

## Publisher's Note

This was going to be a special edition of e-Tidings covering the start of our fall academic year, but after discussion by the church staff we decided to take e-Tidings to a semimonthly schedule. We'll be publishing twice a month, on (or near) the 15<sup>th</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup>, so each issue will be a little more timely. We're also including a church calendar at the end of each issue. We hope you like the changes.

The deadlines will be noon on the Thursday before the publication date. Send articles or subscription requests to [tidings@communityunitedmethodist.org](mailto:tidings@communityunitedmethodist.org). Older issues of e-Tidings are available on the Community UMC web site at <http://www.communityunitedmethodist.org/tidings/tidings.html>.

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## News Highlights

### Special Events in September

September 6 is a One Community service and an Adult Education Brunch; September 13 is Rally Day, with the resumption of Christian Education for all ages, and the "Anewapalooza" church picnic (page 2), as well as auditions for the Community Players' production of "Steel Magnolias" (page 7).

### Christian Education 2009-2010

See page 3 for adult, youth, and children's Sunday School classes, and page 4 for weekday and evening adult classes and book discussions.

### Music Ministries 2009-2010

Our many vocal, instrumental, and dance groups are resuming their rehearsals after summer break. The music program is also adding two new groups this fall, the "Beat" children's percussion group and a new youth band (still to be named). See page 5 for the groups and their meeting times.

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## Worship News

### Message Series: Ingredients for a Healthy Church

**September 5 and 6:** Rev. Mark Jacobs, Chapel and Sanctuary  
"Ingredient #6... Passionate Spirituality", Acts 2:1-4  
*One Community Service and Adult Education Brunch (page 2)*

### Message Series: Beginnings

**September 12 and 13:** Rev. Melissa Hood, Chapel and Sanctuary; Rev. Mark Jacobs, OnCenter.  
"Starting Anew", John 3:1-16  
*Rally Day and Anewapalooza (page 2)*

**September 19 and 20:** Rev. Mark Jacobs, Chapel and Sanctuary; Rev. Melissa Hood, OnCenter.  
"This is Jesus", John 4:3-29  
*Bible Sunday*

**September 26 and 27:** Rev. Mark Jacobs, Chapel and Sanctuary; Rev. Melissa Hood, OnCenter.  
"Getting Somewhere with My Life", Luke 10:1-10

### Senior Services

The next Reminiscence Service for persons with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia is Tuesday, September 8 at 10:30 a.m., with violinist Dick Bradley, organist Kim Johnson, and message by Sylvia Kupferer. The next Senior Worship Gathering is Wednesday, September 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

## Joys and Concerns

### Transitions

We bid a fond farewell on August 27 to Shirley Haines, a long-time member of Community UMC who has moved to Indianapolis, Indiana to be with her family.

### Our Sympathy

- ✝ To Pat Bull and her family, after the death of Pat's father, Bill Franz, on August 13.
- ✝ To the family and friends of June Shiffler, a long-time member of Community UMC, who died on August 17.

### Our Troops and their Families

We continue to pray for our troops and their families: John Aitchison, Ryan Gray, Scott Radunz, Vincent Simonetti and Brad Woltman.

### Acts of Random Kindness

The "Weeders and Seeders" (see the August 15 issue) have now spaded over and mulched new flowerbeds by the front entrances. We also thank the volunteers who are cleaning, repairing, and painting the railings around the Center Street entrances.

## September Worship and Community Events

### September 6: One Community Worship and Adult Education Brunch

Community UMC will hold One Community Worship on September 5 and 6. The OnCenter contemporary service is transitioning to its new home in Ss. Peter and Paul's Zucker Hall, and the 11:00 congregations will come together to worship in the Sanctuary at 20 N. Center. The 5:00 p.m. Saturday service, the 8:30 a.m. Sunday service, and the 11:00 Sunday service will all include special music featuring the musical gifts of our whole congregation. We're looking forward to another great combined worship service!

Also on September 6, an Adult Education Brunch will be held in Fellowship Hall between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. The adult Sunday School classes, book groups, fall studies, and other adult education ministries will each have information about their plans for the next year. The Christian Education committee will be providing breakfast munchies. Come by any time during the hour to browse and to brunch. Child care will be provided for children through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. See Christian Education, pages 3-4, for more on our 2009 – 2010 offerings.

### September 13: Christian Education Rally Day and Anewapalooza Church Picnic

Children, youth, and adults are "back to school" after summer break to enjoy fellowship and grow in their faith journeys, with classes for all ages at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Youth fellowship resumes in the afternoons and evenings. It's also the first day for the OnCenter contemporary service in their new space, Zucker Hall at Ss. Peter and Paul, and the start of the new message series, "Beginnings."

After 11:00 worship, Community UMC will join First Congregational UCC in Central Park to celebrate their new leadership and to have fellowship. Entertainment will include "jumpies" for the kids, face painting, the park playground, a bean bag toss, horse shoes, sack races, and a live band! Best of all, there will be a dessert "bake off" judged by the pastors of the churches. Chicken and beverages are provided, so please **sign up** outside services or by calling the church office so we know how much to provide. All are encouraged to bring a dish to share and a dessert to enter into the bake off.

## A Note on Pastoral Care

Dear friends,

Your church family desires to be present with you in all circumstances. Please be intentional about communicating with the church office when you have a medical emergency, a procedure, or hospitalization. Due to privacy laws, medical professionals and institutions will not notify the church. Let your family know that you would love a visit from your pastors and friends at CUMC and ask them to give us a call if you cannot call us yourself. In the meantime be well!

# Sunday Christian Education, 2009-2010

9:30 a.m.

## Children's Education

**Toddlers and Twos:** Toddlers are full of energy! They also have a natural curiosity about the world around them and love to see, hear, touch, and experience new things. Toddlers & Twos helps leaders provide an attractive and safe space where children can hear about God, Jesus, and the Bible, and experience prayer and simple Bible stories in a developmentally-appropriate way. *Two- and three-year olds, room 207.*

**Rock Solid: Building a Heart of Faith:** Rock Solid helps children build a strong faith foundation so that when the rains and storms of life assail them (and they will at some time or another), their house of faith will not fall away. At each age level, the children will be invited to a faith experience, to come to a better understanding of God and what God calls them to do and be. They seek where the Bible speaks to them today. Lessons, activities, crafts, stories, and games contribute to this faith experience. At the end of the time together, children have had a chance to meet God and to open themselves for life-changing transformation. *Four-year olds through Kindergarten, room 205; 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, room 206; 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, room 306.*



## Youth Education

**Claim the Life:** Middle-school students grow in their faith and relationship with God and one another as they hear specific Scripture passages, discuss them, and then apply these passages to individual faith challenges. "Claim the Life" is a comprehensive United Methodist curriculum that helps youth in this age group grow in their spiritual formation, discipleship, Christian community, and faith knowledge. *6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, room 301.*

**Confirmation Classes:** Confirmation at Community UMC is a one-year program for students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. See the August 15 e-Tidings for more information. *8<sup>th</sup> grade, room 305.*

**Senior High:** Our older youth meet each week at 9:30 to share fellowship and discuss their Christian journey with one another and with adult facilitators. *7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, room 303.*

## Adult Education

Community UMC has a wide range of Sunday School classes for adults. Classes set their own curriculum, and include book studies, guest speakers, and discussions of the missions and ministries of Community UMC and of the church universal. Classes also provide fellowship and support for Christian growth and discovery. *Adult classes throughout the building.*

11:00 a.m.

## Children's Ministries

**Hands-On Bible:** This curriculum presents Bible truths in a fresh, interactive setting that capitalizes on children's need to experience life with all their senses. This curriculum allows children to meet and interact with the God who made the world they're so interested in exploring. Through an interactive Bible StoryBoard™, activities, songs, and games, children will learn about Bible truths as they see, hear, touch, taste, and smell all the exciting things that are happening in their classroom. *Two- and three-year olds, room 207.*



**Children's Chapel:** During 11:00 worship after the Children's Time or OnCenter Drama, children ages 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to Children's Chapel. While the older children, youth, and adults hear the Scripture passages for the day proclaimed in the sermon, the children will do the same! During their time together, the children will hear more about the Scriptures and discover ways that they can apply the message of the day in their own lives of faith. Children's Chapel lasts for 15 to 20 minutes, after which children are escorted back to worship with their families for the conclusion of the service. In this way, children learn the importance of worshipping in "big church" and learn the elements of worship alongside their families, while also hearing the Scripture in a developmentally-appropriate way. *20 N. Center, room 204; 201 E. Franklin, classroom adjacent to Zucker Hall.*

**Communion Sundays:** In order to allow children to participate in worship with their parents, as well as learn about and receive Communion, there will be no Children's Chapel on the 1st Sunday of each month.

**Older Children:** Children in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and above are invited to remain in worship with their families, or to participate in IGNITE worship leadership (page 7) as acolytes, "grushers" (greeter-ushers), and musicians. Contact Nick Giannasi for information about the acolyte (20 N. Center services) and grusher (OnCenter service) programs, and Stephen Edwards about children's music ministries.

## Weekday and Evening Adult Christian Education, 2009-2010

### A Mile in Her Shoes: Lessons from the Lives of Old Testament Women

Calling all women! Are you ready to deepen your relationship with God, strengthen your spiritual walk, and develop friendships with other women? Joy Sobczak and Mary Carhart will lead a Bible-based video study that helps women of all ages connect their story with *the* story by getting to know the women of the Old Testament. The six-week study meets Tuesdays from September 29 to December 1 (alternating weeks with the Women's Ensemble rehearsals) from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., and looks at the inspirational lives of Deborah, Rahab, Hagar, Abigail, Hannah, and the widow with the oil. Come and walk a mile in their shoes!

### Beginnings – An Introduction to the Christian Faith

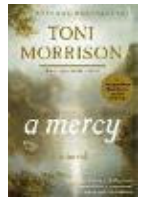
Beginnings is an adult study that gives participants a safe place to ask questions about the Christian faith, explore their walk with God, and form or deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and Christian Community. The twelve sessions include "Who is Jesus and Why Should I Care?," "What Happens When I Die?," "How Does God Speak to Me?," "How Do I Speak to God?," and others. *Date and time to be announced.*

### Living the Questions

LtQ is a 12-week small group study exploring beyond the traditions and rote theologies in which so many people and local churches seem to be stuck. It helps people in all places and stages of their faith journeys discover the significance of Christianity in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and what a meaningful faith can look like in today's world. The 90 minute sessions include "An Invitation to Journey," "Thinking Theologically," "Evil, Suffering, and a God of Love," "Social Justice," "A Passion for Christ," and others, with each discussion introduced by a video interview with leading theologians, sociologists, and biblical scholars. LtQ meets Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., September 21 through December 14, and will be led by Beth Elders.

### Women's Book Study: "A Mercy" by Toni Morrison

In the 1680s the slave trade was still in its infancy. In the Americas, virulent religious and class divisions, prejudice, and oppression were rife, providing the fertile soil in which slavery and race hatred were planted and took root. Toni Morrison's "A Mercy" reveals what lies beneath the surface of slavery, but at its heart it is the ambivalent story of a mother who casts off her daughter in order to save her, and of a daughter who may never exorcise that same abandonment. Come explore the powerful repercussions brought on by an act of mercy, Tuesday mornings from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. starting September 15. Beth Elders will facilitate discussion.



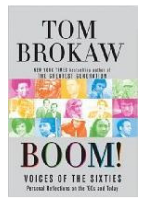
### Men's Book Study: "The Shack" by William P. Young

Mackenzie Allen Philips youngest daughter, Missy, has been abducted and evidence that she may have been brutally murdered is found in an abandoned shack. Four years later, Mack receives a note, apparently from God, inviting him back to that shack for a weekend. Against his better judgment he arrives at the shack, and what he finds there will change his world forever. In a world where religion seems to grow increasingly irrelevant, "The Shack" wrestles with the timeless question, "Where is God in a world so filled with unspeakable pain?" Jeff Haake leads discussion, meeting Tuesdays, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., October 20 to November 24.



### Faith and Practice: A Study of the Social Principles

A prayerful study dialogue of Faith and Practice will be led this fall by the Rev. Al Streyffeler. Two sessions will be offered: Wednesdays at noon from September 9 to October 28 and Thursdays at 7 p.m. from September 10 to October 29. The study will be based on *The Social Principles of the United Methodist Church* and Tom Brokaw's *Boom, Voices of the Sixties*, both available from Al Streyffeler or the office for \$9. Contact Al at [almaviss@wowway.com](mailto:almaviss@wowway.com) for more information, and join us in the dialogue of faith and practice.



### Parenting 101 – Your Family and Your Money

Drop off your children for children's choirs, and come enjoy fresh coffee and great conversation with other parents on the last Wednesday of each month! This informal, DVD-based conversation starter discusses ways that parents can help children develop money management skills and values at an early age. Topics include how to talk about money, allowances, independence, saving, and credit habits. See you September 30, October 28, November 25, and/or December 16 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.!

# Music Ministries, 2009-2010

## Adult Choirs

The **Sanctuary Choir**, for adults and senior high youth, will resume rehearsals on September 17. The choir offers their gifts three or four Sundays a month at both 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. main sanctuary services. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., and childcare is available during rehearsals.

The **Women's Ensemble** loves to laugh and build relationships through their offering of music. The ensemble is for women of all abilities and ages, from seniors in high school and up, are encouraged to attend. The ensemble has a special rehearsal on Thursday, September 24 at 6:00 p.m. Regular Tuesday evening rehearsals resume October 6 at 6:00 p.m., and the Tuesdays before the second and fourth Sundays (alternating with the "A Mile in Her Shoes" class). The Ensemble sings two Sundays a month at the main sanctuary services.

## Children's Choirs

The **Joyful Noise** and **Hosanna** Choirs have begun their rehearsals. Joyful Noise, for children age 3 through kindergarten, meets every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m., and is directed by Amy Hollander and Mary Elliott. Hosanna for children in grades 1 through 5 also rehearses Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m., directed by Beth Hagemeyer with Ellen Bartel as accompanist. All children are welcome to learn about music and God, and to have a good time!

## Instrumental Groups

**New!**

A new **Youth Band** for grades 6 to 12 is being organized under the direction of Stephen Edwards and Cindy Lytle. This band will include both instrumentalists and vocalists, and will offer their musical gifts monthly in the main sanctuary services and several times a year at OnCenter. This is a great opportunity to have fun, sing, and play instruments in worship. If you haven't already done so, call Stephen or Cindy!

The **OnCenter Band**, led by Cindy Lytle, invites all ages from senior high through adults to join their musical gifts for the Sunday 11:00 contemporary service. The band includes singers, guitars, bass, drums, keyboards, and occasionally other instruments. Members play on a flexible rotation. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

**New!**

**The Beat** is an exciting *new* children's music opportunity for students in grades 3 to 5. The Beat will use xylophones, marimbas, glockenspiels, and drums to praise God through music at both the 11:00 services. The group will begin meeting in October, under the leadership of Joline Bastounes and Beth Elders. Start warming up now... it's going to be a blast!

Community UMC's three **bell choirs** resume rehearsals the week of August 31. The Open Circle Ringers, under the direction of Dottie Van Marter, rehearse Mondays at 6:30 p.m. and provide music once a month at the 8:30 main sanctuary service. Carillon Bells, directed by Eldora Juha, rehearse Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m., and play once a month at the 11:00 main sanctuary service. The Tower Bells is a mixed youth and adult choir directed by Kevin Markwell, and rehearses Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., playing monthly at the 11:00 main sanctuary service. New ringers are always welcome.

## Dance Groups

The ways in which we express our relation to God determine the kind of experience we have of God. We believe that God is a dynamic being who is on the move. What better way to share in that enthusiasm than to express God's joy through dance? Please join our dance groups to experience and share God's joy. **Rainbow Dancers**, for ages kindergarten and up, meet on Mondays from 5:30 to 6:25 p.m. We learn some dance and interpretive techniques to use for our Liturgical Dances, which we share in the 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship services. We will begin our new year on August 31. **Rejoice Dancers**, for Junior High through adults, meet Saturday mornings two or three weeks before we dance in a worship service. Dance experience is not needed, just a willingness to express your faith through movement.

## Sound and Light Team

**New!**

The 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday traditional and contemporary services need people to run the sound system and projector for worship. No experience is needed, and training will be provided; the job literally consists of pushing buttons! Volunteers will operate the equipment approximately once per month (or less, if we get enough people). Your ministry of service is vital to worship.

## For More Information

Contact Stephen Edwards ([sedwards@communityunitedmethodist.org](mailto:sedwards@communityunitedmethodist.org)) for more information on any of these ensembles and opportunities; contact Cindy Lytle ([clytle@communityunitedmethodist.org](mailto:clytle@communityunitedmethodist.org)) for the OnCenter Band; and contact either Stephen or Cindy for the new youth band.

## Ministry Reports

### Missions

#### **PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) Resumes September 13**

Community UMC supports DuPage PADS ([www.dupagepads.org](http://www.dupagepads.org)) during the 2009-2010 year by providing a homeless shelter every Sunday night, September through May. The shelter re-opens on Sunday, September 13. Community UMC will be staffing the shelter and providing supplies on the second Sunday of each month – the sign-up sheet for September 13 is now posted in the hallway outside the Sanctuary. Persons are needed to work at the site from Sunday night through Monday morning (in several shifts) and to do other jobs during the week (including picking up sheets from Edward Hospital on Wednesdays), or a few times a year (such as washing blankets). Please prayerfully consider supporting this ministry.

#### **DuPage Habitat for Humanity**

Bob Guenzler ([bob6850@comcast.net](mailto:bob6850@comcast.net), or (630)236-6324), Community UMC's liaison with Habitat, calls our attention to several new projects in need of volunteers. HFH is embarking on an initiative with Pioneer Prairie subdivision in West Chicago to develop 11 single-family homes and neighborhood amenities including sidewalks, parkway trees, and streetscapes. Five other homes are also being developed in DuPage. On October 24, we will participate in a "**Blitz Build**" of a "Green Home" in cooperation with ComEd and College of DuPage, with ample opportunities for volunteer participation. Volunteer orientations are held at 6:30 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the BP Cantera II Conference Center, 2831 Ferry Road in Warrenville. Visit [www.dupagehabitat.org](http://www.dupagehabitat.org) for more information. HFH can also be supported through Community UMC's Second Mile giving.

#### **And From the August 15 Issue...**

The Hunger Commission's **school supply drive** continues through September; a one-day work/feast trip to our sister congregation in **Joliet** is being organized by Andrea Moore ([Andrea.Moore@bp.com](mailto:Andrea.Moore@bp.com)) for October 24; Dick Legg ([Richard116@aol.com](mailto:Richard116@aol.com)) is organizing *two* trips, to **Wesley Woods United Methodist Camp** in Wisconsin for winter and spring preparations (including painting, raking, and work on a new prayer chapel) on November 13-14, and then back to the Gulf for his fifth **post-Katrina** trip in March 2010.

### OnCenter

August 30 was our last Sunday at Meiley-Swallow. As most of you know by now, we are moving to Zucker Hall in the Jr. High building of Ss. Peter and Paul school. It is located at 201 East Franklin Street, just one block east of the main Community UMC building and where Franklin Street dead ends into Ellsworth Street. Our first week there is September 13. On Saturday, September 5, we will be worshipping in the chapel at 5:00 and on September 6th at 8:30 and 11:00 in the main sanctuary for the One Community combined worship services.

## United Methodist Women and Church Women United

#### **CWU Fall Retreat**

Ann Beran Jones and Rev. David Bebb Jones will be honored with the Human Rights Award presented by Church Women United at "Seeking Shalom," the annual retreat celebration. The day-long retreat is Friday, September 18, 2009 at Grace United Methodist Church, 300 E. Gartner, Naperville. Beginning with coffee and registration at 9:15, the day includes workshops on Envisioning Peace, The Role of Women in Political Life and Muhammad Yunus' Micro-credit work in Bangladesh. To register, send a check for \$10 payable to CWU to Mary O'Keefe, 6 S. Wright Street, Naperville IL 60540 by September 14.

#### **UMW Evening Outreach Circle**

The Evening Outreach Circle will begin the fall season at the home of Lois Flood for a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. on September 22. Our program will be "A Reinvigoration of the Love Feast." All are welcome. Give Lois a call at (630)420-1548 to let her know you are coming.

#### **And From the August 15 Issue...**

The UMW **Book Circle** will be meeting at Marty Schwab's house, 1200 Tall Oaks in Naperville, on September 16 to discuss "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows (RSVP to Marty for directions and time); Rev. JoAnne Chase will present "Story Weaving" at the September 23 UMW **Salad Supper**; mark your calendars for the **Garage Sale**, October 3 and the **Harvest of the Hands**, November 7.

## Youth

The start of the youth ministries is fast approaching! We have a bunch of new things happening this year in our student ministries.

**SHYFt and JHYF** (senior high and junior high youth fellowship) kick off with a Parent Night on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Come and hear about any changes to these ministries, meet new leaders, and go over any rules for the year. All parents are encouraged to come. JHYF will meet 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. and SHYFt 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

**IGNITE** is a new ministry for our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. This services-based ministry meets twice a month; once for a fun event together and once for food and teaching time. It's a great way to get our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders involved in the life of the church through the acolyte ministry and the OnCenter grusher (greeter/usher) ministry!

## Community News

### “Steel Magnolias” Auditions

On Sunday, September 13, starting at 2 p.m., and Monday, September 14, starting at 7:30 p.m., Community Players of Naperville will host auditions for Robert Harling's "Steel Magnolias", our 45<sup>th</sup> production in our 29<sup>th</sup> year of existence. "Steel Magnolias" is a dramatization of the intertwining stories of six women of disparate ages. The play will be directed by David Hollander. There are parts for six women: two of each generational age of twentysomethings, fortysomethings, and sixtysomethings. No parts are precast. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Participants need only attend one day of auditions, but are welcome at both. Interested actors should come with a headshot, resume, and realistic listing of conflicts for a rehearsal schedule of Sundays (2-5 p.m.), Mondays (7:30-10 p.m.), and Wednesdays (7:30-10 p.m.), and performances November 13 (8 p.m.), 14 (8 p.m.), 20 (8 p.m.), and 21 (2 p.m. matinee). Call backs, if necessary, are scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, starting at 7:30 p.m. Requests for additional information and questions may be emailed to David Hollander at [dhollander@naperville203.org](mailto:dhollander@naperville203.org).

### LifeTouch Photo Directory Update

LifeTouch studios, who produced our 2008 church directory, is providing an update session at Community UMC on Wednesday, September 30 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the church parlor. If you did not get your picture taken for the 2008 directory, or have joined CUMC since then, you can register to have your family portrait taken. This is a great opportunity to get pictures for your Christmas letters, too. To register, visit the church web site at <http://www.communityunitedmethodist.org/home.html> and click on the LifeTouch logo, or go directly to the sign-up page at <https://www.appointment-plus3.com/ap/communityumcnapervilleil/index.php?page=10>.

## Calendar

### Monday, August 31

- 5:30 p.m. Rainbow Dancers (page 5)
- 6:30 p.m. Open Circle Ringers (page 5)
- 7:00 p.m. Knitting Circle (meets every Monday; beginners welcome!)

### Wednesday, September 2

- 4:30 p.m. Joyful Noise and Hosanna Choirs; Carillon Bells (page 5)
- 5:30 p.m. Tower Bells (page 5)

### Thursday, September 3

- 9:30 a.m. UMW Studio Workshop (meets every Thursday, 9:30-11:30; childcare provided)
- 6:00 p.m. One Community Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal; OnCenter Rehearsal

### Saturday, September 5

- 5:00 p.m. One Community Worship Service (page 2)

### Sunday, September 6 – One Community Weekend and Adult Education Brunch (page 2)

- 8:30 a.m. One Community Worship Service
- 9:30 p.m. Adult Education Brunch; Children's Activities
- 11:00 a.m. One Community Worship Service

### Monday, September 7 – Labor Day

*Church office and building closed*

### Tuesday, September 8

- 10:30 a.m. Reminiscence Service for persons with Alzheimer's (page 1)
- 7:00 p.m. OnCenter Planning Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Ensemble Rehearsal (page 5)

**Wednesday, September 9**

- 12:00 p.m. Faith and Practice Class (page 4)
- 4:30 p.m. Joyful Noise and Hosanna Choirs; Carillon Bells
- 5:30 p.m. Tower Bells
- 7:00 p.m. Committee Meetings
- 8:15 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting

**Thursday, September 10**

- 9:30 a.m. UMW Studio Workshop
- 12:00 p.m. Deadline for the September 15 e-Tidings
- 6:30 p.m. OnCenter Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Faith and Practice Class (page 4)

**Saturday, September 12**

- 5:00 p.m. Worship Service

**Sunday, September 13 – Rally Day and Anewapalooza Church Picnic (page 2)**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:30 p.m. Adult, Youth, and Children's Sunday School Classes; Confirmation Class (page 3)
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Services at 20 N. Center and 201 E. Franklin
- 12:00 p.m. Anewapalooza in Central Park
- 2:00 p.m. Community Players "Steel Magnolias" Auditions (page 7)
- 5:00 p.m. PADS shelter, all night (page 6)

**Monday, September 14**

- 5:30 p.m. Rainbow Dancers
- 6:30 p.m. Open Circle Ringers
- 7:00 p.m. Knitting Circle
- 7:30 p.m. Community Players "Steel Magnolias" Auditions

**Tuesday, September 15**

- 9:15 a.m. Women's Book Study of "A Mercy" (page 4)
- 11:30 a.m. Senior Lunch Bunch at the House of Emperor

**Wednesday, September 16**

- 9:30 a.m. Senior Worship and Fellowship Service (page 2)
- 12:00 p.m. Faith and Practice Class
- 4:30 p.m. Joyful Noise and Hosanna Choirs; Carillon Bells
- 5:30 p.m. Tower Bells
- 7:30 p.m. Community Players "Steel Magnolias" Callbacks

**Thursday, September 17**

- 9:30 a.m. UMW Studio Workshop
- 6:30 p.m. OnCenter Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Faith and Practice Class

**Friday, September 18**

- 9:15 a.m. Church Women United "Seeking Shalom" (page 6)

**Saturday, September 19**

- 5:00 p.m. Worship Service

## Staff Directory

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