

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00 AM, AA Meeting, Rm 108

7 MONDAY

Iowa Group, Social Room
7:00 PM, Boy Scouts, 103

8 TUESDAY

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Iowa Group, Social Room
2:00 PM, Community Meal Set Up
4:00 PM, Girl Scouts, Room 108

9 WEDNESDAY

Iowa Group, Social Room
5:00 PM, Community Meal,
Social Room

10 THURSDAY

Iowa Group, Social Room
5:30 PM, OEA, 108

11 FRIDAY

Iowa Group, Social Room
Grand Rapids Youth, 3rd floor and
Parlor

12 SATURDAY

9:00 AM, AA, 108
Iowa Habitat Group, Social Room

Next Sunday
July 13, 2008

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon:

The Hardest Part Is Letting Go
(Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23)

9:00 AM, Worship

**10:00 AM, Fellowship & Blood
Pressure Screening,
Social Room**

11:15 AM, New Day Worship

**12:00 PM, Fellowship,
Upper Narthex**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Today In Our Church" ~ July 6, 2008

Flowers are given today by MaeBelle & Dave Erickson in celebration of their wedding anniversary (July 4).

Welcome Visitors! Thank you for worshipping with us! Please remember to take an FUMC visitors gift bag from the welcome table.

9:00 AM: Worship—(nursery available)

Children through fifth grade may leave after Children's Time to meet Lisa Geller in room 201 for Children's Worship.

10:00 AM: Fellowship , Outdoors or Room 108

Join us outdoors today for fellowship if weather permits, otherwise we will be in room 108.

11:15 AM: New Day Worship—(nursery available)

Children, ages 3-4 years old, may leave after Children's Time to go to Active Play in the Family Room 206.

12:00 PM: Fellowship, Upper Narthex

Summer Music

Thank you to Stan Wright for sharing his gift of music with us today. Our guest organist during the 9:00 AM service is Sharon Aho-Farrell.

Summer Games, Camp Michigamme

Based on names given to the church office, attending camp this week from our congregation is Charles Coccia.

**LAY PARTICIPANTS TODAY
JULY 6**

Usher: 9:00 AM— Leonard Barbeau
11:15 AM— Natalie Zappa, Kathy Cox

Liturgist: 9:00 AM —Carol Margrif
11:15 AM — Norm Gruber

Nursery: No schedule at time of print

Children's Time: Rev. Steve McCoy

Fellowship Time:

9:00 AM— Carol & Fred Margrif
11:15 AM— Kelly Ross

PowerPoint: 9:00 AM— Kyle Ekstrum

11:15 AM— Meagan Castro-Lopez

Sound System: 9:00 AM— Bob Ross

**LAY PARTICIPANTS NEXT SUNDAY
JULY 13**

Usher: 9:00 AM— Betty Pangrazzi, Judy Collins,
Jimmy Hardy, Bill & Rosemary Michelin
11:15 AM— Cheryl Wurster, Deb McCoy

Liturgist: 9:00 AM — Jamie Dunn
11:15 AM— Carol Margrif

Nursery: No schedule at time of print

Children's Time: Rev. Steve McCoy

Fellowship Time:

9:00 AM— Nancy & Dick Lutey
11:15 AM— Bobbie Clift

PowerPoint: 9:00 AM— Amanda Olsen

11:15 AM— Maria Virch

Sound System: 9:00 AM— Joe Martin

STEP TO IT TUESDAYS

The U.P. Diabetes Outreach Network are offering some Walk Michigan luncheon walks in July. Grab your walking shoes, your friends and coworkers, and head to Elwood Mattson Lower Harbor Park for three Tuesdays (**July 8, 15, & 22**). Register between 12 and 12:30 then walk at least 2 laps to enter a drawing to win a trip to Mackinaw Island. People can pick up \$8 to-go luncheon at L'Attitude after walk (call day before to reserve). You can also download the registration form to save time! For more information go to www.diabetesinmichigan.org and then click on the U.P.

CAMP MICHIGAMME BROCHURES

Camp Michigamme brochures are available in the upper narthex and in the office. Pick one up and check out all the different camps being offered this summer! Scholarships are available and forms can be filled out in the office.



ATTENDING CAMP THIS SUMMER

If you are attending Camp Michigamme this summer, please let Sandra know in the church office (225-1344 or fumc@fumcmarquette.org). We like to keep records of who is going to camp. Thank you!

JULY FOOD BOX REQUEST

Dry beans, pastas, instant mashed potatoes, and rice. Food boxes are downstairs near the entrance to the social room.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE— 6/29/08

Worship: 9:00 AM— 78 11:15 AM— 25

OFFERING— 6/29/08

Contributions	\$ 2,090.00
Other Income	\$ <u>100.00</u>
Weekly Total	\$ 2,190.00
Weekly Budget	\$ <u>4,688.48</u>
	\$ -2,498.88

BUILDING SAFETY AND SECURITY

This summer, the Board of Trustees will be working on projects that will improve some of our building safety and security here at First UMC.

Why are we doing this?

We are not responding to any incident, rather, we are being proactive to make sure that we continue to have a safe working and worship environment here at the church.

How will this be accomplished?

This is a 3 phase project that we will be working on.

We are currently in Phase 2 which involves re-keying the building both inside and out. This will give us the ability to again, have updated equipment, but also to have better accountability as to who we know has access to the building through the issuing of new door keys.

What else is needed?

We are in need of your additional financial support. A portion of these upgrades has been provided by a grant from the Endowment Fund. To Date we have received **\$625** toward this project. We are still in need of an additional **\$2055**. Any donations that you can give would be greatly appreciated.

We appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation as we move forward with this project. If you have further questions please feel free to contact Rev. McCoy or Bill Michelin, chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

RECEIPTS ARE WORTH IT!

Have you ever wondered if keeping your Econo Food receipts and turning them in here at the church is really worth it? YES, IT IS! On June 24, Econo Foods presented a check to FUMC in the amount of \$768.38. This will go towards our upcoming mission trip. The Missions Work Area thanks everyone for bringing in their receipts. Please continue to bring in those receipts, it really does pay off!

Items of Interest

FELLOWSHIP HOUR-TODAY

Join us outside for fellowship hour if the weather permits, otherwise join us in room 108.

WELCOME HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORKERS

Once again our friends from Iowa will be using our church as their "home away from home" while they work for Habitat for Humanity. They will be here through July 12 using our church and social room. Please be patient as we share our church for this worthwhile cause and let's make them feel welcome!

COMMUNION OFFERING

Our offering as we go up to communion today will go toward our FUMC monthly community meal. Drop your offering in the kettles on the front pew.

USHERS NEEDED

We are still in need of ushers for the fourth Sunday of the month at 11:15 New Day worship. Please notify Deb McCoy 226-3683 or debbymc@chartermi.net to volunteer. Thank you for your help in this important ministry.

UMCOR

UMCOR is continuing to provide relief for the Midwest flood areas. If you would like to help, donations for UMCOR relief efforts can be made by writing a check to "FUMC" and designate in the memo area #901670 –MidWest Flood.

GIVING STATEMENTS

The second quarter giving statements are ready to be picked up in the upper narthex. Please stop and get yours!

FINANCE FRIENDLY REMINDER

The finance committee would like to remind everyone to use your stickers on your offering envelopes. This makes it much easier for those counting the offering and for our treasurer. If you use a check for your offering, you many want to consider tucking your stickers into your checkbook. This way you will always have them with you. Thank you!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Have you tried to write in an attendance pad on Sunday morning and found no pencil available or perhaps found a pencil that is badly in need of sharpening? Or, perhaps you wanted to write a prayer request and found no card in the pew pocket. We are in need of volunteers to come to the sanctuary during the week to prepare the sanctuary for members and guests who worship with us each Sunday. This is a task that you can do at your convenience during the week. Ideally, we would have a person or two take a month at a time on a rotating schedule. The time commitment would be about an hour each week. Please call the church office or Sharon Rice, worship work area chair (226-3643), for more information or to volunteer. Help make our sanctuary a more welcoming place for all.

FELLOWSHIP TIME DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN

We've all come to count on a cup of coffee and a snack after church while we gather to greet friends or head for the second service. Have you ever thought about the number of people that volunteer every Sunday of the year to keep Fellowship Time running? Our pool of helpers is small and we really need more volunteers -- all ages and sexes qualify! It's an easy way to support your church as you don't have to give a speech or attend a meeting -- just bake or buy some cookies! Please contact: Norma Matteson -- 1st service (228-4165) and Natalie Zappa -- 2nd service (249-9064)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—AUGUST 4-8

It is time once again to be thinking about Vacation Bible School! Remember how much fun it was or still is to go on a Nature Trek? Join us on our "Friendship Trek" with Jesus, our Forever Friend! **VBS will be held August 4-8 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**

We are looking for "easy to assemble" Christmas Trees to make a forest for the campfire stories. Plus sleeping bags and lanterns. Please mark all things, check with Kathy Cox (631-7761) or Kelly Ross (361-6926) on where to put donated items. Thank you!

Watch for a list of craft supply items that you could donate in the coming weeks! Thanks again!

Look ahead to all the fun we will have! Hope to see you at VBS Friendship Trek!

VBS DAY 1 -

We will meet a raccoon named Raya! Raccoons reach out with their hands to do tasks or get food. Jesus reached out to Matthew and asked Matthew to follow Him and be His friend. Jesus, Our Friend, reaches out to make us His friends too, Raya means "friend".

VBS FORMS

You can find a VBS registration form in the July newsletter or in the upper narthex. Please fill it out and return to the church office.

