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SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:10 AM

WE'RE INVITING

Thursday Prayer Vigil

Please stop by for our Prayer Vigil on Thursday, July 5th. Doors are open from 8:30 am - 8:30 pm, stay as long as you like. If you would like to add a prayer for that day, please pick up a prayer request in the church office.



Vacation Bible Study "Shipwrecked - Recused by Jesus"

Sunday, July 8th – Thursday, July 12th 5:45 – 8:00 pm (supper provided at 5:15)

Get ready for an adventure to an uncharted island where kids are rescued by Jesus! For more information: call 309-737-6385 or e-mail colonaumcvbs@gmail.com

Upward Soccer Camp

When: Aug 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. Where: Colona United Methodist Church Register online at https://registration.upward.org/UPW66203. Camp Cost includes: soccer ball, water bottle & t-shirt. For more information or questions: e-mail cumcsoccer@gmail.com

Men's Retreat

Saturday, August 11th Fairview Center UMC Pavilion, Rural Monmouth, IL "Living the Adventure" Led by Rev. Matt Henson

Come Join us for: fellowship – message – lunch – music – recreation (bring a lawn chair)

Mission project of the day: please bring to donated; men's socks and toiletry items

Fellowship: 9:00 – 10:00 am Program 10:00 am – 4:00 pm (lunch provided)

Registration due August 1st (Men \$20 – Jr. High and High School \$10)

Mail to: Fairview Center UMC, 1495 90th St., Monmouth, IL 61462. Questions? Call Curt Shimmin at 309-255-5923



55 Plus

* Quad Cities River Bandits * When: Saturday, August 11^{th.} Cost: \$30 (Includes private suite & food)

Questions?? Contact Peg Emmert (309) 231-2657 or Deb Johnson (309) 558-4149

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Nursery

Our Nursery is open to children 6 weeks up to 5 years old from 7:45 - 11:45 am Sunday mornings. The Nursery is located in the Education wing on the right. We are now hiring for a nursery director. Please see page 5.

2018 College of Christian Life

The 2018 College of Christian Life will be held August 13th – 15th at the Embassy Suites, 100 Conference Center Drive in East Peoria.

The "I AM" Statements of Jesus from the gospel of John. The College of Christian Life, a clergy and laity retreat, will welcome Dr. James Fleming on August 13th – 15th 2018. The two-day retreat will have six teaching sessions with Dr. Fleming on the topic: The "I AM" Statements of Jesus. Rev. Rich Rubietta will be the worship leader for the event.

Registration for the conference is \$125 (group of 3, before July 15th) and open to all! If you are interested please contact Peg Emmert before July 15th.

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women met on June 21st with Peggy Emmert giving the pragram on Prayer.

Daniel and Rachel Gabler, Missionaries sponsored by the United Methodist Women, are retiring. The Colona UMW will have a new Missionary soon.

Upcoming events are August 16th, "Ladies Eat-Out", August 26th helping with Celebration on the Corner, and serving the Country View Golf Ladies League 0n August 30th.

A new December event is being planned for Sunday school children on December 1st. This is *Breakfast with Mary and Joseph*. The Cookie Walk and Mini Bazaar is December 8th.

The next meeting is July 19th with Barb Searle presenting the program. All women are invited and welcome.

United Methodist Men

Next aluminum can drive date is September 29th. Thanks to those who bring their cans in regularly. Money from turning in the cans will help cover UMM operating expenses.

Book Club

There is no book club this month, we'll be back in August!

August 14th - *The Radium Girls* by Kate Moore

September 11th The Last Castle by Denise Kiernan

October 9th – *In the Great Green Room* by Amy Gary



Celebration on the Corner

Sunday, August 26th

Mark your calendar today!



Join us for

The Amazina Chemistry Show!

Families will be amazed and entertained by explosions, colored foam, liquid nitrogen and glow-in-the-dark solutions

AND

Comedian Lizzy Lou and Singer / Songwriters Dave and Beth Irvin



MISSION CORNER

Colona Food Pantry

Help feed those in need right here in your community! 100% of your donation goes to the Colona Food Pantry and helps provide food for a family in need. We donate on the first Sunday each month. Place your donated, nonperishable food item(s) in the grocery cart in the Narthex. Cash donations are also accepted.

GROWING

The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, Leawood, Kansas September 26th – 28th, 2018 Register now at https://li.cor.org/

Education

- Church Camp ages 5 to 10 years old. We gather in the education wing after the 10:30 service Children's Time
- Sunday school we offer classes for both kids and adults. We gather every Sunday at 9:10 am If you are not part of a Sunday school, we offer 4 adult classes and have classes for ages three through high school. Come check us out!

July 8th

Join us as we sing a few songs, raise up prayers, recognize July birthdays, get the latest Sunday school news and kick-off VBS. Be in the Sanctuary at 9:10 am for Sunday school opening. We also will continue our 2018 Heifer collection. \$221 was collected in April, \$343.35 in May and \$255 in June; total so far \$819.35.

Prayer Chain Update

Prayer is the life blood in our relationship with God. Without prayer, the believer can wither in the face of the storms of life. There are times in life when we may be unable to pray for ourselves. One of

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those times may occur when we are walking through illness, battles with disease, job uncertainties, family issues, and the list could go on and on.

In the life of the church we are called to pray in worship, at the table, corporately, in small groups, and individually. One of the ministries we have at Colona UMC is our prayer ministry. We have a couple of ways we make this work; one is through electronic communication - e-mails, through Facebook under our Colona UMC Prayer Warriors page and on our website. Our oldest way is through a Prayer Chain communicated by telephone.

We would love to include you in the Prayer Ministry of Colona UMC. If you are interested or would like to know more please contact Pastor Mark. He can share more with you about this.



TRUSTEES NEWS

If you notice a maintenance issue, the Trustees need to address, please write it down and put it in the Trustees mailbox. Thanks to those who help keep the property and building looking neat and clean. We lost a large limb from one of the oaks off the northwest corner of the Fellowship Hall, so that tree has now been removed. Thanks to Tom Loitz for cleaning up the debris.



FROM THE BUILDING TEAM

Thanks for your understanding during the construction. Phase I is well underway. Take a tour, anytime. Electrical rough in is mostly complete, HVAC is underway, studs are installed, securing is underway. Drywall is coming soon. Thanks to those who have participated on workdays, watch for more of these days. We continue to have mini work sessions to prep for Phase 1. If you have questions at any time, see any member of the committee; Shari Anderson, Sharon Bloomberg, John Browning, Bill Clark, Jennifer Hillman, Susan Koska, Linda Marcus, Aaron Schofield, Rod Searle, Daniel Skelton, Judy Smith, Jeff Swan, and Eric Wheaton. Thanks to those who donated to the "finish addition fund" as part of the "Anonymous Challenge" drive and thanks to those who have supported the building project and mortgage and continue to do so.

FINANCE TEAM

January thru April	INCOME	DISBURSEMENTS	DIFFERENCE	
General Operating Budget:	\$54,048.85	\$60,441.20	-\$ 6,392.35	
Mortgage Payment:	\$ 10,273.28	\$ 11,192.72	-\$ 919.44	
For April				
General Operating Budget:	\$11,920.41	\$12,974.76	\$ 1,054.35	
Mortgage Payment:	\$ 8,015.99	\$ 2,798.18	\$ 5,217.81	

Many thanks to those who give with an automatic payment

Seeking Co-Director for Children's Choir

Hello everyone! Yes, you are reading this correctly! This choir has been such a blessing to me over the past years and then stepping back up a couple years ago but it's getting time to step down as life is bringing changes to myself. I am looking for someone with TONS of music in their heart to share with these children! We meet on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm for dinner and sing at 6:00-ish, depending on how fast they eat!! September thru May. You can pick your own songs and Jo Anne is amazing at finding the music! She'll even play it for you!! I would like to share this position with someone this fall and then hand over the full reins May 2019. Please pray about a direction for you and see if God leads you to the Children's Choir!

Blessings to you all!! -Sandy Skelton

HELP WANTED - Nursery Director

Role: To provide a safe and supportive environment for children 6 weeks to 5 years of age during worship service and other church functions.

Qualifications Required: At least 18 years of age and completed the equivalent of a High School diploma. Have a basic understanding of children & their needs.

Duties and Responsibilities: Be punctual, reliable, polite and friendly. Provide physical, emotional and intellectual support and stimulation to each child in your care. Maintain cleanliness of the nursery.

For a complete job description or to apply for the position, please stop by the church office

JULY WORSHIP

July 1st 2 Corinthian 8:7-15 "Free in Jesus"

July 8th Luke 22:39-55 "Help! I Need Somebody, Help! Not Just Anybody!"

July 15th Mark 6:14-29 Daniel Skelton preaching

July 22nd Mark 6:30-37; 53-56 Daniel Skelton preaching

July 29th Ezekiel 36:25-36 "Totally Refreshed" (5th Sunday, only 1 service at 10:30 am)

A change in office hours:

Monday – Wednesday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Thursday and Friday 1:00 – 5:00 pm



INVITE - GROW - SERVE

Our Church's motto! Are you serving? We are so grateful to the many people that serve here at Colona United Methodist Church! It takes a great number of people to cover all the bases! We have faithful servants who greet each weekend, serve as ushers & assist the Pastor by praying & reading Scripture during service times. We would like to thank you, encourage you to continue serving & invite others to share their gifts. Please contact or stop by the office to volunteer for 2018 or 2019!

There are many opportunities to serve! Please check out our Serving Brochure to find a place that God has nudged you to serve in: Choir, Congregational Care Ministers, Congregational Care Shepherds, Greeters & Welcome Area Helpers, Ushers, Hospitality, Liturgist, Nursery Helper, Office Help, Praise Team, Sunday school Teacher, and Tech Loft!

There is a place for everyone!

JULY WEEKLY SERVANTS

Head Ushers

8:00 am – Karna Frerichs 10:30 am – Eric Wheaton

Date	8:00 Liturgist	10:30 Liturgist	10:30 Greeter	Nursery Helper
7/01	Barb Searle	Peg Emmert	Judy Smith	Brooke V. & J. Schadt
7/08	Curt Frerichs	Tony Rokis	Wendy Baker	Traci Hasson
7/15	Logan Loitz	Deb Johnson	Eric Wheaton	Beth Snook
7/22	Barb Searle	Ruth Gowan	Joyce Rasko	Brooke V. & Tara S.
7/29	N/A	Aaron Schofield	Lindy Anderson	Brooke V. & Beth E.



Drop Marcalee a card today

Marcalee Turner

Prairie Hill # 401 219 S. Cedar Street Tipton, Iowa 53272



Answering the Call

Two dead trees removed, a yard restored, fascia and gutters replaced and a door repaired. Some ten members of your Church answered the call at 919 3rd Street, Colona.

The Widow, Cindy Muncie, wishes to express her deep felt gratitude to all who answered the call.

Thanks also to Yard Logic, Green Tree Removal, Colona Township and ABC Gutter Service for their assistance.

Acts 2:45-46 ..." take care of the widow"...



My little window on the world has changed over the years. From gravel drives, to brick and mortar and city alleys, to now, a little cement and a busy road with an always interesting if not dangerous intersection in my line of sight. Most of you already know that you have to be NASCAR ready once you leave the church parking lot.

I often find myself glancing out my little window sometimes just to refocus and ponder my thoughts and what God may be telling me (especially if I'll listen). Other times just the volume of traffic or someone laying on their horn gets my attention. Where is everyone going? What is on their minds? Are they lost? Are they watching or listening?

As pastor, one of the things that can be dangerous is having a mindset that keeps you on the inside looking out. The church also must guard itself against a "only looking at the outside world from the inside". In other words not being engaged with the changing community.

I am amazed by just how much we are already "in touch" with our community. We have a number of ministries in place that impact the lives of children and families of Colona and our surrounding areas. Yet like road conditions can change quickly in the winter, we must be mindful of the constantly changing conditions of the community as well. We must not only see for ourselves what is changing, we must be engaged in the hearing of the changing needs. Both require our presence in the community and not our presence in the safety and security of the church facility.

When I was growing up, the trend was a new language and new trends in style like long hair for guys, bell bottom jeans, mini-skirts, slogans like peace and love, and slang that sounded "far out", "groovy", "make love-not war". There were strange people in our communities that were called 'hippies', all these seemed to upset the establishment. Segregation was slowly making its way to the door.

Pockets of resistance to change remain even today. Our points of contention go deeper than contemporary versus traditional worship. Our window on the world gives us a view of the depths of divisiveness that cuts much deeper today than what we expressed in the sixties and seventies.

From my little corner of the world, I am today aware that my window is not a "stop and hold" position but one that reminds us to continue to move beyond our window and go into the world.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Mark Horn

July Birthdays

07/03	Gloria Carlson	07/17
07/04	Jeffrey Hillman	07/20
07/05	Lois Lanier	07/22
07/07	Larry Leidig	07/23
07/09	Samuel Corso	07/24
07/09	Rachel Nelson	07/24
07/09	David Darnall	07/25
07/10	JC Hillman	07/27
07/11	Brad Hight	07/28
07/12	Brad Thomas	07/28
07/15	Robby Nelson	07/30
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July Anniversaries

Waldo & Carol McCarty	07/01	57 years
Jennifer & Rebek <mark>ah H</mark> illman	07/01	8 years
Dick & Nancy Baum	07/12	43 years
G <mark>ordon & Sheila Westl</mark> und	07/14	45 years
John Browning & Susan Koska	07/16	41 years
Dennis & Barbara Roberts	07/24	58 years
Glenn & Kathryn Ruud	07/24	25 years
Ray & Gloria Teager	07/27	63 years

Thank you everyone who wished me good luck in high school, Thank you for the gifts. I will always remember that God is with me, but it's nice to have a reminder every now and then.

- Skylar Swan

Thank you for the cards and money to help me through college. I will put it to great use on my path to success.

- Dylan Medley

CUMC Mission Statement

To invite all to know Jesus as we grow in faith and serve

INVITE-GROW-SERVE

July 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Holy Communion 9:10 am VBS (volunteer mtg.)	2	3 6:30 pm Trustees	Independence Day Happy 4th of July	5 Prayer Vigil	6 5:00 pm VBS set-up	9:00 am VBS set-up and run-thru
9:10 S. S. opening 5:15 – 8:00 pm Vacation Bible School	5:15 – 8:00 pm Vacation Bible School	5:15 – 8:00 pm Vacation Bible School	9 – 2 pm Quilting 5:15 – 8:00 pm Vacation Bible School	12 5:15 – 8:00 pm Vacation Bible School	13 4:00 pm VBS takedown	14
15 5:00 – 7:00 pm MYF	16 10:30 am Bible Study	17	18 9 – 2 pm Quilting 6:00 – 9:00 pm Work team (finish addition)	9:00 am UMW meeting	20 August newsletter deadline	21
22	23	24	25 9 – 2 pm Quilting 6:00 pm VBS debrief meeting 6:00 – 9:00 pm Work team (finish addition)	26	27	28
Blood Pressure Checks	6:00 – 8:00 pm Upward Soccer volunteer run-thru meeting	31	No HEIFER COLLECTION this month			

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