



THE PARISH PULSE

ASBURY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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1 Corinthians 3:5-9 (NIV)

⁵ What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. ⁶ I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. ⁷ So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. ⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. ⁹ For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

As I'm writing this, Annual Conference concluded yesterday. (This was the 30th Annual Conference that Mike and I have attended!) There were some moments of joy and moments of discomfort and stress. Due to churches diminishing in membership and the Conference receiving fewer and fewer apportionment dollars, some adjustments were made. Camp Pictured Rocks will conclude its season of being a United Methodist Camp this fall and will be sold to Camp Courageous. There are two United Methodist camps remaining in Iowa: Wesley Woods near Indianola and Lake Okoboji.

Currently, Iowa is divided into 8 districts for United Methodist purposes. Each district has a superintendent, a parsonage, an office and an office assistant. Beginning July 1, there will still be 8 districts, superintendents and parsonages, but there will be 4 offices and assistants. Each office and assistant will provide services for 2 district superintendents.

While some of this news is disheartening, we need to remember that our purpose in life, both as individuals and as a church, is to do the work of God in our part of the world. EVERYONE has work to do. Let us work joyfully together to accomplish God's will.

Serving Jesus with you, Pastor Diane

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REFLECTING THE PULSE OF THE PARISH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 AM - Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional Worship 12:30 AM IFFM	1	9:30 AM Quilters 10:00 AM AH Staff Mtg 11:00 AM AUJMC Staff Mtg	3	Office closed 9:30 AM Jessie Circle	Office Closed	4-8 PM IFFM
7	8	9	10	11	12	7pm to 12 am IFFM
8 AM - Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional Worship 10:45 am POTTUCK 10:45 AM Blood Pressure Clinic 12:30 AM IFFM	14	9:30 AM Quilters 10:00 AM AH Staff Mtg 11:00 AM AUJMC Staff Mtg	16	17	18	19
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8 AM - Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional Worship 12:30 AM IFFM	21	9:30 AM Quilters 10:00 AM AH Staff Mtg 11:00 AM AUJMC Staff Mtg	23	24	25	26
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
8 AM - Bible Study 9:30 AM Traditional Worship 12:30 AM IFFM	28	9:30 AM Quilters 10:00 AM AH Staff Mtg 11:00 AM AUJMC Staff Mtg	30	6:30 PM Leadership Team	31	
28	29	30	31			

July Birthdays

6 Leland Parizek
8 Alexander Roth
13 Bev Parizek
Rose Mary Moyer
18 Jim Pitcher
23 Natalie Spores
24 Pat Mehaffey
28 Billie Forristall
31 Melissa Roth

Anniversary
14 Janette & Duane Mallicoat



United Methodist Women News

July 4 1:00 pm No General Meeting
July 11 9:30 am Jessie Circle
Reader and Hostess: Glenda Hyde

LIBRARY CORNER

Slowing Time - Seeing the Sacred Outside your Kitchen Door

Barbara Mahany celebrates the art of paying attention, of savoring the moment and of cultivating stillness. By noticing the seen and revealing the unseen, she pinpoints the divine in both. The author reminds us not to lose sight of the things that are truly important - beauty, serenity and sanity that we can find in life's calm and quiet moments. This book is a practical guide full of wisdom, blessings, recipes, and luminous facts.

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. For what event in February 1964 did evangelist Billy Graham break his strict rule against watching TV on Sunday?
2. How old was Moses when he died?
3. How tall was Goliath, the giant slain by David with a stone hurled from a sling?
4. How many books in the bible are named for women?
5. Which of the four horsemen of the Apocalypse rides a red horse?

Sermon texts for July

July 7 - Revelation 6:1-8
July 14 - Revelation 9-14
July 21 - Revelation 6:15-7:8
July 28 - Revelation 7:9-17

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May we think of
freedom not as the
right to do as we
please, but as the
opportunity to do
what is right.”

Peter Marshall

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1. The Beatles' first appearance on "The Ed Sullivan Show."
2. 120 years
3. Six cubits and a span
4. Two - Ruth and Ester
5. War (book of Revelation)

God is the best father

A father meaning;

Forever with his family

Always there for you tomorrow what

The only one who's there

He is my hero till the end

Encouraging in everything I do

Really the only one.... No one can beat him, he is the best.

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As children, We long for love, protection, forgiveness, comfort, compassion, encouragement reassurance, recognition, and security. It is impossible to a physical father to provide all the above at all time but God can. Psalm 103 is one of many scriptures that depict God as the best father. God is described as forgiving, gracious, slow to get mad at his children, compassionate, abounding in love, caring, and the protector. God love is so big and wide for us that we can always run to him when we make mistakes. God knows that's what we are weak that's how we can just come to him he will give us the strength to get up and walk again.

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;
for he knows how we are formed,
he remembers that we are dust. (v13-14, NIV).

But from everlasting to everlasting
the Lord's love is with those who fear him,
and his righteousness with their children's children—
with those who keep his covenant
and remember to obey his precepts.(v17-18)

I would like to encourage all of us to remember that God is the best and no one can beat Him. Let run to him when we are weak, He will give us strength. When we are sad, He will give us joy. When we are troubled, He would give us peace.

Blessings,

Pastor Patrick Munyakazi