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NEWSLETTER OF:
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Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors!

Mark Your Calendar

10/4
Youth Group-Ultimate Frisbee

10/5
Crop Walk

10/11
Men's Breakfast @ LoneStar

10/18
Outreach Vendor/Craft Fair

10/19
Food Drive - Collection
Trunk N Treat/Pumpkin Carving

10/26
Outreach Volunteer Appreciation
Potluck Luncheion

10/27
Annual Church Conference

'GOOD' news'

People are noticing. . . the cement trucks, the sky-high crane, the walls wrapped in Tyvek, and the wooden trusses outlining the new roofline and pointing in unison toward the heavens. People are noticing the excitement surrounding the construction of our new multi-purpose Fellowship Wing, and some are already making reservations for various church and community groups to make use of our new space in 2015!

Among those early events being planned is an old-fashioned Barn Dance with a live string band and Yours Truly as the caller *("All join hands and circle wide, spread right out like an old cow hide! Chicken in the bread pan, picken' out dough. Granny, does your dog bite? No, child, no!").*

Because God has blessed us so generously with the vision and resources to significantly expand our church building, I want to give us the opportunity to bless the boys and girls of

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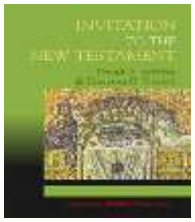
Haiti with a little help from their friends at Channahon United Methodist Church**. I would like our Inaugural Barn Dance to celebrate the completion of our new addition, and be a fundraiser to help build the new (post-earthquake) Grace Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.** A blueprint poster of the new hospital is hanging in the church entry area near the blueprint of the new CUMC Fellowship Wing. God is already using us to bless the people of CUMC and our larger community with our new building addition. Can God use us to also bless the impoverished people of Haiti, still recovering from the devastating 2010 earthquake and in dire need of quality health care? I believe the answer is YES. Our own United Methodist Women have initiated a letter-writing fundraiser (see article in this issue) for the construction of the new Grace Children's Hospital. You are invited to participate in that campaign too. Then, on Sunday October 12, our special guest preacher will be Chad Scott, director of International Child Care's campaign to build the new Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti.

The details of our Barn Dance will soon be announced; it will be soon after construction of our new Fellowship Wing is completed. In the meantime, thank you for your faithful support of our general church ministries and new building project. I pray that the Lord can use the vibrant health of Channahon United Methodist to bring good health to the boys and girls of Haiti.

Peace,

Steve,



Invitation to the New Testament
Adult Study

Tuesday nights, 7:00pm – 8:00pm,
Beginning Sept. 30 thru Nov. 18
Sunday Mornings 10:30am-11:30am
Sept. 28 thru Nov. 16

This 8-session adult small group experience, led by Pastor Steve *(Tuesday)* and Wilson Young *(Sunday)* makes use of weekly video segments to better understand the New Testament and renew our commitment to be shaped by the story of Jesus – personally and together.

We will explore the writings of the New Testament using the story of Jesus as a starting point. Join us as we learn how the early church embraced the message of Jesus and grew as disciples to create vibrant communities of faith.

Cost: $15 *for Participant book*

Sign up in Narthex and pick up your booklet. Read through Chapter One before our first class on September 28th or 30th.

Northern Illinois Conference of The United Methodist Church

The whole congregation, particularly our leadership, is invited to attend our Annual Church Conference with District Superintendent Rev. Dick Wisdom in the sanctuary on **Monday October 27th at 7:00 pm.**

With the evening theme: "*Who is my neighbor?... So how are the children,"* we will worship together, recall our ministry highlights in the past year, and vote on 2015 committee nominations and Pastor Steve's salary *(as required by United Methodist Church Discipline).*

Staff-Parish Relations Committee will have met with Rev. Wisdom earlier at 6:30 pm. Come and celebrate our life together and hear the latest word that Rev. Wisdom will bring us from our Bishop and our Northern Illinois Conference.

A Message Update from out Building Committeee

The new addition is starting to take on noticeable shape and size. Our existing roof will soon be removed by sections, plywood replaced and new life time warrantee shingles installed.

Electrical conduit is being installed under the parking area between the new addition and peace garden to supply future power to the garage and lighting for the cross.

The building contractor is moving ahead with plans that were approved from many previous months of meetings. The Building Committee is working on interior details.

An audio/visual company has been chosen and specific equipment and placement is being reviewed with the help of Steve Olsen.

Flooring color and type has been decided. Light fixtures have been chosen. A cabinet maker has been hired to construct and install cabinets in the new serving area, thrift shop checkout counter and shelves.

We are currently researching a portable stage, table and chairs, kitchen serving room equipment and refrigerator, window blinds / shades. We will keep you posted through the progress!

Gordon Vong

Building Committee/Chair

Confirmation

Class is now forming to start in November

Students 8th - 12th grade who are interested
in participating in Confirmation Class this year,
please contact Pastor Steve for information
815-467-5275 ext 12 or
Email pastor@channahonumc.org

Matthew 28:19-20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

A word from our Choir Director:

There is something for everyone in the Choir Ministry:

Adults:

Adult Choir:

Choir rehearsals are held Sunday mornings at 8AM and sing during 9AM Service: Please see Brittany Alcantar or email balcantar05@yahoo.com if interested in joining.

Praise Band: "Play It Forward" rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings. Please contact Diane Robinson or Brittany Alcantar if interested in joining.

Children:

Sunday School:

Children sing during first 15 minutes of Sunday School. Dates to sing during church service are TBD. Look for more information to follow.

Jam Session: Play guitar, love to sing, play piano, play drums, want to learn to play percussion instruments? Open to 1st – 12th Grade we will meet after KIDZ CLUB on Wednesday evenings from 7pm – 8pm. Come join us and we will see what worship music we can jam to and have some fun. Maybe even perform for church in the near future. See Brittany Alcantar with any questions or to sign up.

MAKE A Joyful NOISE

on *November 30th*

Bishop Sally Dick, District Superintendent Richard Wisdom, and the entire Aurora District United Methodist Churches *(that includes us!)* are invited to sing favorite Advent/Christmas songs at the beautiful Wentz Hall of North Central College in Naperville.

At 3pm on November 30th, the first Sunday of Advent, we will hear excellent soloists, duets, combined and individual choirs proclaiming the birth of our Savior.

Experience the United Methodist connection in a concert hall that provides superior clarity, warmth, and liveliness of sound. Free parking next door.

The ticket cost of $10 supports the "Imagine No Malaria" campaign and local ministries as well.

For more info, see our Choir Director Brittany Alcantar at 815-603-9851 balcantar05@yahoo.com

\ **All Ages:**

Christmas Pageant will be Saturday, December 20, 2014

Time: TBD

- Please let Brittany Alcantar know if you are interested in acting, singing , or just want to help out in any way.
- Sunday School children will learn songs during Sunday School. Drama and extra rehearsals are planned for Tuesday evenings starting in Late October/Early November.

Ephesians 3:17

Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.

In recognition of our church's support of
Red Bird Missionaries
Mark & Rebecca Smallwood.
Way to go CUMC!!

2Corinthians 9:6 *The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.*

Romans 12:1-2 (MSG) Place Your Life Before God

So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

We celebrate the ministry of our Church Custodian Nancy Snow, who now begins her third year on the staff of Channahon United Methodist.

Please be sure to thank her for helping make our building clean and attractive for all our church and community activities. Keep up the good work, Nancy!!

Baby Blankets Ministry

Our church is now prepared to gift homemade baby blankets to newborns in our congregation, thanks to the loving work of Joan Waller, Lisa McMurtry, and Wendy Hoffman.

It is just one more way that Channahon UMC makes visible our goal to celebrate and welcome all God's children into our faith family.

Children & Family Ministries

Bonnie Babich

Faith Formation Milestone

Prayer Pillows for Pre-Schoolers

"No pillow is as soft as God's promise."
A traditional proverb

Handmade fleece embroidered ***Prayer Pillows*** *were presented to the following children as they begin Sunday school as part of their journey as Christians:*

Natalie & Matthew Ciancanelli, Rebecca Lynch, Nathan Holmquist, Charlotte Matejka, Carter Matejka, Ellery Olson, Alayna Platt and Landon Walker.

Thank you to Elaine Coen for sharing your gift of sewing to provide this gift for these little disciples.

Bible Presentations

"Thy Word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path." *Psalm 119:105*

The following children and youth received the gift of a bible from the congregation as they continue along their journey of faith formation:

Allison Babich, Nicodem Hargis, Logan Knott, Andrew Prokop, Stephanie Elmore, Ethan Gear, Jack Sergeant, Tyler Hansler, Hanna Pelkely, Jonathan MacDonald, Kendall Hibler, Chelsea & Liam Farmer.

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Sunday School has designated their offering for the 2014-15 class year to go to **"No More Malaria"**.
So far $66.00 has been collected toward the goal of $300 by Christmas.

"Precious in God's Sight:
Answering the Call to Cherish and Protect Every Child"

The annual Children's Sabbath is sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund and provides local congregations and faith communities with the opportunity and resources to advocate for improving the lives of God's most precious ones, our children.

For his year's observance of Children's Sabbath on Sunday, October 12th, Channahon UMC will be focusing on the needs of the children and families served by Grace Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. That day, our congregation will be hosting a special guest preacher, Chad Scott, Director of International Child Care's campaign to resource the re-building of the Haitian hospital.

Channahon UMC will be taking part with thousands of churches, synagogues, mosques and temples across the country in this celebration by holding special events and worship services, educational programs, and advocacy activities to engage people of faith in the lives of children and families

Sunday School Open House on September 7th was a huge success this year. Thank you for countless hours to those who came out and gave of their time to get the rooms organized and decorated, selected curriculum, and talked with the parents and kids at 'Open House'.

It truly takes a village *(or a church congregation)* to ensure the rich nourishment that CUMC provides through our Sunday School Ministry.

Thank you everyone… What a ROCK STAR you are!
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S.T.O.M.P.

(Students Taking Our Ministries Personally)

Sr. High Small Group of Channahon United Methodist Church

*** September 21, 2014**
*** October 5, 2014** – CROP WALK
we will meet at 1:00 for Crop Walk and then back to the church for pizza
*** October 19, 2014**
*** October 24,, 25 & 26**
Sr. High Weekend retreat
*** November 9, 2014**
*** November 23, 2014**
*** December 7, 2014**
*** December 21, 2014** –
White Elephant Christmas Party
*** January 4, 2015**
*** January 18, 2015**
*** Feb 1, 2015**
*** Feb 15, 2015**
*** March 1, 2015**
*** March 15, 2015**
*** March 29, 2015**
*** April 12, 2015**
*** April 26, 2015**
*** May 10, 2015**
last meeting for the year

Yours in Christ,

– Kellen, Nancy and Mary - *Sr. High Small Group Leaders*

Kellen – 815-557-3239 / Nancy – 708-912-3056 / Mary – 312-699-9357

Thank you to the congregation of our church for your support of the **STOMP** 'Farmers Martket' table. We received $350 in generous donations to help with our Sr. High Retreat. Your continued support brings many blessings to us all. Thank you to all that donated and purchased items. We can't wait to share our weekend retreat experience with the congregation.

The Sr. High Small Group ~ **S.T.O.M.P** *(Students Taking Our Ministries Personally)*

Mixed Bag' Fundraiser is back…
sponsored by S.T.O.M.P

We are selling cool reusable bags and products.
We will be selling them during the month of October –
Look for the table in the narthex with the 'Bag Display'.

Purpose: We are raising funds to help support our weekend retreat to Camp Wesley Woods in Williams Bay Wisconsin.

mixedbag designs
green fundraising with reusable bags

Thank you so much for helping our fundraiser!

Youth Group Ministry
October Calendar

Oct. 1	Junior High Small Group	6:00-7:30
Oct. 4	Youth Group Ultimate Frisbee & Dinner in Wheaton	12:30-6:00
Oct. 5	CROP Walk	1:00 – meet at church
Oct. 8	Junior High Small Group	6:00-7:30
Oct. 15	Junior High Small Group	6:00-7:30
Oct. 18	Dinner & Haunted Corn Maze	6:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Oct. 22	Junior High Small Group	6:00-7:30
Oct. 29	Junior High Small Group	6:00-7:30

Youth Group Reflection

From Roger Beitzel

The ULTIMATE Teen Choice

I find it just a bit ironic that during the Teen Choice Awards this year, Demi Lovato performed Really Don't Care…

Because I'm pretty sure there aren't many teens on the planet who don't care about what happened on August 10th, 2014!

The categories have gotten exceedingly creative. (Best vampire? Best twit? Best lip lock?) Still, it's interesting to see what millions of teens and young adults consider praiseworthy and award winning. I see the appeal of being able to vote and have a voice in this deal - power to the people - right? Plus, what person in their right mind wouldn't want the coveted Teen Choice surfboard?

But I know about something far more desirable that everyone on the planet wants.

It's worth more than a million surfboards, but you don't have to pay a penny for it. It is not an award for doing something epic in sports or music or movies or television or lip locking.

Best of all, it doesn't come to you by way of vote or popularity. In fact, this is something that (more often than not), goes to the "losers" of the world.

What is it? Well, before I tell you what it is, I want to tell you that Rita Ora performed a song at the TCA's that gets at the core of what I'm talking about:

When you say you've had enough, And you just give it up, Oh, oh, I will never let you down.

As you probably know, the title of this popular song is "Never Let You Down," and it puts into words what every person on Earth is craving.

Now, another thing I find ironic is that eventually Rita Ora will let someone down. I will too, and so will you. It is part of the way we are as humans. We let others down, and other people let us down. That's just the way it is.

But, you know what?

"God has said: 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.'" (Hebrews 13:5).

As you probably know, the Bible was originally written in Hebrew and Greek, and this verse comes from the Greek. In its original form, it contains a double negative, which when used in your English papers gets you a bad grade, as in:

"I don't have no money."

But in the Greek, that rule doesn't apply. Using a double negative was a way to put a powerful weight on a phrase – really stressing the point that was being made. In Hebrews 13:5, the writer uses a double negative, followed by a triple negative, to give a really powerful emphasis on the promise God makes in this verse.

Why the grammar lesson? Because to capture the true force of what God offers, we need to learn and internalize the literal translation of these words:

"I will never, never leave you; never, never, never will I forsake you."

Or another way to put it would be:

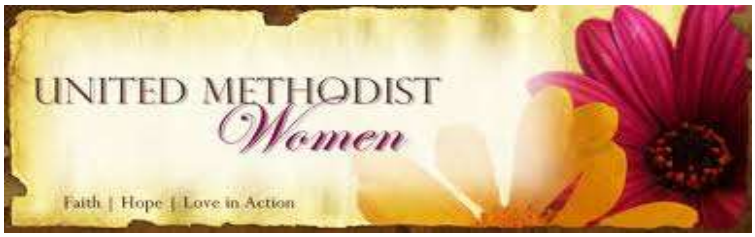
"God will never, never, never, never, never ever forsake you!"

God is the only One in the Universe who can truly promise to never let you down. (It makes a great theme for a Rita Ora song, but humanly speaking, it just isn't impossible.)

Never, never, never, never, never will God forsake you! So whether you watched the awards or not, whether you like Rita Ora's song or not, remember that God has committed to a personal and permanent relationship with you. Teens (and adults) can choose to walk away from others, but God will never choose to walk away from you…ever.

Remember, God seeks us out so we can enter into the most fulfilling and gratifying bond known in the universe. The Creator chases after God's creation, and when we say "yes" to the Papa who will never, never, never, never, never let us down, we are free to become who God made us to be, and feel a security that simply cannot come from any other place!

Is that a Teen Choice you would like to make?



**** Channahon UMW is sponsoring a fund raiser for the building of the new Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti.**

We count it a privilege to share in God's mission in the world. Our membership has been given this opportunity to send letters to friends and family asking for support for the funding of the new hospital. Now we would like to open this up to the entire church. The new hospital will house the permanent adult and children's outpatient clinic, the 22 bed HIV/AIDS in-patient ward for children (the only one in Haiti), and a 22 bed Tuberculosis in-patient children's ward. The second building will include a pharmacy, lab and imaging services on the first floor, and an OB/GYN clinic, Tuberculosis clinic and HIV/AIDS clinic on the second floor. Then on the third floor there will be the TB/HIV adolescent in-patient ward. Together, the two buildings total 48,000 square feet. Phase Two will create an Emergency Room, office, and mechanical space.

* If you would like to help support this mission, please send a check to the church payable to "Channahon UMW", marking in the memo: Grace Children's Hospital.
* There is also a letter available on *page 17 of this newsletter* and in the Narthex if you would be willing to send the information to your friends and family.
* Thank you in advance for considering this valuable mission where we already have a connection through Pastor Steve , who is on the Grace Children's Hospital Board.

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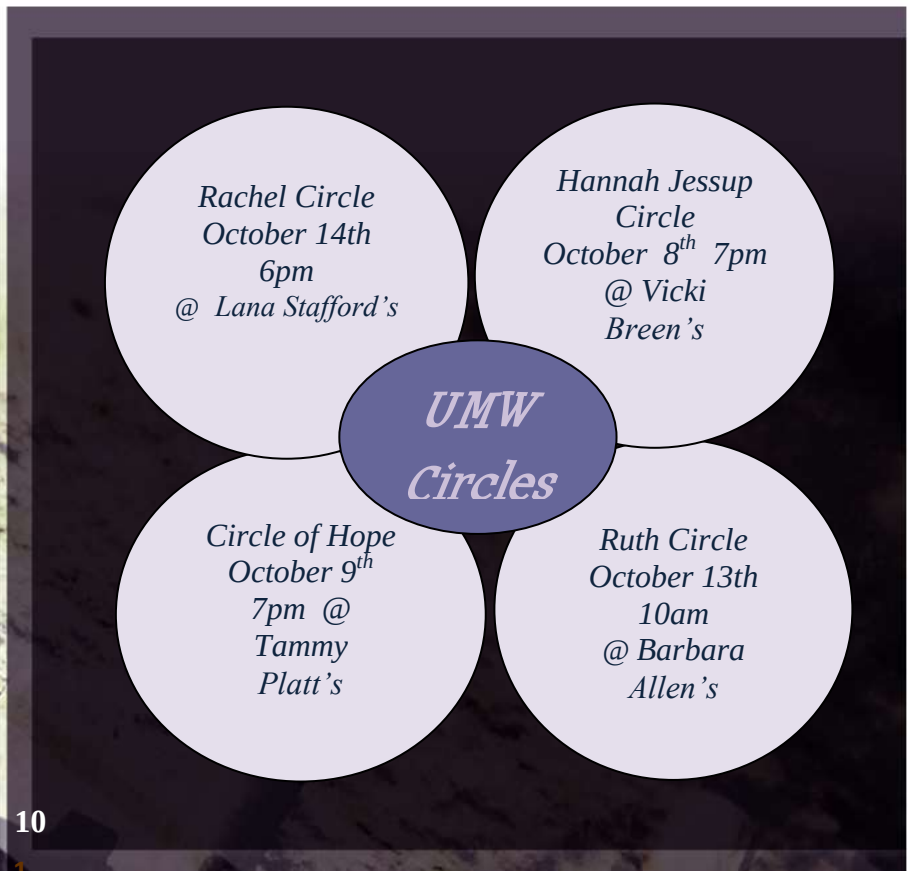
*We continue support those suffering with breast cancer with our "Breast Cancer Pillows. Please notify the church office or Cindy Vong if you know someone in need of a pillow.

*World Thank Offering will be held on **November 16** at both worship services.

*Our ***Annual Cookie Sale*** will be held on **December13, 2014 at 9 a.m**.



The Thrift Shop

OCTOBER DATES:

Thursday October 2nd
Closed for Village Wide Garage Sales
Monday October 6th 6p-8p
Thursday October 16th 10a-2p
Monday October 20th 6p-8p
Thursday October 30th 10a-2p

Ladies Aid ~ Meet October 16th ~ 9am

Thrift Shop is moving right along into our winter inventory and we are looking forward to the big move into our new room. Donations continue to be abundant. When our Christmas items go out we will fill several tables and racks as we have so many of them this year.

We will be having our Annual Bazaar and Bake Sale during the Turkey Supper. We will feature whole cakes, half cakes, cookies, fudge and some breads along with home made craft items. Please come back and take a look after you enjoy your delicious turkey dinner.

The dedication of the ladies who help us at Thrift Shop is overwhelming...they just keep on keeping on. If you are looking for a fun time which also is a good mission come out and join us sometime. It is a good feeling knowing that what we do helps those less fortunate to get some nice things at reasonable prices or less when in need.

Northern Illinois Conference ~ United Methodist Women

Annual Celebration ~ Saturday, October 25, 2014

The day's program will focus on human trafficking and our response. Our speaker is Jay Godfrey, Seminar Designer for United Methodist Women Seminar Program on National and International Affairs.

Location:
Barrington United Methodist Church
Barrington, IL 60010 847-836-5540,
barringtonumc.com (day of event contact Linda, 630-569-2763)

Time:
8:30am Registration and coffee
9:00am Program begins
3:00pm Closing

Registration: $18 covers morning coffee/light breakfast, catered lunch and program.
The day includes singing, election of officers, resources, focus groups, worship, Holy Communion, and fellowship. Childcare provided.

OUR MISSION PROJECT FOR THIS EVENT:
Addressing Christmas cards to persons listed in the Prayer Calendar.
Registration due Friday, October 17, 2014

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Names of persons attending *(please add V if requesting a vegetarian meal, G if requesting gluten free):*
_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____

District and Church: _____
Contact Information *(phone & E-mail)*_____
Translation requested: Spanish _____ Korean ____
Special Needs (dietary, mobility, deafness, etc) _____
Child Care: _____ *Please list names and ages of children on back. Please provide a sack lunch for each child.*

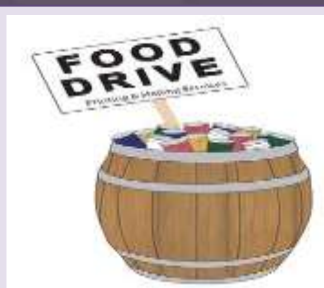
Amount enclosed $_____ **Make check payable to: *NIC-UMW***
Mail registrations to:
Linda Osikowicz ~ 21647 Inglenook Ln - Deer Park IL 60010 847-540-5634 Lmosikowicz@comcast.net

Upcoming Church Events & Info

Nurturing
Upcoming Church Events

Sunday, October 19TH 3pm-5pm
Pumpkin Carving & Trunk or Treat
Decorate your vehicle and bring candy to share with the kids as they visit trunk to trunk - Bring a pumpkin and carving supplies for the 'Pumpkin Carving' event.

Sunday, November 23rd, *11:30am*
Chili Cook Off and Hanging of the Greens



Fall Food Collection

It's that time again to help our neighbors in need. Our next food/grocery collection will be Sunday, **October 19th, 2014** and will go to Chanooka Wish. Bags to be filled will be distributed October 12th.

Please make every effort to check expiration dates - expired food cannot be donated.

We thank you for sharing your abundance.

Witness Committee

OUTREACH:

Crafters and Vendors Fair
October 18th 9a - 2p

Channahon United Methodist Church
24751 W. Eames - Channahon
coffee, hot cider and donuts will be available

Come visit our fair for a wide variety of shopping tastes and get ready for Christmas early this year!!

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Crafters/Vendors Wanted

Vendors are limited to one per commodity. Contracts are available from the church office 815-467-5275 or
On the CUMC website **www.cumc_church@cbcast.com**

$25 per seller/space and 1 item donated for raffle.

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Outreach would like to invite everyone who has volunteered and helped with any of the OUTREACH projects this year in serving our church and community to join us for an
Appreciation Potluck Luncheon
And to give thanks for all that we have done!

on **Sunday, October 28th ~ 12p - 2p.**

Please bring a favorite side dish to pass

Ephesians 4:11-12 *Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.*
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CUMC & Community

News & Events

At Channahon UMC
Wednesday, October 15th,
@ 11:30am
Please note date change for this month!

Suggested Donation is $4 *per person*

Reservations are requested
by calling the Channahon Township
815-467-2569.

CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Channooka Area
CROP Hunger 5K Walk
Sunday, October 05, 2014
Resurrection Lutheran Church
25050 W Eames St, Channahon, IL

REGISTER OR DONATE online @
www.crophungerwalk.org/channahonil

Onsite Registration: 1:00 p.m.
Step-off: 1:30 p.m.

Contact:
Harry Breen
lineman5171@att.net
815-790-0522
or
Gail Chase Girard
gjchase01@comcast.net
815-685-3520

TURKEY SUPPER

Saturday November 1st
4:30pm - 7:00pm
Dine in or Carry-Out
Carry-Outs begins at 4pm

Seated Dinner Reservations are Required
Call - 815- 467-5275

Adults & Carry-Out: $11 ~ Children: $7

Enjoy a homemade meal of turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, green beans, rolls, cranberry relish, pie, coffee and lemonade.

Visit the Thrift Shop Christmas Bazaar - 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Volulnteer Sign-up sheets and dinner reservations will be available soon! Watch for details!

CUMC Photo Gallery

Highlights from 'Crusin' for Logan Car Show
The event raised $5,500

CUMC fun at the FireFly 5k

Fun at 3Rivers Festival

Romans 12:4-5
Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, 5 so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other

OUR CHURCH'S CONCERNS

Surgeries/Hospitalizations

Pastor Steve, Vickie Dunavan, Roy & Janet Robb, BW & Tammy Self, George Armstrong(McMurtry), Butch Loper(Row-Layton), Ester Beitzel.

Health Issues and General Prayer Requests

George Johnson, Fred & Barb Asp and Debbie Wright(Hedgren), Alexis Barga(Brick), my mom(Corp), Elena Warren, friend Alicia(Friel), Jennifer Hayden & my sister(Hayden), Cruisin' for Logan event, Christopher Painter(Fletcher), our nephew and his family(Waller), Jamee Rousonelous(Szoke).

**Names in ( ) are those who have requested the prayers.*

Thank You's…

Thank you very much for the prayer blanket you gave to my husband, Fred Asp. *(Brother-in-law of Sharon & Sonny Hedgren)*. Radiation and chemo therapy has made him feel cold all the time, and the prayer blanket warms him in so many ways. God bless you and your ministry. Please accept this donation to the prayer blanket ministry. Sincerely, ***Barbara & Fred Asp***

Thank you so much for filling our food pantry shelves in July. It helps us out so much. It is always kind of you to think of our pantry. Sincerely, ***Jane Carhart***
(Minooka UMC Food Pantry)

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Romans 14:7-9 *For not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself; for if we live, we live for the Lord, or if we die, we die for the Lord; therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that He might be Lord both of the dead and of the living….*

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

Donna McClintock & Family
On the passing of her husband,
And lifelong CUMC member, Bill McClintock

Prayers for Tim & Zach Wasilewski & Family
On the death of their Grandfather, Ray Wasilewski

Vicki & Jack Breen Family
On the sudden death of Vickie's great newphew
Connor Ickes.

Carolyn Politsch Family
On her recent passing.

Crenshaw Family
On the recent death of Ron's Aunt Wanda

Pat & Bob Williamson Family
On the death of Pat's sister Evelyn.

Our Joys to Share

Brendan O'Brien - Cody found a job!! Shorewood Pizza 4 U!

Geldeans - Amy turned 16 and Andy turned 18. Nancy is beginning a new job! We found a wonderful family to adopt our dog Juneau.

Babichs - kids back in school. New job for biggest kid 'Bob' at Kankakee Community College!

Hedgrens - Thankful for the family celebrating Sonny's 70th birthday together!

Beitzel - thankful that my mother was released from the hospital after being treated for aspirative pneumonia. Kathy and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary. Thank ful for our beautiful children and all the joy in our life.

STOPM Leaders - Congrats to Dylan Southard on his new job at Doc Rotz, and Amy Geldean for her job working with the Republican party office in M inooka. Way to go Dylan & Amy!

Barb Powell - Matthew turned 20!!

Eigenheers - we celebrated our 54th wedding anniversary!

Cogdals - Alyssa will be working at Riverside Hospital in Kankakee as a RN.

Elena Warren - Thank you for the prayers for my trip to TN to see my son and grandkids and celebrated several birthdays while I was there.

Cherri Taylor - Larry Schuler won the Lee Schuler memorial race at Grundy County Speedway and Adam Taylor had a strong debut for his midget racing.

Carol Holt - Linda Corp's mom is finally doing good.

Nancy Simpson - very thankful for the safe travels I had when I went to Kansas City MO to visit my son and his family.

Sweets - Erin got her drivers permit. Already been through a rain storm on the express way at night and did awesome!!

Wasilewski Boys- their friend Gabe Ceballos got a date to homecoming!!

Pastor Steve is now on Facebook!! *Be sure to 'FRIEND' him!*

How nice to see our Choir back up front in their robes again…
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October Birthdays

1	Dee Sneed
1	Jace Waller
3	Angelina Johnson
3	Camden Rujawitz
4	Leo Markel
4	Sarah Smith
4	Erick Smith
5	Ron Blazekovich
5	Erin O'Brien
5	Andrew Finney
5	Ryah Olson
5	Declan Young
6	Gavin Denton
7	Wayne Gear
8	Kaitlyn VanMeter
9	Frank Fodero
9	Megan Kezerle
9	Kellen Walker
10	Deanna Borracci
10	Jeff Readle
11	Selena Orasco
12	Brandon Freis
13	Joan Bertram
13	Jacelyn Daniels
14	Kyle Boyer
14	Joan Cogdal
14	Bill Smith
15	Chris Ridenour
16	Adam Essary
16	Brendan O'Brien
16	Cindy Pappas
17	Jeannette Boggs
17	Harry Breen
17	Steve Robinson
20	Maddisen Musser
20	Deb Tomcal
20	Joi Walker
21	Spencer Good
21	Clifford Gresham
21	Pat Williamson
23	Jody Hernandez
24	Zeke Madding
25	Rose Fields
25	Alec Lindstrom
25	Taylor West
26	Patty Beardry
26	Roger Beitzel
27	Dom fodero
28	Mike Geldean
29	Alyssa Anderson
29	Elaine Coen
29	Adam Taylor
31	Amanda Francisco

October Anniversaries

10/1	Mark & Beth Thelo
10/5	Stan & Sandy Yenerich
10/7	Tracy & Tenley Denton
10/10	Jeff & Lindsey Barrett
10/13	Tom & Barb Sweet
10/17	David & Lori Traver
10/21	Ray & Jayne VanMeter
10/24	Brian & Tracy Greep
10/28	Tedd & Kim McCauley
10/29	Kellen & Madonna Arnold
10/29	Ricky & Jean Lawrence
10/29	Jen & Todd Pelkey

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary and you would like it to be added to the weekly bulletin announcement and monthly Circuit Rider, please contact the church office @ 815-467-5275 or email: ***cum_church@cbcast.com***

October Sunday Service Volunteers

Church Ambassador: Nancy Geldean
Counters: Linda Olson & Jack Hawkins
9:00 am Communion Servers: Sonny & Sharon Hedgren, Rachel Lynch, Donna Szoke
10:30am Communion Servers: Tom Sweet, Mary Essary, Jim Walker

	October 5	October 12	October 19	October 26
Greeters	Lindstrom Family	Kobe Family	Ray & Dawn Brick	Ricky & Jean Lawrence
Liturgists 9am	Lou McCoy	Ron Lehman	Bobby Babich	Lana Stafford
Liturgist 10:30am	Gwen Tunney	Jennifer Doyle	Diane Robinson	Allison Lyman
A/V 9am	Steve Olson & Adam Platt	Anita Young & Adam Taylor	Mike & Amy Geldean	Mark Lindstrom & Tim Wasilewski
A/V 10:30am	Bobby & Max Babich	Liam O'Brien & Erin Sweet	Bobby & Max Babich	Liam O'Brien & Erin Sweet

Acts 20:28 *Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.*

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"Our mission is to create disciples who nourish faith and work in ministering to the community"

Dear

Hello. **God has blessed me with the opportunity to help support the building of the new Grace Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.** The facility will replace and improve upon their original hospital, which was destroyed in the massive earthquake of 2010. **I would like to invite you to partner with me on this journey of love and hope.** Our pastor, Steve Good, has been going to Haiti and working with Grace Children's Hospital for over 25 years. In early 2014, five members of our church journeyed with him to Haiti visit the children and staff at Grace Children's Hospital to experience first-hand their struggles, joys, and hope for the future. Pastor Steve asked the Channahon United Methodist Women (UMW) if they would help in raising funds for the hospital. **Since its beginning, the UMW has focused on ministries for women, children and youth.** What better way to serve than to help children in need.

I am excited about this chance to serve God and serve others by helping fund the new hospital. I will learn what Jesus meant when he said, "And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'"

Grace Children's Hospital, operated by the Christian organization International Child Care, has already raised and spent $3 million to build a transitional phase across the street from the future new hospital. This allows them to continue offering health care services from the time of the earthquake to the completion of the new hospital. Now, an additional $6 million is needed to construct the main hospital. Phase One, will house the permanent adult and children's outpatient clinic, the 22 bed Tuberculosis in-patient children's ward, and the 22 bed HIV/AIDS in-patient ward for children. A second building will include a pharmacy, "state-of-the-art" lab and imaging services on the first floor. The second floor will have an OB/GYN clinic, Tuberculosis clinic, and HIV/AIDS clinic. The third floor will be the TB/HIV adolescent in-patient ward. Together, the two buildings total 48,000 square feet. Phase Two will create an Emergency Room, office, and mechanical space.

If you would like to help support this mission, please send a check to the church (see letterhead) payable to "Channahon UMW", marking in the memo: Grace Children's Hospital.

I will be happy to share information about the hospital and how it is progressing. Thank you for considering my request for prayer and financial support. God bless you!

In Christ's service,

Channahon United Methodist Women

For information about the current work of Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti, see
www.internationalchildcare.org

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship	9:00am
Contemporary Worship	10:30am
Coffee & Donut Fellowship	10:15-11:00am
Sunday School *(all ages)*	10:30am

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