



August SonBurst Newsletter

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Senior Pastor's Note

Dear Church Friends, It has been a great summer where God is doing a great work in our church! I am excited about our new electronic sign that tells our community what our church is doing! It has helped make us more visible to our community. I am also excited about the fourteen men that went to Promise Keepers and came home ready to share their faith! I am excited about the Backyard Church and the number of people who came for food, fun, fellowship and sharing of God's Word.

Vacation Bible School was amazing with all the kids hearing about Jesus. Preschool will be beginning soon in the fall. Our youth are active in their faith practicing mission work as they traveled to Kokomo this summer. I am excited about the upcoming Stephen Ministry and your chance to be involved with this special ministry. I am excited about our Methodist Men offering valet parking beginning September

8, 2013. Our church is helping Churches in Mission as we provide school supplies for approximately 600 children in northern Morgan County and Camby.



Count Your Blessings

During the end of July and first part of August, our church is traveling to Henryville to help build a home for those who encountered a tornado. Throughout this summer, our church fed approximately 150 kids each week during the "Summer Lunch Program." We have a lot to celebrate about our fall programs. What Bible study or small group will you join? What about the choir or praise teams? Can you sing? I am looking forward to being in worship with you this fall. I am excited about people in our church who love God and serve those who are needy. As we become givers of life, we receive life!

We have so much to be thankful for!

Pastor Dennis

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Notes from Parish Nurse Cheryl Howard, R.N.

“He who gives to the poor will lack nothing, but he who closes his eyes to them receives many curses.” Proverbs 28:27

Bring Easter to Someone Who Only Knows Good Friday

At a recent conference, I was challenged to look for the places in my community that are stuck in Good Friday-meaning the place where there is radical resistance to God. It would have signs of hopelessness, lack of family



values, lack of access to health-care, food, transportation and knowledge, there may be a lack of patriotism, drugs are prevalent and addiction is a way of coping with life. Then we were asked what would be different if we brought Easter to those parts of our community-

taking a lesson from the Easter story, we would go to them, not expecting them to come to us. We would go teaching in stories, Jesus was not critical when he taught. We would meet their basic needs and share our gifts and talents. We would be role models for good behavior; we would have a humble heart and servant hands. We would show respect for where each person is and not try to move them forcibly. We would listen, be a problem solver, non-judgmental and love unconditionally- we would give each person attention. We would have an attitude of “I’m here to walk this journey with you”.

Tobacco Related Cancer

A study indicates some middle and high school students are setting themselves up for an aggressive tobacco-related cancer without smoking. The analysis of 2011 national survey data found over 5 percent of those young people are using smokeless tobacco, such as snuff, chew and dipping tobacco – about the same as it was in 2000. “We’re not seeing a decline in smokeless use, while we are seeing a decline in cigarette smoking among adoles-

cents. We have to be concerned that these children are at risk of mouth cancer.” He notes that half of people diagnosed with oral cancer are dead within five years. The study in the Journal of the American Medical Association was supported by the National Institutes of Health.



How Trees Help Our Health



Researchers suspect a correlation between trees dying off in a community and higher rates of death from cardiovascular and respiratory related illnesses. Trees improve air quality and reduce stress, which are both related to lower risks of these diseases.

Children Need Sunscreen

Did you know that a child’s delicate skin, if left unprotected, can be damaged in as little as 15 minutes but it can take up to 12 hours for skin to show the full effect of sun exposure. Remember to re-apply sunscreen regularly- follow the directions on the bottle.



Salt Is Good for You “IF” Used in Moderation

FYI- Salt was so essential to people in Roman times that wages were paid in salt, giving us the modern word, “salary” in addition to various sayings such as being “worth one’s salt.” There’s a lot of new

information coming out about salt in the research- take it with a grain of salt (meaning in moderation!)



Anne Gatts: Being Like Andrew

Not long ago as I studied the Gospel of John, I realized something new about Andrew. Before he became a follower of Jesus he had been a disciple of John the Baptist. That meant that he'd been actively looking and listening for the coming Messiah. John 1:35 records that Andrew was standing with John the Baptist when Jesus walked by them. As Jesus passed by, John identified him by saying, "Look, the Lamb of God!" After hearing this, Andrew and another disciple pursued Jesus. And after investing some serious time with him Andrew knew he had found the Messiah. The scriptures record that the first thing he did was to find his brother Simon, tell him what he had discovered, and then take him to Jesus. As I take a closer look at Andrew's actions I see a perfect plan for my own Christian witness. Prior to the beginning of Jesus's earthly ministry, Andrew was closely following the most important religious leader of the time. In the same way, I must be actively looking for and listening to reliable Spirit-filled leaders to discern what God has to say. Andrew spent



concentrated time with Jesus. The Word records that when he went with Jesus it was the tenth hour - or about four o'clock in the afternoon. It is likely that they spent all evening together and even stayed the night. Spending quality time alone with Jesus is the place where relationship is built. It is the holy place where I can confess my heart and inquire for understanding. Once Andrew had been convicted that Jesus was indeed the Christ he wasted no time in sharing the news. Having the knowledge that Jesus is my Savior is incredible news. *Why would I ever want to keep that to myself?* Like Andrew I must seek out others and share the Gospel. Andrew began with the family member closest to him, his older brother Simon. From there his witness spread. To follow Andrew's enthusiastic example I should seek out my brothers (those I am related to and those I am not) and share the good news. I must realize, of course, that it is not my responsibility to save them - for Jesus is the only One who can do that. However, *it is my responsibility* to offer the truth and bring others to Jesus. Once they meet Him, I can trust that He will do the rest.

Our IHOPKC Missionary Family: The Shores

Dear Church Family,
As part of IHOPKC's commitment to continuous prayer & works of justice we have daily "Justice Prayer Focuses" to help facilitate focused intercession as a body. Focus is powerful. I've found that when I'm keeping track of what I'm praying for I actually pay attention when something changes. Then I'm able to give the glory to God! It's so exciting to be a part of a prayer meeting and hear that God answered the very request we lifted to Him the time before. How cool is that? When we pray for God's justice to be released throughout the earth we get to be a part of something bigger; His beautiful story of redemption and coming kingdom. The focuses are:

Monday: Ending of Human Trafficking

Tuesday: Israel

Wednesday: Organized Crime

Thursday: Oppressive Regimes/Conflicts

Friday: Sanctity of Life

Saturday: Persecuted Church

Sunday: The Fatherless



We invite you to join with us via the live webstream at www.ihopkc.org as we lift up these concerns and others to the Father's heart. Things change when we agree with the promises he has given us from His word. We've seen it time and again and look forward to all He will accomplish in His great mercy. Thank you for praying with us! On a family note, August is a super fun month for the Shore household. Mainly because two of my favorite people, Jason & Isaiah, have birthdays! Isaiah will turn 3 on August 21st which happens to be the day after Jason's 32nd birthday. Oh how the Lord has been good to us this past year! We thank him as we celebrate these two who are dear to our hearts. Much love, **Jason, Rachel & Isaiah**

Where Do Our Mission Dollars Go? The Wellspring Center

The damage done by homelessness runs deeper than just the loss of shelter. It affects every aspect of a family's life! A parent's sense of independence and purpose is threatened and children lose their sense of safety and security. Wellspring provides a safe environment where parents can learn ways to become more self-sufficient and where children are supported and encouraged.



The Wellspring Center is an emergency and transitional housing program for families in Morgan County and the surrounding counties located at 301 W. Harrison St., in Martinsville. It provides families with Emergency Shelter for 15 to 30 days or Transitional Housing units for 12 to 24 months. The Wellspring Center also operates a food pantry for residents of Wellspring & for needy families in the surrounding community.

FUMC supports the Wellspring Center financially with \$250 per quarter from the mission committee budget. The congregation can also support Wellspring by donating new or gently used household items or any of the specific items listed below:

Kitchen items (glasses, silverware, utensils, dishes, linens, small appliances, etc.)

Pots and pans

Household items (floor lamps, full sized mattresses, DVD/VCR players, etc.)

Gas Cards

Non-perishable food items (canned soups & vegetables)

Cleaning supplies (mops/buckets, toilet brushes, LimeAway™ toilet cleaner, etc)

Warm clothes for adults & children (pajamas for the children)

Educational/school supplies for children & adults

Financial gifts which can be used to pay utility bills and other ongoing expenses are also gratefully accepted.

Volunteers are also needed (childcare, teaching a class at the center, general maintenance)

If you have a donation or are interested in volunteering, you can contact Wellspring directly at (765)342-6661 or call Ginny Kerr or Pam Taber for assistance.

Matthew 25:40 The King will reply "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me"

Thanks from Ron and Cindy

It has been our honor and privilege to serve you and our Lord in music ministry for the past 15-1/2 years. We can't begin to describe what the experience and the 9:45 service has meant to us. We thank you for your love, support, prayers, and cards that have encouraged us so much over the years.

Moreover, to our precious band mates, we want to say how much our lives have been richly blessed through serving alongside you for so many years. You will always be like family to us. God bless you all.

Love, Ron & Cindy Meyer



Help Boys & Girls Club

If you have a little free time on weekday afternoons this school year you may be just who we're looking for. The Boys and Girls Club of Morgan County is looking for a few good people to walk with and supervise the children as they walk from



Northwood Elementary to the Boys and Girls Club located at 410 N. Monroe Street for the after school program. Volunteers are needed Monday -Friday at 3:20pm to lead the children and keep them safe as they walk to the Club each day. If you are interested please call Brigitte Gurden at 317-834-9744 or call Pam Taber at 317-446-8226.

A Note from Pastor Ben: Back to the Heart of Christ

What really is the heart of Jesus? What does his heart beat for? As revealed in the scriptures, Jesus "came to seek and save the lost". His heart is for people. That includes you, me and everyone else that has ever or will ever be on this planet! Jesus told his followers before he ascended into heaven, "go and make disciples of all nations..." That means to go and reach the people that he loves. Jesus showed love towards everyone. He even associated with the lowly. He made some of the worst sinners feel welcomed, accepted and loved. "...Our research shows that many outside of Christianity...admit their emotional and intellectual barriers go up when they are around

Christians, and they reject Jesus because they feel rejected by Christians." -from the book "Unchristian" by David Kinnaman. So what does your heart beat for? Sadly, many of us in the faith (myself included), get focused on the wrong things. We get more concerned about pleasing and entertaining ourselves in church, than reaching the people that haven't yet met Jesus. Jesus is calling his followers to get back to his heart! Join me in the journey towards getting back to the heart of Christ! Loving all people. Blessings, **Pastor Ben**



Footprints in the Sand: the Stephen Ministry

"Footprints in the sand" is a story about an individual feeling alone and without God during some difficult times. Seeing one set of footprints, rather than two, was interpreted by the struggling individual as a lack of God's presence when that presence was needed the most. We learn later it was the individual's footprints that were missing as God was carrying the individual through the difficult period.

This story is a good analogy to the kind of services an effective Stephen Ministry program will provide. The Mooresville FUMC does not want anyone feeling like they are walking through some difficult times alone. Through God's blessing, Stephen Ministers will be companions for struggling individuals. Stephen Ministers are NOT the problem solvers or the "fixers." Only you and God can do that. Stephen Ministers are NOT theologians, although they will want to say a prayer or read a scripture. Stephen Ministers are NOT necessarily your best

friend (although friendships are likely to develop.) The Stephen Ministers ARE individuals that care about you and are willing to spend at least one hour a week of face to face time with you to listen and respond to your needs in a loving Christian way.

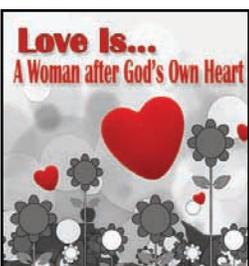
During the month of August, we will be searching for individuals willing to be Stephen Ministers. You do not have to know all kinds of scriptures or be proficient at leading prayers. When that is needed, the Holy Spirit will help you. All you really have to do is LISTEN and CARE.



If you are interested in learning more about Stephen Ministers, Dale DePoy and/or Cathy Mosier will be available between services to answer questions. You can also contact either one of them directly.

Women's Conference Dates

Ladies, mark your calendars for Saturday, October 5th from 9:00-2:00 for the second Woman After God's Own Heart Conference. Anne Gatts will be speaking about the healing forgiveness Jesus offers each of us. Invite a friend and join us for a meaningful day of worship, study, food and fellowship. More details will be coming soon!



Choir & Handbell Pitch-In Aug. 17

If you are interested in joining either the chancel choir or the handbell choir come out and meet us on August 17th at my house. We will meet at noon. I'll provide the meat, drinks and chips if you'll bring a side dish or dessert. Please call to RSVP or with any questions at 317-403-1955. First practice for both choirs is August 21st. Look forward to seeing everyone. Blessings, **Jennifer**



Mommy & Me: Register Today!

Are you interested in an engaging activity for your child, and an opportunity to get together with like-minded Moms for an enjoyable, educational experience? Join us for a Mommy & Me class and you will....Have fun with your child exploring a wide range of enriching, hands-on activities. Discover how to transfer many of the learning activities to your home. Learn about child development

and educational principles that can help both you and your child make the most of the toddler years. Classes will meet every Thursday from 9:30—10:30 in room 134, beginning September 12. Download a registration form from our website or pick one up from Lydia, Children's Director.



Thanks from Ben's Annual Soccer Camp

Each year following the close of *Ben's Annual Soccer Camp* we try to review the accomplishments and thank all those who have blessed us in ways great and small. Last year, especially, we closed camp wondering if it should be the last one. Ben's class graduated, we've almost fully funded the Memorial Scholarship and we wondered if we had accomplished enough. As in all things now, we spent time asking for God's discernment as to what to do next. We remain committed to doing whatever He leads us to for we know that what we do in His name will be blessed by His almighty hand.

If you were able to stop by during the week you saw the evidence of God's willingness to bless what we do in His name in abundance! This year especially, we saw God answering needs we hadn't yet vocalized for this year and beyond. To say camp ran smoothly would be an understatement and finally we were blessed with an easy, rain free week! This is our chance to **THANK YOU**, however, for God has worked through YOU to do amazing things! If you're a parent who sent your child or volunteered your time, **THANK YOU!** If you owned a business that sponsored camp, donated items for the raffle or food to feed our staff, **THANK YOU!** If you housed our coaches, baked brownies or helped set up or clean up each day, **THANK YOU.** If you were with us on Set Up Day, June 14th, pulling weeds, moving goals, hanging banners, putting the player packets together, etc. **THANK YOU!** We can't begin to count all those who prayed or volunteered but we will try and summarize for you what we can so that you can see all you helped achieve.

In 2013, we:

Raised **\$18,000** to fund the goals of the *Ben Elo Memorial Fund*

Registered **143** campers; up from 120 last year

Raised **\$9,700** from **sponsors plus in kind or raffle donations from 75** donors

Received **7 scholarship specific donations** that helped **8 kids** attend camp

Were blessed with **17 terrific Coaches~11 from colleges** around the US plus a special guest visit by University of Notre

Dame coach Bobby Clark who shared his story of Ben and his morning working with all the campers.

Started each day with prayer and a '**Ben Story**' that shared a living example of character, leadership, respect, kindness and determination in action.

One thing that is always noted by people who casually observe Ben's camp is the number of young people who volunteer their time during the week. Many of Ben's Carmel United teammates and local friends still make time to help out as do other young people who are emptying trash, serving lunch, working with campers, delivering drinks to coaches, running errands etc. In a world with so much that is seemingly wrong, the willingness of so many people young and old to give *of* themselves for something *bigger* than themselves is astonishing! Camp has taken on a life of its own! We're so grateful that you find our purpose worthy of your many gifts.

May God bless you and protect you in your generosity as we look toward next year! **The Elo Family**



Nursery Ministry: children 0-36 months old

Sunday Morning: Worship

Loving, tender care is provided by a consistent staff during all three worship services every Sunday morning (8:30, 9:45; 11:10).



Mommy & Me

Currently the "Mommy & Me" program is on summer break but will begin again in the fall and will be offered every Thursday morning @ 9:30 AM. A great opportunity for moms with infants 0-36 months old to come together. Class time is 9:30 – 10:30 on Thursday mornings. Limited to 10 per class, contact Lydia @ 834-1787 if you are interested in attending.



Tomorrow's Promise Preschool News

Preschool News: Enroll for 2013-2014

Do you know someone who might be interested in our preschool? If so, let them know that Tomorrow's Promise Preschool will be offering tours of the school on August 8th from 6:30 – 7:30. This provides families an opportunity to check out the classroom and

meet some of the teachers. There are still openings in the classes and we would love to have your child here! Please contact Lydia Rychtarczyk @ 834-1787 if you have any questions.



Children's Ministry: 3yrs-4th Grade

Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:10AM

Children begin in the sanctuary with their family and are released to a teacher after the "Children's Moment." The teacher takes the children to Room 130. We currently are using new curriculum called, "One Room Sunday School." Parent's pick-up children after the Worship Service.



Wednesday Night 6:30 PM

The Wednesday night children's program is over, but will resume in September.



Children's Choir



At this time, the children's choir is on summer break, but will begin again in the fall, when it will meet for a short time during Sunday School. The children will be periodically singing during the 1st Worship Service.

Sunday Worship 9:45

Children begin in the sanctuary with their family and are released to their Sunday School classes after the "Children's Moment". The Sunday School superintendent and some of the Sunday school teachers escort the children to their classes. We encourage new students to be escorted by their parents to see which room their child is in and to meet the teachers. Parents with younger children are also encouraged to walk their child to their class. Older children can walk independently to their classes. A hands-on Bible curriculum is used. Parents must pick-up their children from the classrooms immediately after worship.



Contact Children's Leadership

Nursery Coordinator

Shelly Duncan - shelly@moorevillefumc.org

Sunday School Coordinator

Ruth Brown - frank138@sbcglobal.net

Children's Choir Director

Jennifer Burton - jennifer@moorevillefumc.org

Preschool & Children's Director

Lydia Rychtarczyk - lydia@moorevillefumc.org

Message from Youth Director

Okay, I've gotta say, it's been a fun summer with the youth. Mission trip, VBS, water games, pool parties, putt-putt, Bible studies, and even fundraisers have provided a lot of fun opportunities to get to know the students better and to just enjoy each other. Ahhhhhh summer... And now, I can't



believe I'm saying this, but we're gearing up for the start of a new school year that will be filled with lots of opportunities to find new ways to make disciples of Jesus. We already have students stepping up to take on leadership roles

such as singing, teaching, and event planning. We'll see new faces join the group, new people trust in Christ, and new adult leaders being plugged into the youth ministry (maybe that's you!). As we look with excitement to the upcoming school year, we're asking you to look to God as you keep the students and youth leaders in your prayers. Maybe you know a student in the group that you can commit to pray for every day in August. Maybe you could check out the youth calendar and pray for a specific upcoming event. If God be for us, who can be against us?!?

Confirmation Classes (7-12th)

Confirmation preparation is back by popular demand. From August 18 through September 22, the six-week teaching series will be held on Sunday mornings beginning at 9:45am and ending at the conclusion of 2nd service. A Confirmation lock-in will be held on September 27-28 (Friday-Saturday) during which students will anticipate and celebrate their commitment to be confirmed in the Christian faith. Confirmation Ceremony will be held on Sunday, September 29 during 2nd service. If you're wondering what the Confirmation classes are all about, here it is in a nutshell: it's teaching on the very foundations of the Christian faith--the stuff we believe that makes us "Christians"--and if my children were old enough, I'd do everything I could to encourage them to participate in Confirmation as soon as they're ready to profess their faith in and commitment to Jesus Christ! Parents, if you are interested in having your 7th-12th grader participate in the classes, or if you have any question about Confirmation, please contact me (Bryan Vickery) at 317-753-3466 or email bryan@moorevillefumc.org.



Back 2 School Bash: 7th-12th Grade Youth

On Sunday, August 11, 5-8pm, we're kicking off the new school year with a bang--actually, it's a BASH! We'll chow down and fill up on pizza! We'll soak up and run through the mess during our "Yuck Fest" which involves the craziest and messiest games we could dream up!

We'll chill out and rock out with live bands including "Silver From the Flames", "Saints Prevail", and "The Benefit". And we'll wrap up by taking on a challenge from God's Word. Cost is \$10 per student (\$20 max per family). Don't forget to dress for the mess!



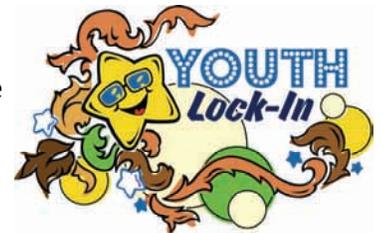
Youth Calendar

August 2013

- Thurs. 1** 7th-12th Grade Youth Bible Study @ Vickery's
- Sun. 4** NO YOUTH (Old Settlers)
- Sun. 11** 4:00 PM: 5th-6th grade Youth Meeting
5:00 PM: 7th-12th Back 2 School Bash
- 16-17** 5th-6th grade Back to School Lock-in (Fri-Sat)
- Sun. 18** 8:30 AM: Pancake Breakfast (5th-12th Grade)
9:45 AM: Youth Confirmation Class (7th-12th grade)
4:00 PM: NO 5th-6th Grade
5:00 PM: 7th-12th Youth Meeting
- Sun. 25** 9:45 AM: Youth Confirmation Class (7th-12th grade)
4:00 PM: 5th-6th Grade Youth Meeting
5:00 PM: 7th-12th Youth Meeting

Lock-In for 5th-6th Grade

The 5th&6th grade youth will be having their annual Back To School Lock-in on Friday, August 16, at 6pm. Bring your Bible, a sleeping bag and a friend! We will eat junk food, play scary games in the dark and have a great time. Kids can be picked up Saturday morning at 9am. Please check the youth web site at <http://mfumcyouth.weebly.com> for all the information about Youth Ministry here at Mooresville 1st United Methodist Church.



Stewardship Campaign

Each Sunday beginning in August and continuing through-out October there will be a short video clip showing how our tithes/ stewardship are “Making Ministry Happen” in our church. As followers

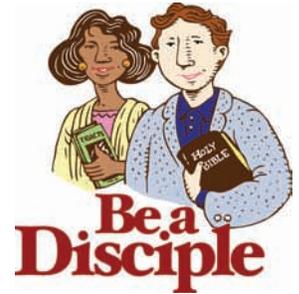


of Jesus Christ we are called to live lives **UP** in worship to God, **IN** through ministry inside the congregation, and **OUT** in missions to the world. We worship God together in various ways on Sunday mornings and during special events. We serve side-by-side providing a safe place for kids to learn and grow, learning together in classes and small groups, and comforting friends in need. We go into the community, our state, this country, and throughout the world feeding, visiting, and sharing the love of Christ through our words and deeds. Watch for these videos and view our capture of how your tithes help our church “Make Ministry Happen!”

5 Hallmarks of a Follower

Pastor Ben recently traveled to Ohio for a week on training for the ministry. One of the many teachings he sat through covered what are the hallmarks for a follower of Christ. How well are you doing in these 5 areas?

1. Reading the Bible and praying daily
2. Attending worship weekly
3. Commit to a small group
4. Commit to a "God" job and serve every week
5. Tithing



Small Groups for Adults

Questions? Contact Tammy Payton tammy@moorevillefumc.org

Group Name	Time	Location	Leader	Start Date	Description of Study
Sunday Groups					
Booster Sunday School	9:45 AM	Room 110	Richard Kellum/ Lois Curry	Meeting now	Bible Study
Seekers Sunday School	9:45 AM	Room 111	Diana Sparr/ Cathy Mosier	Meeting now	Bible Study
Friendship Class	9:45 AM	Room 113	Karen Yeager/ Jim Harris	Meeting now	Bible Study
Here & Now Class	9:45 AM	Parlor	Dave Nance	Meeting now	Rob Bell DVD study
Tuesday Groups					
Prayer Group	7:30 AM	Chapel	team leaders	Meeting now	Praying for our church & community
Quilters	9:00 AM	Room 111	team leaders	Meeting now	Bring needle and thread
Sewing Ladies	9:00 AM	Parlor	team leaders	Meeting now	Bring your sewing machine
Asbury Circle	1:00 PM	Parlor	team leaders	3rd Tuesday	Mission focused women's group
Thursday Groups					
High Street Connect	7:00 PM	Snyder's Home	team leaders	Meets 1st & 3rd Thurs. night	Home Bible Study
Prayer & Share	11:30 AM	Downtown	Rev. Dennis	Meets monthly; every 3rd Thurs.	Business people gather for lunch downtown
Circle of Friends	6:30 PM	At Church; room TBA	Becca Bezy/ Hillary Munzer	Meets monthly; every 4th Thurs.	Study book "Unglued" by Lysa Terkeurst
Saturday Groups					
Genesis Bagels	7:00 AM	Hwy. 67 next to Indiana BMV	Dave Nance	Meeting Now	Bible Study and share group
United Meth. Men	8:00 AM	Various locations	team leaders	Meets monthly; every 2nd Sat.	Breakfast and sharing

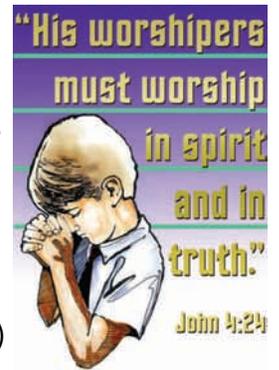
VBS Thank You!

Thanks go out to everyone who helped at this year's VBS program. We had a great week with the children of our Church and community. Friday night's pool party was awesome. Make sure you check out the pictures from these two events. You can find them on the bulletin board outside Fellowship Hall. We appreciate the way you serve our children – your Children's Ministry Team.



New Bible Study Group

A Bible Study group led by Rev. Gene Young will meet at Mark Husk and Cindy Beals' home (6714 E. Watson Rd) beginning on September 12, 2013 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. The group will use the book "Jesus in the Gospels", written by Lender E. Keck and meets every other Thursday. If interested please contact either Mark at (317) 690-6676 or Cindy at (317) 258-1513.



Our Missionaries in Indonesia

Oh dear, once the roller coaster takes off...two months fly by!!! Greetings 1st UMC! Today is picture day! We want to share pictures of several things that you've been hearing about for a while! We want to catch up a bit.



Traditional Indonesian dress

For one, Don has graduated with his doctorate in education; I think that means he's 'official' now!!! It's a joy to have such a long-term goal achieved. We continue to praise the Lord for His faithfulness in bringing Don and our family to the finish line. Speaking of finish lines....

Wow, I feel like I'm running all the time! God's word tells us to run with perseverance until the day of Christ Jesus. Do you feel like

you're running? At times I feel worn out running! I tire of the tragedies...prayer requests that break my heart and leave me pondering once again the ways of God and my desire to understand His ways; longing for pain and suffering to stop; longing for Jesus to return and take His people home! And I still don't understand; and I still don't like it. But I still run with perseverance, tired as I may be. I don't see my finish line, but I believe God's



Back of Indonesian dress

word and still choose to follow Him.

The McGavran family serves in Salatiga Indonesia as our 'race' course has led us. Like you, at times we are tired, confused, anxious to finish the race, looking for the finish line, wishing to stop running, and yes, at times feel exhilarated by where we live, the opportunities we have and enjoy, the unique things we see and do, and the God we serve who daily provides for us and amazes us.

Enjoy our pictures! Keep running the race with perseverance; the reward is worth it! We love and appreciate you, First UMC; thank you so much for your support.

Vicki, for all of us...Don, Tyler, Brittany and Hunter-Gene



Traditional Indonesian Lunch

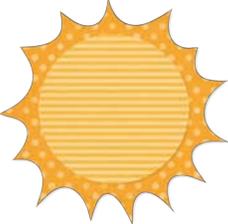
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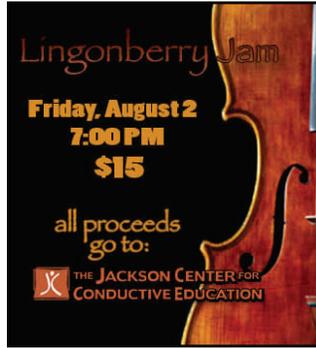
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Lingonberry Jam August 2

When: Friday, August 2, 7PM

Cost: \$15 per person at the door is suggested cost for adults/ children 12 and under are free (all proceeds go to The Jackson Center)

The "Lingonberry Jam" play Norwegian traditional music as well as some American music. Goril Ramo Haave is one of the foremost players in Norway of the langeleik, a stringed instrument that is somewhat similar to an Appalachian dulcimer. The langeleik has been in use since the middle ages in Norway. Goril also sings, plays guitar, and plays the Norwegian willow bark flute. Local artist Julane Lund will be singing, playing violin, and the Norwegian Hardanger fiddle. The Hardanger fiddle has eight strings as opposed to the four strings of a violin, and it is highly decorated. It is known as the national instrument of Norway. Goril and Julane want to support children and help them to grow in a positive, nurturing environment. They are both teachers in addition to being musicians. Julane shares, "It is only natural that we play music in order to bring support of the Jackson Center."



Valet Parking Coming

We have a NEW ministry at our church, beginning Sunday, September 8. We will be offering valet parking for the 8:30AM worship service. We would like to hear from you! Please tell us if you would:



- Volunteer to park cars
- You would use valet parking

Your Name

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