

The Meeting House

Washington United Methodist Church

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In the September newsletter article, I introduced the new mission and vision statements plus 5 core values that Ad council has reviewed and updated. I am so excited with the new directions to inspire and stimulate us to bring change to our church and hopefully our community. However, I know and you know that change is always a hard thing to face.

I found a picture collage that a newspaper reporter put together from two different events that happened in different times at the same place. The pictures show the scenes of a new pope's first public appearance in the Vatican square. Can you see the difference between the two pictures? The upper one is the scene of the past pope's first public appearance in 2005. And the lower one is the current pope's in 2013. You can easily see the difference. There are a lot of lights from electronics: smart phones and tablets in the scene of 2013. Only eight years difference made big changes in the way people welcome a new pope. The crowd wanted to take photos and movies of the new pope by themselves. It has already been 5 years from the last photo.



The new technology made people more active in participating in the event. What was changed was not only the outward scenes of the crowd but also the attitudes of the crowd. The crowd wants to be part of it in more active way. They want to have their own pictures and movies using their own equipment.

I found an interesting wisdom of change from a book. It says "the only constant in life is change". Are you feeling that you are changing in this very short moment when you are thinking that the only constant in life is change? What do you feel happened to you in the last year, or two, or ten years? Someone might be thinking, "I am only getting older and weaker." However, it is not true. You are not getting older and weaker. Rather, you are getting wiser and deeper. You are getting more generous and open-minded. What we need now is to try to do something new to bring the fresh air of change into our church as well as our life with wiser minds and deep hearts of love you already have.

God's Blessing and Loving Care to All
Kwang

Thank You



Dear UMC Friends,

I want to thank you for all the many prayers, cards/notes, visits and other ways of support you have shown Dave and I since my Aug. 3 surgery and recovery at home.

A special thanks to Pastor Kwang & Yune for being with me and my family before surgery.

In every situation, there are positives and that is what our gracious and loving Lord provides. Looking forward to being back in Church.

Many blessings to all, Linda Birney

The Church wishes to thank all who donated items for the Marshalltown tornado victims and to Lori Bauer who has volunteered to take them to Hope United Methodist Church in Marshalltown. Shirley Pfeifer

I would like to thank the church people for the beautiful red rose for my 90th birthday. It lasted for three weeks! Thank you, Dale Richards

Monday Musings

How many people in our church read the Southeast District on-line newsletter, Monday Musings? It comes out every other Monday. There is a comment by Superintendent Seagren and information concerning the Southeast District and the Iowa Conference. To receive it, send your email address to the district office. Southeast District Office, website - <https://southeast.iaumc.org>, 1010 E Washington St., Suite 101, Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641



Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the **After People**.

Stephen Ministers are there:

...**after** the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

...**after** the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.

...**after** the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

...**after** the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."

...**after** the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."

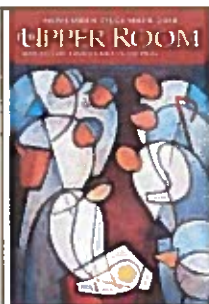
...**after** the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

...**after** you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

...**after** your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Stephen Ministers are the "After People". They are ready to come alongside you - or your friends, neighbors, co-workers, or relatives - and provide comfort and support for as long **after** as needed.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, go to stephenministries.org or contact Jean Macenski at 319-653-6949.



Please be on the look out for the November/December Upper Room at the October 28th service.



FRB (Foods Resource Bank) Name Change

For the last 13 years, the Washington United Methodist Church has been involved in the Washington Growing Project which helps people in third world countries to become self-sufficient. The money that is donated (crops/cash) is used to furnish tools, seed, fertilizer, etc. to enable third world populations to be able to provide for themselves.

As of October 1, 2018, there will be a name change. Foods Resource Bank will then be know as GROWING HOPE WORLDWIDE. Please keep this in mind as you make your tax deductible donation between now and December for our 14th growing season.

Any questions, please contact Dave Birney, Washington Growing Project Coordinator at 319-653-4713. Thank you in advance for your support of this mission.

2018 Fourth Quarter Mission Opportunities

The following are descriptions of our 2018 Fourth Quarter mission offerings. Instead of doing separate offerings during the year you can give once, if you wish, and split your offering in whatever way you choose. This provides a way to contribute to a mission project that may be of particular interest to you. Just clip out the coupon, mark how you wish your offering to be divided and send it to the church office along with your check, payable to WUMC.

The Center - this is a Southeast District Asking for an outreach ministry in Davenport maintained by St. John's United Methodist Church, various Christ-centered agencies are housed in a building across from the church.

World Wide Communion Sunday - Communion is celebrated around the world on the first Sunday in October. The offering provides scholarships for U.S. (racial and ethnic minority) students and international students, on both undergraduate and graduate levels.

United Methodist Student Day - This is a national day, first established in 1940 and continued by the uniting conference in 1968 to aid United Methodist college students. Both scholarships and loans are available through this offering.

Iowa Wesleyan University - this is a Southeast District asking to benefit the Chaplaincy program at Iowa Wesleyan University in Mount Pleasant.

Christmas Adoption - Through HACAP, this local project helps provide food and gifts to local families in need at Christmas time.



2018 Fourth Quarter Mission Offering

Use one check, but **mark how you wish your offering to be divided.**

\$ _____ The Center
 \$ _____ World Communion Sunday \$ _____ Iowa Wesleyan University
 \$ _____ United Methodist Student Day \$ _____ Christmas Adoption
 \$ _____ Total Amount

Name _____ Tel.# _____



Iowa Conference United Methodist Women
 Annual Meeting –October 6, 2018
 Knoxville, Iowa

Registration and Coffee	9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Meeting	9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Harlan Gillespie, Assistant to the Bishop of the Iowa Conference	



Church Address: First United Methodist Church
 313 East Montgomery Street
 Knoxville, Iowa 50138-2243

Adults: Lunch is \$9.00
 Bring a sack lunch for children if using child care
 Meal Reservation Deadline is Friday, September 28, 2018

Please return this portion with your meal registration. Make checks for meals payable to Knoxville UMC.

Name of Unit: _____

Number Regular Meals: _____ x \$9.00 = Total \$ _____

Number Gluten Free Meals: _____ x \$9.00 = Total \$ _____

Check Enclosed \$ _____

Child Care Needed:

#Children _____

Ages _____

Bring a sack lunch for each child.

Mail to: Myra Bowman, 911 Golfview Ave, Britt, Iowa, 50423, phone: 641-843-4086

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Dear confirmation Parents/Guardians,

Confirmation in The United Methodist Church is a time of intentional preparation. Youth in 7th and 8th grades (if your child passed 8th grade and was able to take a confirmation class, he or she is allowed to join in the class) will take a closer look at what it means to become an adult in faith, what it means to make a commitment to Jesus Christ, and what it means to share in faith with Christians around the world. Confirmation helps youth to investigate to depths of the faith and helps them begin to understand what it means to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ, and to make their first public profession of faith.

The class culminates with a Confirmation Worship Service in May 2019.

Orientation

Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 5:15 - 6:15 PM, at the Library, Wesley Center
Parents are welcomed to come

Confirmation Classes (TBA)

First Trimester:	November 7, 2018 - Dec. 19, 2018.	The Bible
Second Trimester:	Jan. 9, 2018 - Feb 27, 2019	Faithful Life
Third Trimester:	Mar. 13 - Apr. 10, 2019	History of Christianity & United Methodist Church

Confirmation Sunday

TBA (Expecting in May)
Students take their vows of membership during Worship services on Sunday morning

Please contact Church Office at 319-653-5446 or churchofficewumc@gmail.com with any questions.

CONFIRMATION CLASS REGISTRATION
2018-19
WASHINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Student's Name: _____

Last First Middle

Address: _____

Number & Street City/Town State Zip

Student's email: _____ Checked regularly? Yes No

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Would you like to receive text alerts and reminders? Yes No

Date of Birth: _____ School: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Parents' Name(s): _____

Parents' Preferred Email address(es): _____

Parents' Cell Phone: _____

Would you like to receive text alerts and reminders? Yes No

BAPTISM INFORMATION

The United Methodist Church honors and accepts all forms of baptism from all churches and denominations. If your student has ever been baptized, there is no need for your student to be baptized again. A service of baptism is part of the confirmation service for those who "have not" been baptized.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

WE ARE: _____ Members of Washington United Methodist Church

_____ Member of: _____

Address: _____

_____ Not members of any church

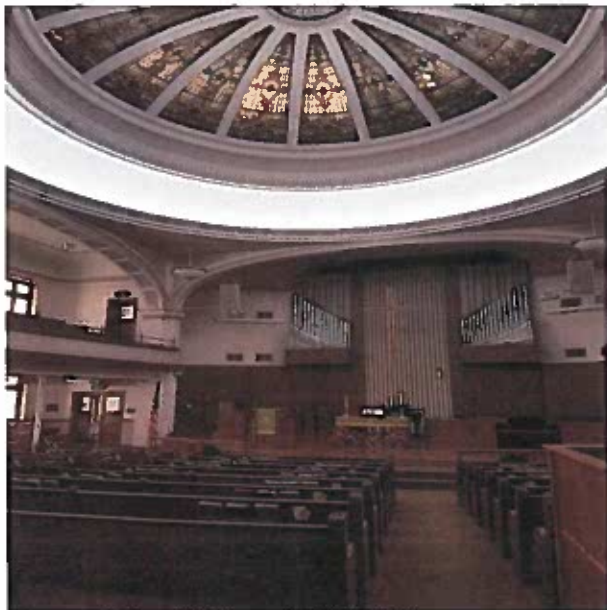
We give permission for Washington UMC to take photographs or videos of my student while participating in Confirmation Class. I understand that these images may be used in print media, digital communications such as the church website, Facebook and other venues.

Parent Signature: _____


Please return this form on or before **October 12, 2018** to:

Washington United Methodist Church
206 W. 2nd St. Washington, IA. 52353-1925

The Dome Renovation is now complete and services are back in the Sanctuary. Thank you to the Trustees for getting this project completed and making the Dome look amazing again.



October 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 9am Quilters	2 9am Prayer Grp 7:00pm Missions/ Outreach	3 6:30pm MYLIFE Youth 7pm Chancel	4	5	6
Communion 7 8am Traditional 9:30am Praise 9:45am Bible Study 11am Traditional World Communion Sunday 6:30pm Evensong 	8 6:30pm Charge Conference	9 9am Prayer Grp 9:45am WBS 6:30pm Worship Committee Mtg	10 6:30pm MYLIFE Youth 6:30pm SPRC Mtg 7pm Chancel Choir	11 11:30am WAMA Meeting 6:30 Trustees	12	13
14 8am Traditional 9:30am Praise 9:45am Bible Study 11am Traditional	15 9am Quilters	16 9am Prayer Grp 9:45am WBS	17 6:30pm MYLIFE Youth 7pm Chancel	18 6:30 Finance Comm Mtg	19	20
21 8am Traditional 9:30am Praise 9:45am Bible Study 11am Traditional	22	23 9am Prayer Grp 9:45am WBS	24 6:30pm MYLIFE Youth 7pm Chancel	25	26	27
28 8am Traditional 9:30am Praise 9:45am Bible Study 11am Traditional	29	30 9am Prayer Grp 9:45am WBS	31			

MYLIFE youth group (Many Youth Living In Faith Everyday)

Starts Wednesday, October 3rd in the Fellowship Hall. We are "Cooking up Service" this year. Join us to whip up a great year filled with service. Please share with your friends-we encourage and welcome them. See you soon!
Ann Williams, Lori Bauer, Dana Rembold and Jacki Williams

General Fund	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	<u>Year-to-Date Financials</u> As of the print date of this Meeting House, Washington UMC has spent less than what was budgeted for 2018.
September 2018	15,231	13,729	
Year to Date	215,763	213,345	

October Birthdays!



1
Margaret Steinbeck

10
Karen Crossett
Mario Savaidis
Steve Stender
Timothy Timmins

18
Mary Dawson

2
Richard Gallagher

19
Ronald Marsh

3
Mary Bailey
Alex Kleinmeyer
Thomas Patterson
Marisa Powers

12
Brett Brinning
Pamela Green
Marc Knupp

21
Ed Kielenstyn

28
Dorothy Enfield
Karolyn Leary
Karen McCreedy

5
Jane Evanovich

13
William Edwards
Alison Greiner

22
Judith Fredrick

29
Dale Sparks

6
Michael Carr
Gary Clark
Ron Crawford

14
Linda Van Winkle

23
Donna Knott

30
Misty Ingles
Lain Messer

7
Gary Pence
Diana Schoonover
Alexandria Sinn
Bryce Sinn

15
Martha Hahn
Eugene Steele

24
Ruth Bartow
John Hamil
Perry Schnicker

31
Jan Lawless
Betty Strum
Lester Wehr
Alyk Williams

8
Kim Charlier
Dianne Gray
Margrette Utech

17
Alberta Bonar
Kyle Fishback
Marilyn Mangold

25
Murray Coon
Jacki Williams

26
Bradley Crone
Jean Hyde

27
Grant Shive

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



October Anniversaries!



1
Jeff & Misty Ingles

6
Charles & Betty Thompson

23
Edward & Pauline Jarrard

4
Craig & Dana Rembold

7
Greg & Dawn Schindler

27
Gary & Mary Lowrey

5
William & Jeannie Edwards
Dale & Stephanie Sparks

9
Jaden & Michele Protsman
Perry & Lottie Schnicker

31
James & Vicki Dempsey

14
Chad & Melanie Huschka

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Sunday Worship

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

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