

08.12.18  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
 9:30 AM in Sanctuary

Wednesday Worship  
 6 PM in Chapel

**~ welcome ~**

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*Sharing the love of Jesus  
 with the next generation  
 from the heart of Downtown*

**A WAY FORWARD** – Our denomination has been wrestling with a number of issues important for our day. The Commission on a Way Forward has done their work and the Council of Bishops has given their recommendation for consideration at a special session of General Conference next February. Some have wondered what this means for us as a church or United Methodists. Pastor Keith will host a couple of sharing times on **Wed., Aug. 15**, 7 pm, in the Chapel and **Sun., Aug. 19**, 10:45 am, in the sanctuary, where the Bishop’s recommendation will be presented. Part of the focus will be to pray for unity in our church and denomination. All are welcome.

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**FREE ICE WATER DURING CORN PALACE** – We are again planning to give out ice water on Main Street August 21-25. and will need many servants to help make this ministry a success. Mark your calendars and be praying whether this is something you may be called to help with. More info will be coming.

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**PARENT’S DAY OUT** will be starting **Wed., Aug. 22**. This pre-school play program welcomes children 1 year – Kindergarten, from 9:30-11:30 am. The children gather in Room #211 to play, make crafts and have a light snack. There is no set fee for this service, but donations are welcome. All staff meets Safe Sanctuary requirement. If you are needing a couple of hours to run errands or want to meet a friend for coffee, please call Carolyn at 996.7721 to get more information on this.

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**STAFF PERSONS NEEDED** to help with Parent’s Day Out Program on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:30 am. Call Carolyn at 996.7721 if interested. A background check is required.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF** is **Sept. 9**, 9:45 am. Children 2 years of age by 9.1.17, through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade are welcome. Confirmation is offered to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. There will be a Senior High Sunday School class and several adult classes offered also.

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**SUMMER SPLASHIN!** We still want your pictures of “chillin” by or in the water this summer! Tag your pictures on Facebook or Instagram with “#downtownsplashin”, or email them to Pastor Keith at [keith@mitchellfumc.org](mailto:keith@mitchellfumc.org). Also, please share your stories of splashing God’s love to others or where you’ve seen God’s presence using the hashtag “#encouragingthesplash” or again e-mail them to Pastor Keith. Remember to highlight the route you’ve prayer walked on the city map in the Johnson Gathering Area. **We’re striving to let our community know Downtown Mitchell First UMC isn’t taking a summer break..we’re doin’ some summer SPLASHIN!!**

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** *Kadie Neuharth (Karmen McCain’s daughter), Karla Schultz Carr (Duane & Sandy Schultz’ daughter), Laura Barta Lindquist, family of Kevin Graves, Faye Pearson, Haley Vogel, and our tech team as they help to lead us in worship and care for many technology issues behind the scenes.*

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**RADIO BROADCAST** (live on KORN 1490AM, 11 am) *is given in celebration of Norm and Faye Pearson’s 68<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary which is on August 18.*

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A portion of our general giving, as well as designated gifts in **August**, will go to the North Dakota Bakken Oil Field Ministry.

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**RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORS NEEDED** for **August 19 & 24**. If you would like to sponsor one in honor, memory, gratitude, or a special occasion, please contact the office. Cost is \$125.

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**LIVE STREAM SPONSORSHIPS** are available each week for \$50.

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**2 YEAR OLD-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TEACHER ORIENTATION**, **Tues., Aug. 14**, 7 PM, Johnson Gathering Space. Come learn about the new theme for Fall 2018, pick up your leader guides, meet your team. Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are in need of teachers. Call Carolyn (996.7721), text her (605.999.4656) or email ([carolyn@mitchellfumc.org](mailto:carolyn@mitchellfumc.org)) if you are feeling called to be a teaching disciple. Discover the “Living Water “ that overflows in our hearts . . . bring acceptance, joy, faith and peace!

**MCCI CONSULTATION WEEKEND** – Our work with MCCI (Missional Church Consultation Initiative) continues. Our Consultation Weekend will be September 21-23, 2018. Please put these dates on your calendar and be in prayer that God’s Spirit would guide and speak through the events of this weekend. More information will be coming!

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**PRODUCE TABLE** – If you have surplus garden produce, bring it to the Mission Table near Johnson Gathering Area. If you can use the produce, take it with you and leave a cash gift for World Hunger.

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**ACCEPTING COBORNS RECEIPTS** for August, September, and October. Place your receipts in the console drawer near the west door. A percentage of the receipts benefit UMW and the Youth.

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**THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH** for the cards, phone calls, and prayers after my recent surgery. I felt every prayer! I am doing quite well in my recovery. I thank you all again for your kindness. ~ Jayne Barnard

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**THANKS** for helping make the Outdoor Worship Service at Hitchcock Park a big success by helping, serving, cooking/baking, and attending! ~ United Methodist Men’s Club

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A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who provided supplies, packed backpacks or helped with distribution. It couldn’t have happened without you!! ~ Carol Hasz

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY**

9:30 AM Worship Service  
 10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship, JGA  
 10:30 AM Youth Sunday School  
 10:40 AM Adult Study Chapel  
 5:00 PM MCCI Implementation Team

**MONDAY**

7:00 PM Board of Trustees

**TUESDAY**

7:07 AM ASK Breakthrough Prayer, S-1  
 9:30 AM **NO** Church Staff  
 9:30 AM Tuesday Quilters, Dining Room  
 7:00 PM Sunday School Orientation

**WEDNESDAY**

9 AM-3PM Staff Retreat  
 6:00 PM Casual Worship in Chapel  
 7:00 PM Way Forward, Chapel

**THURSDAY**

5:30 PM Youth Council  
 5:30 PM Dementia Care Givers Support Group, presented by Alzheimer’s Assoc., Chapel



**Upcoming Events**

**Thurs., Aug. 16** Middle East Family Night at the Museum, 7 pm, Dakota Discovery Museum.  
 Topic: *Israel and the Middle East: the Challenge of Peace*. Free, but reservations are requested. Call 996.2122.

**Sun., Aug. 19** Way Forward meeting, 10:45 am, Sanctuary  
**Wed., Aug. 22** Parent’s Day Out begins, 9:30 am  
**Sun., Sept. 9** Sunday School & Confirmation begin, 9:45 am  
**Sun., Sept. 16** New Member Class, 12:30 pm  
**Sept. 21-23** MCCI Consultation Weekend



**The Downtown Experience**

**Come . . . as you are**

**Connect . . . with God and other people**

**Care . . . for one another**

**Create . . . the Kingdom together**

**Celebrate . . . what God is doing**