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All-around trust

A pitfall to trusting God, which we are prone to fall into, is to turn to God in trust in the greater [crises] of life while seeking to work through the minor difficulties ourselves. A disposition to trust in ourselves is part of our sinful nature. It sometimes takes a major crisis, or at least a moderate one, to turn us toward the Lord. A mark of Christian maturity is to continually trust the Lord in the minutiae of daily life. If we learn to trust God in the minor adversities, we will be better prepared to trust him in the major ones. —Jerry Bridges, *Trusting God*



How healthy is our freedom?

Our attitude toward the poor is still one of the surest tests of the health of our freedom. The moment freedom is used to avoid acts of mercy or help or compassion, it is exposed as a fraud. A free person who finds ways to enhance the lives of the poor demonstrates the truest and most mature freedom. ... We are not free to dismiss poor people from our awareness, to turn a deaf ear to voices that ask for help, to harbor even the slightest contempt for the failures and rejects in our society. —Eugene H. Peterson, *Traveling Light*



Commission on a Way Forward report at UNY Annual Conference 2018

By Shannon Hodson

The Commission on a Way Forward (Commission) was formed by the Council of Bishops (Council) after a decision was made at General Conference 2016 to develop a committee to address the issue of division around the topic of human

sexuality in The United Methodist Church.

The charge given to the Commission was to “design a way for being a Church that maximizes the presence of a United Methodist witness in as many places in the world as possible, that allows for as much contextual differentiation as possible, and that balances an approach to different theological understandings of human sexuality with a desire for as much unity as possible.”

The Commission worked together to create a report to present to the Council of Bishops. Based on this report, the Council will bring a recommendation to the special session of the General Conference to be held in February of 2019.

Scott said, “First is the goal of maximizing the presence of a United Methodist witness.”

“The second key element is contextual differentiation. Being that we are a global church, there are United Methodists who live in parts of the world where national and cultural attitudes vary differently. In addition, every faith community must be faithful to its call and aware of its setting. The desire to be nimble enough to empower effectiveness mission is critical.”

“Lastly, is the repeated use of the phrase ‘as possible.’ With all that we hold in common, we are not of one mind about LGBTQ inclusion. Our readings of scripture, our interpretation of tradition, our multiple attempts to reason together, and our experiences have led us to different places in this conversation. Many of our United Methodist Connection have studied and discerned their positions intentionally. The debate has been long, exhausting, and many people have been hurt by the Church as it has unfolded.”

The report given to the Council recommended three possible plans: The Traditionalist Plan, The One Church Plan, and The Connectional Conference Plan.

The Council decided to submit a recommendation of the One Church Plan to General Conference.

The report written by the Commission on the Way Forward will become public in early July.

Bishop Webb said, “Once the report has been published is available, we hope to then provide opportunities (dates, times, and locations) starting in September going through the end of January or middle of February where myself, Scott and others will be a part of listening, conversations, study groups, and various ways in which we can engage in this process together.”

Bishop Webb encouraged churches and Districts who are holding prayer groups dedicated to the Way Forward to continue to do so.

The General Conference will be held February 23-26, 2019. Bishop Webb described a Way Forward prayer initiative that relates to this date. He said, “We’re asking individuals that every day from 2:23 to 2:26 to pray; pray for God to breakthrough. Pray for the United Methodist Church to follow the direction that God is calling us.”



July 1 6th Sunday after Pentecost: Mark 5:21-43, Psalm 130; Communion

July 8 7th Sunday after Pentecost: Mark 6:1-13, Psalm 48;

July 15 8^h Sunday after Pentecost: Mark: 6:14-29, Psalm 24;

July 22 9th Sunday after Pentecost: Mark 6:30-34; Psalm 89

July 29 10th Sunday after Pentecost: John 6:1-21; Psalm 14

**Serving in
Worship
July 2018**

*Liturgy is the Work of
the People
for the Glory of God*



Liturgist

7/01 Sandy Wulff
7/08 Peg Wittman
7/15 Carol Bloechl
7/22 Rodney Nichols
7/29 Gayel Todd

Greeters

7/01 Allen Hulme
7/08 Nancy Nichols
7/15 Claire & Rebecca Hewitt
7/22 Florence Mihalyov
7/29 Dee Colwell

Ushers

7/01 Bob & Dianne Arazy
7/08 Gail P, Bea Tyson
7/15 Susann B, Roger D
7/22 Barry & Anita Taft
7/29 Bob K, Cliff Cook

Communion Servers:

7/01 Roger D, Sue J, Peg W

Acolytes

7/01 Don Allis
7/08 Rachael Guarino
7/15 Bob Kuder
7/22 Rachael Guarino
7/29 Bob Kuder

Altar

7/01 Martha Kline
7/08 Martha Kline
7/15 Ruth Mori
7/22 Ruth Mori
7/29 Randi Wachter

Media Booth

7/01 Tom Wulff
7/08 Rodney Nichols
7/15 Randy Bloechl
7/22 Todd Hochgraf
7/29 Tom Wulff

Media Presentation

Taking a break for the Summer!

Coffee Hour:

Choir & Chime Choir Members
Please sign up to bring a snack
item for Coffee hour. Or helping to
set up or clean up afterwards.



To the Education Team for
providing refreshments for
the month of May!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTH CHILI

July 7th, 2018 8:00AM to 10:00AM

From the Men's Breakfast Group

Featuring Barry's Magic Griddle!

Scrambled Eggs Sausage

All you can eat Pancakes

Juice and Coffee or Tea

Donations: Adults \$5 ages 5-10 — \$3

Come for Breakfast, Stay for Fellowship!



North Chili Farmer's Market

Saturdays June 16 – October 27, 8 am—1pm

The 43rd annual Farmer's Market had a very successful opening on June 16th. The day was great. As usual several of our vendors produce will not be ready for a couple of weeks, but the vendors that did participate all seemed to have a great day. The word is out that the market is open as we had an almost constant flow of traffic.

Special thanks to those of you that have already signed up to be "market managers" and those of you that take the time, many of you on a weekly basis to shop the market and support our vendors and in a very direct way support our church.

We hope you will consider helping us as a "market day manager" some Saturday. If you can't lift the cones or feel uncomfortable setting up, buddy up with someone and/or ask one of us to come and help set up and take down. It really can be a lot of fun. So come, relax and enjoy the market. Look for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway. Help us make this year another successful Market year!



Thanks from the Co-chairs,
Roger Dart and John Standinger



Pancake Breakfast—Onward to Our Sixth Year!

As you all know, the Farmers' Market at our Church opened its 43rd consecutive season in June. WHAT A RECORD! It must be the oldest registered Farmers' Market on the westside of the county.

Also, in June did you know our Church pancake breakfast just completed 5 years of being "the best breakfast in town". And now we enter the 6th season for this successful fundraiser. These are two fellowship events our Church should be mighty proud of and being able to support them for the local community.

Listed here are some noteworthy pancake breakfast statistics in the five years to be shared with the newsletter readers:

Ralph Squire has printed over 10,800 breakfast tickets

Barry Taft and magic griddle have flipped over 19,800 pancakes

Don Allis has warmed up 18,900 sausage links

Gene Mori/Todd Hochgraf have scrambled 16,200 fresh eggs

Lyle Tague and Jim Kline Jr have poured 16,500 cups of coffee

Table servers and kitchen have dished up over 9,000 platters

Mike Carr/ Bob Kuder have washed over 23,000 dishes

Don Fernberg has opened & closed the front door over 18,500 times

Net result over 5 years is a Church donation of almost \$33,000

Each Saturday breakfast requires at least a crew of 25 volunteers to make it happen. Over 40 Church volunteers have participated at one time or another.

We wish to give a "Big Thank You" to all the volunteers who have made this a successful event over the years. **AND NOW ONWARD TO OUR 6th YEAR!**

UMC Men's Breakfast Club



Church News:

You may have noticed a "Closed for Renovations" sign on the Meeting Room door.

Work has begun to refurbish this room. Some of you may know that we had water leaks in this room before the flat roof was replaced. The water stained beam has been sanded and refinished. The ceiling is being painted. Lighting and outlets will be upgraded. It will get a fresh coat of paint and new flooring, also new Window treatments will be done. Hopefully by fall we will have a new look for our Meeting Room!

The Choir and Chime Choir are on break for the summer. We look forward to wonderful new music come fall.

Our Church Picnic is scheduled for Friday August 17th at 5 pm. Weather permitting we'll be outside in the loop at the west end of the Church. Immediately following will be a concert by Sherry Anne. You may remember her from last year when she was part of a worship service. Watch for more news coming soon.



July Birthdays

7/1 Don Fernberg 6/4 Sue Norton
7/15 Jay Kline 7/19 Jessica Archer
7/20 Carol Bloechl 7/21 Halley Allen
7/26 Dolores Calvin 7/29 Doris Fosberg
7/31 Sharon Kelly

Prayer Concerns for July:

Prayers for: Rick, Paityn, Iris, Cheryl, Marcia, John D, Paul J, Linda B, Rose B, Caralee, Donna, Debbie B & Daniel B, Lisa, Bree, Kathy V's mom.

Please keep these families who have lost loved ones in your thoughts: Clara Stanffer's family, Rebecca Hewitt, Ed & Mary K's family.



Gary & Marcia Caswell, John DeBack, June Harndon, Irene Kochersberger, Helen Ottley, Ruth Peck, Mildred Tower, Barbara Ward

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your kind words, cards and prayers at the passing of my father. They have been very comforting and encouraging to me.

Blessings, Rebecca Hewitt

Operation Christmas Child

Collection box:

Each month we would like to collect a different category of items for the shoeboxes that will be sent out in November.

This month we are asking for Hygiene items: soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, hairbrushes, combs, hair ties, deodorant, etc.

Dollar Stores are a good source!





Garage Sale July 14th

Sale Hours: 8 a.m. –3 p.m.

Sponsored by United Methodist Women

Let us share our abundance!

Take in of items for the sale will be

Monday July 9 through Thursday July 12

6—8 p.m.

Tuesday 7/10 & Thursday 7/12 10 a.m.—noon.

Pricing Night is Friday at 6:00 pm.

Volunteers are needed for take in, pricing night and the day of the sale. Sign-up sheet is on the Bulletin board near the Kitchen.

Bring us your gently worn items, those items you find you no longer are in need of, the items tucked away in closets and cupboards. It might be just the thing that someone else needs! Proceeds go to Missions



Thank you to our Gardeners!

For keeping our flower beds in such great shape.
Kathy Krisher, Mary Lou Bowers, Sue Josephson,
Margot Hughes



LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

Donations are needed such as Dry Goods, Toiletries, Paper towels, Soap & Dish soap. The donations are delivered to Grace Church of the Nazarene each month to benefit people in our area who need a little help. Our delivery day this month is Sunday July 15. Drivers this month are Bea Tyson and Joyce Palmer.





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