



# COLONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

## WE'RE INVITING



### **Mother's Day Celebration Event, Sunday May 7th**

This will be our third annual Mother's Day Brunch for the whole family in the Fellowship Hall after 10:30 am service. All families and their guests are invited to gather for great food and fellowship. For \$5 a seat (children 10 and under are our guests) you can enjoy egg casseroles, biscuits & gravy, fruit, coffee cakes and a drink. Reservations along with your payment are due Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Easter Egg Scramble**



Everyone enjoyed a wonderful time of hunting eggs, winning prizes and enjoying a fun day together! Thanks to all that volunteered!!



### **Easter Services**

A blessed time in the Church as we celebrated our Risen Christ!



## MISSION CORNER –

**Christian Care** – April 23<sup>rd</sup> we had 6 people cook and serve a delicious dinner to the homeless shelter in Rock Island, after spending time together in preparation and discussing a challenging devotion on being Dangerously Surrendered to God, we served 50 people a warm dinner, salad and dessert! Our next serving time will be August 13<sup>th</sup>!

### **Cans of change!**

Thank you for your contributions! Your generous offerings that were brought to the foot of the cross on Palm Sunday will enable Colona United Methodist Church to continue to “*change*” lives in our community! \$1,647.01 was collected in change, cash & checks and cans are still coming in! Please return yours if you still have it, to the office.

### **Join Hands Day**

We need your help as we work to clean & freshen up the Colona Memorial Park. Join together at 9:00 am to pull weeds, rake, mulch and show our respect! Some tools will be available, just bring your gloves! If you can’t physically join in, you can still be a part by donating drinks & snacks for the workers!



### **Eagle Ridge Food Bank –**

What a blessing to have helped out at Eagle Ridge School these past months. May will be the last month for this school year and we’re excited to look forward to being able to serve even more families beginning in September! If you would like to be part of this ministry and help out just contact the office for more information.

**He who stoops to help a child stands tall. God always gives his best to those who leave the choice with Him. Anyone can hold the helm when the sea is calm. The Colona Food Panty thanks all of you for all your great donations. You are helping us feed the needy. Thank all of you for your donations. God Bless You All!**

### **Annual Conference Special offerings and collections**

Three offerings will be taken at the 2017 Annual Conference as well as collections for two agencies. Churches are encouraged to participate in these offerings and send them with those who will attend the Annual Conference, June 8-10, 2017! The Tom Brown Scholarship at Wiley College offering was April 23. May 7, we will have a noisy offering for the John Kofi Asmah School in West Point, Liberia for furnishings for the school IGRC laity built several years ago and on June 4<sup>th</sup> a noisy offering will be taken for the Ordinands’ Trip in the Spring of 2018 to help form spiritual leaders at the beginning of their ministry.

In addition, The Midwest Mission Distribution Center is asking for items for kits assembled by the Center:

- Kitchen dishwashing gloves
- Insect repellent spray, 6 to 14oz such as Off or Cutter brands
- Scouring pads
- Pens – with no advertising
- Protractors
- Socks – infants 0-3 months to boys and girls large (4-10 girls and 3-9 boys)
- Onesies & Underwear – all sizes from 2T-3T to girls size 16 and boys 18-20

Place items in the large blue tub in the Narthex!

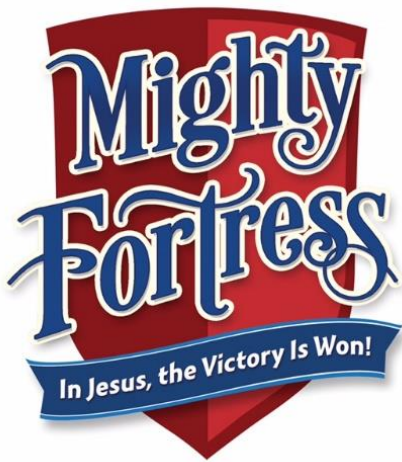


### **Bible Studies**

**Monday morning Bible Study** – Meeting at 10:30 am on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month. Studying the Book of Luke. Join together and make time to study the Word.

**Family Ministry Bible Study** – Watch the bulletin for upcoming details!

**Men's Group** – Watch for details of a Fall Study!



### **Vacation Bible School -**

#### **MIGHTY FORTRESS – In Jesus, the Victory is Won!**

Come join us July 9 – 13 from 5:15 – 8:00 pm for 5 evenings of celebration. At MIGHTY FORTRESS, we will learn that in Jesus the victory is won! We will celebrate that Jesus, our champion, has won the victory over sin and death. He acts through His word and keeps His promise. Through stories, songs, games, and crafts, we will explore the Bible to discover that God is our Mighty Fortress, our Shield and our Deliverer. Supper will be offered from 5:15 to 5:45 pm Sunday – Wednesday. Thursday night, July 13<sup>th</sup> plan to join us at 6:30 pm for our VBS closing program and ice cream social. All ages from 3 yrs. through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited...plan to bring a friend. Sign up is online at [ybsmate.com/ColonaUMCIL](http://ybsmate.com/ColonaUMCIL). There is a volunteer sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. All volunteers must have a current background check. For more information contact Judy at 309.792.2535.

**Young Adults** – Watch for more details!

### ***55+ and still alive Yea!***

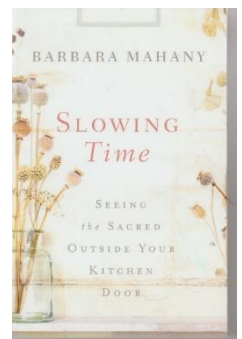
Come single, come as a couple and join a group of people seeking fun & fellowship. You can bring a friend.

Interested? Contact Peg Emmert



### **Book Club**

Mark your calendars for May and note the date change – Thursday, May 18th following UMW, discussing *Slowing Time* by Barbara Mahany. A collection of meditations inviting readers to discern the divine in the ordinary moments of every day and live an examined life where everything is a form of prayer. Mark your calendars for the June meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am and we'll be discussing *Live and Let Growl* by Laurien Berenson. There will be no meeting in July!



**Education**

- Church Camp – for children ages 5-10 yrs. Meet in the Education wing after 10:30 service, Children's Time
- Sunday School – Classes for kids and adults. Meet every Sunday at 9:10 am! Come & grow with us!

May 14th, at 9:10 am, all Sunday School classes will meet in the Sanctuary! We will be honoring Mothers, invite your mom to come to Sunday School!

June 11<sup>th</sup>, at 9:10 am, all Sunday School classes will meet in the Sanctuary! We will be honoring Fathers, invite your dad to come to Sunday School!

Heifer 2017 – Our next collection month is May; let's see if we can top the \$310.25 we collected for Heifer in February. Hear about the collection "challenges" and watch a short video explaining more about heifer and what the program can do. If you like to help people help themselves and their communities, Heifer may be a program that will interest you.

**Graduation Sunday, June 4th, 10:00 am Fellowship Time we will honor our graduates!**

If you know of graduates not on our list below, please let the office know as soon as possible. We want to include everyone in being honored for their accomplishments:

8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Joci Hasson	Geneseo
Reece Munoz	Geneseo

Illinois Wesleyan University

Gabby Cooney – BA in Sociology

High School

Cayson Frerichs	Geneseo
Dwight Medley	Geneseo
Madison Munoz	Geneseo
Rianna Nelson	Rock Island
Brooke VanHoutte	Geneseo

Western Illinois University

Kim Olson – BA in Business Management

St. Ambrose University

Molly Rowell – BA in Psychology

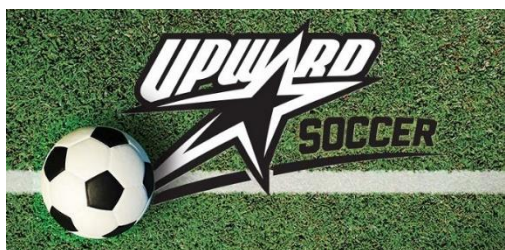
Graduation Party for Brooke VanHoutte  
May 20th from 3-7 pm  
at Colona Scott Family Park  
5775 Poppy Garden Road, Colona

**Grand Piano**

We have located a baby grand piano for the sanctuary! It's like brand new and has only had one owner, so it has been very well maintained. Now we need to raise \$3,000 to purchase it. A remarkable price! If you would like to help with funding, please notify the Church office, Susan Koska or Jo Anne Hillman. God Bless you for considering a donation!!

**Family Ministry –**

Happy Spring everyone, we are very pleased to say that the family ministries has had a very fun last few months of winter. From bowling in February, meal prep in March, and the egg scramble in April. Now we are all gearing up for our annual float making in May. May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> we will be gathering at Jennifer Hillman's house to build the VBS float for the Memorial Day Parade. Any and all help would be welcomed and greatly appreciated. Please watch the church bulletin or the facebook page (CUMC PULSE ministries) for updates and times. We hope everyone has a very Blessed Spring.



Registration Link: <http://registration.upward.org/UPW63706>

**Camp Dates:** August 5,12,19,26 @ 9am - 12pm

**Early Registration:** \$38 by July 15th

**Late Fee Registration:** \$45 after July 15th

*(Sibling Discounts Available, Partial Scholarships Available)*

**Ages:** K4 thru 4th (4yrs by Aug 1, going into 4th)

**MYF** - Memorial Day PANCAKE BREAKFAST – We will be serving breakfast on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 11:00 am. Breakfast consists of pancakes, sausage, biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, coffee, juice and milk...all for a free will donation. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for the Rock River Workcamp of FREE home repair happening July 16 – 23. Come hungry!!

**Workcamp 2017 Needs:**

Workcamp 2017 will soon be here and we are so excited! Plans are coming together but we still need a few things. Can you help us? There will be a wicker basket in the Fellowship Hall to put items in. We are in need of the following items. Travel size containers and in original packages:



hand sanitizers

conditioner

sunscreen

cologne (men & women) sample size good also

toothbrushes (individually wrapped)

razors (individually wrapped)

toothpaste

deodorant

hand lotion

shampoo

bodywash (men & women)

kleenex (purse size)

We would also like to provide snacks or treats each day as the campers come back from their worksites. The following items are also needed:

Bags of individually wrapped candy, suckers, etc. Snack packs of crackers, cookies, peanuts/nuts, candy bars.

There will be a sign up sheet coming out in June for people to help get school ready on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. Also we will be needing help during the week of camp for people to help camp volunteers wiping down tables and helping clean up after meals. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact: Janet Vink, Barb Searle or Orphy Kinkade.

Mark still needs help surveying homes that have applied. He has 7 of the 48 completed. The rest have to be done by May 1. He also needs help in contacting building inspectors in Colona, Henry County, and Mercer County to find out their specific codes for decks and wheelchair ramps. As of today we have 327 youth and adults signed up to attend. Please keep these campers in prayer. Once Mark gets the sites surveyed, he will have a good idea of how many ladders we are going to need for that week. He could use someone to head up this crucial part of the workcamp. They will need to coordinate picking up ladders from those who let us borrow their ladders the week before camp and deliver the ladders to the homes that need them. On Friday afternoon of workcamp, pick up the ladders and return them to their owners. Thanks for your prayers, service, and monetary support of this mission project.

## **GROWING GREEN FUNDRAISER**

### **SILVIS HY-VEE GARDEN CENTER**

**MAY 15-21, 2017**

Silvis Hy-Vee Garden Center is donating 10% of your purchases to help our youth group and the Rock River Workcamp. Everything you purchase in their garden center during the week, 10% will go to our group. Plants, Rocks, Trees, Shrubs, Mulch, Soils, Landscaping rocks...

Just bring in the flyer that will be available at the Welcome Center and as an insert in the bulletin the weekend before, to the garden center cashier. They will write the total on it and keep it until the end of the week.

**SHOP AS MANY TIMES THAT WEEK AS YOU NEED!!!!** Have fun shopping and helping our youth with their mission!!!!

“If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, thank you, that would suffice.”

-Meister Eckhart

### **Prayers**

Please stop by for our Prayer Vigil on May 4th, 8:30 am – 8:30 pm and share in a time of prayer! You may also fill out a prayer request to be included and turn in to the office.

We have a weekly prayer email that goes out and if you have requests you would like included or if you would like to receive the email, please notify the office. We also have two prayer chains that lift others up in prayer as needed and if you feel that God is nudging you to be involved in a prayer ministry, please contact the office.

**SWAA** – Spring is here! SWAA has been busy again. We had a party to celebrate our successes and enjoyed just playing board games and eating FROYO! We made cards thanking Vietnam Veterans for their service and discussed how fighting in a war has an impact on them even today. In August, we will sing a song to these vets at their reunion as an additional thank you for their service (thank you, Sandy!). **UPCOMING PROJECTS:** Planting Mothers Day and the SWAA Annual Yard Sale, (be collecting your items to donate for the sale.)



Keep up with all the SWAA happenings and projects on Instagram - CUMC\_SWAA.



**United Methodist Men**

All men are welcome to join us at our next monthly breakfast gathering, Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. We enjoy devotion, breakfast, and some great fellowship. Our next aluminum can drive in the church parking lot is June 24<sup>th</sup>; this money is used to sponsor UMM funded activities like skating, a bike for the Easter Scramble, camp scholarships and the fall wiener roast.

**United Methodist Women**

The United Methodist Women met on April 20<sup>th</sup> with a program on inequalities of our Criminal Justice System. Janet Vink shared information and the need for cookie donations for the upcoming July, Work Camp. Peggy Emmert will give the program at the May 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. All women are welcome and invited to come.

***INVITE – GROW – SERVE*****WEEKLY SERVANTS FOR MAY -**

**Head Ushers for May** are 8:00 am – Gene Posey and 10:30 am – Bob & Sharon Bloomberg

<b>Date</b>	<b>8:00 liturgist</b>	<b>10:30 greeter</b>	<b>10:30 liturgist</b>
7th	Mary Loeffler	Corla Swan	Brad Thomas
14th	Mary Loeffler	Lindy Anderson	Amy Swan
21st	Mary Loeffler	Joyce Rasko	Diane Biellier
28th	Mary Loeffler	Brad Hight	Tony Rokis

Please contact the office if you can help as a weekly servant. We need volunteers and 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, Tech Loft!** There is a place for everyone!

**Health News**

Blood pressure checks – 9:00 am the last Sunday in Fellowship Hall!

**Worship**

Someday I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_.

“Someday” is a dream killer.

You have a God sized dream inside of you.

We'll explore our God dreams and how they could direct us to bringing more heaven to earth.

April 23	<i>Dreams &amp; Visions</i>
April 30	<i>Your Burning Bush</i>
May 7	<i>A Boatload of Butts</i>
May 14	<i>Use What You've Got</i>
May 21	<i>Our Legacy</i>



## **Pastor's Corner**



What a fantastic Easter celebration we had at the Colona UMC! I want to thank all the volunteers who made the day such a great success.

We are in hope of another celebration on May 21<sup>st</sup>. A dedication of the new spaces is being planned. Please pray for completion of the Narthex. The wrong floor tile was delivered and we are waiting for the correct tile to be delivered.

My days as your pastor are quickly coming to an end with my last Sunday being June 11<sup>th</sup>. I spent several hours this week with Mark and his wife Chris and I am excited about the future of the Colona UMC under his leadership.

Blessings,

*Pastor Sandy*



**There will be a Retirement/Going Away Party for Pastor Sandy & Don Bunnell on Sunday, June 11th after 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Please contact Linda Marcus or Brad Thomas to contribute to their going away gift.**

**Pastor Mark Horn & his wife Chris will begin ministry at Colona United Methodist Church on July 2, 2017! Please be in prayer as they begin the process of moving.**



### **Farewell Reception for Rev. Sylvester Weatherall**

Everyone welcome to attend  
Christ Church – Easter Moline Campus  
3801 17<sup>th</sup> Street, East Moline  
May 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

OR

Galesburg First  
120 N. Kellogg St., Galesburg  
June 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
Light refreshments will be served. (no gifts, please)



## Building Team

Each area readied for paint, each area readied for floor covering, each area insulated, each footing poured gets us closer to being finished but the front entrance along with the Narthex will be closed for a few more weeks as the interior is finished. Openings to the addition are being completed. Thanks to those who have helped out on workdays, there will be more opportunities to help out coming, watch for details. Thanks for your understanding during the construction.



## Trustees

Thanks to all who participated in our Spring Church-wide Clean-up Day. Thanks also to those who continue to complete the tasks on the list. If you notice a maintenance issue the Trustees need to address, please write it down and put it in the Trustees mailbox. As the new entrance is close to being used, we need to be aware of the traffic flow. Handicapped parking will be along the North or building side of the drop off lane and traffic needs to flow east to west through the lane. This is a safety issue as the visibility of those exiting the building is blocked by the brick columns. Thanks for your assistance.



## May Anniversaries

Burt & Wendy Loitz	May 3	28 yrs.
Mike & Tammie King	May 15	14 yrs.
Ted & Shari Anderson	May 17	48 yrs.
Brad & Lori Thomas	May 21	34 yrs.
Chuck & Karin Barrett	May 25	21 yrs.
Jack & Ruth Gowan	May 31	3 yrs.

## May Birthdays

Jayden Wheaton	May 3
Deb Johnson & Jeff Mercer	May 4
Jack Haley	May 6
Isaac Guyer	May 10
Susan Koska	May 11
Marilyn Schaab	May 16
Becky Lieving Trolly	May 19
Janna Richards	May 22
Jeremy Hillman & Addilyn Swan	May 23
Tammie King	May 24
Clyde McCarty	May 26
Tom Loitz	May 27
Katelyn Despain	May 28
Kristal Kelley	May 29
Judy Schadt	May 30

**KEEPING TRACK**

Check out our most up to date Church calendar on the website, [colonaumc.org](http://colonaumc.org)!

**CUMC Mission Statement**

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

**INVITE-GROW-SERVE**

May 2017						
◀ Apr 2017						Jun 2017 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 10:30 am Bible Study 6:30-7:30 pm Praise Team	<b>2</b> 6:00-9:00 pm Scout Troop – FH 6:30 pm Trustees 6:30pm Wolf Den 6:30 pm Webelos	<b>3</b> 9:00-2:00 Quilting 5:30 pm Supper 6:00-8:00pm Choirs 6:30 pm Scout Pack 7:00-8:00pm SWAA	<b>4</b> 8:30-8:30 Prayer Vigil 6:00 pm Finance Comm.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 9:00 am Join Hands Day
<b>7</b> Food Pantry Holy Communion Mother's Day Celebration 5:00-7:00 pm MYF - FH	<b>8</b> 6:30 pm Bear Den 6:30-7:30 pm Praise Team	<b>9</b> 6:00-9:00 pm Scout Troop – FH 6:30 pm Webelos	<b>10</b> 9:00-2:00 Quilting 5:30 pm Supper 6:00-8:00 pm Choirs 7:00-8:00 pm SWAA	<b>11</b> 7:00 pm Church Council	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 8:00 am UMM
<b>14</b> Mother's Day Heifer Collection 9:10am SS meet in Sanct.	<b>15</b> 10:30 am Bible Study 6:30-7:30 pm Praise Team	<b>16</b> 6:00-9:00 pm Scout Troop – FH 6:30 pm Wolf Den 6:30 pm Webelos	<b>17</b> 9:00-2:00 Quilting	<b>18</b> 9:00 am UMW 10:00 am Book Club 6:00 pm Missions	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 5:00-7:00 pm MYF - FH	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 6:00 – 9:00 pm Sct Tr 6:00 pm Scout Pack - FH	<b>24</b> 9:00-2:00 Quilting Newsletter Deadline	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 9:00am Blood Press	<b>29</b> Memorial Day Office Closed 7:00 am MYF Breakfast	<b>30</b> 6:00-9:00 pm Scout Troop – FH 6:30 pm Webelos	<b>31</b> 9:00-2:00 Quilting	<b>Notes:</b>		