



Winterset-Patterson June, 2019 United Methodist Messenger



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Vision Statement: *We seek to be a people who experience the transforming power of Jesus Christ and passionately desire to:*

- * Learn what Christ teaches*
- * Live as Christ lives*
- * Love as Christ loves*

So that, the world can experience the Kingdom of God!

Mission Statement: **The making of disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**



Dear Winterset First and Patterson UMC Friends,

Most of us in this digital age are connected with others through social media. I certainly spend a fair amount of time on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and of course, endless e-mails. In some respects, it has changed the way we create a sense of community. I think it is great.

Ken Willard and Mike Schreiner in their book “Stride” write social media provides positive things to the way we do community such as: 1) it is open to everyone. 2) Provides a sense of belonging. 3) Provides ability to keep in touch with friends and loved ones. 4) Posses quick speed and breadth of communication.

There are also some negatives to social media: 1) distracts us from the present moment. 2) Robs face-to-face relationships. 3) Gives a false sense of belonging. 4) Has a lack of accountability. In the end, social networking is a **supplement**, not a **substitute** for community.

I have a vision for a way the church can engage in community building that is beneficial, but it is nothing new to Methodism. Schreiner and Willard go on to say that John Wesley created the Class meeting and Class bands that were meant to take us beyond simply “socializing”. It takes us to the level of truly doing life together, sharing our story with others, learning trust and commitment and accountability, listening to one another with empathy, praying for each other, demonstrating compassion to one another, serving one another, and even sacrificing for, and suffering with, one another. When I say this is nothing new, even, these churches in Winterset and Patterson were started some 170 years ago on this very model. Methodists were required then, and even now some United Methodist Churches are requiring belonging to a small group for being a member.

You ask what we do in these small groups. I’m glad you asked. First of all, we Methodists don’t do anything without food. Beyond that there is a certain rhythm to the meetings. The size of the group is about twelve or so. We share our struggles and challenges with each other. Provides for congregational care for one another. Several times a year each group should coordinate and execute service projects around the church and the community. Finally they should have fun together as a group.

Our lives are so filled with activity involvement that we forget to take care of ourselves. Joining a small group is a great way to rethink our lives. Maybe there are things in our lives that need to give way to make room for more of Jesus. The class meeting and class bands are a way to connect with each other and connect with Jesus. I am looking for some leaders who would like to meet with me in the parsonage to start the small group ministry. The intention here is to train you for ministry to begin at some point to invite people to your home. Come and talk to me about this if you are interested in beginning a new and exciting journey.

God Bless all you all!! - Pastor Mark

Kitchen Supplies

If **ANYTHING** is borrowed from the kitchen, please make sure you sign it out and make sure to return it promptly when you are finished with it. We have had issues of things not coming back in time for other events and we would like to make sure that everything gets returned as quick as possible. The book is next to the fire extinguisher in the kitchen. Please utilize it.

Thank you,
Kitchen crew

Madison County Bible Reading Marathon

Our Madison County Bible Reading Marathon will be held next week on the Madison County Courthouse lawn (southeast Corner):

-Wednesday, August 7th

-Thursday, August 8th

-Friday, August 9th

-Saturday, August 10th

8:00AM-7:00PM

We hope you can join us again this year! Come and read as often as you can, please! You're welcome to bring family and friends with you.



5:00-6:15 pm—Join us each Wednesday for supper. **PLEASE READ NEW UPDATE** We will meet at the church rain or heat or pleasant weather so you know where the meal will be each week. The Menu will vary each week. However, bring a salad or something to share, if able. As of January 29, 2019 we have had to make the decision that we will no longer be doing deliveries due to various reasons. Also, during the winter months, if the school cancels due to the weather there will not be any evening activities such as Wednesday night supper. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause some of you.

Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry is blessed to have many dedicated volunteers, many of whom come every month to volunteer.

Those who can't assist on the 4th Mondays can still assist the food pantry by purchasing certain items for the pantry. We also invite all members to contribute. There are some items the Food Bank of Iowa seldom or never has available. One example is rolls of paper towels.

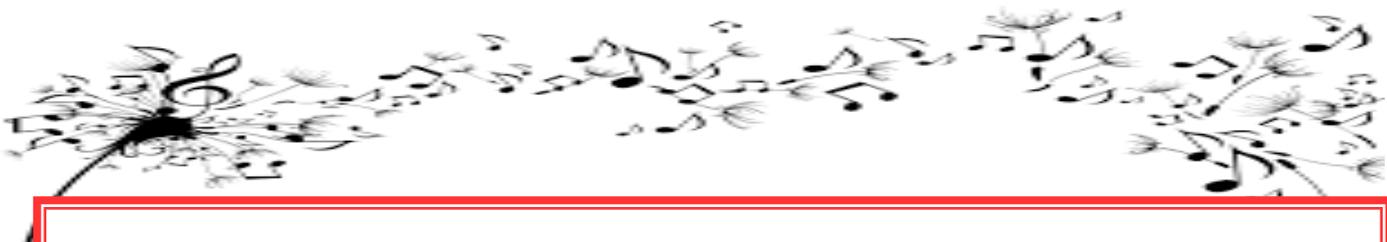
The August Food Pantry will be held on August 26th from 4:30-6:30PM. **For this month we are still in need of Dish Detergent that we can hand out to the clients.** If you can donate Dish Detergent please put it in the box that is labeled in the Lobby by the stairs. Thank you!



The Food Bank of Iowa is a private, charitable, not-for-profit organization committed to our mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The First United Methodist Church of Winterset is partnering with the Food Bank to provide a monthly food assistance program. The Food Bank delivers fresh produce, protein and non-perishables and we distribute the food. The Food Pantry will be held in the church lobby & fellowship hall on the **fourth Monday of each month from 4:30-6:30 pm. This is open to anyone so please let others know.** You do not have to be a Madison County resident. Please enter the east door of the church and sign in with your name, household size, zip code/county and self-declare your income eligibility. You do not have to bring or show any income papers. Please bring boxes to put your food in to carry home. **The next Food Pantry is Monday, August 26th.**



SEWING ANGELS
 Join us for all or part of the day on Mondays, August 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, . Contact Lou Scholtens, 462-1566, for additional information



A message from your Music Director

There is always an open invitation for new members to join the Chancel Choir. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7-8 pm. Open to ages 14 and up. If you would like to join please contact the music director Robin Clarke at 917-459-5889 or just show up.

“Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!”

~Psalm 95:2b



Bidwell Riverside uses Labels for Education to earn free items for their mission to those in poverty. *Only items with a Label for Education logo will be accepted.*



Donate your previous copies of the Upper Rooms and Guideposts devotionals to Bidwell Riverside.



The Ronald McDonald House uses the funds they receive from recycling aluminum pop tabs to help pay for families' overnight stays at the House.

Donate your old cell phones & chargers to Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center.



That pair of glasses you no longer use can change another person's life. Eye-glasses will be donated to the Lions Club.

Drop your donations for these projects in the containers in the church library.

Your donations of pop cans and pop bottles of all sizes help provide camperships for the children in our church family. A box is in the lobby by the elevator and also by the pop machine in fellowship hall for your pop can and pop bottle donations.



First United Methodist Church Administrative Council Meeting Minutes May 14, 2019

Call to Order: Bob Rhoads called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Finance: Kathy distributed financial statements. The ending balance was \$14,287. Payroll is changing to direct deposits. The new AC unit has been installed. \$3000 has been contributed toward its cost. Kathy will be preparing January-June giving statements this month.

Missions: The committee will be having a meeting July 10. The ice cream social will be July 26. The committee is working on the Ingathering kits.

Education: The committee is doing a book study of spirituality as part of the Path to Discipleship.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Henry



Patterson news

After celebrating Independence Day on July 4th we started our month out with our after Church Brunch that followed our Church service on July 7th. There was a lot of conversation on how everyone celebrated the Holiday.

On July 18th we had our Family Night Supper with a great attendance. Even though the heat has been some what unbearable we still made it out for the our evening of great conversation and fellowship.

Hospitalized during the month were Marjorie Robbins and Butch Gordon who did get to go home after 8 weeks on the 19th. We are all praying that they both have a speedy recovery.

Our dates in August to remember are August 4th for our After Church Brunch and August 15th for Family Night Supper.

We always welcome anyone who would like to join us on the 1st Sunday every month at Church Service at 9:00 AM and our Brunch that follows. Plus our Family Night Supper that is the 3rd Thursday of every Month at 6:30 PM. 7

Back to School is almost here, and we would like to wish all the kids a great first day of school and an amazing school year!



CHURCH FAMILY

Patterson United Methodist Church



Worship Service– 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings
 After church Sunday Brunch– 1st Sunday of the Month
 Family Night Potluck-3rd Thursday of the Mont @ 6:30pm

Winterset First United Methodist Church



Please Come join us each Sunday for service.
 Sunday School starts at 9:30 a.m
 Worship Service Starts 10:30 a.m.
 Free Wednesday Night Suppers at 5:30 p.m.



Happy Birthday to those who celebrate in August:

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| Pauline Jones 8/6 | Larry Wildin 8/15 | Wayne Allen 8/24 |
| Gunnar Goemaat 8/6 | Ann Hoadley 8/16 | Kade Forsyth 8/24 |
| Bev Rhoads 8/7 | Sharon Gibson 8/17 | Clayton Lowe 8/28 |
| Karen Brittain 8/7 | Nancy Ruby 8/14 | |
| Leo Jamison 8/8 | Bob Benshoof 8/17 | |
| Fred Gibson 8/14 | Helen Jackson 8/19 | |

The United Methodist Women will not Meet in August. Our next meeting will be September 10th.



August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Patterson Brunch	5 Sewing Angels 9-5	6	7 5:00 Wednesday Supper 7-8 Chancel choir practice	8 Finance @ 7:00 pm	9	10
11	12 Sewing Angels 9-5 Trustee' s meet- ing at 7:00 pm.	13 SPPRC @ 6:00 pm Ad Council @ 7:00 pm	14 5:00 Wednesday Supper 7-8 Chancel choir practice	15 Patterson family night potluck @ 6:30	16	17
18	19 Sewing Angels 9-5 Education Commit- tee meeting at 7:00 pm	20	21 5:00 Wednesday Supper 7-8 Chancel choir practice	22 WIC 10-7	23	24
25	26 Sewing Angels 9-5 Food Pantry 4:30- 6:30 pm	27 Food pantry 9 -11 am	28 5:00 Wednesday Supper 7-8 Chancel choir practice	29	30	31

Wednesday Music Schedule—Vocal and Hand Bell Choirs— No Handbell Practice until further notice.

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**Prayer Chain Requests—Call Jennifer Umbaugh at the church office, 462-2912.**

**Sunday Morning Worship Services**  
 Patterson—9:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 10:00 a.m. After Church Brunch—1st Sunday of month  
 Winterset--9:00 -10:00 a.m. Sunday School— Unity Adult Class;  
 Junior High & High School Class led by Nancy Ruby  
 10:00 am Welcome Coffee  
 10:30 am Worship Service  
 Ages 3-4th Grades Sunday School-mid-service  
 10:00-11:30 a.m. Nursery Available