



The Meeting House

Washington United Methodist Church

September 2018

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What do you see in the future of our church? Ten years away from now or twenty. What do you feel is in store for the future of our church? I hope and dream of our church will bring significant differences in our local

community and beyond by world-changing disciples of Jesus in this church. One of the goals of ministry in 2018 is to re-evaluate mission and vision statements of the church. We have not had the opportunity to revisit the current statements since 2006. I would like to express my deep gratitude to excellent and faithful church leaders who have been working together for last several months. Ad. Council approved the new mission and vision statements with 5 core values at the Ad. Council meeting on July 25, 2018. Now, I am so glad to announce them, and I will share these in detail with you soon.

Mission Statement:

We are called to inspire, equip, and connect people of faith to cultivate world-changing disciples of Jesus Christ.

Vision Statement:

"Rooted in Faith, Growing in Love, and Bearing in Abundance"

Grow in every way into Christ (Ephesians 4:15)

Reach out to people near and far

All generations are connected together in love

Care for God's people inside and outside the church

Experience a life-changing relationship with Jesus through worship, prayer and small groups

Core Values:

1. Caring: welcoming diversity and respecting difference

2. Growing: Spiritual Growth and discipleship through prayer and worship

3. Connecting: Spirit-led congregational growth through inter-generational sharing

4. Giving: service through mission-minded community commitment and outreach

5. Leading: developing lay ministry contributions

God's Blessings and Loving Care to All,
Kwang

MISSIONS

Mission Minutes

On Sunday, September 9th, 2018, our church will be visited by Douglas Williams, our newest missionary to support. He was selected to take the place of Jeff Hoover when he and Ellen retired and moved to Colorado. Douglas Williams works with two small churches in Argentina. He will speak at the morning services. There will be a pot luck dinner following.

September is really a mission month. Besides hearing from Douglas Williams, there will also be an opportunity to learn about the Red Bird Missionary Conference in this country. Our United Methodist Women's meeting on September 14th will feature a program on this conference by Larry and Nancy Krigbaum. This couple have been volunteers at Red Bird for many years and now travel about to tell of the work being done in this region of Appalachia. These speakers provide an up front view of the mission and outreach of the United Methodist Church.

New Coordinator of Saturday Kitchen

We are looking for new coordinator of Saturday Kitchen. Saturday Kitchen is a free meal for anyone in our community. It is held at the United Presbyterian Church fellowship hall and starts at 11:30 a.m. every Saturday morning. Several area churches take turns providing the food, serving and cleaning up. Washington UMC hosts six times a year. The coordinator is expected to organize and recruit volunteers to make it happen. If you are interested in this volunteer position, please contact Pastor Kwang (319-541-2631) or Vic Patterson(319-653-4304).

INGATHERING INFORMATION

There is new information concerning the UMCORE kits. Please go by the following lists:

School Kits

- 3 - notebooks 8 1/2 by 11
(total 210-250 sheets of paper)
- 1 - 30 cm metric ruler
- 1 - box 24 crayons
- 1 - pencil sharpener
- 1 - eraser, 2" or longer
- 10 - band-aids 3/4 to 1 inch
- 6 - unsharpened pencils with erasers

No cloth bags. 1 pack of loose leaf paper can be added. All items are to be placed in a 2 gallon resealable plastic bag. Small items may be placed in small resealable bag and placed in the large bag.

Hygiene Kits

- 1 - new hand towel (15x25)
 - 1 - new wash cloth
 - 1 - bath sized bar of soap (no Ivory or Jergens)
 - 1 - large sturdy comb (must have at least 6" of teeth)
 - 1 - new toothbrush in original sealed wrapper
 - 10 - band-aids 3/4 to 1 inch
 - 1 finger nail or toenail clipper (no metal nail files)
- Place items on towel, rollup and place in 1 gallon resealable plastic bag.

Mount Pleasant Site

In recent years the quilt auction has not been well attended nor have there been many quilts to auction. The site committee has decided to try something new. We are adding an ANTIQUE AUCTION to the quilt auction. We are asking churches that attend the Mount Pleasant site to donate some nice antique items for us to auction. If you have things that you would be willing to donate, please send a picture and description to Jason Collier at lwcyouth@gmail.com so he can get it on our Facebook page and also will be able to print it for advertising. We'll need this information by the beginning of September. Questions? Contact Judy Brotherton at judyb@machlink.com or Jason.

Marshalltown Tornado

If you wish to donate items to the Marshalltown recovery process instead of money, these are items currently needed:

- *New bedding and New sheets (twin and double)
- *New bath and kitchen towels
- *New bed pillows
- *Large plastic totes with lids
- *Laundry soap
- *Toilet paper
- *Paper towels

These can be placed in the Ingathering box in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in donation, please bring items to the church or the church office by September 9th.

Thank you!

Shirley Pfeifer, Missions and Outreach Ministry



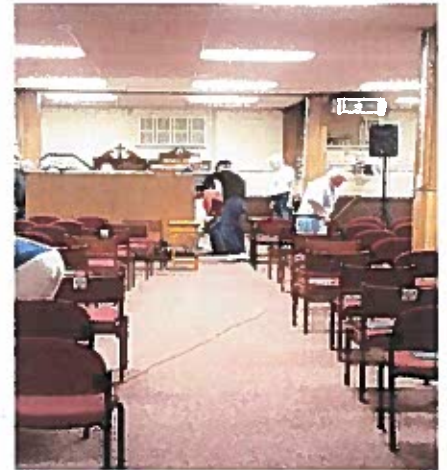
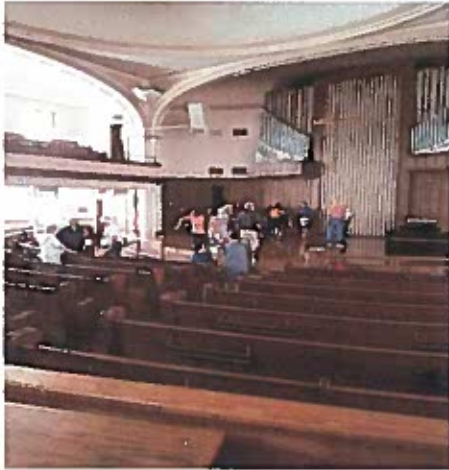
**Thank
You**

Thank you for all the nice roses that you have given me lately and the nice visits. Audrey Harvey, McCreedy Home

Thank you to all who helped with Saturday Kitchen for August and September. Without you, it would not have gone as well as it did. I truly appreciate all helpers! Vic Patterson

We wish to give a big "Thank you" to the following people who went out to Camp REECE on the evening of August 8. Judy and Bill Fredrich, Debra and Jeff Luech, Barbara Wehr, Beth Evanovich, Sue Meeks and Dana Rembold. Especially to Dana for providing 12 doz. cookies. Shirley Pfeifer, Mission Outreach Committee

A huge thank you to everyone who came on July 31st and helped with moving everything from the sanctuary to the Fellowship Hall. We had it done in no time, thanks to all of the hands we had for help.



The Church office will be closed on Labor Day, September 3rd.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



"Therefore encourage one another and build up each other."

1 Thessalonians 5:11

We all experience challenges in life - times when we could benefit from the support of a caring Christian friend. Stephen Ministers are ready to provide the emotional and spiritual care we need when faced with a crisis or difficulty such as hospitalization, loss of a loved one, divorce, aging, relocation, job loss and more.




Stephen Ministers are laypeople - Christian men and women - trained to provide one-to-one care to people experiencing a difficult time in life. They come from all walks of life. Their commonality? A passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need.

A Stephen Minister begins a caring relationship when he or she is matched with a person experiencing a life crisis. The Stephen Minister then meets with that person on a weekly basis to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts as long as the person is in need of care.

A Stephen Minister receives 50 hours of training in providing emotional and spiritual care, and meets with his or her care receiver for about an hour each week, for as long as there's a need. Men are matched with male ministers, and women are matched with female ministers and it is completely confidential. All who serve become part of a team that helps people win life's toughest battles.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, or if you'd like to find out more about becoming a Stephen Minister yourself, go to stephenministries.org, contact Jean Macenski at 319-653-6949.

September 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
Communion 2 8am Traditional 10am Traditional 	LABOR DAY 3 Church Office Closed 	9am Prayer Grp 4 7:00pm Missions/ Outreach	5 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	6 9:00am WAMA	7	8
Missionary Sunday - Douglas Williams 9 One Service @10:00 am	6:30 Worship Comm. 10	9:00am Prayer Grp 11 6:30pm Children's Ministry Team Patriots Day 	12 6:30pm SPRC Mtg 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	13 6:30pm Trustees	14 12:30pm UMW	15 8:00am UMM
Rally Sunday 16 8:00am Traditional 9:30am Praise 11:00am Traditional	17	9am Prayer Grp 18	19 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	20 6:30 Finance Comm Mtg 7:30pm Ad Council	21	22
8am Traditional 23 9:30am Praise 11:00am Traditional SE district Bishop's Fall Gathering 1:30-3:00 pm	24	9am Prayer Grp 25	26 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal	27	28	29
All Music Sunday 30 One Service @10:00 am						

General Fund	Actual Income	Actual Expenses
August 2018	16,896	20,124
Year to Date	197,595	196,226

Year-to-Date Financials

As of the print date of this Meeting House, Washington UMC has spent less than what was budgeted for 2018.



September Birthdays!

1

Julie Murley

2

Michael Liska
Jill Moore
Kathy Wells

3

Connie Eberline
Russell Parker

5

Drew Hartzler
Mary Ann Knupp

7

Richard Bonar
Bruce Timmins
Evan Young
Edward Ziegrowsky

8

Mike Forinash
Nicole Peterson

11

Tina Thomas

12

Pat Hamil

13

Craig Stout

14

Amy Miller

15

Abby Charlier
Sara English
Kathy Wallace

16

Sally Beezley

17

Michael Unternahrer
Kurt Venenga
Jim Blum

18

Regan Enfield
David Horsey
Addisen Shive

19

Gertrude Jones
Jim Munn

20

Tammy Crull
Carolyn Dixon

22

Eric Manz
Barb Millward
Olivia Postl

23

Betty Eden

24

Lindsay Crawford

25

Joyce Bryan
Mark English
Dean Wilson

29

Margaret Dunn
Matthew Schneider

***Bold names indicate
90+ birthdays!**



September Anniversaries!



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Kwang and Yune Song

22

Nathan & Renee Guy

24

Scott & Keely Brower

25

Jeff and Debra Lueck
Richard & Charlotte Magdefrau



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Sunday Worship

Praise Service: 9:30am
Traditional Service: 8:00 & 11:00am



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