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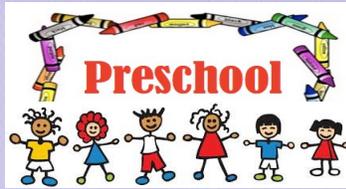
Dear Friends,

The Secular Saint: A Case for Evangelical Social Responsibility is a book written by Robert E Weber in 1979. He challenged Christians in the United States to practice social holiness as a part of being a faithful Christian. Weber was a fundamentalist (think Jerry Falwell, Bob Jones, ultraconservative) during the earliest years of his faith journey. He gradually moved away from fundamentalism and conservative Christianity and adopted the practices of liturgical worship as it is found in the Anglican Book of Worship. It became his belief that there was more to outreach than just getting people to change their belief structures. Faith in Jesus Christ is about changing lives. What you believe is important but what you do with those beliefs is, at least, equally important.

Weber became an expert on the church of the second century. This was a time when there was no New Testament. Yet, people gathered regularly to learn about Christ and faith in God. Weber illustrates how the church actively transformed communities in the Roman world. People were not only converting to Christianity but becoming a cultural alternative to what was generally practiced in communities. The government was oppressive. The pursuit of greed and power by the few meant slavery and poverty for the rest. People often lived in a constant attitude of hatred and resentment because of the way they were forced to live.

I was required to read this book in college. It had a profound influence on the way I began to think about the church, worship, evangelism, and discipleship. Being a Christian was an alternative worldview based upon "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23).

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**Channahon United Methodist Preschool
Will open their doors on
September 2nd & 3rd**

Let's give them a big warm CUMC WELCOME!

Classes will be in session Monday-Friday

9a - 2p (2 sessions a day)

3yr - Tue/Thur 4yr - Mon/Wed/Fri

If anyone needs more information about the preschool, please contact the school directly at 815- 467-4708 or email

ChannahonUMpreschool@gmail.com



CUMC will soon be implementing a new texting communication system called "REMIND" for alerts, church information and special announcements. This will allow us to send out a group text with short, immediate information about needs in our church, reminders of upcoming events and emergency notifications and just all around - stay better connected. More details to come soon.

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ was urgent, not only because of his imminent return but because people were lost and in pain. Faith in Christ gave purpose, peace, and healing. Faith was experienced. It manifested itself from the inside out. Being a faithful disciple meant loving even the people who hated you. Christianity did more than promote a list of beliefs. Early Christians emphasized deeds far more than creeds. Those who experienced this kind of faith would rather die than give up their faith in Jesus Christ. Many did.

Can this be said of us? Are we countercultural? Should we be? Are we content with being secular saints? We live in a secular world where religion is everywhere but considered something you practice privately. Belief in God is something to be avoided in polite conversation. Why? Have we lost our credibility? We constantly hear about churches squabbling over any number of issues. People who practice the same faith become bitter enemies. That being the case, how do we demonstrate to unbelievers about the peace that passes understanding? Perhaps we are meant to be secular saints. Still, there may be a need to consider where our hearts are centered. Is it on being a saint? What does that mean?

Because we are humans trying to live productive lives in the world, being a "secular saint" is unavoidable. Jesus also lived in the world. He instructed his disciples to change the world. Jesus seldom told the people he encountered that they had to give up their jobs and communities in order to be faithful to God. Instead, they were called to be the children of God and to set their minds on the things of God. This is what disciples of Jesus Christ do.

During the fall, my sermons will focus on what Christians do. For many of you, this was simply be an affirmation of what you're already doing. For others, this may be new information. Most of us are somewhere in the middle. Whatever the case, my hope is that the sermons will strengthen your resolve to be the disciples God has called you to be.

God bless you.

Pastor Tim

What Disciples Do

Sermon Title	Date	Focus Scripture	Theme
Disciples Take Faith Seriously	Sept. 8	Luke 14:25-33	Move beyond nominal Christianity.
Disciples Seek People for Christ and Church	Sept. 15	Luke 15:1-10	Evangelize with integrity.
Disciples Resist Greed	Sept. 22	Luke 16:1-13	Love God more than money.
Disciples Practice Generosity	Sept. 29	1 Tim. 6:6-19	Practice generous financial stewardship.
Disciples Take Their Faith Home	Oct. 6	2 Tim. 1:1-14	Pass on faith to our family.
Disciples Make the Best of "Babylon"	Oct. 13	Jer. 29:1, 4-7	Redeem our current circumstances.
Disciples Wrestle with God	Oct. 20	Gen. 2:22-31	Grapple with God and faith.
Disciples Don't Judge	Oct 27	Luke 18:9-14	Leave judgment to God.
Disciples Affirm Resurrection Hope	Nov. 3	Eph. 1:11-23	Celebrate All Saints' Day.
Disciples Live by Faith	Nov. 10	Job 19:23-27a	Practice faith in difficult times.
Disciples Take Their Faith Public	Nov. 17	Isa. 65:17-25	Faith impacts both the personal realm and the public realm.
Disciples Give Ultimate Allegiance to Christ	Nov.24	Col. 1:11-20	Make Christ the center of everything.

Vendors & Crafters Wanted

ANNUAL CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR!

**Saturday
October 12, 2019
9a-2p**

Channahon United Methodist Church
24751 W. Eames (Rt. 6) - Channahon IL

Over 30 vendors and crafters are expected
Under ONE roof for shopping convenience
Lunch specials available for purchase
Special Prize Drawings

Registration forms available online or call the church office

Channahon United Methodist Church

www.channahonumc.org

815-467-5275

Reserve your spot today!

*Shoppers - Mark your
calendar too so you
won't miss a great
shopping opportunity!*

**CRUISIN
FOR
LOGAN
CAR SHOW**

FREE TO THE PUBLIC



\$20 registration

**HUGE
RAFFLE
PRIZES**

DASH PLAQUES

GOODY BAGS

**WHEN
SEPTEMBER 14th**

**WHERE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
24751 W EAMES
CHANNAHON, IL**

9am to 3pm

**AWARDS TO TOP 25
BEST CAR * TRUCK**



This event will share proceeds with CUMC - and Pixie Koenig and her family are asking for your help. Anyone able to help with the Lunch Food Stand (during and/or after) a sign up is in the Narthex! Any Raffle Baskets or Items are needed at the church by September 8th please.

Any questions, please call Pixie Koenig 815-347-1376

Money given to CUMC will go to Jonestown Mission.

Ephesians 3:17

Then, by constantly using your faith, the life of Christ will be released deep inside of you, and the resting place of his love will become the very source and root of your life.

amazon smile

Support Channahon United Methodist Church
When you shop at smile.amazon.com
Amazon donates.

AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of your purchase price to the customers selected charitable organization.

Your unique charity link

This link will take people directly to smile.amazon.com in support of your organization so they won't have to search for your charity among almost a million other organizations.

www.smile.amazon.com/ch/36-3306769

There is no catch to this - same product offerings,
same prices, same shopping, same shipping....
Just CUMC gets a % !! Simple as THAT....

For more information, visit the website or talk to Mike Geldean or Barb Sweet - use this way of buying online and help our church receive extra money that goes right into our general fund!

NEW CHURCH SIGN CAMPAIGN

Thank you to everyone who has been contributing to the NEW Church Sign Campaign Fund. We are getting closer to having a NEW sign out front! If you would like to help with this campaign.

- Please use the Donation Lock box on the wall outside the church office or in the offering plate indicating to be designated to 'New Church Sign'!

Or place in Sunday offering plate...

More Church & Community News & Events

September Birthdays

9/2	Mike Campobasso	9/19	Bob Coen
	Mike Finney	9/20	Kayla Wendel
9/4	Colton Francisco	9/21	Barb Sweet
9/6	Chuck Byers	9/23	Jean Lawrence
	Bob Manion	9/26	Gabby Jones
9/9	Tom Sweet	9/28	Connor Elmore
9/12	Harold Hedgren		
	Tori Weller		
9/13	Glen Meadows		
9/14	Fran Bonafacchi		
9/15	Jackie Goggins		
9/16	Susie Eaton		
	Carol Jones		
9/17	Steve McConaughay		
	Donna Szoke		
9/18	Steve Olson		
	Rebecca Lynch		

September Anniversaries

9/03	Sonny & Sharon Hedgren
9/05	Nick & Amy Olson
9/11	Jim & Pixie Koenig
9/13	Mike & Deb O'Brien
9/24	Steve & Linda Olson
9/27	Roy & Janet Robb
9/30	Ray & Cathy Breen



Chair Yoga with Dottie is offered the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 10am in the CUMC Education Wing. Check our website calendar for any changes or updates. All are welcome. Please bring a matt.

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 calendar, please contact the church office @ 815-467-5275 or email: Office@channahonumc.org

Thank You....

It is so heartwarming when you receive confirmation of a life changed because you were part of it...

Hi Ms. Brittany!

Thank you. Thank you for everything that you do for this church, and specifically for VBS. There really are no words to show how truly grateful I am that this church has been a part of my life. Thank you to all the kids and volunteers who attended VBS this past week, but especially to Ms. Kris and Ms. Brittany for keeping the whole thing going. I've been coming to this VBS since I was three years old, and helping out these kids is just as fun, if not better than attending! Seeing the delighted smiles on the kids faces every single night was such a blessing to my life. There may have been a few tears shed throughout the week, but by the end, each and every kid grew. To know that I have helped influence someone's love for God is the greatest feeling. There really is no good way to describe it. It takes a lot of encouragement and support, but by the end of the week, each and every kid left this church with a new understanding of our Good, Good Father.

VBS has always impacted my life in such positive ways, but this year was different. I feel that VBS is even more influential when you're older because you can apply what you learned to your life currently. This week we learned about God being good even when life is unfair, scary, or sad. One of our songs said, "He gives me joy in every situation, keeps my spirits high no matter what I'm facing" This past year, my friend passed away, and it was hard for me. It was hard for many of the people who work at and go to my school. But God was there. He was the constant thing through all of that change and hardship. Romans 8:28 says, "God promises to make something good out of the storms that bring devastation to your life." This has become one of my favorite verses. It reminds me that there is something good in every day, and if you can't find it, you just have to look a little harder. God has a purpose for us. There's a path that he's creating, and it might be a bumpy road, but that's what life is all about. Recovering from the bad times and coming back up stronger. Thank you all once again for making VBS possible, and for having such a positive impact on my life.

Our Deepest Sympathy

Lamentations 3:21-23

Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed. For his compassions never fail.

Prayers for Ron & Mary Ann Lehman and family on the death of Mary Ann's mother.

Prayers for Aileen Cotter and family on the recent death of her husband John Cotter.

Prayers for the Brooks/Cowgill families on the sudden death of Mark Cowgill, originally from Plainfield, IL

Thank You.... Continued

Thanks to my caring CUMC family for all the thoughtful cards, prayers and offers of help during my knee replacement. **Nancy Allen**

The mailing of the Stephen Ministry grief booklets have been nothing less than wonderful and so helpful in this journey since my wife. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. **Ron DeJule**

Thank you so much to our church family for the time you took to prepare and serve all the delicious food for John's memorial luncheon. Your generous and kindness is greatly appreciated. **Aileen Cotter**

Thank you for the gracious gift of a prayer blanket after my recent traumatic incident as well as a prayer pillow 2years ago from my diagnosis. Your church community is a blessing, as your prayers have always comforted me. I am healing well and have been cancer free for 2 years. Thank you. I am so grateful. **Michelle Weser**

Thank you for the wonderful graduation college throw blankets that we received from CUMC. **Piper Schuring & Camron Hayden**

Special thanks for the beautiful prayer blankets that were received by **Hilda Logan, Nancy Hahn, Beth Symons & Jackie Brooks** (for Ellen Vaughn)



Matthew 28:18-19

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."

Sunday School Season Kick Off
September 8th with Open House & Registration

Pre-School to 5th Grade
Preschool thru K meet in room 136
1st thru 5th meet in room 145

Youth 6th – 12th grade are invited to come work with the younger kids in their classrooms!

Classes will begin on September 15th
10:15a – 11:00am



On June 9th we welcomed Mary Baker of Shorewood, Marie Clay of Minooka and Sharon Hendrickson of Morris

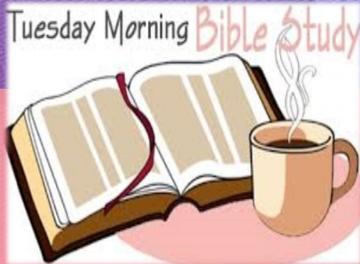
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Please be sure to give them a warm CUMC welcome!



Do you have a youth that is interested in Confirmation? Please contact Brittany via phone or email. 815-603-9851 or [director@channahonumc.org](mailto:director@channahonumc.org). Pastor Tim will be facilitating the class. Dates & Times are TBD.

**Proverbs 22:6**  
*Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it.*



*"God did not leave us to face life alone. God is with us always, and we are all in this thing together. So, let's encourage each other along the way."*

Come and study, 'Encouraging One Another', our new bible study that meets on Tuesday mornings from 9:30am to 11am in the fellowship hall. Class begins on **Tuesday, September 10**. Books are \$7 ea. Sign up and books are available in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Becky Casey, Class Leader, call or text at 815-557-9659 or [beckyrosecasey@gmail.com](mailto:beckyrosecasey@gmail.com)



**LUKE 24:32**

The Walk to Emmaus is a 72-hour experience – of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a three-day short course in Christianity. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers. The Northern Illinois Emmaus 2019 Fall Weekend Walks are:  
**Men~September 26-29 / Women~October 3-6 .**  
 If you are interested in attending or need more information, please see Mary Baker or call the church office.



**Colossians 3:16**

*Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*



## Sunday, September 8



We will begin our Renewal Sunday - Back to Worship Season with a Ministry Fair in Fellowship Hall following our 9am service.

**Visit with council and ministry members to help find the perfect fit for YOU!**



## Saturday, September 14

The Men of the church meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 7:45am at Grandma's Pancake House 669 Minooka Rd. - Minooka

*Men Sr. High School and older are invited!*



**Ignite God's Power**  
**PRAYER CIRCLE**  
Wednesdays  
9-9:30 a.m.  
in the CUMC Narthex



**United Methodist Women**  
FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

## UMW NEWS & EVENTS

### Upcoming Conference & District UMW Events Calendar

#### September

7, Aurora District Leadership Team

*First United Methodist Church, 1032 Maple Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515*

21, NIC Aurora District meeting

*First United Methodist Church, 1032 Maple Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515*

#### October

3-6, WFMUCW North America Area Seminar

*Hilton Chicago/Northbrook - 2855 Milwaukee Ave Northbrook IL 60062*

*Theme : 'Chosen People - Chosen Proclaim!'*

26, NIC UMW Annual Celebration

*Olympia Fields UMC , 20301 Western Ave*

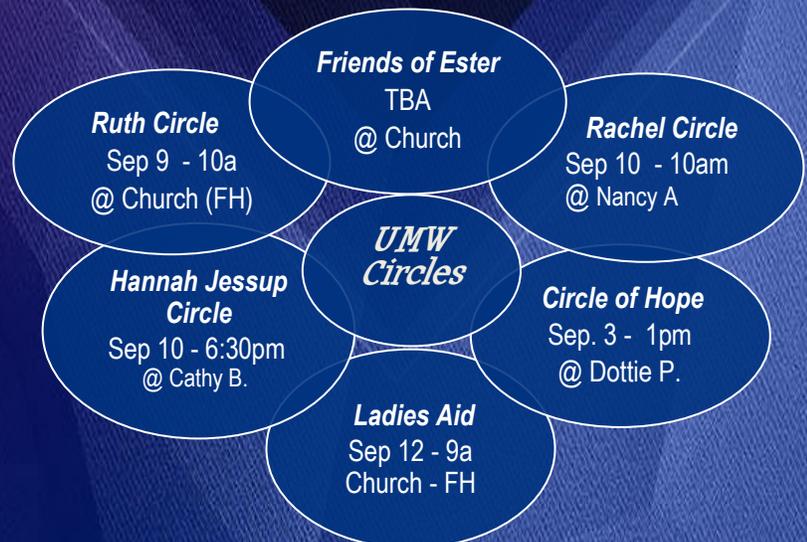
### YOU'RE INVITED

The invitation is always open...  
TO JOIN A CUMW CIRCLE...

Perhaps you are ready to get connected and get involved and join a UMW circle.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the following UMW members:

*Dottie Priddy, Lana Stafford, Anita Young or call the church office.*



**Light snack  
will be provided**

*Please let Brittany  
know of any  
restrictions.*



**KIDZ CLUB**  
*Magnifying Christ  
In each of us!*

**Kids Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Grade  
Wednesday Nights  
6:30p – 7:30p**

**KIDZ CLUB resumes September 11<sup>th</sup>**  
*Friends are always WELCOME!*



**Student  
Small Groups**

**GET PLUGGED IN...**  
**with our Youth Group Ministry  
and our Leaders,  
Craig & Bridget Stephenson**

Youth - 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to come  
**Wednesday nights 6:30p – 7:30p**  
for fellowship and discussions.

Youth Bible Study is offered 6p - 6:30pm  
**FRIENDS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!!**

**Youth Group will RESUME  
September 11<sup>th</sup>!**  
**Youth Schedule September/October**



**Join us 6p - 8p  
September 20<sup>th</sup>**

**For our monthly MOVIE NIGHT  
With tons of fun:**

**Craft, Game, Movie, Popcorn & Refreshments!**

*kids PreK – 5<sup>th</sup> are welcome!*

**Sign up will be the Narthex or Call the office.**

*Sign up is important so we can have enough supplies and if there  
are any allergies we need to know about.*

**Double the Fun & Bring someone!**

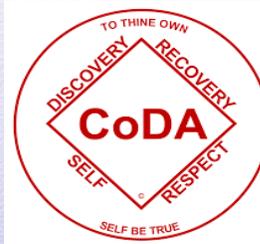
**YOUTH - 6th - 12th grade will have  
Back to School CAMP OUT Overnight!**

**Blessing of the  
Backpacks**



Blessing of the Backpacks will be  
on **September 8<sup>th</sup>** during our 'Good  
News for Kids' time during the  
service. So kids - preschool to  
college to the trades, bring your  
backpack, satchel or briefcase to  
church this day to be blessed and  
start this year off with God as your  
leader, guide and protector!

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|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sept 4th        | No Youth Group                                                                                                        |
| Sept 11th       | Youth group weekly schedule resumes -<br>6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30: Back to school games        |
| Sept 18th       | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Prep for Camp Out                                                   |
| ** Sept<br>20th | Back to School Youth Camp Out<br>(Overnight) - Fellowship Hall 7p through<br>Saturday at 10am. [9/20: 7p - 9/21: 10a] |
| Sept 25th       | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Group                                                               |
| Oct 2nd         | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Group                                                               |
| Oct 9th         | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Group                                                               |
| Oct 16th        | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Group                                                               |
| Oct 23rd        | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Group                                                               |
| Oct 30th        | 6-6:30: Bible message discussion ;<br>6:30-7:30 - Halloween Party                                                     |



**More information  
about CoDA can  
be found at  
[www.CoDA.org](http://www.CoDA.org)  
CoDA contact  
person is  
**Nancy G.**  
708-912-3056**

**Co-Dependents Anonymous (CoDA)** support  
group has begun meeting here at Channahon  
UMC every Saturday Morning 8a-9:30a in  
room 143. *(unless otherwise posted).*

**CoDA** is a fellowship of people who seek  
healthy relationships.

**The only requirement for membership is  
the desire for improved relationships.**

Group members support each other on their  
individual journeys as they learn to love  
themselves. **CoDA** therapy relies upon a set  
of 12 steps for recovery.



John 12:26

*Whoever wants to serve Me must follow Me, so that my servant will be with Me where I am. And my Father will honor anyone who serves Me.*

## September - Sunday Worship Ambassadors

**Counters:** Ricky Lawrence & Mark Lindstrom

**Sunday, September 8 - is Communion Sunday**

*Communion Stewards:* Becky Casey, Cindy Boyer, Kathy Gregory, Pixie Koenig, Janet Robb (L)

### Responsibilities of the Liturgist/Worship Ambassador:

*Greeting & announcements, lead opening prayer & call to worship, reading of joys and concerns, reading of scriptures, assisting with the blessing of the offering, and serving Communion (on Communion Sunday)*

Anyone interested in being part of the Ambassadors Servant list, please see Donna Buckley or let the church office know what your interests are.

|                   | <u>Sep 1</u>   | <u>Sep 8</u>               | <u>Sep 15</u>                | <u>Sep 22</u>       | <u>Sep 29</u>              |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Greeters</b>   | Janet Robb     | Chip & Joyce Williams      | Steve & Diane McConnaughay   | Jackie Goggins      | Rosalee Admonis            |
| <b>Liturgists</b> | Dottie Priddy  | Donna Buckley              | Jackie Goggins               | Donna Szoke         | Vickie Breen               |
| <b>A/V</b>        | Mark Lindstrom | Steve Olson & Mike Geldean | Anita Young & Mark Lindstrom | Connor & Ryan McKay | Mike Geldean & Anita Young |



*During Communion each month we give an offering as part of our mission giving in connection with the Northern Illinois Conference Rainbow Covenant.*

**September Communion Mission Offering on September 8<sup>th</sup> will support Illinois Church Action on Alcohol & Addiction**

This fund provides for the Action Alert Network and the development of educational materials to inform congregations and activists about legislative action and equips them to speak out about the problems and harm of gambling. Illinois Church In Action is a statewide prevention ministry that sponsors youth programs, an Alcohol Awareness Poster Contest, and provides education resources on substance abuse to churches and youth. For more information, visit

[www.ilcaap.org](http://www.ilcaap.org)

**Please make checks payable to CUMC**  
-memo: Church Action

**Please be sure to mark all monetary donations as 'Church Action'**



### September Shop Dates New Fall Inventory!

|                  |               |                                                        |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Sep 1</b>  | <b>10a-11a</b><br><i>Following our Worship Service</i> |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Sep 2</b>  | <b>CLOSED</b>                                          |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Sep 4</b>  | <b>11a - 12n</b><br><i>Senior Luncheon</i>             |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Sep 12</b> | <b>10a - 2p</b>                                        |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Sep 16</b> | <b>6p - 8p</b>                                         |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Sep 26</b> | <b>10a - 2p</b>                                        |



**Our Church Choir will begin again on September 8<sup>th</sup>**

Anyone interested in being a part of CUMC's Choir, please join us Sunday Mornings at 8am for rehearsals

**Rehearsal Schedule**  
Sunday Aug. 25 - 8am  
Wednesday Sep 4 - 4p-5p  
Sunday, Sep 8 - 8am

# More...Serving God

## Midwest Mission



### Mission Trip Opportunity!

CUMC Outreach team invites anyone who would like to participate in the Chatham, IL Mission trip to Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, IL on Dec. 1 - 4, 2019 to please contact the church office or Elena Warren 815-735-0622 **ASAP!** to fill the reserved spots that we are currently holding!

Needing more information?

- contact Elena Warren 815-735-0622



**Wednesday – Sep. 4 @ 11:30am**

Suggested Meal Donation is \$4 per person

Those 60 and older who would like to attend are asked to call for reservations on/before **Sept. 2 - call 815-726-0094 ext 322**

**October Senior Lunch will be on Oct. 2  
Come Early - Thrift Shop will be open  
10:30a-11:30am**

*September Menu: Braised balsamic chicken breast,  
bowtie pasta salad, garden greens,*



## Community Blood Drive

**Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>  
7:30am - Noon**

**St Ann's Catholic Church Hall**

*(north of the Channahon Village Hall)*

Please schedule your appointments by either calling Ron at 815-467-6916 or sign up online at

**[www.Heartlandbc.org](http://www.Heartlandbc.org)**

Appointment times will be respected, 1<sup>st</sup> time donors are encouraged, walk-ins will be worked into the schedule. Remember to bring a photo ID and eat a good meal before donating. Help us reach our goal of 80 units donated.

*Sponsored by the Channahon & Minooka Knights of Columbus with Heartland/Versiti Blood Center.*

## OUTREACH NEWS

Please remember our **Donation Central Collections** located in the Narthex.

Gently use shoes  
Boxed snacks  
Cases of soda  
Travel toiletries

*Please visit the collection to see the complete list of needed items!*



**Fall Food Drive September 15**  
Bags will be distributed on Sept. 8

The donations will support Families of Faith  
Living Mana Food Pantry Ministry  
Fryer St. ~ Channahon IL

*Reminder- please be sure to check all food expiration dates. A list of much needed items will be attached to the bags.*

## CUMC YOUTH

**NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

They are collecting **Pop Can TABS** to benefit Ronald McDonald House *Little things make a big difference. You can help support the Ronald McDonald Houses of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana (RMHC-CNI) by donating the tabs you pull to open soda, soup and other aluminum cans. The funds generated from our Pop Tab Program help support our programs.*



They are also collecting **Plastic Caps & Lids**

- soda/water bottles
- laundry soap caps
- toiletries, Etc.



... any kind of plastic lid is needed for a recycled material park bench our church!

**Collection bins for both are located in the Narthex and the Education wing.**

## CUMC Prayer Blanket Ministries

**Children's Blankets** - For 1 year now we have delivered FIVE children's blankets to **Will County Children's Advocacy Center**. They are given to physically, sexually, and emotionally abused children. Many times this blanket and the clothes on their back are the only possessions they have. Our committee buys material for 60 blankets when they are drastically reduced in November. Each blanket averages \$10 but is priceless to the receiver. If you are interested in donating to the children's advocacy blankets, please mark on your envelope "Children's Blanket Fund".

**Prayer Blankets** - The Prayer Blanket ministry makes 5 blankets a month. This month we will be making 12. One Sunday this month we had 4 blessed, the next 3, and the next 4. Our blankets average a cost of \$13 each. With all of the additional blankets going out our funds are depleting. Any donation to the prayer blanket fund, or a donation when you request blankets would be appreciated. Also, thank you to those who give on a regular basis. Your donations are a blessing to those who need comfort.

Sandy Yenerich Will now head up the prayer blanket ministry and Sharon Hendrickson will head up the Children's Advocacy Blanket Ministry.

Thank you! *Sharon Hedgren*



## **NURTURING NEWS**

We would like to remind everyone that there is a special board hanging in the Narthex by the information counter that is especially designed for those with a special request:  
*Lawn/yard care, ride to church, house cleaning, meals, etc.*

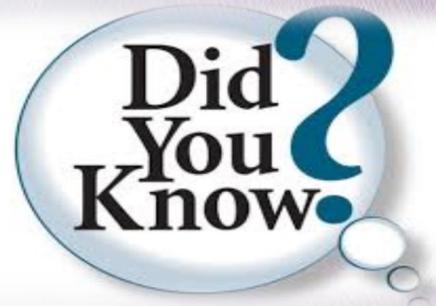
This ministry is called  
**"PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE"**

### How it works:

**If you have a need--** fill out the form request and post it to the board.

**If you see a need** -that you can fulfill that need you can take the post and contact THAT person to make arrangements.

*Any questions, please contact Nurturing team or the church office.*



**We are very grateful to so many here at CUMC who give of their time and talents so often:**

**Church Councils , Teams & Ministries** - Thank you to all who serve as the body of our church.

**Design Team:** Georgia Johnson, Barb Allen, and Dawn Brick, *They keep up on the decorations in the Sanctuary and the Narthex through the seasons & events.*

**Landscaping:** Chip Williams, Barb Allen, & Larry Schuler have kept our grass cut this season. Donna Szoke, Barb Allen, Georgia Johnson have tended to the flower beds around the front of the church.

**Organizing-** Donna Szoke has been our organizer and clean up person getting the back storage room organized with all of the VBS and Education Team's supplies as well as all of our library books all prepared.

**Office Help** - Kris is grateful for the wonderful ladies who volunteer to cover the office for vacation and time off. *Donna Szoke, Lana Stafford, Rose Admonis, Vickie Breen, Dottie Priddy, Donna Buckley & Brittany Alcantar.*

**Outdoor Sign-** Thank you to Ray Brick for changing our outdoor sign each week.

**Sunday Morning Ambassadors-** Ushers, Liturgists, Greeters, Communion Stewards, Acolytes, Choir & Musicians, Audio/Video.

**Fellowship Hour-** Thank you to Harry Breen and his crew who supply and prepare coffee and snacks.

**Youth Group Leaders:** Craig & Bridget Stephenson

**There are many many other areas that folks give of their time and talents and we are grateful for each of them:**

*Thrift Shop, Kidz Club & Movie Nights, Senior Luncheon, Funeral Luncheon, VBS, Antique Fair, Vendor Fair, Turkey Supper!*

Be sure to give a BIG CUMC  
**THANK YOU** when you seen them  
or ask them how **YOU** can help?

### *1 Peter 4:10-11*

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*



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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

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| <b>Announcements</b>     | <b>8:50am *</b> |
| <b>Worship Service</b>   | <b>9:00am *</b> |
| <b>Coffee Fellowship</b> | <b>10:00am</b>  |
| <b>Sunday School</b>     | <b>10:15am</b>  |

*Sunday School is offered for pre-school –5<sup>TH</sup> grade  
6 - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to assist in the  
younger kids classrooms (Sept. - May)*

\*Staffed nursery is provided for children kindergarten and younger - room 117

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