

THE MESSENGER

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The United Methodist Church of Fayetteville

June 2017

Pastor's Corner

I've heard of the crazy days of summer, this year we hosted the wacky days of spring! We experienced some unusual weather, and more than once I've wondered why God has allowed the punishing weather that so many folks have experienced throughout the world. Some are calling this the warming of the planet, while others are noting the weather is mostly colder. God blesses us with a place to live, and weather that will help us be productive in the city or the country; the east coast or the west coast, North or South. Hopefully this June our weather days will become a bit easier to handle and we can move forward giving thanks to God for a safe and comfortable place to live.

June is frequently a month of endings. Colleges and Universities are already beginning summer sessions, and our public and parochial schools are preparing for Regents, class promotions, and graduations! June is when we change our patterns for the summer months. This June there are two significant endings that will take place at our church.

Sunday, June 4, we will say good bye to Nikki Leathersich, our Office Administrator. She is leaving because her husband, Ben, has taken a new position that requires them to live in the Rochester area. Nikki has brought energy, enthusiasm and care to our office. Her understanding of computers and wifi skills, along with PowerPoint and other types of computer knowledge, have helped us enter the computer era, a little late by some standards, and way ahead by others. Nikki will be missed, and we wish her well in her new home and community.

Dr. Kris Best, a Pastoral Counselor, has made his office in our building for the past 35 years. He has had patients come from all around upstate New York. For many years, every United Methodist clergy person was required to take some preference tests that help the candidates for ministry come to grips with the reality of ordained ministry and how it measures up with their gifts and graces given by God. Dr. Best was the interpreter for the information that was given to the candidates. He also worked with people in the Syracuse area as their counselor. It has been wonderful for me the last seven years having Kris as an office neighbor. His gracious ways and good counsel have made him a wonderful asset to our church. We will say good-bye to Kris on Sunday, June 11. He is not leaving our area, but he is reducing his work load so he can be retired.

Presently we are welcoming our new Church Administrator, Cathy Gibbons, to our office staff. Cathy is a long-time resident of the Syracuse area. She has experience in professional writing, and has spent some time as a Church Secretary in the Syracuse area. When you come to the building please take a minute to introduce yourself to Cathy. Early this summer, Cathy will be invited to come and worship with us for a Sunday so she can meet everyone. Please welcome her!

There are three campers from our church who are attending camp at Casowasco this summer. Thanks to the United Methodist Women, our church budget, and some money from the Outreach Committee, we are able to provide a substantial amount of money in the form of a "campership" to each camper. The United Methodist Women and the Church go in together to support our youth and the great impact camping has in their lives.

We are now in the single Sunday Service Worship schedule beginning on May 28, and continuing through September 3 (Labor Day Sunday), there will be ONE worship service each week at 9:30 a.m. Please come to this more relaxed and informal service. It takes all of us working together to build and maintain a church, and as the old saying goes: *Church* is not the same without *U* in it! Come join in and worship with us weekly!

June will be a busy month, and in-the-midst of all this we know that God is with us and will be leading us forward to live the faith that Jesus taught. With God's blessings we will live our faith daily.

Blessings, *Pastor Bob*

Church Yard Sale

4TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, June 3, 2017 8 am – 2 pm

Our 4th Annual Community Yard Sale in Conjunction with The Brookside Neighborhood Sale will be on **Saturday, June 3rd, from 8 am – 2 pm**. We had a great time last year and look forward to another "Great Sale". Will Chef Mel be cooking those great hot dogs and hamburgers? What new item may be on the Chef's Menu?

Once again, the Finance Committee and the UMW will be sponsoring the sale. Contact the Office, at (315) 637-4413 or email us at contactus@fayettevilleumc.org for more information.

~ Finance Committee and the UMW

GRADUATES?



A call for graduates is now being compiled; please contact the Office to add anyone to our list of graduates this year, by June 18! **We will be recognizing them on Sunday, June 25th.**

NIKKI LEATHERSICH FAREWELL

Dear Members of our Congregation: Our Office Manager, Nikki Leathersich, has informed the Staff/Parish Relations Committee that her husband has received a job promotion that will result in her family moving out of the area near the end of the current school year. Although Nikki has only been working at our church for less than a year, the efforts she has made on behalf of our church are greatly appreciated. We extend our very best wishes to Nikki and her family as they start this important new chapter in their lives. **Please join us on June 4th after worship for Farewell cake and coffee!**

~ Staff/Parish Committee

DR. J. KRIS BEST

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION



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~ Staff/Parish Committee

OUTREACH: JUNE MISSIONS

First, **THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who supported our activities and assisted those in need during May.

Plants: 44 were purchased; **Blankets:** 160 were funded, they will be greatly appreciated by people in disaster areas through Church World Service.

Sandwiches: The last Saturday of each month continues to be busy, as we make sandwiches and cookies to deliver to the Samaritan Center for the homeless. Your gifts of peanut butter, jam and cookies provide good energy in various ways!

Yard Sale: Outreach will join in this community event (Saturday, June 3) with a table. We're open for all contributions to sell (*and clear out your house a little*). Funds earned will go to extend our mission projects. Contact Harry Gill (315) 278-1380 or Bob O'Connor (315) 637-3920 **by May 31st**, if your goods need a ride. If you have smaller goods for our table, please bring them to Church, Homer Hall, between 4 & 6 pm on Friday (6/2), if possible.

Refugee Resettlement: InterFaith Works is soon receiving three special families to this area. (*The largest family has 7 children*). We are looking for small personal items, such as toothbrushes, tooth paste, soap, toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, feminine hygiene pads and diapers of all sizes. We will soon have a box in the Narthex for your gifts.

Prescription Bottles: Do you have used bottles from drugs that you would like to recycle? We are partnering with UMW to gather these for use overseas. We have learned that clinics in other countries often do not have bottles for individual, monthly doses. Please save such bottles (with caps). However, **REMOVE LABELS** (soaking in hot water helps). Watch for information on a box at church to deposit the bottles.

Such gifts, with God's help, are spreading hope and life to many places.

~ Bob O Connor, Chair



UMW NEWS

SPRING GATHERING on **Wednesday, June 7th**, at **7pm**, in Homer Hall. The revealing of Secret Sisters! Bring a book suggestion for summer reading, along with any books you are willing to part with for our Book Swap. Chris Fletcher will share insights about her experience as an author. Join Us for Dessert & Fellowship!

UMM NEWS



UMCOR: Support replenishing UMCOR's flood bucket supply. Flood buckets will be collected the morning of **Saturday, June 3, 2017** at Annual Conference. Let's fill three flood buckets. Teaming together will make light work of collecting the contents.

NATIONAL GATHERING of UMMen **July 7-8**. Visit <http://www.gcumm.org/news/dont-go-near-indianapolis-in-july> if you are interested, or contact Scott.

POTATO DROPS: Help stock the food shelves of those in need. Potato Drops this fall. Visit anyumm.org for details.

Thank you for all the support both spiritually and accomplishing mission work. Prayer is so important to our spiritual lives and our relationship with the Holy Trinity. I ask you to pray for our activities and growth in our congregation. In the name of his son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

~ Scott Stumpf, srstumpf@ieee.org

PRAYERS & HEALING

Annabelle
 Audrey Alberts
 The Gary family
 Family of Riley Gilbert
 Jerlene Grace
 Julia Hamilton
 Barbara Harris
 Reva LaPine's sister, Rebecca
 Bob & Sally Laucks
 Cynthia Leon
 Stan Meltzer
 Rev. John & Belva Owen
 Winnie Peers' daughters, Susan Scherr
 & Amy Phillips, and son, Steve Peer
 Marie Pickert
 Marc Rapp & family
 Lou Ann Rowe
 Nancy Sauer
 Beth & Bill Saverg's friend, Jon
 Kevin Teske
 Joyce Woodson's sister, Janet

CAROLE COON: In loving memory of Carole Coon, who died on Wednesday May 30th, we extend our deepest sympathy and prayers to her husband Paul Coon, their children, grandchildren and their families.

CHARLES "CHUCK" BULLEN: Chuck moved near Boston, MA, to live near his son, Bill. We wish him the very best on his new chapter and send our prayers! Chuck's new address is: 8 Hardy Rd, Swampscott, MA 01907.

PRAYER
changes things



BACKPACK MINISTRY

This month our Backpack Project will be for a 30 year old man, size medium. We are accepting donations of nonperishables, snacks, toiletries and clothes in the backpack, in the Narthex.

SCRAP METAL MINISTRY NEEDS DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS

Do you have any metal items that you are considering donating or taking to the recycling center? If so, please let Harry know! 100% of the money received from donated items will be given to the Scrap Metal Ministry. Please contact Harry Gill, 315-278-1380, or gillkirkville@gmail.com for more information.



UNO'S DOUGH RAISER

During the month of March, UNO's Chicago Pizzeria & Grill, in Fayetteville, generously donated 20% of the total check amount from all coupons used towards our Annual FUMC Lenten Fundraiser. We thank Uno's for their support and generosity. Thank you to all who supported this event, together we raised \$358.00 dollars!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Will resume after Labor Day weekend, enjoy your summer Bible readings!

Children's Church: Will be offered for children pre-K - 4th Grade during the worship service after the Children's Message. Children can be picked up in the Children's Church room (behind the sanctuary) after worship

ADULTS:

Wired Word: Sundays after 9:30am worship service, in the Lounge. Weekly topics based on the news of that current week. Contact Rev. Kathy Barden for details, KBBarden504@gmail.com

Adult Forum: Will resume after Labor Day weekend, enjoy your summer readings!

SUNDAY SCHOOL REUNION 2018

COMING SOON! SUNDAY SCHOOL REUNION FOR ALL STUDENTS AND TEACHERS PAST AND PRESENT AND THEIR FAMILIES!

When: July 1, 2018

Where: Fayetteville United Methodist Church

Who: Everyone who has taken part in Sunday School that we can get in touch with.

Please forward names and contact information to kathynason@verizon.net, or call the church office (315) 637-4413, so invitations can be sent out!

PRAYERSHAWLMINISTRY

Prayer shawl ministry is a group of knitters and those who crochet. We meet the second & fourth Tuesday of each month, **June 13th & 27th, at 1pm**, in the Lounge. New members are always welcome to join us! Request a prayer shawl for a friend or family member in need of prayer and/or support (happy occasions included). We also knit/crochet lap robes (32 x 36) for AARP for giving. Please contact Cora Reals, 656-2252, for more information.

THE JULIET'S

LADIES! We meet every **Wednesdays at 8am** at the Limestone Grill, in Fayetteville.

JULIETS II will meet the **last Saturday** of every month, at Limestone Grill at 8am. Join us in fellowship & breakfast! All are welcome!

THE ROMEO'S**(RETIRED OLDER MEN EATING OUT)**

Have you recently retired or have extra time in the morning? Our group of gentlemen meet for breakfast **every Wednesday, at 7am**. Locations vary, as we enjoy adventure! Contact Rick Pickert, at 637-5456, for info!

OUTREACH: SANDWICHES

The Outreach Committee makes PB&J sandwiches for the Samaritan Center once a month on the **third Saturday of the month, at 10am**, in the kitchen. Donations of bread, peanut butter and jelly are always appreciated!

2017 SCHOLERSHIPS

The Following Scholarships are available for qualified students:

Phyllis Wuilliez Fye

Memorial Fund Scholarship

This scholarship is for those who plan to pursue a career in Christian Service. It is a \$1,000 scholarship that is renewable by reapplying.

Diane K. Heacox Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship provides scholarship money to Fayetteville-Manlius high School graduates. The purpose is to encourage and support the development of academic scholarship. There is a check list of requirements necessary to receive this recognition. This scholarship is renewable by reapplying.

Dorothy M. Olds Memorial Scholarship

Mrs. Olds was a Teacher in F-M school district for over twenty-five years. This scholarship is for students who are preparing to be teachers. This scholarship may be renewed each year by reapplying. There is a check list of requirements necessary to receive this recognition.

To apply for any Fayetteville United Methodist Church scholarship, please contact the Church Office by email. Pastor@FayettevilleUMC.org

All Applications are due June 1, 2017!

CHURCH PRAYER TEAM

We pray for our Church members, their families, friends and needs. If you would like to request prayer support for yourself or someone known to you, please email: FayettevillePrays@gmail.com. To become a member, please contact the office, 637-4413, or contactus@fayettevilleumc.org.

SCOUTING UPDATE**Pack 153:**

- 6/5 - Den Meetings
Meeting @ 6:30pm
- 6/10 - Campout, Mill Run Park @ 2pm

Troop 51:

- 6/4 - PLC @ 6:30pm
- 6/5 - Meeting @ 7pm
- 6/9-11 - Stoney Pond Campout
- 6/12 - Court of Honor @ 7pm
- 6/19 - End of the Year Picnic

Crew 51:

- 6/6 - Meeting, @ 7pm
- 6/9 - Northeast Region Venturing Leadership Conference at Camp Alpine, NJ
- 6/13 - VOA Meeting @ Longhouse Council Office
- 6/20 - Crew Meeting, @ 7pm

Longhouse Council Venture: Friday, April 7 - Sun April 9 at Camp Woodland: Activities include Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Mountain Biking, Gaga ball, Scout Museum, Dutch Oven Cook Off, Service Project and Fellowship activities.

**Contact Kathy Fortner for all Scouting matters.*



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June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 WORSHIP @ 9:30AM NEW MEMBER WELCOME + NIKKI FARE- WELL	5 6:30p Boy Scouts, HH/Lib 6:30p Cub Scouts, FH/ SS	6 9 Bone Builders, FH 7p Venture Crew, FH/ Conf	7 7P UMW MTG, HH	8 9 Bone Builders, FH 10:30 Threads Love, Grn	9 3-9P PRIV RECITALS, SAN/HH/K	10 1-8P PRIV RECITALS, SAN/HH/K
11 CHRSTIAN EDU SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 9:30AM DR. BEST RETIREMENT	12 6:30p Boy Scouts, HH/ Lib	13 8-3 QUILT GUILD, HH/K 9 Bone Builders, FH	14	15 9 Bone Builders, FH 10:30 Threads Love, Grn	16	17
18 FATHERS DAY WORSHIP @ 9:30AM	19 6:30p Boy Scouts, HH/Lib	20 9 Bone Builders, FH 7p Venture Crew, FH/ Conf	21	22 9 Bone Builders, FH 10:30 Threads Love, Grn	23	24
25 GRAD RECOG. DAY WORSHIP @ 9:30AM	26 6:30p Boy Scouts, HH/Lib	27 9 Bone Builders, FH 7p Venture Crew, FH/ Conf	28	29 9 Bone Builders, FH 10:30 Threads Love, Grn	30	3 YARD SALE 8-2

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| JUNE 4: | Scripture: Acts 2: 1-21 | Sermon: "3-2-1 – Lift Off!" |
| JUNE 11: | Scripture: Matthew 28: 16-20 | Sermon: "Have a Seat" |
| JUNE 18: | Scripture: Matthew 9: 35 – 10:8 | Sermon: "All Aboard!" |
| JUNE 25: | Scripture: Matthew 10: 24-39 | Sermon: "Favorite Things" |