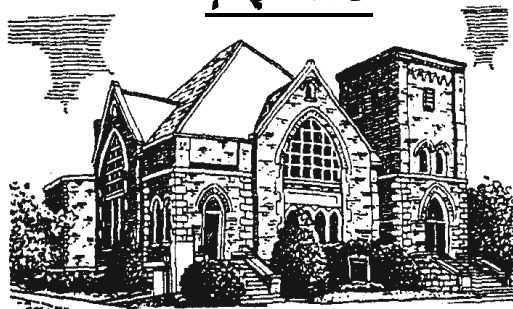


United Methodist News



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April 2014

April Events

- April 2 — YOUth Group
- April 3 — UMW Salad Supper
- April 13 — Palm Sunday, Children's Ministry
- April 16 — Newsletter Articles Due
- April 18 — Good Friday Worship
- April 19 — Prayer Vigil
- April 20 — **Easter**
Worship at 7 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Missions Breakfast
- April 23 — Meeting of Holy Folders
- April 25-27 — **Consultation**

He is not here, for
HE HAS RISEN,
just as He said!

matthew 28:6

UMW Salad Supper and Guest Night

Thursday, April 3rd @ 6:30 p.m.

Church Dining Room

(UMW Members Bring a Dish to Share)

Spring UMW Meeting

Greeters: Mary Martha Circle; **Devotions:** Abigail Circle
Priscilla Circle Will Be Giving the Program: "We are Mary.
We are Martha. There is a time to listen and a time to be
busy."

Any questions, please contact Leanne Zearley, 563-886-6398.

New Ministry: JAM Session

[JAM = Jesus And Maintenance]

7:00 a.m. 2nd Tuesday, April 8 & May 13

This ministry offers a breakfast cooked (at this point) by Pastor Paul. It will be accompanied by a Bible lesson of some sort. Then, following the body & spirit food, whoever is able to stay around for a while is welcome to clean, do light maintenance, fix here and there. Initially, a list of projects will be provided, but people are encouraged to address those projects which they have noticed and no one else seems to be handling. This is your church!

We will seek to complete the body and soul food by 7:45 so anyone who needs to be at work by 8:00 a.m. (in town, anyway) can make it.

As is the case with any fledgling ministry, your participation is welcome. Comments about scheduling are welcome.
Contact Pastor Paul.

Annual 12-HOUR EASTER PRAYER VIGIL

7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday April 19

A portable bulletin board is in the Fellowship Room. You are encouraged to tack prayer 'sorries' and 'celebrations' on that bulletin board between reading this and Saturday the 19th. On the 19th that board will be placed in the sanctuary and can be utilized for prayer.





In the book Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation author Robert Schnase, who is also the author of our Lent study book, lists five tangible activities that every person of a church can do to encourage a church's fruitfulness. The first one he lists is "Radical Hospitality."

Perhaps the most well-known Bible passage on the topic is from Hebrews 13:2: *Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.* Perhaps you can relate to that passage, from not only the perspective of offering a place in a storm but perhaps you were the "stranger" welcomed in.

Another scripture is similar, and is recorded in Romans 12:13: *Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.* This verse tells us our benefit and well-being is connected to every one around us. This reminds one of the Lord's instructions to the people of the exile who were carried off to Babylon. In Jeremiah 29:7 & 12 we are reminded of that connection upon which we are all and each dependent:

But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.... For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

I could write more about the scriptural understanding of "hospitality," but I learned a lot about it as I happened to be hanging around in Christopher & Banks at the Coralville Mall a while back. One of the salespersons was working in the rear storage & staging room so the door to that area was open. I meandered to that corner and just inside the door was a large poster with their "Sales Techniques." I don't recall how many there were, but it seems there were at least seven. The first was this: "Establish eye contact with every Friend within 15 seconds after entering the store." One of the middle ones mentioned building trust. The last one was simple and brief: "Invite her back." (To this sexist comment I did not take offense, but it wouldn't hurt if they invited the purse-carriers/jacket-holders back, too!!)

Is EVANGELISM as simple as "with every Friend, establish eye-contact within 15 minutes after they enter the church?" If so, it seems within the realm of possibility that we can each do that!! Ok, maybe not as well as Jesus could spot a needy person in a pile of people, but we can at least make eye-contact!

And I have no doubt most people have practiced, in some realm, the act of inviting someone to return – to our house, to a game, to the park, somewhere. Hmmmm, we could invite a person to return the following week to worship.

The Cedar Rapids Gazette has this new section referring to the "creative corridor." The "creative" has a couple different referents, one of which is creating jobs. But nearly every week in the Sunday edition it also has an article or two about the importance of welcoming a diverse population into the area. In the Feb. 23rd guest column, Helen Jameson wrote:

With inclusion we will have creative ideas and solutions, new businesses coming and staying, an expanded work force and bolstered economic development. Perhaps most important, we will be preparing our children for the ever-changing demographics of the 21st century.

The Bible had a handle on all this way before Economic Development groups did! God is so varied that none of us can hold within a single skin or experience all the complexity of God. So God made us to need one another. Maybe we're starting to catch on???

Grace to you and peace,

Pastor Paul

*Love wholeheartedly,
be surprised,
give thanks and praise—
then you will discover the
fullness of your life.*

—Brother David Steindl-Rast

Missions

Missions Work Trip – July 14-18

The REGISTRATION DEADLINE is SUNDAY, April 13, 2014. Anyone (14 and above) intending to go on this work trip MUST complete a registration form and turn it in to the church office with a \$75 registration fee. [If the cost of registration presents an issue, talk to Pastor Paul.] Registration forms are available in the sanctuary or church office. Don't miss out on being a part of this summer's work trip experience.

We'll be assisting with tornado recovery work in Washington, IL July 14-16 and working in Tipton July 17-18. In Tipton, we're hoping to re-roof a house, plus an assortment of other projects close to home. If you've never been a part of a work trip or haven't had construction experience, no need to worry. All skill levels and abilities are welcome – there will be something for you to do.

The plan is to stay in Washington, IL from Monday through Wednesday, then stay in our own beds and work in Tipton on Thursday and Friday. If you're interested in working only on July 17 and/or July 18, please complete a registration form and \$15 per day by the April 13th deadline.

An INFORMATIONAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, March 30 after worship in the sanctuary. All fundraising is the responsibility of the group. Questions? Contact Carmen Hoffman OR the church office.

Easter Pool Offering

In April, we collect the Easter Pool offering. Rather than collect ten special offerings throughout the year, the Missions Team will "pool" those offerings into one special offering. The total amount given will be divided evenly toward ten special offerings including Human Relations, Native American Ministries, Peace with Justice, World Communion, United Methodist Students, Golden Cross, Disabilities Awareness, Christian Education, Neighbor Helping Neighbor, and Rural Life. A special offering envelope is included in this newsletter. As with any 'special' offering, our gifts are intended to be over and above the offerings given toward the general budget of the church. Thank you!

Rummage and Recycle Sale

It's time to take advantage of the wintry weather, start cleaning your closets and gather your donations for the church rummage sale. This will be our 9th annual sale with proceeds supporting mission projects. As in the past, the sale will only be a success with your help! Donations, volunteers, and shoppers are all needed.

SALE HOURS

Friday, May 2: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 3: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

DONATIONS may be brought to the church any-time AFTER NOON Sunday, April 14 to the Fellowship Room. Here are a few guidelines for donations:

- 1) all items must be clean and "like new" or "gently used",
- 2) ask yourself "Would anyone purchase this item in this condition?",
- 3) household items, books, children's clothing and toys sell especially well, and
- 4) any large items (i.e. furniture, mowers, TVs) NOT sold or accepted by charity after the sale must to be taken home by the owner.

Please bring larger items AFTER noon Sunday, April 27. If you would like someone to pick up your donations, please contact the church office by Sunday, April 21.

VOLUNTEERS of all ages are needed to help set up before the sale, work during the sale and clean up after the sale. If you haven't helped out before, it's a great time and your help is needed. A sign-up sheet for the various responsibilities will be posted on the breezeway door Easter weekend.

SET UP SCHEDULE – FELLOWSHIP ROOM

Sunday, April 27 after worship and "Healthy Church" report – move tables and rummage to Fellowship Room

Tuesday, April 29, 4:00-8:00 p.m. – set up Fellowship Room and begin setting up for the sale

Wednesday, April 30, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 4-8 p.m.

Thursday, April 31: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (if needed)

CLEAN UP SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 3 at 11:00 a.m.

Clean-up will be done immediately after the sale. If you have a truck or van and are willing to haul a load to Goodwill or another charitable organization, please sign up to help out. Usually 5-6 vehicles are needed to haul everything away. Church Women United is hosting a luncheon that day, so we'd like to have a large group help out and be done quickly.

SHOPPERS are needed. Please stop by and shop the sale. Better yet, tell your friends and bring them to the sale! The sale is a great way to save a few bucks! We intentionally mark prices low to get merchandise to move.

THANKS in advance for your support of this event. Your donations, assistance with the rummage sale, and/or stopping by to shop are all appreciated.

Easter Breakfast

The Missions Team will serve Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 20 right after the 7:00 a.m. sunrise service until 8:45 a.m. Stay after worship or come for a special breakfast before Sunday school. The menu is the now Sunrise Surprise (i.e. infamous “slop” recipe), cinnamon rolls, fruit, juice and coffee. A freewill offering will be taken and any profits will go toward Mission projects.

Festival of Talents

Three years ago, the Mission Team challenged you to use your talents through the Festival of Talents project. We decided it'd be fun to try it again this summer and encourage even more people to participate. If you weren't here before OR need a reminder, here's what happens...

The Festival of Talents, though slightly unconventional, helps demonstrate and personalize Jesus' command found in Matthew 25:14-30 to use our talents. During worship on May 4, our service will focus on the abundance of Christ. We'll pass the offering plate and YOU will have an opportunity to TAKE money out of the plate. YOU will be challenged to use the money individually (or as a family) to make the most of your “talents” this summer. For example, kids could buy lemonade and have a lemonade stand, gardeners could buy seeds and sell what they grow, knitters could buy yarn and sell a scarf or blanket, woodworkers could buy wood and sell Christmas ornaments, etc. The Missions team will provide a space for individuals to sell items during the summer. On World Communion Sunday (October 5) during worship, you will have an opportunity to return the money, any profits and share stories/testimonies of how you invested (or perhaps didn't use) your talents. Of course, our hope is that YOU will creatively use your talents and share what you've learned with others. Start thinking now about what ways you might share your God-given talents! Come to worship on May 4th!

Thank you!

The Missions Fat Tuesday Pancake supper was a success! Thanks to all who donated food and griddles, helped with set up, cooking, serving, or clean-up, and/or came for the meal. We had 108 people for the meal and raised a little over \$400 for mission projects.

Prayers

Hospitalized/Procedures: Gordon Esbeck

Healing: Alice Anderson (G. Fleming's mom), Phyllis Behrens, Linda Black(J. Keller's sis), Bonnie Bryden, Allan Charette, Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Joann Chizek, Dori (C. Person's sis), Eugene Edler (lymphoma; Irene Wood's bro); Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Margaret Ketelsen (Mary Jo Heil's mom), Francis Kuehl, Edna Miller (Judy Ohrt's sister), Katherine Moen (Jane M's mom), Mandy Ohrt (Judy's daughter), Doug Speer (Staci's father), Vallie Stone (V.Daniel's father), Gary Taylor, Carolyn Wiggins (S. Gould's sis), and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Pray for the healthy church Initiative
CONSULTATION – April 25, 26 & 27, 2014
(& make plans to participate!)

Friends & Family of Helen Behrens, aunt of Ron & Daisy Wingert.

Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions

Persons uprooted due to “natural” and/or “human” disaster; and those who are called to help.

Families struggling with the impacts of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.

Couples/Families searching for the way forward.

Persons & families of incarceration;

Persons in employment limbo;

In Treatment: Alec Amosson, Jim Ehresman, Barb Knack (B. Cummin's sis), Sarah Ann Wellendorf (F. Kuehl's sis)

Hospice/Palliative Care: Gene Weih, Tom Durnan (Tina Nau's father), Betty Wright

Armed Services: Sean Hannes, Billy Hoffman, Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby, Mike Ploeger (McKinney's Nephew), Jake Reidel, Cole Weih

**Newsletter articles are due
Wed., April 16th.**

**Meeting of the Holy Folders is
Wed., April 23rd.**

Holy Folders fold the newsletter, spreading
God's and our Church's news!



VBS is July 20-24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at St Mary's. Meals served from 5:00-5:45 each night. \$3.00 per person or \$10 per family. Registration forms will be available soon. \$5 fee/child requested. Volunteers needed. See Jen Johnson, Bobbie Leiser, or Melinda Stonebraker.



On March 2nd the Sunday school classes had an opportunity to learn more about church camps.

Jen'Nifer Comstock informed them of some of the different camps available at the three Methodist camps in Iowa. The kids also took part in a few camp games and activities. The girls in the picture above were the winners of the camp challenge.

For more information about Iowa Methodist Camps and camp scholarships available through the church, see the article on the front page of this newsletter or contact the church office.



Kids for Christ

Sunday, April 13th

2:30 - 4:30

EVERYONE is invited to attend and bring a friend. We will meet at the church for crafts, visit and entertain our friends at Cedar Manor, and return for snacks. This is an opportunity to share Christ's love and have fun doing so. Helpers and drivers needed and blessed. For more information, please contact Denise Cartwright.

Thank you to Zoe Stonebraker, Kallie Wallick and their friend, Halle for making cards for college students this year. Your cards, along with \$5 Subway gift cards, helped to make birthdays more special for these students. Your hard work was appreciated. Thank you, Zoe, Kallie, & Halle!



Thank you for supporting the College Connections ministry! With your support, we've sent care packages to college students once a month this school year. In March, we sent Lent/Easter puzzles with apple cider mix packets. We'll send our last care packages in April. Your support does make a difference!

YOUTH event!!

The Youth of the Mt. Vernon UMC have invited area youth to attend a **SPECIAL YOUTH EVENT** Wednesday evening, April 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mt. Vernon UMC. Bobby Colquhoun will be there to challenge and to bring the hope that he, a prodigal, experienced.



Kids Camp Fundraiser Lunch May 4th

Kids are raising money to go to camp this summer with a maid-rite and hot dog lunch after worship on May 4th. A freewill donation will be taken to support kids interested in going to camp. The UMW already supports kids going to camp by offering half or up to \$100 of the camp registration fee (contact Denise Cartwright for more info from the UMW).

If our kids are interested in going to a United Methodist camp this summer and want to be involved in and benefit from camp fundraisers, please contact the church office by Sunday, May 11th. All kids may apply to receive funds from the camp fundraisers, but those actively involved in the fundraisers will qualify to receive additional funds.



Advertise your Church Events

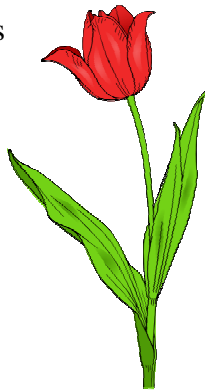
All Churches in the Conference are being encouraged to advertise their church events on the Conference website. Simply go to <http://www.iaumc.org> and on the home page, there is a tab entitled "Events". There will be a pop-up entitled "All Events" ...click on that; on the left side of the screen, click on "Submit an Event". Complete the information on the screen, and within 24 hours your event will be available to the entire Conference! Free Advertising - it can't be beat!!! If you have trouble setting up your event - contact your church or district office for help

Your event will display here:

<http://www.iaumc.org/pages/detail/2233>

Caring Ministries – Easter Visits

If you'd like to deliver Easter greetings to people who don't get out and about much anymore, we'll have care packages ready to pick up after worship Sunday, April 6 in the dining room. We'll have around 50 packages to deliver, so stop by and pick up a couple. We ask that you personally deliver the "packages" anytime before Easter Sunday, April 20.



Prayer Bears Ministry – Coming Soon!

Caring Ministries is interested in starting a "Prayer Bear" ministry this spring. The plan is to have teddy bears sitting in the sanctuary. If you know of someone (any age) who could use some extra TLC, then you'll be able to pick up a teddy bear for them. The bears will have prayers attached to them reminding their new friend(s) of God's love. To get this ministry started, we're in need of new or "gently used" teddy bears and/or monetary donations to purchase bears. Bring your donations to the Fellowship Room anytime in April. For monetary donations, just put "Prayer Bears" in the memo line of your check and put it in the offering plate any time.

We are also looking for a group of kids willing to help coordinate with this ministry. If interested, your job would be to attach the prayers to the bears, arrange the bears, and make sure there are always bears available in the sanctuary. Interested? Please let Jane Moen or the church office know. Our plan is to start this ministry in May.



Nurturing Faith – 24/7

"It is through our everyday relationship with our children that we convey spirituality. As we share our reverence for the natural world, the simple joys of family life, our dependability, and our unconditional love, we show them the face of God." Jean Grasso Fitzpatrick

To nurture faith in your family this next month, here are some things you may want to try:

- Read the Easter story aloud. Start a family tradition of reading aloud the different aspects of the Easter story starting on Maundy Thursday (April 17). Have family members take turns by reading: Matthew 26:17-30 on Maundy Thursday, Matthew 27:27-61 on Good Friday, Matthew 27:62-66 on Saturday and Matthew 28:1-10 on Easter Sunday.
- Have a religious Easter egg hunt. Consider having an egg hunt that has eggs with religious symbols inside. Hide eggs with Easter symbols, such as nails (John 20:24-29), a stone (Matthew 28:2), an angel (Matthew 28:5-7), a cross (Matthew 27:32), a ripped piece of cloth and/or a broken stone (Matthew 27:51), thorns from a rose bush (Matthew 27:29), etc. After children find all the eggs and open them up, have them guess the significance of each item. If they are unsure, have them look up the scripture passage that can give them insight about each symbol.
- As you listen to the news or read the newspaper, make note of individuals, issues, countries, etc. in need of prayer. Select one or two items to discuss with your family and include it during your family prayer time.

SPRING





United Methodist Women

UMW General Meeting

Thursday, April 3rd at 6:30 p.m. — Salad Supper and Guest Night.

April Circle Meetings

Abigail — Wed., April 16th at 8:00 p.m.

Mary Martha — Fri., April 18th at 1:30 p.m.

Priscilla — Thurs., April 24th at 7:00 p.m.

We thank everyone that remembered our daughter-in-law Betty with the outpouring of love and sympathy in prayers, cards, phone calls and hugs. Our family is truly blessed with your friendship and caring.

Alvin & Mary Wright

LOSS & GRIEF GROUP continues

Wednesdays through April 16. In April there is no [monthly] gathering on the 3rd Monday, which is April 21. We'll resume the once-a-month gathering May 19th. These Monday sessions are a gathering of old, new and soon-to-be friends who have experienced a loss. Questions? Talk to Sherry Willey or Pastor Paul

APRIL will be CRAZY-BUSY at 1st UMC, including the Easter weekend, a memorial event, a wedding, and the routine events that come with spring. On top of that, progress on the remodeling of the Fellowship room will be on-going. We will need weekly CLEANING on Friday afternoons or Saturday mornings through much of the month. Don't be bashful! (a major "spring cleaning" will be scheduled when the Fellowship Room is completed.)

East Central District Conference and Pancake Supper April 27

Our District Conference is on Sunday, April 27 from 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm. at Solon UMC, 122 North West St, Solon 52333 in the sanctuary. We'll begin the day at 2:00 pm with fellowship. Celebrations and district business will start at 2:30 pm with a free-will pancake supper to follow. Your offering will go to Imagine No Malaria. A carpool will leave 1st UMC-Tipton at 1:45 p.m.

Laity Day With Bishop Trimble

Saturday, April 12, 9:30 a.m. -3 p.m.

**Grace United Methodist Church
3700 Cottage Grove Ave, Des Moines.**

Registration is \$10 and includes lunch. Contact David Decker with questions at 641.494.7663. Question and comment for Bishop Trimble can be directed to BishopLaityDay@iaumc.org.

For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues from generation to generation.

Psalm 100:5

WALK TO EMMAUS

A Free Gift for Yourself and Those You Care About

Date	Walk	Location
03/20/2014 - 03/23/2014	Men's Walk #159	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
04/03/2014 - 04/06/2014	Women's Walk #160	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
10/16/2014 - 10/19/2014	Men's Walk #161	TBD
11/06/2014 - 11/09/2014	Women's Walk #162	TBD

If you want more information you may do an internet search, go to <http://www.cedarrapidsemmaus.org> or talk to Pastor Paul.

CONSULTATION SCHEDULE: Friday, Saturday & Sunday April 25, 26, 27

25th

8:00 to 8:30 Consultation team meets at the church
8:30 to 10:00 Interview Pastor, tour facilities
10 to 5:00 Interview staff, laity leaders (45 min. time slots; 30 for the interview w. 15 min. to process & write)
[Noon – Lunch break; church provide a light meal]
5:00 Lead Consultant has dinner with pastor & spouse. Team goes out on its own
7:00 to 8:30 “Focus Group” from church; cross-section of non-current leaders but regular attenders

26th

9:00 to 10:00 Coach meets with Leadership Council key issues/topics that have come up in interviews.
10:00 to 3:00 Everyone – ALL participants of 1st UMC (especially leaders and ‘influencers’) comes to church for a workshop; lunch provided.

After 3:00 the Team finalizes their report, which includes some things we may be doing well and showing fruits; and relates some areas for us to work on so we might become more healthy. These are called “prescriptions.” The Team shares the Report with the Pastor, who runs copies to be given to the congregation the next morning.

27th (Sunday)

Lead Consultant preaches. Right after worship, copies of the Report are handed out and the Lead reads the report.

There are three “Open Forums” scheduled at various times, at which people will have opportunity to discuss the Report and prescriptions.

Within 30 days after the Consultation, a Church Conference is held with the Conference Superintendent. The only agenda item is to vote on the prescriptions – ‘all or none.’

~ June 1: If we approve the prescriptions, we begin to ‘take the medicine!’

On another front: **Progress Continues...**

FORWARD IN FAITH !!

March 17-19 new windows were installed in the Education Wing. That was one of the items on the 2007 ‘to-do list’ created by the Long-Range Facilities Planning Team composed of Barb Rickard, Glenn Eaton, Brad Kirkpatrick and Ken McKay. These new windows have an energy seal and should be much cooler [summer] and warmer [winter.] as of this writing we have received \$7,265 for these windows. Total cost is \$13,000 so if you are able to give toward this project, whatever amount, it will be appreciated – not just today but every cold day for years and years by God’s children from the smallest to the tallest.

Now we are down to the last item on the Long-Range’s project list, updating the Fellowship Room and making it more user-friendly. When the Long Range Team evaluated the facilities, they got to this space and wondered why it was not more frequently utilized. It wasn’t hard to figure that out: it wasn’t insulated; the heating system was poor; no AC; windows were porous; no close bathroom; no hospitality center for coffee or anything; no TLC for about four decades.

We have been addressing these deficiencies, from 2007 insulation to the new roof in 2008, to the new heating system in 2010 that included a separate air-handler for the Fellowship Room, and even to the new windows in 2013, this room is moving toward one of the most inviting and comfortable spaces in the building.

Michael Nissen, a carpenter who is relatively new to town, is working with volunteers to bring plumbing and finishing touches to the Fellowship Room. Steve Person and Dusty Johnson have been working on demolition and have now begun construction. There will be an accessible rest room in a corner of the Fellowship Room, near a small kitchenette that will be appropriate for hosting a small group. And if you’ve ‘set the Table’ for communion, there will be no more stairs to get the elements to the Table nor for cleaning up!!

There are plans for a cosmetic fireplace, and larger doors into the NW storage room and the “choir door” to the sanctuary.

YOUR help will be NEEDED as we continue this project and get to the painting and finishing portion. Watch and listen for ways you can help.

Board of Trustees and Pastor Paul

April Sunday Servants

Liturgists

- 13 – Erma Lyle
- 20 – Twyla Hein
- 27 – Heidi Shumaker

Power Point Becky Young - Coordinator

- 6 – Brian or MJ Heil (both)
- 13 – Becky Young (create), Chris McKinney (run)
- 18 – Melinda Stonebraker (both)
- 20 – Alec Heil (both)
- 27 – Renee Mente (both)

Fellowship Coffee Rick Rouse - Coordinator

- 6 – Jack & Denise Cartwright, Sherry Willey, Brad & Bobbie Lieser
- 13 – Charette-Conant Family, Bob & Barb Rickard, Danny & Stephanie Coppess
- 20 – No Fellowship Coffee; Easter Breakfast
- 27 – Glenn & Ellen Fear, Ann Jurgensen, Adam & Amy Calonder

Ushers Lorna Muller - Coordinator

Bob & Barb Rickard, Max & Judy Keller

Greeters Becky Young - Coordinator

- 6 – Ken & Deb McKay
- 13 – Walter Family
- 18 – Ted, Deanna and Steven Licht
- 20 – Rick & Heidi Shumaker
- 27 – Larry & Berry Glick

Nursery Office - Coordinator

- 6 – Denise Cartwright
- 13 – Karen Anderson
- 20 – Roberta Gesling
- 27 – Liz Simons & Maddie Peters

Children's Lesson Office - Coordinator

- 6 – Dusty Johnson
- 13 – Jen'Nifer Comstock
- 20 – Pastor Paul
- 27 – Pastor Paul

Communion Stewards Donna Gault - Coordinator

Judy And wally Reidel

Video Camera Mary McKinney - Coordinator

- 6 – A willing volunteer is it you?
- 13 – Comstock Family
- 20 – A willing volunteer is it you?
- 27 – Jane Moen

Acolytes Kim Walter - Coordinator

- 6 – Jesse & Kelley Lieser
- 13 – Sara & Davis Webb
- 20 – Kallie & Coryn Wallick
- 27 – Elliot Cummins & Caleb Shumaker

Calling all Campers!

Children's Ministry is sponsoring several fundraisers to help provide funds for children attending church camp this summer. Starting the weekend of the Rummage Sale we'll kick off several chances for the kids to raise camp funds during the months of May and June.

The money raised will be awarded to campers who apply before the deadline of Sunday May 11. Awards will be determined by the total amount raised, number of campers who applied for funds, and the camper's participation in the fundraising events.

Events include the following:

Saturday, May 3rd – Rummage Sale Bake Sale – Camper's will provide and sell baked goods 8:00-11:00 a.m.

Sunday May 4th – Camp Fundraiser Lunch – Free will offering meal of hot dogs, maid-rites, baked beans, chips and lemonade after Worship.

Sunday June 1st – Camp IO•WA•NO•PI Fun Day Potluck after Worship to include camp inspired fun activities. Stay tuned for an announcement regarding a special event that day!

Campers can apply online at the website (www.tiptonumc.org – check the front page for the link to the application form), or turn in a printed application to the office. Deadline Sunday May 11th.

It's not too late to check out the camps available this summer – see the website for a link to the Iowa Annual conference camp web page, or check out the catalog in the office.

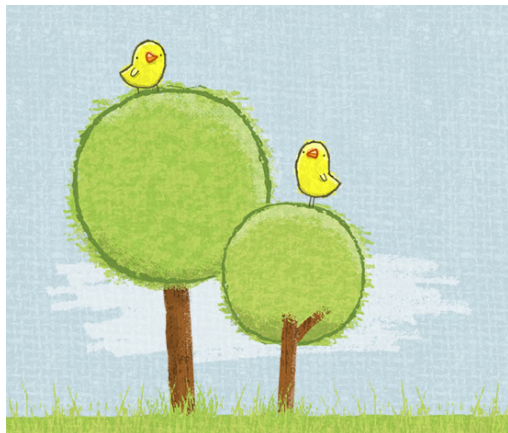


Birthdays and Anniversaries

(members and constituents)

- 1 – Jennifer Gaunt, Amy Glick
- 2 – Pam Lieser
- 3 – Kristen Charette
- 4 – Natalie Coppess
- 5 – Andy Nash
- 6 – Scott Cartwright, Christina Eicher
- 7 – Matt Jackson
- 8 – Coryn Wallick
- 9 – Jim Ehresman, Grady Glick
- 10 – Addison Butler, Stuart Clark
- 11 – Braydon Calonder, Chris & Randy Amosson,
David & Ruth Ann Beers
- 13 – Andrew Comstock, Dick Palmer, Tawnya
Johnson
- 14 – Jerry Ferguson, Elizabeth & Kyle Voss
- 15 – Jack Boldt, KiaLeigh Rickard-Urban, Karen
Streling
- 17 – Danny Ford, Marvin & Kay Miller
- 18 – Tom Ehresman, Chris Schultz
- 19 – Carol Anderson
- 20 – Twyla Hein, Jennifer & Neil Gaunt, Randy &
Tina Nau
- 21 – Calvin Kuehl, Mary Wright, Abby Cummins &
Chris VanScoy
- 23 – Denise Errthum, Donna Wiskus,
- 24 – Wayne & Nanette Behrens, Craig & Gail
Jackson
- 26 – Renee Mente
- 27 – Kelly Smith, Rich Urban
- 28 – Connor Boeve, Adam Heil, Jo Ann & Jim
Brennan
- 29 – Daulton Mente, Maddie Swick
- 30 – Robert & Denise Errthum, Margaret O'Leary,
Duane Webb

(Please contact the church office for additions and/or corrections.)



Worship in April

Worship is the central act of the adherents of any "religious" group; it's the most significant means of identity. Is your identity clear?

April 6 — Communion

Music: Chancel Choir, Keyboard

Sermon: "Heaven or Human?" Mt. 21:23-27

April 13 — Palm Sunday & Spring Children's Prog.

Music: Christian Chaos, Choir Kids

Sermon: "Tried and Found Wanting?" Mt. 26:27-66

April 18 — Good Friday worship @ 7:15 pm

Music: Chancel Choir & Keyboard

Sermon: "It Is Accomplished" John 19:30

April 20 — Easter!! Worship @ 7:00 & 10:30 am

Music: Chancel Choir & Keyboard

Sermon: "Way to Go, Mary!" John 20:1-18

April 27 — **Consultation: Practical Resurrection**

Music: Choir Kids, Christian Chaos & Big Band

Sermon: [by one of the visiting Consultation Team members]

Presence and Gifts from Feb.

Presence: Worship: 2nd – 100, 9th – 86, 16th – 109,
23rd – 125

Sunday School: 2nd – 60, 9th – 41, 16th – 56, 23rd – 60

Average attendance: Worship: 105

Sunday School: 54

Gifts: General Fund \$12,615.7, • Close the
Windows Fundraiser \$2,750.00, • Apportionments
\$110.00, • Miracle Sunday \$15.00, • Caring Ministry
\$382.00, • Book-Lent "40 Days of Fruitful..."
\$28.00, • Shared Blessings \$4.00, • Copper Kettle

Tipton FUMC's Sunday service is shown on
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Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. and then again
Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

April 2014

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Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
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				6:00am FUMC leaves for Peter Steinke (Pella, IA) 6:30pm G.I.G. (Rm 113)		12:00pm Pastor @ Bible Study 1:15pm UMW At Cedar Manor 4:30pm Grief Group (Rm. 113) 6:00pm G.I.G. (Johnson's) 6:15pm Youth Group (Dining R) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanct)		10:00am Pastor @ HCl 10:00am G.I.G. (Rm. 113) 6:30pm UMW General Unit Meeting: Salad Supper (Dining Room)		5:00pm Ethan Wulf - Samantha Trimm wedding rehearsal		4:00pm Samantha Trimm - Ethan Wulf Wedding	
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8:30am Choir Kids (Sanct.) 9:00am G.I.G. 9:00am Sunday School (Ed. Wing) 10:30am Worship (Sanctuary) 3:00pm Cedar Manor Service		8:00am Pastor @ District Meeting 6:45pm Creative Worship		7:00am JAM Session [JAM = Jesus And Maintenance] (Dining Room) 4:00pm Communion @ Prairie Hills (Prairie Hills) 6:30pm G.I.G. (Rm 113)		12:00pm Pastor @ Bible Study 1:15pm UMW At Cedar Manor 4:30pm Grief Group (Rm. 113) 6:00pm G.I.G. (Johnson's) 6:30pm Bobbie Colquhoun (So) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanct) 8 PM Leadership Council		9:30am Communion @ Cedar 10:00am G.I.G. (Rm. 113) 10:00am Pastor @ Senior Par 12:00pm Pastor @ TMA 6:30pm Xn Chaos rehearsal (S) 7:00pm Bible Study (Wesley R)		9:30am Lait Day With Bishop Trimble (Grace United Meth) 11:00am Shared Blessings Meal (DRK) 11:30am Illa Mae Beyer Memorial Service			
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Palm Sunday 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanct.) 9:00am G.I.G. 9:00am Sunday School (Ed. W) 9:00am Xn Chaos 10:30am Children's Ministries See More below.		10:30am Staff Meeting 6:30pm Xn Chaos rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:45pm Missions Committee Meeting (Wesley Rm.)		6:30pm G.I.G. (Rm 113)		Newsletter Articles Due 12:00pm Pastor @ Bible Study 1:15pm UMW At Cedar Manor 4:30pm Grief Group (Rm. 113) 6:00pm G.I.G. (Johnson's) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanct) 8 PM Abigail Circle		8:30am Pastor @ ECI 10:00am G.I.G. (Rm. 113) 6:15pm Girl Scout Troop #8719 (DR) 6:30pm Girl Scout Troop #530 6:30pm Trustees (Wesley Roo		Good Friday Office Closed 1:30pm Mary Martha (Sherry Willey) 7:15pm Good Friday Worship (Sanctuary)		7:00am Prayer Vigil	
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Easter 7:00am Early Easter Service 7:45am Easter Breakfast (DR/ 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanct.) 9:00am G.I.G. 9:00am Sunday School (Ed. W) 10:30 AM Worship				2:00pm Prairie Hills Program (Prairie Hills) 6:30pm G.I.G. (Rm 113)		Meeting of The Holy Folders 12:00pm Pastor @ Bible Study 1:15pm UMW At Cedar Manor Bingo 6:00pm G.I.G. (Johnson's) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanct)		10:00am G.I.G. (Rm. 113) 6:30pm Xn Chaos rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00pm Priscilla Circle (Leanne Zearley) (Dining Room/ Kitchen)		HCl Consultation 8:00am Consultation Interviews (Rm. 113) 7:00pm Consultation Focus Group (Fellowship Rm.)		HCl Consultation 9:00am Leadership Council Consultation 10:00am Everyone attends All Church Workshop 11:00am Shared Blessings Me	
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Tipton First United Methodist Church Staff:

Pastor - **Paul Frederiksen**

Administrative Ministries Coordinator - **Jennifer Comstock**

Accompanist - **Sylvia Gould**

Custodian - **Don Griffith**

Chancel Choir Director - **Alice Ann Gallagher**

Choir Kids Director - **Denise Cartwright**

Choir Kids Accompanist - **Dee Wallace**

Christian Chaos Director - **Denise Cartwright**

Bishop of the Iowa Annual Conference - **Julius Calvin Trimble**

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East Central Iowa District Field Outreach Minister - **Jill Sanders**

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