live out God's vision for First United Methodist Church. If you haven't been involved in a Wesley Covenant Group, now is the time to consider it.

I encourage you to be "all in" as we begin the New Year together. Recently I read that trying to be a follower of Jesus without a church is like trying to become a better basketball player without a team.

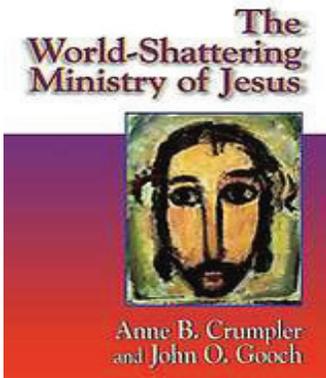
Let's stay together and keep on looking for the stars, the signs that lead us to the surprising places to which the Christ is calling us.

Yours in faith,
Rev. Tom Corum
Senior Pastor



Wesley Covenant Groups: Spring Study

Parish Nurse



The World-Shattering Ministry of Jesus

By
Anne Crumpler
and
John Gooch

Our Wesley Covenant Groups will soon begin a Bible study that digs into the world-shattering ministry of Jesus. Jesus' teaching shook up his listeners and challenged the status quo of his peers and society. He brought a new interpretation of scripture that called for an investment into a deeper meaning and a more faithful life.

Accept this invitation to invest yourself in a study of Jesus' ministry that speaks to our lives today. The topics seem to be taken from current headlines: upending the existing social order to reach out to those who are considered unclean, a radical reinterpretation of the use and possession of wealth, and relinquishing traditional ways to bring about transformation.

Our groups will begin the week of January 24 and will conclude the week of March 13. Groups meet throughout the week and on Sundays. Day and evening groups are available. Each class is 90 minutes in length except for the class on Sunday at 9:55 which is 60 minutes.

Registration will be held on Sundays, January 17 and 24, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at FUMC. Online registration is available now by logging on to www.champaignfumc.org and clicking on Wesley Covenant Groups under Ministries.

The cost of the book is \$8.00 Payment for the book will be waived if needed.

Human Relations Day

January 17 is Human Relations Day. Your gift will provide acceptance and love to people whom society often rejects. Offering envelopes will be in your bulletin next Sunday.

The Wellspring Health and Wellness Ministry is pleased to announce the newly-approved Parish Nurse position here at FUMC. This Wellspring Ministry will immediately begin a search to fill this part-time position (approximately 10 hours/week). This position is supported primarily through funds from the Aikman Endowment, along with some grant monies from the United Methodist Church National Office.

The Parish Nurse will be a Registered Nurse with some experience in caring for adults, including older adults. The Parish Nurse will be responsible for such activities as:

1. Provide health counseling services in the office, home, or long-term care facility.
2. Provide health educational programs (i.e., illness prevention, nutrition, stress management, exercise, etc.).
3. Assist in locating appropriate health care resources and services.
4. Make formal or informal referrals to community healthcare services and agencies.
5. Organize groups designed to assist with a particular health care issue (i.e., smoking cessation, caregiver support, etc.).
6. Recruit and train volunteers to provide/support healthcare programs to the congregation.
7. Communicate with the FUMC Pastors and staff through attendance at weekly staff meetings.
8. Build collaborative relationships with other congregations and/or community agencies to facilitate services and health-related programs as appropriate.

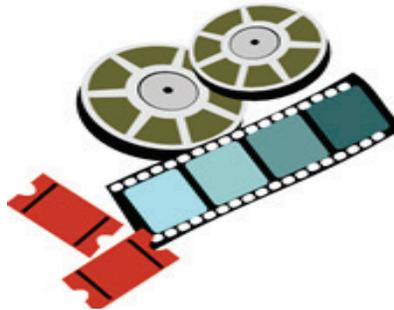
We anticipate the Parish Nurse to be an asset to our congregation and the local community and hope you will also be enthusiastic about the potential benefits of this position. The Wellspring Ministry will share information about this position throughout the recruitment process.



There will be no
BLAST Sunday,
February 7!
 Enjoy Super Bowl
 Sunday!



BLAST Movie Night



Sunday, February 21, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

There will be a movie/pizza night in the Friendship Center on the big screen!
 Join us for food, fun, and fellowship! **FRIENDS WELCOME!**

GriefShare



“GriefShare” Recovery Support Group is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are grieving the death of someone close to them. The group meets weekly for 13 weeks. Each session includes a video, discussion, personal reflection, and a light breakfast. The group will meet on Wednesdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. from January 27 - April 20 in Friendship Center North. The group will not meet on March 23. There is no cost to attend. Contact Pastor Cathy at 356-9078 for more information.

Thank you!!

A big thank you goes out to the Corum/Jones Wesley Covenant Group for providing, serving, interacting, and cleaning up for the Santa Breakfast! Also, thank you goes to the Bachman Wesley Covenant Group for providing, serving, interacting and cleaning up the BLAST event for January! This was a great opportunity for the children to meet others in the church as well as have the adults see what an impact this church makes on the future generation! I want to thank all the Wesley Covenant Groups that have signed up to help with upcoming BLAST events! I hope you see how blessed I am each month to work with these fabulous children and teach them about God’s love!

Pamela Pendleton

Delivering Food is a Good Reminder of God's Plan



As a member of Local Outreach, Chuck has delivered food to families in our community for several years. He has always returned from each delivery experience with a feeling of satisfaction. He had always shared that the families he delivered food to were most appreciative that he was bringing them food for the next week.

The Local Outreach Ministry Team at First United Methodist Church has agreed to deliver food weekly to families in need of food. The families are screened by empty tomb and cannot receive food more than once every 90 days. A staff member from empty tomb will call one of the FUMC volunteers and give the volunteer information about the family. The volunteer will then call the family directly and make arrangements for the time and place of the delivery, while confirming the number of people in the household and checking for any food allergies. The volunteer will then go shopping for this family's food. The goal is to provide food for the family for one week. There are two sources used to shop for the food – FUMC's own food pantry in the basement and several County Markets where there's an account setup for the volunteers to pay for the food. The purchasing of food is a very challenging part of the process – the volunteers are allowed to spend about \$60 for a week's worth of groceries for a family of four.

Recently, Chuck and I delivered food to a family of six – two parents and four young children. The family had immigrated to the U.S. earlier in the year. The father was working but they had many needs with food being only one of them. As we delivered the food that day, one of the children was so overjoyed to have something to eat that his mother was fixing his lunch before we left. All of the children were clamoring for milk, so the gallon we provided didn't go very far. I felt guilty not to have purchased an extra gallon for the family.

I was overwhelmed again at the position I had been placed in. My experience was similar to ones I had while traveling on ASP with our church's youth many years ago. During my time on ASP and again delivering food, I saw families with much need. The thing that makes me pause though is how warm and happy these families are and how appreciative they are for a little help.

God is in Motion here at FUMC! Tim Bachman shared his experiences on moving furniture once a month through empty tomb. By bringing food to the Food Pantry on the first Sunday of the month or by contributing to the Local Outreach Fund, we are helping families in need of food. The National Football Super Bowl is scheduled for February 7, 2016. This is the time to share our own resources through the FUMC's Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. All of the donations received on that Sunday are used to provide the food for the families in need.

Would I go with Chuck again to deliver food? Yes, Yes, Yes! If you're interested in volunteering to deliver food, please contact Lynne Lyman for the details. Jan Olson



Sarah Circle will meet on Monday, January 18, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sue Bachman. We will have our Pledge Service for 2016.

Dorcas Circle does not meet in January.

UMW Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

IGRC Spiritual Growth Retreat will be held February 26 & 27 at Springfield UMC, registration deadline is January 25. Contact Sandy Pinter if you plan to attend.

NDFL (New Designs for Living)

NDFL will have a chili lunch on Wednesday, January 20, at 11:15 a.m. The speaker will be Rev. Tom Corum. Table service will be provided -- just bring yourself and a dish to share. Sign up on Sunday in Friendship Center South.



Stock the Food Pantry Early & Often



First United Methodist Church members are encouraged to bring non-perishable foods to the church on the first Sunday of each month to stock our own food pantry. These foods are used by the volunteers to provide food for the families in need.

There is a strong need for these items currently:

- Tomato and or Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Vegetables, other than Green Beans
- Tissues

First Church/First Annual Chili Cook Off Benefiting the Good Samaritan Fund



**Sunday, January 31, 2016
downstairs in Fellowship Hall
immediately following the
11:00 Classic Service.**

Join us to vote for the best chili or
for a bowl for yourself.

\$5.00 donation at the door
will get you a bowl.

To Our Guests and Visitors . . .



Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Champaign. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us, and we invite you to visit the Hospitality desk in the Friendship Center, adjacent to the Sanctuary. Or you can visit us on our website, www.champaignfumc.org, to learn more about the many opportunities for worship, study, fellowship, and service available through the ministries of our congregation.

How do I become a member...?

If you are considering membership in the congregation of First United Methodist Church, you are invited to attend an orientation group: "Connecting@First." This is an opportunity to learn more about the ministries of the Church.

If you would like to register for the next group, please contact Sharon Johnson, Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor, sjohnson@champaignfumc.org, or 356-9078.



The following people were received into membership on January 3, 2016:

Ray and Gloria Boudreau were invited to First UMC by JoAnn Curtis and Sharon Goller. Ray works at Honda/BMW of Champaign. Gloria is interested in Bible Study, Choir, and volunteering.

Rev. Jerry and Nancy Nichols were at First UMC from 1970 to 1976 when Rev. Jerry was our associate pastor. Nancy has transferred her membership from Bondville UMC. She is interested in handbells and plays the piano. Rev. Jerry is our Minister of Parish Visiting.

Julie Nichols was a former member. She is the daughter of Rev. Jerry and Nancy Nichols. Julie has transferred her membership from Bondville UMC. She is employed by Meeting Your Needs, Home Health Care.

Ken Yokoyama is employed by the University of Illinois. He enjoys writing and praying.

Prayer Requests

If you have a need for prayer, please call the Church Office at 356-9078.



2016 Flower Calendar

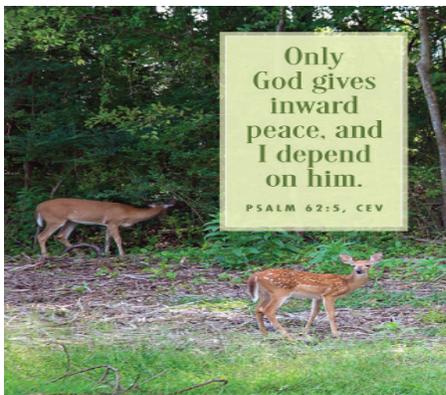
The 2016 Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from the Church Office. If you would like to honor or memorialize someone, please sign up now. Questions - contact Melanie Paul at 352-5973.



I've had several people ask me what my new year's resolution is recently. To be honest, I don't have one. Yes, I probably should try to read more, be healthier, or care more about politics in 2016, but I know that there's a good chance I probably won't (or at least not to the extent that I wanted to). That doesn't mean I think one shouldn't try to set resolutions if it's something they want to do. I do know people who have stuck to their resolutions all year and longer! But I am not one of those people. I envy them, but I am not one of them.

I try to keep resolutions, but when I fail once, I tend to just give up. It's hard to not question if there's any point to continue with the resolution. Isn't this similar to living a Christian life? We are supposed to follow God, which includes chasing what is good and avoiding sinful temptations. But sometimes we can fall into the mindset, "Well, I already gossiped a lot today...so might as well not stop in the middle right now." The great thing about God though, is that there IS a point in continuing in trying to follow him. As humans, we fail consistently, but we are consistently loved and forgiven by him, giving us a whole new clean slate. We may not get that with our perceptions about our resolutions, but we do get that from God.

Meredith
 meredith@champaignfumc.org



Coming Events:

February 7, 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.- Super Bowl Party!- We're having our annual Super Bowl Party! Come to Meredith's House to watch the game, hang out with friends, and eat some delicious snacks! Don't like football? Not a problem! We'll have other activities to do as well!



Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.- High School Bible Study--Our high school Bible study meets on Wednesdays at Panera on Kirby from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.! Study the Bible and grab dinner while you get to spend time with friends!

Sundays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.- Youth Group--Our middle school and high school youth meet every Sunday evening at the church! Come join us for an evening of activities, fellowship, and fun! We meet in the youth room and dinner is provided.

And in the somewhat near future.....

June 11-18- Appalachia Service Project!!- Come join us for a week in Kentucky building homes! If you are interested, talk to Meredith ASAP at meredith@champaignfumc.org or by calling 217-356-9078.

FUMC Mini-Midwinter Retreat



Is there a connection between faith and health? How does a Carle emergency room physician use her faith on the job? What are religious viewpoints on faith and healing?

Come listen and engage in a discussion about “The Healing Power of Faith” with Dr. Audra Thomas and her husband, Joe Thomas, a seminary assistant professor on the history of Christianity. This winter’s mini-retreat is scheduled for Saturday, February 27, at First United Methodist Church. The program will run from 9:00 to about 11:30 a.m.; a breakfast will be provided starting at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$4 per person, which includes the breakfast.

Please register in advance to help us estimate our seating and breakfast needs. Child care will be available if requested in advance; there is no cost. To register: sign up in the FUMC Friendship Center on Sundays in February, or call or email the church office no later than February 25. The retreat is sponsored by our Discovery and Service Ministry Team.

Dr. Thomas is assistant medical director in the emergency department at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana and a clinical instructor in the College of Medicine at the University of Illinois. Joe Thomas, who holds a doctorate degree, is executive director of the New Judah Christian School Project and an assistant professor at the Urbana Theological Seminary. He is a published author and has extensive lecture and group discussion experience on a variety of topics.

Questions? Contact Melanie Paul at 217-352-5973 or at mamader1501@gmail.com.

Save the Date!

The Kids Choir Musical will be on Sunday evening, April 17. All in grades 2 – 5 who are interested in participating are welcome! Practices begin Sunday, January 24, at 4 p.m. in Room J. Come join in telling the story of *Judge Julie Truly and the Case of the Holey Roof*. Let Barbara Zachow know if you are interested (bzachow@comast.net or 540-553-1631).

**Do YOU need a ride
to 11:00 Sunday Morning
Worship Service?**



We want you here to worship!!

Call 352-6943, and let Al Boehm know of your need. He will be happy to assist you.

The Short Break is Almost Over!

All ensembles begin 2016 rehearsals soon. New members are always welcome. Contact Barbara Zachow (bzachow@comcast.net or 540-553-1631) if you are interested in joining any of these ensembles. We would love to have you join us!

Chancel Ringers (handbells): Tuesday, January 19, 6:00 p.m. in the Balcony

Chancel Choir (a.k.a. 11:00 choir): Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

Perceptions Worship Team (lead 9:00 worship): every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Kids Choir (all 2nd-5th graders welcome): Sunday, January 24, 4:00 p.m. in Room J

Youth Music (all 6th-12th graders welcome): Sunday, January 24, 5:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

Choral Union (community chorus): Monday, January 25, 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

Begin 2016 with a positive New Years’ Resolution to help with the Tech Team during worship at FUMC. All interested persons contact Barbara Zachow and she will assist you in keeping that resolution!

Children's Ministry Retreat



If you are a volunteer or staff leader in children's ministry, you won't want to miss a brand-new retreat just for you! (If you are not involved in children's ministry but know someone who is, please feel free to pass this message along to help spread the word!)

This retreat is designed as a time of spiritual renewal, networking, and resourcing for adults who serve as leaders in children's ministry (Sunday School, Children's Church, VBS, midweek programs, after-school programs, etc.). It will include times of worship, prayer, and reflection, as well as times of large and small group conversation, networking, and fun. Presentations on topics such as free and low-cost resources for children's ministry and how the conference camping ministry supports and interacts with your local church children's ministries will send you home with some tips and tools to put to work right away. Both new and veteran children's ministry workers are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Here are the details:

When: January 29-30, 4:00 PM on Friday to 4:00 PM on Saturday

Where: Little Grassy Camp, 1 Methodist Camp Rd., Makanda, IL (don't worry, we'll be staying in Massa-da Lodge, a modern, WARM, year-round lodge with bathroom facilities in each room - and a fireplace in our meeting room!)

How much: Regular registration - \$75; Single room - \$115; Top bunk - \$55 (Scholarships are available if needed)

Etc: Dinner on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are included; you will need to bring linens for a twin or full-sized bunk, a pillow, towels, plus the usual comfortable clothing and toiletries you will need

Register Today!

Questions? Please feel free to contact me! I hope to see you at Little Grassy in a few weeks!

Blessings, Beth Fender

IGRC Coordinator of Discipleship and New Streams

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217-529-2611



THANKS FOR THE GIFTS!

Heartfelt thanks to all of you who made Christmas so special at FUMC this year. Your hard work was truly a special gift.

Thank you:

For the uplifting organ music

For the beautiful sanctuary setting with the lighted trees and stars

For the prayer candle containers

For the prayer candle stewards

For the Perceptions Worship Team's leadership

For Chancel Choir's joyful voices

For Chancel Ringers' jubilant bells

For the fantastic oboe and vocal solos

For the beautiful piano and organ duet

For the thoughtful spoken messages

For the congregation lifting voices in song

For the ushers who welcomed us so warmly at each service on Christmas Eve

For the custodial staff who made sure everything was "just right" for worship

For the meal that was provided for the worship leaders who spent the evening at church

For those who prepared the communion elements

For escorting residents from Eden's Supportive Living across the street to worship

For the faithful sound and computer operators

For preparing, copying, and folding the bulletins

For all who joined hearts and voices in prayer and praise during worship

The convergence of all of these deeds made the gift of love incarnate tangible on Christmas Eve.

May you carry that gift with you into the New Year.

May that love inform and guide your thoughts and actions throughout the New Year.

If you like to sing, consider joining Choral Union. Choral Union is a community chorus that meets on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Adult Choir Room. Singers from Central Illinois meet, prepare music, enjoy singing together, and give at least one concert each semester. Requirements for membership include a desire to sing as part of a group, willingness to attend rehearsals, the ability to match pitch and the ability to sing with a pleasing tone. Dues are \$36 each semester; the first rehearsal is Monday, January 25. Contact Barbara Zachow for more information (bazachow@comcast.net; 540-553-1631).

Thank You for Worship Visuals

A sincere thank you and appreciation for all of those people who helped create our beautiful Advent and Christmas worship settings:



Robbie Black, Lauren Brademas, Louis Green, Susan Hinesly, Amy and Melanie Paul, Steve Rasch, and Jason Mack. We would also like to thank the Deck the Halls attendees for their time and contribution for additional decorations, especially making the aerial stars which hang over the pews in the Nave. We especially need to thank Steve Rasch for the uninterrupted 4 hours he spent up in the attic in cramped and contorted space while he raised the stars and streamers of stars. This was a beautiful addition to our worship setting and would not have been possible without his kind assistance. It took about a half hour to create one streamer of stars. We hope this worship setting enhanced your worship experience.

My Voice in the Church Library

Donna Reed has donated a copy of her recent book *My Voice* to the church library. She recently spoke to the Minds in Motion group about her book.

In the Introduction, Donna writes:

“ . . . These essays, first published in *The News-Gazette* in Champaign, Illinois, are comprised of childhood memories, as well as everyday humorous moments and holiday traditions as seen through my eyes and spoken in my voice.”

“ . . . *My Voice* will introduce readers to a warm, wonderful family and the funny situations that are a part of life. Hopefully those of you picking up this book will see your own lives reflected here, and you will share a smile with your loved ones.”

Pancake & Sausage Extravaganza

All you can eat - Donation \$6. January 16 from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church, 2201 County Road 900 East, Champaign.

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The United Methodist Church

is pleased to recognize

First United Methodist Church of Champaign

for its covenant support of
the Global Ministries
missionary community.

*Declare God's glory among the nations,
God's marvelous works among
all the peoples.*

Psalm 96:3

Thomas Kemper
General Secretary
General Board of Global Ministries

Thank you from Cunningham Children's Home

December 2, 2015

Dear Friends of Champaign First UMC,

The excitement for Christmas is building at Cunningham Children's Home. Your gift has added to our joy! Thank you for thinking of our kids and helping us provide just the right item from their wish list.

In the weeks ahead, our kids will enjoy holiday meals, caroling, Christmas cookie baking and decorating (YUM!), a visit from Santa, the retelling of Jesus' birth, and of course, gifts under the tree. Your generosity is bringing love and hope to youth who may have never experienced the excitement of the Christmas season before. Thank you for sharing with our kids this Christmas!

We wish you and your family many blessings during the holidays.

With Gratitude,

Ginger McKee
Associate Director of Advancement

Congregational Life of FUMC

January 16-31, 2016



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- 17 Mary Leger
- 17 Margaret Stair
- 18 Laura Curtis
- 18 Riley Kemper
- 18 Connor Lawson
- 19 Robert Coffin
- 19 Nia-Imani Davis
- 19 Ruth Thom
- 20 Heather Miller
- 21 Angela Brown
- 21 Judy Iversen
- 21 Susan Miceli
- 21 Ryder Perry

- 22 Suzanne Gates
- 22 Shirley Maryan
- 22 Mary Poole
- 23 Hannah Charter
- 23 Barbara Hecker
- 26 Jan Anderson
- 26 J.C. Karr
- 28 Verna Coffin
- 30 Abigail Cicone
- 30 Tyler Cicone
- 30 Lora Mae Kesler
- 30 Hubert Woolen
- 31 Jan Kiley
- 31 Susan Veitch

- 25 Ron & Lynne Lyman
- 25 Hubert & Jeanne Woolen

Hospital Report

Hospitalized in the past few weeks: Linda Faullin, Sharon Goller, Mary Jones, Ed McCartney, Carole Smith, and Jeanne Woolen.



GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL?

If you are scheduled by your physician to be hospitalized, please indicate "**Champaign First United Methodist Church**" on your admission form.

Privacy guidelines will not allow hospitals to notify the Church without your permission. If you can, call us before you are admitted, or have a family member or friend let us know.

We don't want to miss you when we visit.

Rev. Tom & Pastor Cathy

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Where do you see
God at work
through FUMC right now?

Our *individual mission* is
where our talents or gifts
meet the needs
of our neighborhood,
our community, or the world.

**NEXT
Messenger Deadline,
January 21, 2016
published on January 27**

Articles may be submitted by
e-mail to:
bberner@champaignfumc.org
or brought to the Church.

Deaths

Our sympathy and prayers are extended to Wayne and Anne Weber at the passing of Anne's brother, Paul Skelton, on November 24, 2015; to the family of Wanda Mitchell, who passed away on December 7, 2015; to Doug Kammeyer and family at the passing of Doug's mother, Vivian Kammeyer, on December 8, 2015; to Brian Sides and Cristina Manuel and family at the passing of Brian's father on December 12, 2015; to the family of Sylva Walker, who passed away on December 14, 2015; and to the family and friends of Jim Mills, who passed away on January 6, 2016.



Congregational Life of FUMC

Church Calendar

Thursday, January 14

8:00 Quilters
6:30 Perceptions Praise Team
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Friday, January 15

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Saturday, January 16

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Sunday, January 17

8:15 Coffee Fellowship
8:45 ARK Child Care
9:00 Perceptions Worship
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Classic Worship
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Building Closed

9:00 Confirmation Retreat
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Tuesday, January 19

9:30 Program Staff Meeting
11:30 WCG Team
6:00 Chancel Ringers
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Wednesday, January 20

9:00 GriefShare
4:00 Confirmation Class
6:00 High School Bible Study
7:00 Chancel Choir
7:30 Venturing Crew 1
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Thursday, January 21

8:00 Quilters
10:00 Minds in Motion
6:00 Fellowship Committee
6:30 Austin's Place Vol. Training
6:30 Perceptions Praise Team
6:30 Stephen Ministry
7:00 Wrapped in His Love
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Friday, January 22

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Saturday, January 23

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Sunday, January 24

8:15 Coffee Fellowship
8:45 ARK Child Care
9:00 Perceptions Worship
10:00 Sunday School
10:10 Staffing Model Informational Session
10:30 Chancel Choir
11:00 Classic Worship
3:00 WCG Leaders
4:00 Kids Choir
5:00 Youth Music
6:00 Corum/Jones WCG
6:00 Youth Group
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Monday, January 25

8:00 Quilters
1:00 Goller WCG
6:30 Austin's Place Steering Committee
6:45 BSA Troop #1
7:00 Choral Union
7:00 Visioning Team
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Tuesday, January 26

10:30 Staff Meeting
11:30 WCG Team
1:30 Walker/Sutton WCG
6:00 Chancel Ringers
7:00 Bachman WCG
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Wednesday, January 27

9:00 GriefShare
6:00 High School Bible Study
6:30 Beyler WCG
7:00 Chancel Choir
7:00 Mattingly WCG
7:30 Venturing Crew 1
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Thursday, January 28

8:00 Quilters
6:30 Perceptions Praise Team
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Friday, January 29

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Saturday, January 30

7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Sunday, January 31

8:15 Coffee Fellowship
8:45 ARK Child Care
9:00 Perceptions Worship
9:55 Walters/Doll/Lyman WCG
10:00 Sunday School
10:30 Chancel Choir
11:00 Classic Worship
12:15 Chili Cook Off
3:00 WCG Leaders
4:00 Kids Choir
5:00 Youth Music
6:00 Corum/Jones WCG
6:00 Youth Group
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Monday, February 1

8:00 Quilters
1:00 Goller WCG
6:45 BSA Troop #1
7:00 Choral Union
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Tuesday, February 2

10:30 Staff Meeting
11:45 WCG Team
1:30 Walker/Sutton WCG
6:00 Chancel Ringers
7:00 Bachman WCG
7:45 Austin's Place Shelter

Worship Attendance

Sunday, January 3, 2016

9:00.....83
11:00.....118
Total.....201

Sunday, January 10, 2016

9:00.....105
11:00.....126
Total.....231

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January 17, 2016

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Human Relations Day

9:00 a.m. Perceptions Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Classic Worship

Sermon:

“Daily Moments”

Scripture:

John 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Pastor Cathy Minor, preaching

January 24, 2016

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00 a.m. Perceptions Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Classic Worship

Sermon:

“Sent”

Scripture:

Luke 4:14-21

Rev. Tom Corum, preaching

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is available from 8:45-12:15.