

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00 AM, AA Meeting, Rm 108

15 MONDAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

9:30 AM, Pastor's Bible Study, Parlor

12:00 PM World Service Guild,
Perkin's Restaurant

6:00 PM, Liturgist Training, Sanctuary

6:30 PM, Girl Scouts #13, SR

7:00 PM, Boy Scouts, 103

16 TUESDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

5:30 PM, Stephen Ministry Cont.
Education & Peer Supervision, Parlor

17 WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM, Staff Meeting, Office

12:00 PM, Tricades, Margrifs'

5:45 PM, Child care for music groups
(Room 206-208)

6:00 PM, Hearts on Fire, Sanctuary

7:00 PM, Sanctuary Choir, 205

8:30 PM, Celebration Ringers, 110

18 THURSDAY

4:15 PM, UMW Executive Mtg, Parlor

5:30 PM, OEA, 108

6:00 PM, UMW Potluck, SR

19 FRIDAY

20 SATURDAY

9:00 AM, AA, 108

Next Sunday September 21, 2008

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon:

*From Marquette to Chatham,
Illinois, to the world*

9:00 AM, Worship

**10:00 AM, Fellowship,
Social Room**

10:15 AM, Church School

11:15 AM, New Day Worship

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

4:00 PM, NDA, Social Room

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Today In Our Church" ~ September 14, 2008

Flowers are given today by Kathy & Jerry Cox in celebration of their granddaughter, Taylor Lynn, turning 1 year old on September 16.

Welcome Visitors! Thank you for worshipping with us!

9:00 AM: Worship—(nursery available)

Children may leave after Children's Time to go to the Education Building:

- **3-4 Year Olds** Active Play in the Family Room 206
- **Kindergarten-5th grade**, Children's Worship, Room 201
- **6th grade and up, Back Pew Gang** - join us in the last pew, in front of the sound system board, to sit with your friends during worship.

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

10:15 AM: Church School

All classes are posted on the doors. Visiting children are always welcome.

Pre - K and Kindergarten—Room 201

First Grade through Senior High—3rd floor

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12:00 PM: Fellowship, Upper Narthex

4:00 PM: National Dance Association, Social Room

**LAY PARTICIPANTS TODAY
SEPTEMBER 14**

Usher: 9:00 AM— Betty Pangrazzi, Judy Collins,
Jimmy Hardy, Bill & Rosemary Michelin
11:15 AM— Cheryl Wurster, Deb McCoy
Liturgist: 9:00 AM — Marianne Darden
11:15 AM— Bobbie Clift
Nursery: No schedule at time of print
Children's Time: Don Balmer
Fellowship Time:
9:00 AM—Janet Ekstrum, Ellen Zaki
11:15 AM— Mary Densmore or Bobbie Clift
PowerPoint: 9:00 AM— Amanda Olsen
11:15 AM— Meagan Castro-Lopez
Sound System: 9:00 AM— Joe Martin

**LAY PARTICIPANTS NEXT SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 21**

Usher: 9:00 AM— Janet Ekstrum, Carol Margrif
11:15 AM— Paul and Patty Martin
Liturgist: 9:00 AM & 11:15 AM—Mission Team
Nursery: No schedule at time of print
Children's Time: Jeff Marlowe
Fellowship Time:
9:00 AM— John & Gail Koski
11:15 AM— Patty Martin
PowerPoint: 9:00 AM— Kyle Ekstrum
11:15 AM— Maria Virch
Sound System: 9:00 AM— Jeff Marlowe

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Throughout the year, people come to First UMC requesting assistance. Rev. McCoy has a fund to give assistance with gift certificates for food and fuel. With the increase of requests, the fund is getting low. He would like to continue to give assistance on behalf of First UMC to the community in need. Please consider donating to this fund. Checks can be made out to FUMC with "pastor's discretionary fund" noted in the memo. Thank you!

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

The church has a number of medical equipment articles available to borrow (walkers, canes, commodes, etc). They are stored in room 107 (green door across from room 110) and may be taken at any time. If you have questions or need assistance, call Bobbie Clift, PN (249-5210 or 906-361-2234) or the church office.

BELL MEMORIAL CHAPEL DEDICATION

Bell Memorial Hospital will be dedicating its new chapel on **Wednesday, September 17** from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. This will be at their new facility located at 901 Lakeshore Drive in Ishpeming. They are inviting all clergy, church members and the community to attend.

FOOD BOX REQUEST

Tea, coffee (instant or ground), hot chocolate mix, dry creamer. Food boxes are downstairs near the entrance to the social room.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE— 9/7/08

Worship: 9:00 AM— 98 11:15 AM— 41

OFFERING— 9/7/08

Contributions	\$ 3,355.05
Other Income	\$ <u>120.00</u>
Weekly Total	\$ 3,475.05
Weekly Budget	\$ <u>4,688.48</u>
	\$ -1,213.43

BUILDING SAFETY AND SECURITY UPDATE

The Board of Trustees is continuing to work in improving some of our building safety and security here at First UMC.

We are currently in Phase 2 of a 3 Phase project which involves re-keying the building both inside and out.

The Board of Trustees will be developing a key policy to help facilitate loaning out keys. When the re-keying of the building takes place, announcements will be made.

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 **\$1,425** toward this project. We are still in need of an additional **\$1,255**. 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.

PERSONAL ACTION TOWARDS HEALTH CLASS

Bobbie Clift will be teaching a PATH class (Personal Action Towards Health) beginning on **Tuesday, October 7** from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM in room 108. This is a 6 week program that meets once a week for 2 1/2 hours. The goal is to teach practical skills for living a healthy life for persons who have an ongoing health condition. It is an addition to your regular medical treatment. It DOES NOT replace it. Please contact Bobbie Clift for further information (249-5210)

Items of Interest

DISTRICT MISSION OF THE YEAR-TODAY

Today, we will take a special offering for District Mission of the Year. This year's recipient is Faithorn UMC which is located 13 miles south of Norway. They are raising funds to rebuild their front steps and a handicap lift to get into the building. There is a special insert with more information about this church and an offering envelope enclosed.

125 HYMNS TONIGHT AT GRACE UMC

Grace UMC invites you to participate in singing **125 Hymns** as part of the celebration of their 125th anniversary. The singing will begin at 4:00 PM **TONIGHT**. There will be breaks for refreshments. You may come and go as you wish.

PASTORS BIBLE STUDY

Beginning on **Monday, September 15**, Rev. McCoy will be leading a Pastors Bible Study. It will begin at 9:30AM in the parlor and will run every other week through Advent (Schedule subject to change.) No need to RSVP just come in and join us on Monday mornings. If you have further questions please feel free to call the church 225-1344 or email Rev. McCoy at smccoy@fumcmarquette.org

LITURGIST TRAINING

A reminder to all liturgists that we will meet tomorrow night, **Monday, September 15 from 6-7 PM**. Rev. McCoy would like to meet with all liturgists for a training and refresher session. We understand if you are not able to make it. We will have another training in January. It is expected that all liturgists will be at one of the training sessions.

WORLD SERVICE GUILD

Reminder! We will gather for our annual get together at Perkins Restaurant on **Monday, September 15, 2008** at 12:00 PM.

TRICADES

Tricades will be guests at Carol and Fred Margrif's home (128 Timber Lane) on **Wednesday, September 17** for a potluck lunch at 12:00 pm. They will furnish the beverages and place settings. Tricades is for anyone who is 55 and older.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The regular meeting of United Methodist Women will meet on **Thursday, September 18** beginning at 6:00 PM in the social room with a potluck. Mary Nell Burton and Norma Matteson are the hostesses. Grace UMW has been invited to join us. Bring a dish to pass only, plates, etc. will be furnished. Carol Margrif will present the program "Education for Extinction". All ladies of the church are invited, so please come and get acquainted with us.

UMW EXECUTIVE MEETING

The UMW executive meeting will be on **Thursday, September 18** at 4:15 PM in the parlor.

USHERING OPPORTUNITIES

We are still in need of ushers for the fourth Sunday at the 11:15 New Day Worship. If you are interested in helping out please contact Deb McCoy, Ushers Coordinator at 226-3683 or debbymc@chartermi.net

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL UMYF

Hello youth, What a summer! Spiritual growth, marriage, and maturing (a little) for me as your leader. I hope your summer went well and that you are ready for another school year. This year, youth will be focusing on exploring our roles as the young people for Christ. Middle School and High School UMYF meetings will now take place during Sunday school and our activities will be right after church. I'm excited to be back as your leader for another year and I look forward to growing in faith and fellowship together with you. I can't wait to start - our first meeting will be September 21. Take care and God Bless. -Andy Lawrence, Youth Director

September 21 - Guess Who? Discussion on how much do we know about each other and the role of youth fellowship in our lives. Activity - No after church activity

September 28 - What's the Plan? Discussion on what we want to accomplish as a youth group. Layout the goals, fundraisers, trips and other events we want to do as a group this year. Activity - Cook out at Presque Isle Park after church. We will return to the church by 3 pm.

ADULT GROUP DISCUSSION AND DINNER

A new group is forming to have dinner and conversation using, *Workbook on the Christian Walk*. Our first dinner will be, **Friday, October 3**, 6:00 PM at the church in the social room. We will meet every first and third Friday of the month. The following dinners, we will rotate meeting at homes and each bring a portion of the meal. This is an opportunity to develop a meaningful relationship with other church members as you strengthen your Christian walk. **RSVP by Wednesday, October 1** to Gail Koski, 249-3344 or Patty Martin 228-2013.