



CIRCUIT RIDER

HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2506 Caton Farm Road Joliet, Illinois 60435

June 2009

*Preparing for
Worship In June*

June 7

"Blessings"

Psalm 100

Matthew 5:1-11

Local Lay Speaker

Greg Chapman preaching

June 14

Holy Communion

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Psalm 20

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

Mark 4:26-34

Pastor Glenna preaching

June 21

1 Samuel 17:32-49

Psalm 9:9-20

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

Pastor Glenna preaching

June 28

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

Pastor Glenna preaching



Extraordinary Times during *Ordinary Time*

Dear Friends,

The season after Pentecost, is commonly known as Ordinary Time. The period within the church calendar that begins the day after Pentecost and ends the First Sunday of Advent.

The colors of our paraments during Ordinary Time reflect the color green, symbolizing growth in Christ. Ordinary time for many church communities is seen as an opportunity to slow down, and rest. Likewise, some of our programs and activities will suspend for the summer until resuming in the fall. A resting period is important in order to engage in Sabbath time, to be refreshed and energized. Sabbath is a necessary component of self-care. Jesus often went out alone to pray throughout his ministry.

Yet - while the church calendar proclaims this is Ordinary Time, events continue to take place that point to Extraordinary Times at Hope UMC. As one observes, one can witness our church experiencing and living into a

spiritual awakening. For example: Activities, ideas and visioning for our future began as we prepared and planned our 50th anniversary celebrations. Suggestions for future ministries, our support of ongoing ministries and mission projects are underway. Bishop Hee - Soo Jung's cluster visit continued to shape our visioning while touring our facilities, praying in our sanctuary, and sharing in table conversation as we expressed our joys, hopes, named the spiritual fire burning within us and the fruit produced as a worshiping community. Bishop Jung has encouraged us to make a difference in the lives of those who reside in our neighborhoods. He has blessed our future vision for Hope UMC to be a center where transformation and disciple making continues well into the next 50 years toward our centennial celebration.

Hope UMC has entered Extraordinary Times as we engage in current mission work, grow our Sunday school, and are actively remodeling and updating our facilities. As I have witnessed and experienced these events and ideas unfolding, I see a connection emerging between the colors green used to symbolize Ordinary Time as we are engaging in these Extraordinary Times.

Green symbolizes growth, and new birth. When I see green, I envision lush fields that are watered and fed, abundance, and a healthy environment. All this green becomes a symbol for the fruit of our ministry, as we continue to grow into our witness and faith in Jesus Christ.

Extraordinary means: beyond the usual, exceptional, and remarkable. All words that describe what has been taking place at Hope UMC. These are truly Extraordinary Times in the life of this church.

Blessings,

Pastor Glenna

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Thank you

I wish to thank the Bag Ladies for preparing and serving the luncheon for our Bishop's Cluster Visit. It proved to be a wonderful opportunity for all in attendance to dine together and engage in table conversation with Bishop Hee-Soo Jung and our District Superintendent, Rev. Diana Facemyer. Our Bishop has expressed how much he enjoyed sharing this time with us, and wishes us well.

Note: Bishop Hee-Soo Jung will be delivering the sermon at our 50th Anniversary Worship celebration on Sunday Sept. 13.

Ordination Information

Ordination will be in the Mega Center Plenary/Worship Area on Sunday, June 7th 7:30pm. Pheasant Run Resort. The Plenary Area will be open for seating at the end of the dinner break on that Sunday.

Hope Notes

Please keep bringing your **aluminum cans** to church. See **Linda Hess** with questions.

The church office is always in need of **used ink cartridges**. The office supply stores now *accept only name-brand (Dell, HP, and Epson) cartridges*. These cartridges can be redeemed at office supply stores for paper and other supplies we need to run our office. Please leave used cartridges in Roberta's mailbox.

Volunteers are needed to **clean our church**. Please continue to sign up on the Volunteer Schedule which is in the Housekeeping mailbox. The job description is also available in the mailbox. **Volunteers** are also needed to **mow the lawn**. The sign-up clipboard is located below the housekeeping board. See **Linda Hess**.

The **Joliet Cluster** is continuing to support the **Ridgewood United Community Pantry**, an outreach ministry of **Trinity United Methodist Church**. Because Trinity now has a physical pantry to store items in, it is no longer necessary to limit ourselves to the requested items each month. Feel free to bring any non-perishable food items or household necessities and place them in the blue bin in the narthex.

Education Committee – VBS 2009 “Camp Edge” is just around the corner. Bring your special talents and/or aspirations to help our children learn about God; and, have a lot of fun, too! If you have any time available to volunteer during the mornings of June 15th through June 19th, please see Carrie Becker. *Carrie is also collecting shoe boxes (with lids) for one of our many projects*. Safe Sanctuary classes will be offered in the near future. Look for more announcements in our weekly service bulletins.

If you purchase your personal office supplies at **Staples**, please give the church phone number (815-436-2209) to the cashier when you check out so that a percentage of your purchase will come back to the church as part of their Rewards program. This is another way to help our church get what it needs without costing you anything! Thanks for your help.

Camping Opportunities: Summer Camp brochures for Camp Reynoldswood and Wesley Woods can be found on the table in the narthex. There are a variety of camps tailored to many areas of interest. Scholarships are available. Contact the Pastor for more information.

Reminder: If you utilize the church on Thursday afternoons, please leave the back door to Fellowship Hall unlocked for the A.A. group that meets on Thursday evenings. Questions or concerns? See Larry Wilkinson.

“**Concerts on the Hill**” featuring Hope United Methodist Church folks – **Cheryl Foster** will be performing on July 9 and the Midwest Crossroads Chorus of Sweet Adelines International, including our very own **Arlene Hupach**, will be performing on August 27. See the article on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for more information

<i>Those Who Serve</i>	June 7	June 14 <i>Holy Communion</i>	June 21 <i>Father's Day</i>	June 28
Liturgist	Frank Denk	Larry Wilkinson	Vic Genge	Cheryl Foster
Greeter	Barb Denk	Richard Craven	Marty Olumstad	Shirley Zupancic
Host(s)	Joan Crotty & Fitzwilliam	Annette Craven	Jill Genge	Nola Owen
Acolyte	Dominic Larmon	Dominic Larmon	Dominic Larmon	Dominic Larmon
Offering Counters	Carole Blackwell & Boomer Crotty	Carole Blackwell & TBA	Carole Blackwell & Harriet Luce	Carole Blackwell & Carol Becker
Communion Steward		Jill Genge		

Yard Sale Date Set

This year's first All-Church Yard Sale will on Saturday, June 13, from 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. See Trish Nash with questions, offers to work, or to rent a table. And don't forget to check the attic, basement, garage, and crawl space for items to donate to the sale! Items may be left in the garage.

UMW Bake Sale

The United Methodist Women will have a Bake Sale, in conjunction with the Yard Sale, on Saturday, June 13, from 8:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. See Harriet Luce with questions or to donate baked goods.

Music News

Our Choir is now on Summer Hiatus – this means that special music will be needed for the summer months. If you sing, play an instrument, or know someone who does who would like to share their talent with us, please see Cheryl Foster as soon as possible.

From the Finance Committee

Figures for April, 2009

<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Variance</u>
\$10,492.00	\$9142.60	
\$1,349.40		

Sanctuary Screen

If you were in worship on Sunday May 24, you noticed that our T. V. monitor in the sanctuary is up and operating. Our hope is to add another dimension to the manner in which we experience worship and convey the message of the gospel.

Thank you to Roger Hess and Greg Chapman who provided the physical labor with mounting the screen and providing power.

Thank you goes out to all those who financially contributed to this project through spaghetti dinners, participation in the quilt drawing, gifts to the memorial funds, etc.

Other screens have been mounted in the children's nursery, fellowship hall and choir classroom. These screens have all been in use the past few months. They have been a wonderful addition to our Christian Education Programs and Bible Studies.



June 11 – Mia Moore
June 17 – Rusty Mitchell
June 21 – Sharon Becker
June 27 – Reese Shelton
June 30 – Laura Moore



Anniversaries

June 21 – John & Sharon Becker

Cluster Volunteers Needed

Every summer Trinity UMC is sponsoring a summer school for children **K through 8th grade** to help them keep up or bring them up to par to continue in the next grade in the fall.

We expect to have **60 children** this summer; school will begin around June 15 and will end the second week in August. Classes are from **9 a.m. until noon** with a full lunch served, **every Tuesday and Thursday**.

We have excellent course-books. Once a week we take the children to the school library where they check out books to read at home. We also have a time for educational games or crafts, if we can get someone artistically inclined.

Please contact the director of the school, Dick Walsch at (Cell) 815-341-2170 or (home) 815-722-8264 or email rwalsh1518@comcast.net.

This school is one way to keep the kids off the streets or give them a break from endless hours in front of the TV during the summer. Also it gives them a good way to succeed in school next fall.

Even people who are not teachers, or older high school youth, are much needed for the many areas of service this summer school presents.

Thanks and God bless us in our ministries together!

Pastor Erika Hundrieser, Trinity UMC, Joliet

2009 Apportionment

10023 JOLIET: HOPE

Mission and Evangelism

This part of the apportionment supports the mission and ministry of local, conference, and global United Methodist churches. The projects supported through this amount include new church starts, World Service Fund, church redevelopment, mission sites and places of significant mission within the Conference, etc. The calculation is 14% of the average of your local church's expenditures on program ministries, non-pastoral staff, deacons and diaconal ministers, and costs of operating the local church. For these ministries, your church is apportioned

4,032

Senior and Associate Pastoral Support

This part of the apportionment supports the variety of pastoral benefits and assistance provided to the pastors serving your local church. The amount of apportionment for this purpose supports the Ministerial Education Fund, Equitable Compensation, costs of clergy relocation, District Superintendents and their offices, etc. This part is 16% (reduced from 18% at the most recent annual conference session) of the average costs of pastoral compensation, allowances, benefits, and reimbursements paid by your local church. An additional 25% of the total is added for appointments providing parsonages. Some churches are awarded a credit or an additional apportionment if the pastoral compensation for a church with their average attendance is above or below the average. For these ministries, the 2009 apportionment is

5,244

Connectional Support

This part of the apportionment supports the denomination beyond the local church and the administrative costs of the conference: the Episcopal Fund, annual conference sessions, journals, and directories, the expenses of the conference trustees, the conference newspaper, and the Conference Treasurer's office. This amount is 1% of the average grand total of expenditures for the local church, minus expenditures on capital and loans. For these ministries, the 2009 apportionment is

720

Total Apportionment

The 2009 apportionment cannot be more or less than 9% of the 2008 apportionment. Apportionments must be divisible by 12. The total apportionment for HOPE in 2008 is:

\$9,996

Hope United Methodist Church Growing Requirements

This year, as the Hope United Methodist Church celebrates our fiftieth year of faith, we must consider the next fifty years and the growing requirements of our house of worship.

It was brought to the attention of your Board of Trustees in February that we sorely need additional Sunday School classrooms to properly educate our youth, a Pastor's office inside the church, and a storage room.

Following the February meeting a possible solution was conceived to approach construction in four separate stages:

- I. Add a new sanctuary onto the church duplicating the size of our present sanctuary. This was the original future plan of the 1959 congregation. This addition would enhance the street view of the church, perhaps making the structure more attractive to additional members.
- II. Construct walls in our present fellowship hall for two classrooms, a larger nursery, a pantry for the kitchen and a storage room. The existing sanctuary would become our new fellowship hall, less the space required for a new church entrance hall, an expansion of the kitchen, a new choir room, and a new coat room.
- III. The existing nursery would become the new Pastor's office with a connecting door to the church secretary's office.
- IV. Eventually, when the need arises in the future, the existing choir room could become a new women's restroom and the two existing restrooms of today would be combined into a new men's restroom.

Stages II, III, and IV work will be performed in large part by congregational and other volunteer labor.

The Board of Trustees took their ideas for expansion to the Committee On Stewardship and Finance. Jointly these two groups decided to present the ideas to the congregation and seek your opinions, suggestions, and views on the construction of a new sanctuary.

For more information, please visit with John Wietlispach and Larry Wilkinson. Meetings will be held to receive your questions and suggestions as follows:

Wednesday Morning 9:00 June 10 led By Wanda Mattix.

Wednesday Evening 6:00 June 10 led by Pat Michalik

Sunday afternoon following worship on June 14 led by Larry Wilkinson

All members and friends of Hope UMC are encouraged to attend one of these sessions.