

11:00am—Traditional

- **Sept. 27**
Night of Praise
and Worship



SEPTEMBER 2015

Then there is the other side of this forgiveness issue. What about the times that we have wronged someone?

In Christ's Greater Love,
Roger Perry



Campaign Nonviolence: Building a Culture of Peace

Watching the news on TV or reading a newspaper quickly makes us aware of the violence that surrounds us. Recent stories have focused on a stabbing at the Mississippi Valley Fair, the execution of five women in India who were accused of witchcraft, a New York Jets' quarterback being sidelined with a broken jaw after a teammate sucker-punched him, and sentencing for the man who was convicted of killing 12 people in a Colorado theater. Although we may feel very concerned about the violence occurring around the world and in our local communities, it's difficult to know what we can do. Yet, as Christians we are reminded that "God blesses those who work for peace." (Matthew 5:9) But where do we start?

For several months CARE Ministry has worked with a number of other ministry areas to plan a series of activities that focus on developing peaceful relationships. Christ Church is one of four Illinois sites participating in Campaign Nonviolence, an international effort focused on building a culture of peace. Events are scheduled throughout the week of September 20th with activities for all age groups. In addition, our pastors are planning a sermon series on peace, and the Good Sheep and children's Sunday School classes are busy preparing art projects that will be on display during September.

"It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it" (Eleanor Roosevelt). Let's join together and begin taking those first steps toward having a more peaceful society. Please make a commitment to participate in Campaign Nonviolence and invite a friend to join you!

Sunday, September 20 –

2 – 4 p.m. – Fellowship Hall/Worship Center; *"Responding to Conflict Biblically: Peacemaking Principles for Everyday Living"*, Dean Sutton, workshop presenter. We are all faced with conflict. It may be at work, at home or at church. Will you know how to respond? Come and learn. No registration required; child care provided for infants – 5yrs.



Monday, September 21st – United Nation's International Day of Peace

Noon- Brief prayer services outside City Hall in East Moline and Silvis

6:00 P.M. Cookies and punch in Fellowship Hall

6:30 P.M. Program in the Worship Center *"Be The Change: Using Nonviolent Methods To Transform Your Life and To Change Our World"*

presented by Kit Evans-Ford, a survivor of a violent assault, who is passionate about promoting peace, helping others, and serving God. Bring the whole family. Nursery provided and activities available for children.



Tuesday, September 22nd –

Noon – Fellowship Hall. United Methodist Women luncheon followed by a program on the "Children's Advocacy Center" with Cindy Fisher speaking; guests welcome but registration required; call Margaret Baumann, 309/236-7958 by Friday, September 18. No charge for luncheon; *child care can be requested when registering*

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Worship Center. Start of an 8 part series of classes - *"Resolving Everyday Conflict"*, Dean Sutton, presenter. We all have conflict. It's usually not the big blow up - it's more like the tense conversation around the breakfast table or the difficulties with an angry neighbor, an overbearing boss or a moody teenager. These everyday conflicts build up walls and tear down relationships wherever they occur - at home, at work or anywhere in between. *Resolving Everyday Conflict* is a DVD study that unpacks the amazing things the Bible has to say about conflict and relationships. Throughout this study, you'll find the powerful and practical answers you are looking for to forever change how conflict looks in your life. Advance registration by 9/15/2015 is requested to insure availability of materials. *Child care can be requested for children 5 years and under.*

Wednesday, September 23rd – Worship Center

6:30 p.m. *"Bullying: Efforts to Bring About Change"* - Panel discussion for youth and parents; speakers on bullying, hazing, and abusive behaviors in social media; facilitated by Carrie Alexander-Albritton, Associate Professor in Counselor Education at Western Illinois University's Quad Cities campus; nursery provided. Zany Janie will also present a program on bullying for children.

News From Christ's Peacemakers

Many of you reading this may wonder "What or who is Christ's Peacemakers?"

Well, we are a team of your friends at

CUMC who have been trained in conflict resolution

– the Biblical way. We are

available to you in several ways: first, we are able to educate you on living a more "peaceable" life.

Second, we can meet with you to do "conflict coaching"

which is helping you through a tough time you may be having at work, home, school, or even at church. Third, we are able to do mediations between 2 or more parties who are having conflict to lead them to a resolution of their conflict – one that honors God. Fourth, Dean Sutton, our team leader, has been trained in reconciling church conflict and he assists our Illinois Great Rivers Conference on the Conflict Transformation Team.



Recently, he served on a team assigned to a church in Alton, Illinois, who was experiencing conflict and the church is on its way toward a peace-filled future!

So many problems of conflict plague our world that at times we feel ready to give up and say nothing is ever going to change. But, wait, there is a better way and it starts with you- yes, you. You can change the world by changing

yourself first. Changing yourself begins with education and we have some great opportunities coming up in September. We are offering workshops that will give you an overview of this important area.

Responding to Conflict Biblically: Peacemaking Principles for

Everyday Living" will be offered at two locations on two different days in September. Our first workshop will be at Bethel Wesley United Methodist Church, 1201 13th Street, Moline, IL on Saturday,

Sept. 12, 2015 from 10 am to 12:00pm. If you cannot make that one, we will repeat the workshop at Christ Church, on Sunday, September 20, 2015 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

In addition, we are starting a short term (8 week) DVD study called **Resolving Everyday Conflict**. We will watch a DVD produced by Peacemaker Ministries and discuss it. The groups only last about 1 hour and they will be held at Christ Church, 3801 7th Street, East Moline, IL on 8 Tuesdays beginning September 22, 2015. This would be a great opportunity for couples to come together since we will have child care for children 5 years old and under.

So, let's begin to change the world! Are you with us? We hope so. For more information on this ministry, you may phone Dean Sutton at (309)236-0788 or call the church office at (309)755-2508.

Financial Peace Class Offered This Fall

A few years ago we found ourselves wondering why we never had any money despite having a good income. Erin started looking into budgeting programs to get a better handle on things and stumbled across Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. As it turns out, a series of classes was starting the next week at Christ Church. At this time we were not yet attending Christ Church. This is one of the on-ramps that Roger often speaks about. Erin attended the classes each week and Mike got on board soon after by listening to the cd's. We took a good hard look at our finances and made some changes such as cutting cable, getting rid of the gym membership we rarely used, and eating at home more often. We



weren't attending church at this time therefore weren't giving but we started attending not long after getting into the classes. It was clear to us that it was important to give and honestly many times it was a struggle but we did it faithfully each week. We try to give even if we aren't going to be at church. Although we'd made headway since adopting the Financial Peace principals we were eager to do more to get ahead. We prayed on it, and agreed that we needed to sell our large (keeping up with the Joneses) home and move into a more modest one. One of Dave Ramsey's sayings is "live like no one else so you can give like no one else" which has always resonated with us. God really had a hand in this decision as we had three offers after our first and only open house. During the same week, one of Erin's co-worker's let her know that a friend

would be putting a house up for sale soon in the range, location, and type we were looking at. We were able to see the house before it was listed and it was perfect for us. By making this move we were able to pay off all debts except for a house payment which is now much lower. We were also able to double our giving want to continue to work on increasing. We are so passionate about this program that we've agreed to facilitate Financial Peace University this fall. If you would like to learn how you can "live like no one else so you can give like no one else", join us for the Financial Peace class.

The class will be at 6pm, Wednesdays, beginning September 30th in the chapel. Cost is \$95 for the materials per couple. Partial scholarships are available. Call the church office to sign up, you won't regret it!

Mike and Erin Williams

Night of Praise and Worship

Join us on Sunday, September 27th for a night of fellowship, food, praise and worship here at Christ Church. The evening begins at 5pm with a meal in the Fellowship Hall, followed by praise and worship time in the worship center at 6pm. We will finish the night with more fellowship at an ice cream social in the fellowship hall and patio at 7pm. Join us for the fun!



Christ Church UMW News for September

- 02 Circles meet
 08 United Methodist Men--6:00 PM--Fellowship Hall
 13 United Methodist Women Sunday
 (Special Recognition Award)
 18 IA-ILL Church Women United Fall Fellowship
 Davenport--9:30 AM, Third Baptist Church
 Price \$7.00 "We Are One in the Spirit"
 19 SPRD Annual Fall Meeting--Bethel Wesley UMC--
 10:00 AM
 22 Executive Committee--10:00 AM--Parlor
 Unit Luncheon Meeting--12:00 Noon--
 Fellowship Hall-
 Program: "Children's Advocacy Center" by
 Cindy Fisher
 26 SPRD--9:00-3:00--Galesburg First UMC. \$10
 "The Journey Connected Through Faith"

Work Team: Margaret Baumann and Jan Hanson

Narthex Table Responsibility: Faith Circle

Mission Projects

We are currently working on Church Women United School Kits.

\$72.60 was collected at the June Unit meeting for the Romania mission trip.

Some snack items were delivered to Youth Hope.

Items due by September 16:

Cunningham Home--toothpaste and \$5.00 gift cards
 Lessie Bates Davis--diapers (any size), baby wipes,
 baby lotion

Please place items in the Parlor.

Thank you all for the dish towels and dish cloths donated to our kitchen.

Missing from the kitchen: white electric roaster and banquet serving trays.

Seven from our Unit attended the SPRD mission study day in Aledo on August 8.

Many of our members helped with the bake sale and food at the AdamFest on August 2.

Reservations are needed for our September Women's Unit Meeting in Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be served at 12 Noon, no charge. A mission collection will be taken. Our program is part of the campaign for Non-violence Week being held in our church. The program is from Children's Advocacy Center located in Rock Island presented by Cindy Fisher. If you wish to attend the program only, it will begin at 1:00 PM.

Mark your calendars for Tuesday October 20. This will be our 4th Annual "Fall Harvest Luncheon." Time will be 11:00AM-1:00PM. Cost: \$8.00. More details in the future. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Margaret Baumann 309-236-7958.

Seasons of Fun Luncheon

Thank you to each of you who attended our Seasons of Fun luncheon on August 15. The room was beautiful with all the festive tables. The hostesses do an outstanding job decorating their theme tables.



Cheryl Henry and her "May Day" Table

Seasons of Fun Hostesses (Right)

Seated: Pat Reuter and
 Kathy Carey--Standing:
 Maureen Dittmar,
 Margaret Baumann, Becky Rangel,
 Mariann Reese, Jan McKay,
 Cheryl Henry,
 Karen Wiedenmann,
 Doris Wasson, Roberta Garrett



Seasons of Fun Luncheon Servers (Left)

Front: Jean McHie, Diane Ducey
 Back: Nancy VanVoltenburg, Velma Gingerich,
 Diana Sutton, Sheri Collins



Nancy VanVoltenburg and her kitchen crew served a delicious lunch and we all enjoyed the seasonal songs sung but Teri Williams accompanied by Dean Sutton. The 106 ladies in attendance had a fun time and many received prizes donated by the circles, executive committee, and many UMW members. The profit will go to our local mission projects with the total listed at a later date.

Thank you Co-Chairs Kathy Carey and Pat Reuter and greeters,
 Daphne Brown and Linda Aldrich.

Food Pantry News for September

Wish all of you could stop by the food pantry any weekday morning to see the bountiful harvest God provides for our visitors. In addition to our two furniture tables, we put up three card tables. They are loaded with fresh produce from the Silvis UMC Garden Club (Dan Thorngren, Carl & Maureen Dittmar) and many neighbors and friends of the church who have an overabundance of veggies. The HyVee bakery has been filling two tables with many delicious items.

When reporting donated food items each month, we will be reporting pounds instead of items. River Bend has ask us to change because of reports we provide for them each month. Also, when we are talking to the community about how much food and non-food items we provide for the less fortunate in our area, pounds or tons gives a clearer picture than items received.. For example, in 2014 we purchased 49 tons of food from River Bend!

A big thank you to all who contributed to the 425 pounds of food donated to the pantry when you had your pictures taken for the new church directory. Many monetary donations were made, also, which we are grateful for.

Thanks, again, for all you do for the pantry. Every opportunity we get, we let our visitors know who provides the food they receive. You at Christ Church are the BEST!

ADAMFEST A Huge Success!

Another successful year for AdamFest! We couldn't have done it without our wonderful, generous friends at CUMC. We have made, after expenses, \$24,440. We had more expenses this year because we put more money into advertising. We couldn't have done this without all of you. We would have a lot more expenses if we had to rent tables and chairs or if we had to pay someone to fix our food. A special thank you to Rich Willard for braving the heat by a hot grill all day and for supplying the tent for the food. Also to Diana Sutton and Margo Guinn for taking on the food tent. Also to Edna Smith's support for her 'behind the scenes' donations. Also all the volunteers who donated their precious time to come out and work and support this very important cause.

Mental Health Awareness and Research is our passion. We want to do anything we can to stamp out the stigma of mental illness.

We cannot begin to thank everyone individually for the help and love you all show us. We are so very blessed to have The Called perform also. This church is one of a kind and we will forever be grateful for your love, prayers and support.

God Bless you all,
George and Gloria Smith





CHRIST CHURCH YOUTH

Fall Small Group!

Beginning September 2nd, join us every **Sunday night from 6:00-7:30** for life-on-life fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. This season we will be focusing on reading the Bible together and talking about what we find there. Let's encounter God through his word!



We had a great time serving those in need on June's mission trip to Tennessee's Cumberland County, and July's summer camp, "Fire In Our Hearts," was a blast!



Ari Davis
"I have been saved since I was young and have wanted to be Baptized for some time now. My parents told me they wanted me to be a little older before I got Baptized. At the time I did not understand why, but now I do. In the years I have wanted to be Baptized, I have matured in my walk with Christ. I have gained more knowledge and understanding of the Bible and it's stories. I want to be Baptized to show others that God not only is with me, but with everyone. God loves us no matter what we do, and I love Him."

Ari Davis was Baptized on August 9th, 2015.

Weekly Youth Events

Sunday School: Sundays
Jr. High (6-9 Grade) 10:35am:
Meet in the Worship Center.

Youth Band Practice:
Wednesdays, 4:00pm

Open Hearts Café:
Wednesdays, 5:30pm
Have a free meal with friends, then stay for Youth Group!

Youth Group:
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm
Come on Wednesdays for games, hang-out time, and a Scripture lesson!

Game Day:
Fridays, 3:30pm
Come to church and play games like Magic and HeroClix.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, **September 2nd** – Wednesday Night Youth
Wednesday, **September 9th** – special event TBA!
Wednesday, **September 16th** – Wednesday Night Youth
Wednesday, **September 23rd** – Peace Day Panel Discussion
Wednesday, **September 30th** – Wednesday Night Youth

Peace Day

Monday September 21st is the UN's International Day of Peace. As part of our church's emphasis on peace during that week, there will be a panel discussion for youth and parents on Wednesday, September 23rd. Topics will include hazing and bullying. Anyone from the community is invited to participate – come and learn more about working for peace in these important areas that all teenagers encounter!

KIDZONE!

Sunday School

All children should have a new registration form filled out for the start of the new year. Please continue to sign your child in the Registration Books at the Kiosk each Sunday morning.

September begins our new curriculum called Deep Blue Kids. It comes with an animated video to highlight the lesson along with Parent pages for family discussion. Check out the mobile app at www.DeepBlueKids.com or Deep Blue Adventures by Abingdon Press.



We have an opening for teachers and helpers with the Preschool class. Come along and be a parent helper, at any grade level, and be a part of your child's weekend worship experience. Just let Karyn know which dates work well for you!!

Preschool: Room 19,
Kind-1st grade: Room 16,
2-3rd grade: Room 18,
4-5-6 grade: Room 20

Wacky Wednesday

All activities for Wacky Wednesday will begin Wednesday, September 9th, 6:00-7:30pm. This includes Preschool (every other week), Kindergarten through Grade 5 (each week). Please meet in God's Playground. Parents, please sign your child up with the new registration forms located in the education wing.

The 6th graders will participate with the new Jr. High group (6-7-8 grade) with Matt. Meet in the Sanctuary from 6:30-8:00 pm.



We have openings for teachers and helpers for the Preschool and K-2 classes. For any parent or high school youth.....If you are interested in helping with Music for the kids or Games at Wells gym, please contact Karyn for more details.

Adventures In Literacy

Tutoring will be starting September 29. We partner with Ridgewood Elementary School each Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30-4:30 to tutor kids Kindergarten through 2nd grade for reading here at the church.

If you would like to be a tutor or want more information, please let Karyn know.



Christian Ninjas

This special group of 4-5-6 graders spent time doing Mission work with the church and in the community each Tuesday morning. Some of the things we accomplished include making blankets for the children at Cunningham Home, care packages to the patients at Gilda's club,

helping in the Food Pantry, cleaning the Sanctuary and preparing the coloring book bags for the little ones during worship.



Thank you to Ari, K.D., Charlotte, Emily, Thomas, David.



Thank you.....

Thank you for all those who helped in any way during the **Terrific Tuesday Family Nights**. Each night was well attended and I appreciate all the work behind the scenes to make these evenings full of fun for the kids!! You are greatly appreciated!

Thoughts from the Parish Nurse....

Fifteen years! The **CARE Ministry** is celebrating 15 years of being a ministry of CUMC, and I have been so honored to be one of the co-leaders with Janet Griffin. We have over 50 volunteers on our team and it has been one great ride. When Janet and I decided to start the CARE Ministry, I was reluctant to take this on; I had a husband, 3 very active teen agers, and I worked full time. Thanks to Bob Lovett and George McCoy, God used them to convince me this was something Janet and I could do! Janet and I did not even know each other, but that meeting started one of the best friendships and support systems of two women of CUMC. The rest is history!

We have been so blessed to have great support from our ministers, staff and our own team members over the years. CARE ministry could have not continued without you! This ministry has grown beyond Janet and my wildest dreams! We hope the CARE Ministry Team has been available where and when needed for support, a listening ear, a hug, and those random acts of kindness.

Thinking of how to celebrate this milestone, Janet was searching for a way our church could make a difference with all the violence going on around us. She had met Kit Evans-Ford at a conference and asked her to speak at our MOPS group. Kit is a member of "Campaign NonViolence" and Janet felt this would be a great way to get involved and so Kit has been invited to speak on Monday Sept. 21st at CUMC. Kit is passionate about promoting peace, helping others, and serving God. September 21st is also International Peace Day. **(Please see pages 2 and 3 with all the events planned for that week.)** Think about it. Peace doesn't have to mean "lack of conflict with another person". How does the word peace work into your life?

Peace with knowing you are financially secure? Peace with knowing you have a great job, a home, a car? The list can go on and on especially with material items. What about that peace of knowing you are healthy? The Peace of knowing you are a child of God?

I wanted to share with you an article I found that I thought might get us thinking of Peace and how we all can make a difference.

The 8 Pathways to Peace Imagine a World....

Where governments respect the human rights of all their citizens and settle disputes by the rule of law for the common good.

Where all people have food, shelter and access to medical care, and children are born into and raised by healthy families and communities. Where literacy and education for all are accomplished facts.

Where economic practices create well-being for all stakeholders, including communities and the environment.

Where beauty, the arts, and media inspire the best in people.

Where tolerance and appreciation of diverse religious beliefs is the rule, spiritual practice is encouraged, and reverence for life fostered.

Where the earth in all her natural beauty is treasured and its resources utilized sustainably, for this and future generations.

This is a world at PEACE...May Peace Prevail on Earth.

Can we all be a Pathway to Peace? Please attend our celebration the week of September 20th. Janet and I thank you for a great 15 years of the CARE Ministry.

The gift of friendship...a willingness to listen, a pair of holding hands, a whisper from the heart, that someone CARES and understands.
Unknown author

In Faith, Hope and Love,
Steph Rabe

Health Reminders and upcoming events for September:

Another road trip!

I have scheduled a visit to Friendship Manor for those that would like to go. Those of us that went to The Lighthouse and Park Vista had a great time and gathered good information. Again, it's never too early to think about the future; where would you want to move to, if the need arises that you can't stay in your current home any longer for health reasons? Where would you want a family member to be, if they needed special care?

On September 18th we will leave on the bus from Church, at 10:20am. Lunch will be provided at 11 am with the tour after. Friendship Manor is in Rock Island and offers Villas, Independent and Assisted living, Memory Care and Skilled-Nursing Care. Please call the Church office if you'd like to hop on the bus!

Mammogram & Breast Ultrasound vouchers

If you need a voucher to have a mammogram (for those that insurance denies payment based on the deductible, co-pay, or services not covered) I have information on how to obtain a voucher. I will have the instruction sheet in the file folder I have hanging during blood pressure time. Michele has a copy in the office and Sue has a copy in the Food Pantry.

Blood pressures will be taken on the following Sundays

Date: September 6th and 20th
When: before 8 am service in the Food Pantry Office and before 9:15am service in Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Scarf Project

It's time to plan ahead for Christmas, and we hope you will help with our Christmas Scarf Project. Scarves of all sizes are needed. They can be knitted, crocheted, made of fleece, or purchased. Hats and mittens can be used, too. Please bring your donations to the church office by **Friday, November 13th**. They will be dedicated at a worship service and then distributed to children in our tutoring program, children who are served through our Angel Tree outreach, clients of Winnie's Place, and families who come to our food pantry. Last year we received more than 400 items. With your help, the Christmas Scarf Project will spread warm wishes to hundreds of people in our community again this year. If you need more information, contact Janet Griffin, 309/764-1496.

Saturday Morning Group Begins New Study

Saturday Morning women's Bible study will begin a new study on September 19th, meeting from 8:30 – 10:00 am each Saturday morning in Room 14. Child care is available upon request. Workbooks will cost about \$9 with scholarships available. Contact Dawn Cook (309-737-3222 or dcook@moline.il.us) by September 1st to sign up. We will be doing a 10-week DVD study by Ray Vanderlaan titled "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah." We will be studying the people and events of the Bible in their geographical and historical contexts. Once we know the who, what, and where of a Bible story, we will be able to understand the why. By deepening our understanding of God's Word, we will be able to strengthen our relationship with him." Ray Vanderlaan's studies, which are filmed in the Middle East, "will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus."

Mexico Mission Trip Fundraiser

The Mexico Mission trip team will hold a Mexican Fiesta Taco Dinner fundraiser from **4-7pm, Friday, September 25th** in the Fellowship Hall. The Glenview Mariachi Band will also perform at 5pm! You won't want to miss it! Donations of dessert cakes and cookies are needed, as well as volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up. For more information, contact Diana Plaza.



The 2015 teen girls group would like to thank everyone who supported us by donating to the animal shelter and the domestic violence shelter. We appreciate your help in reaching out to the community. Because of your generosity, many people and animals will be blessed. Acts 20:35 says "in everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the lord Jesus himself said "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Once again, thank you for helping us be God's hands and feet.

♥ teen girls group



Iron Men Begin Meeting Sept. 22nd!

The Iron Men of Christ Church will begin meeting again for the year at **6:00pm, Tuesday, Sept., 22nd** in the Fellowship Hall. The September meeting will feature a fish fry! All men of Christ Church are welcome to join the Iron Men! For questions, please call Mike Williams at 309-230-4608!

Small Group Fair September 13

A small group fair will be held between worship services on **Sunday, September 13th** in the Fellowship Hall. Come and learn about all the small groups and activities you can become involved in here at Christ Church!

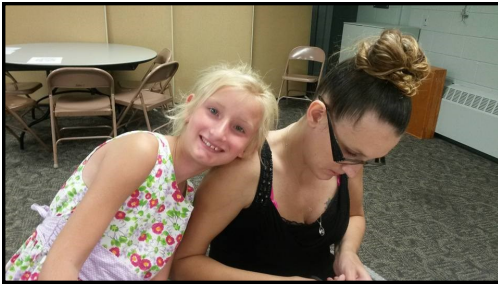
Representatives from groups such as bible studies, music, sewing, peacemaking and financial peace will be available to answer any questions and get you involved. Don't miss out!

Dining Tour Books Now Available!

The 2015-16 Dining Tour books are in and now available from Wesleyans. The new books contain 20 new restaurants this year for a total of 140. The cost remains at \$35 and they may be used immediately upon purchase. Wesleyans hope you will help us continue our support of various missions by buying the books again this year. They will be available each Sunday morning in Fellowship Hall, from any Wesleyan member, or in the church office during the week.

Summer Time Fun at Christ Church!





HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SILVIS

September 3 — 12:00 noon, Silvis Church Fellowship Hall



Silvis United Methodist Women members with last names beginning with A-N will host and serve the meal.

Business meeting, devotional and a lesson will follow the meal.

Please call Janet Oltman at (309) 755-3937 with any questions.

September 10—Pat Ross will host this event at her home, 3312 187th St Ct North, East Moline. Please call her at 496-2542 if you need directions to her home.

Meetings begin at 8:30 am with light refreshments for all to enjoy.

A short business meeting is held, followed by a lesson time. It's a great time to meet new friends and enjoy established friendships.



IRON SHARPENS IRON

SAVE THE DATE!

IRON SHARPENS IRON FOR WOMEN
Saturday, October 10 — 9:00 am—5:00 pm
ADLER Theater & River Center, Davenport, IA

This inspiring one-day conference for women features Christ-centered worship, guest speakers, and a variety of resources uniquely designed for women of all ages (13 and up).

Wouldn't it be AWESOME if a group from both churches attended this event?!? If you are interested, please contact Mary at the Silvis Church office at 792-0977.

Lindrew Johnson, who has been our guest pianist here at Silvis Church in the past, will be part of the praise worship band during this exciting event. Two of the guest speakers that day will be **Sheri Rose Shepherd** and **Jennifer Degler**.



Sheri Rose Shepherd

Sheri is a woman in desperate pursuit of God. She has a very refreshing way of bringing the word of God to life. Her speaking style is humorous, heart-warming and inspires every one to make their life count for eternity. She lives in Irvine, CA.

Jennifer is a licensed clinical psychologist, life coach, speaker and author. She has been blessed with opportunities to lead marriage retreats and women's events across the United States. In addition, she is a life coach for Christians who want to create a life they love.



Jennifer Degler

Early registration Group Discount (before September 11) is \$54 per person (includes lunch) in groups of 10 or more. Students are only \$39 per person (includes lunch).

Please contact Mary at the Silvis church office (792-0977) for more information if you are interested in attending this worthwhile event.

Silvis Youth

Sunday Teen Group

This dynamic group, led by Janet and Jim Oltman on Sunday evenings here at Silvis church, will be gathering for the fall season on September 13 at 6:00 pm. The group is looking forward to remodeling the third floor area. Future plans include to cook and serve a pancake breakfast here at Silvis Church. Proceeds will benefit the Children's Therapy Center in Moline. As plans firm up, more information will be published in the weekly bulletin.

The group has certainly been very busy since the last time they met (in May). They have volunteered at the recycling center in Rock Island (proceeds from which benefit the Children's Therapy Center). Pictured to the right are the "PU Crew" as they called themselves: Alena Rossmiller and Maddie Tague (first row), Molly Rogers and Peri Oppenheimer (second row), and Lauren Tague and Drew Pustelnik (third row). They picked that name as the job of sorting through the recycled items was very stinky!



On July 17th, a group of the teens traveled to Adventureland with Janet and Jim Oltman in the Christ Church van. It turned out to be the hottest day of the year! You can see in this picture what great fun they all had! A great big THANK YOU goes out to the Silvis congregation and the Silvis United Methodist Women for making this trip possible with their gracious and very generous donations. Since there were some funds remaining from what was donated by the congregation and the UMW, the group unanimously decided to donate \$100 to the Children's Therapy Center.

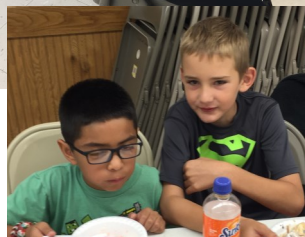
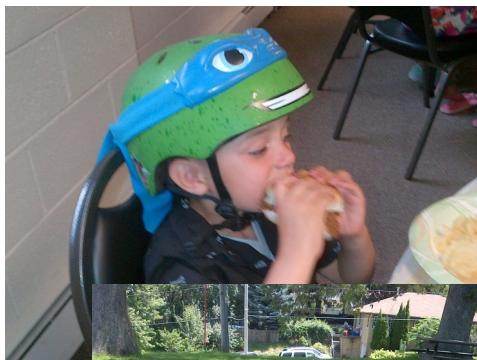
On August 6, Mr. W. L. Juncker from the Children's Therapy Center invited the group to meet him at the Happy Joe's restaurant in East Moline. Once there, the group was treated to pizza and ice cream as a way of the Center saying a great big THANK YOU for all the volunteering efforts by the teens.

This year, Kids 4 Christ will start on Monday, September 14.

Sessions are from 5:30 to 7:00 pm each Monday in the Silvis fellowship hall, which you can enter from the back parking lot. Each evening's session include a snack supper, Bible lesson, and fun activities such as crafts, movie night, UT night, themed parties, and maybe even a talent show! We are always open to new suggestions and ideas.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with either of these fun and enriching activities, please contact Janet Oltman at 755-3937.





HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SILVIS

Community Garden Update

Many thanks to Dan Thorngren, Maureen and Carl Dittmar, this year's garden is producing a bumper crop! As of mid-August, over **1,444 pounds** of produce has been harvested. This includes LOTS of tomatoes and cucumbers, some of which has been donated to the area food pantries. This year's goal is at least surpass last year's goal of harvesting 3,000 pounds. New to the garden this year were cotton and peanuts. Pumpkins (including two white ones) were also planted in the Silvis plots. The orange ones are nearing the size of a medicine-ball!



Thanks go out to Kent Adams as well. This dedicated member of the Silvis Garden Club has donated over 75 pounds of fresh tomatoes to the food pantry located at Christ Church.

Even though it's nearing the end of this year's growing season, the tomatoes and cucumbers are still being harvested. Before we know it, the process of cleaning up the garden will soon begin. For more information, please contact Dan Thorngren at 792-8677.

41ST ANNUAL SILVIS UMW ANNUAL QUILT SHOW AUGUST 12, 2015

This annual event was held on a beautiful sunny day with over 170 in attendance. As in the past, a hand-made quilt ("Best of Autumn") and a beautiful lap robe ("Hour Glass") were sold via silent auctions (both are pictured to the right). The quilt is an original design by Joyce Nevins. CONGRATULATIONS to Sue Stern who had the winning bid of \$600!! The lap robe sold for \$75.



Over \$2,300 was brought in at this show (this number is before any costs have been deducted). What a fantastic amount!

A delicious lunch of chicken salad or taco salad was served. Also available for purchase were hand-crafted items made lovingly by members of our church.

Many heartfelt THANKS go out to all the hard working individuals who helped serve, bake, prepare and sew for this momentous occasion!



Silvis Retirees' Group

September 11~ 12:30 pm

Please come and enjoy fun, fellowship and a delicious catered meal by Mulkey's Restaurant in Rock Island for only \$8 per person. Come join the fun and fellowship had by all. Please call Jean or Norm Neely at (309) 792-1545 with any questions.

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biblical purpose of making disciples for
the transformation of the world.**

Dear Church Family,
Ron and I thank you for your prayers, concern and the expressions of God's love you shared with us at the loss of our son-in-law, John DeVolder.
We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful church family and Pastors Roger and Joye.

Thank you and God Bless you all,
Carol and Ron Murphy

We would like to thank all of the Christ Church members who helped with the food tent operations at ADAMFEST. Whether you donated baked goods or snacks to sell or were a cashier, cook or wrapped hot dogs and hamburgers, you helped make ADAMFEST a success and made our job much easier.

Diana Sutton and Margo Guinn

Thanks so much for your support as I ran my 35th Bix 7 race this year. It was a milestone event for me since I have been running it for half my life. Who knows, I might even do my 50th Bix in 15 years.
I really appreciated your notes of encouragement, the "cheering section" at the top of Brady Street, our family and friends that also participated in the race, and for all of you that had to endure all of the hype for my race. It was great to see so many volunteers from Christ Church at the finish line party too. I would have never believed that KWQC and the Times would cover my quest that much. It was really a lot of fun, and I am extremely grateful you came along for the ride.

Dennis Griffin

Thank you to all who sent cards and condolences to Jane and me on the death of my brother, Bob. A huge thank you to Pastor Joye who led the Celebration of Life Service. We are truly blessed to have a wonderful church family.

Love in Christ, Bill and Jane Parker

It is with a grateful heart that we extend our thankfulness to our church family here at CUMC for all your sympathies, cards, prayers, presence, and hugs upon the sudden death of our beloved Dennis Robertson. Your kindness has been felt deeply and is greatly appreciated.

In Christ's love,
Karyn Robertson, Brittany and Matt Parker, Tyler and Renee Robertson, Caleb Robertson and families

June 2015 Food Pantry Statistics **In June, Christ United Methodist Church** **Food Pantry served:**

351 households and 1,295 individuals
4,026 food items were donated
759 non-food items were donated
\$2,768 in monetary donations

July 2015 Food Pantry Statistics **In July, Christ United Methodist Church** **Food Pantry served:**

404 households and 1,506 individuals
3,735 food items were donated
631 non-food items were donated
\$2,401.77 in monetary donations