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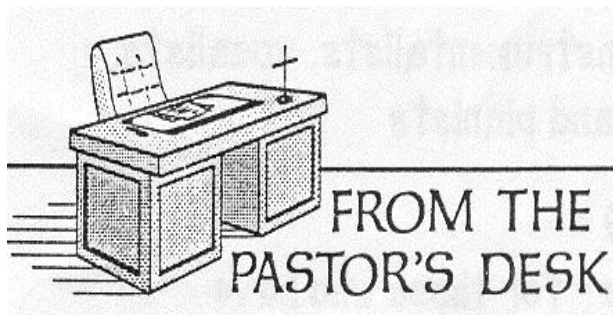
COLUMBIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church™

Our Vision and Values:
Taking Christ into the community by...
Creating disciples for Christ
Celebrating diversity
Connecting to the community
Commitment to love and justice



At the July Ad Council meeting I gave an update on the one year plan for CUMC that was passed in March of this year. Out of the 18 items of our one year plan we have found that CUMC has moved to complete 11 ½ of those 18 items. The items that have been met are as follows:

1. Continuing to advertise to our community the events that CUMC offers.
2. Continuing to offer a monthly breakfast with the purpose of outreach to the community and connecting members of CUMC. The Merchandiser will also advertise when the breakfast will be held each month.

3. CUMC will continue to offer a Unity Service on the 5th Sunday of the months. July marked the third unity Sunday, and the service was different from the past two.
4. CUMC will continue to communicate to its members and the community by various means. We continue to display information in the Merchandiser, the Dove, facebook, etc. about upcoming events.
5. CUMC will offer a Kids Own Worship and nursery during the church services. This was only partially fulfilled. Currently we offer Kids Own Worship twice on even months and once on odd months. The nursery is open the first Sunday of each month during the 9 AM service only. This continues to be a work in progress with the goal of offering nursery and Kids Own Worship each week at each service.
6. CUMC will adequately fund the Praise service. CUMC continues to support this as equipment for the 9 AM Praise service has been replaced, as well as increasing the pay

of the Director of the Praise Service, and continuing to pay musicians.

7. CUMC will continue to re-enforce the expectation of membership. At each new member class Pastor Tom goes over the expectations for joining and becoming a member of CUMC. He then shares and reminds the congregation of those same expectations when new members are taken into membership.
8. CUMC will develop a logo that embodies our vision statement to be used on all materials. One has been created and is being used on communications.
9. CUMC will incorporate its vision and mission statement in all communications.
10. CUMC will continue to educate its members on the financial status of the church. Currently this is being communicated through the weekly bulletin and Dove.
11. CUMC will continue to offer electronic giving. You can sign up to give electronically to CUMC so that when you miss a Sunday your gift still comes to CUMC even when you are not here. You can sign up at our website columbiaunitedmethodist.org
12. CUMC members will be challenged to personally extend invitations to individuals and invite them to events.

As you can see, it has been a busy several months here at CUMC. There is a long way to go as we continue to tackle the one year ministry plan. God is doing great things here at CUMC and the future is bright! It is exciting to see what God has in store for us!

Consumed by the call,
Pastor Tom

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If you would like to subscribe to the weekly email newsletter that Pastor Tom sends out please contact the church office or email Pastor Tom at rev.tomgrubbs@yahoo.com

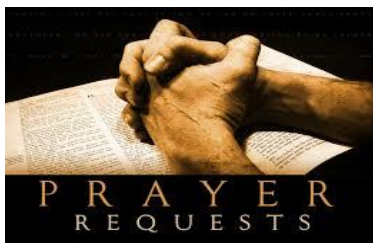


Pastor Tom will begin a new sermon series called "Habits that will change your life". During this sermon series we will look at developing healthy spiritual habits long term (habits that will grow our faith and our church).

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| 8/13 | <i>Hanging Out with God</i> | Philippians 2:12-18 |
| 8/20 | <i>Accountability</i> | James 5:13-20 |
| 8/27 | <i>Planting God's Word in our lives</i> | Colossians 3:12-17 |
| 9/3 | <i>Getting involved with Church</i> | Acts 2:42-47 |
| 9/10 | <i>Being Good Stewards</i> | Luke 16:10-13 |
| 9/17 | <i>Why Study Scripture</i> | 2 Timothy 3:14-17 |
| 9/24 | <i>What do we have</i> | Matthew 18:15-20 |



The United Methodist Women will not hold a regular meeting during the month of August. There will be an agenda meeting for UMW officers during August.



Just a reminder that if you have a joy or a concern during the 9 AM service or the 11 AM service, you should fill out a green prayer card. The cards are located in the racks on the back of each pew. Cards can be placed in the offering plate, or given to an usher. Pastor Tom will share the joys and concerns at each service. The reasons for this change are as follows:

1. It allows Pastor Tom to have written record of joys and concerns. This allows him to send out an email prayer alert with the information that the individual has written down.
2. It allows for the information sharing between the 9 AM service and the 11 AM service. Pastor Tom can share the joys and concerns with each service since they are written down, and each service can be praying for the requests that were shared.
3. Individuals could not always hear what was being shared. By doing the prayer cards it allows Pastor Tom who has a mic to clearly share the joys and concerns so that everyone can hear.



Sunday School time – 10:05 – 10:55

Primary Department – age 4 thru grade 6

During June, July, and August the Primary Department will be using Gospel Light, “Summit Seekers”. Summit Seekers will help us develop an awareness and confidence in the promises of God. No matter what life’s circumstances are, we can depend on God to help us.

Don’t forget that CUMC offers Sunday School for all **youth** in grades 7-12 in the Youth Room at 10:05 AM every Sunday morning.



Pastor Tom will begin a new six week series look at the life of Moses beginning on August 6th. This class will meet in the prayer chapel at 10:05 a.m. each week. Topics Pastor Tom will be discussing are:

- Week 1: The birth of Moses
- Week 2: Two moments that defined Moses
- Week 3: The Exodus
- Week 4: The Ten Commandments
- Week 5: Lessons from the wilderness
- Week 6: Pass on the legacy



Operation Christmas Child Collection: We continue to collect gifts for the packing party which will be held November 5th at 12:00.

In August we will collect: crayons, markers, pencils, and school supplies.

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING: Supports Outreach ministries – Day Camp, Bright Chefs, Operation Christmas Child, Food Bank, Power Packs, Thanksgiving Dinner, Hot Dog Saturdays, etc.

“**NOT JUST A YARD SALE**” is scheduled for Saturday, September 9 from 8 AM – 1PM. See the “*Not Just a Yard Sale*” ad and the “*Help and Donations Needed*” signup sheet included in this issue for more information on the sale and how you can be involved in this fun, worthwhile project!

“As a child of God, I am greater than anything that can happen to me.”
A.P.J. Abdul Kamal

Blessing of the Backpacks



At both worship services on August 20th Pastor Tom will be doing a blessing of the backpacks as kids head back to school. Each student that is present will get something they can take along and attach to their backpacks during the school year as a reminder that they are not alone, that God is with them and that the people of CUMC are praying for them. Remember to bring your backpack on August 20th!



Currently Kids Own Worship (Children's Church) will be offered as scheduled below. We still are in need of individuals to help with this ministry. See Pastor Tom if you are interested.

Odd months:

(January, March, May, July, September, November)
4th Sunday - 9:00 a.m. service

Even months:

(February, April, June, August, October, December)
1st Sunday – 11 a.m. service only
2nd Sunday – 9 a.m. service only

Kids will be led downstairs by the volunteer doing Kids Own Worship and can be picked up in the children's Sunday School room. The nursery is open on the 1st Sunday of the month on even and odd months during the 9:00 service only. Please prayerfully consider helping out with Kids Own Worship...it only takes about 20-30 minutes prep time each week and Pastor Tom has all the resources that you need.



YEAR TO DATE (as of July 30, 2017)

Received \$162,584

Expenses \$162,624

- \$ 40

Did you know? Each one must give as he has decided in their heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 *Corinthians* 9:6). Your support of the budget of CUMC helps to maintain current and future ministries that help CUMC fulfill its vision of: "Taking Christ into the community".



As a part of our ongoing commitment to "pray without ceasing" we want to lift up to you for prayer these members of our church family who are residing in nursing homes:

St. Anne's Home, 3952 Columbia Avenue, Columbia

➤ Jean Grider – 211

➤ Sara Anne Linkous

Juniper Village, 607 Hearthstone Lane, Mount Joy

➤ Minerva Brommer

Manorcare, 320 S. Market Street, Elizabethtown

➤ Clyde "Tick" Smith

BUT WHAT ABOUT HERE?

At age 4, Anna was starting to make sense of prayer. Her parents had been praying with her since birth, but now her developing cognitive and language skills caused her to really ponder what prayer meant for *her*.

One night, after tucking her into bed and leaving the room, Anna's dad heard her voice. He paused outside the door to see if she needed something. But she was speaking to her *heavenly* Father: "Dear God, Anna prayed, "when is the best time for me to talk to you? I mean, Mama and Dady say I can pray anytime, and I know you're always listening. But when will you be listening *especially* hard in Minneapolis?"

adapted from *The Childrens God*, David Heller



**UPDATE ON THE SEARCH FOR
A YOUTH DIRECTOR**

At last months PPRC (Pastor Parish Relations Committee) meeting it was decided to stop the search for a Youth Director. Instead, PPRC decided to combine the Youth Director and Children's Director position into one job description. As a result CUMC is looking to hire a part time, 20 hour individual as the Director of Family Ministries. This individual will oversee the children's and youth ministry. We are actively advertising this position in the hopes to have it filled in the very near future. All questions regarding the hiring of a Director of Family Ministries should be directed to Kathie Ingoglia or Liz Smedley.



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| 2 | Makahila Rentas | Elmer Zink |
| 3 | Cathy Polynone | |
| 4 | Shawnee Lefever | Iona Negron |
| | Julia Rhoads | |
| 5 | Jeanette Arnold | Laura Deets |
| | Sarah Deets | Benjamin Lamparter |
| 6 | Audrey Poff | |
| 10 | Michael Falcon | Jack Lesoine |
| 11 | Brynn Leader | |
| 12 | Samuel Bigler | Judy Gilbert |
| | Abigail Lavery | Edward Von Stetten |
| 14 | Kyle Wagner | |
| 15 | Rose Arndt | Ariel Bradley |
| | Jared Helton | Jason Price II |
| 16 | Tom Davis | |
| 18 | Emily Lewis | |
| 19 | Michelle Lewis | Deana Sapone |
| 20 | Brian Haldeman | Jason Kramer |
| | Elaine Kreiser | |
| 21 | Jaime Weisser | |

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| 22 | Alec Hooper | |
| 23 | Jeanette Newcomer | Kristina Rettew |
| 24 | Nicholas Lehman | |
| 25 | Shawn Brown | |
| 27 | Jill Musser | |
| 30 | Steven Deets | |
| 31 | Ashlyn Nikolaus | Mercedes Rentas |

If you are having a birthday in August and are not listed here, that means we do not have a record of your birth date. Please call the church office with that information, and have a happy birthday!

**Not just a ...YARD SALE!
Shop! Eat! Enjoy!
Something for everyone!**

**Where: Columbia United Methodist
510 Walnut Street, Columbia, PA**

**When: Saturday, September 9
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**What: Yard Sale Vendors
*In addition.....***

**Book Shoppe, Boutique Shoppe,
Bake Shoppe, Craft Shoppe
Café: Breakfast and lunch
Music
Art and Gift Gallery**

**Children's activities:
FREE!)Facepainting,
balloons.....**

**Benefits Columbia United Methodist
Church Outreach activities.
Held inside...off-street parking... Elevator
Widely advertised!**

**Rental spaces available for vendors:
\$15 per space (5 ft. x 8 ft.)
Registration forms available at the church.**

Help and Donations Needed!

“Not Just a Yard Sale”

will be held on Saturday, September 9 from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

In addition to the yard sale tables, we will be offering the following:

Craft Shoppe

Boutique Shoppe

Bake Shoppe

Book Shoppe

Face painting & balloons for children

We are asking for donations of:

Handmade crafts such as wooden items, knitted/crocheted items, etc.

Costume jewelry, vintage hats/gloves, shoes for the Boutique Shoppe

Bakery items for the Bake Shoppe

Books for the Book Shoppe

Volunteers to face paint and give out balloons to children

If you are willing to help or donate, please contact

Kay Leader (449-0231) and fill in the form below:

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

Items to donate: _____

I am willing to help with: _____

CUMC Outreach Committee is sponsoring this event and thanks you for your help with this project!!

◀ July

August 2017

September ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9 AM Day Camp	2 9 AM Day Camp 8 PM AA	3 9 AM Day Camp 6:30 PM AA	4 9 AM Day Camp	5
6 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	7	8	9 8 PM AA	10 6:30 PM AA	11	12
13 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	14	15	16 8 PM AA	17 6:30 PM AA	18	19
20 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	21	22	23 8 PM AA	24 6:30 PM AA	25	26
27 8 AM Fellowship Bkfst. 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	28	29	30 8 PM AA	31 6:30 PM AA		