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### THE COMMUNICATOR - OCTOBER, 2018

Ada/Minneapolis United Methodist Churches



#### "CHANGELESS AND CHANGE"

In August and September, a group of people cleaned some storage areas and the library in our church. I didn't know there were as many storage areas in our church with a bunch of dusty stuff in them! Most of what was found was never used for over 20 years. It took more time than they thought to clean the areas. We found some dusty treasures to be put in the storage areas and several files about church history in the library. The interesting thing was the minutes of the Trustees in 2000. They were researching about bats; names, habits, nests and so on. They were struggling with bats at that time and they couldn't find the way to move bats out from our sanctuary. Bats are still worshiping with us and I have caught several bats since I have been appointed to this church! Sometimes those bats bother me, making it difficult to focus on my sermon during our Sunday service, but it looks like they have been part of our church for almost 20 years now. We hope they can find more comfortable places to live in the future, but those bats look like they are being part of our church history.

Anyway, through those kinds of experiences, I want to think about church history this time. Trustees might have had regular meetings and wrote the minutes at that time like we do right now. They might never have thought those bats would still be in the sanctuary after 20 years, and someone found the minutes and read them. Let's think about our ministry and meeting today. We are writing church history right now for our next generation.....not just only worshiping God and doing church ministries. We don't know what our church will be like in 2040, and who is going to be our church leaders. But we know that we are writing our church history every moment and even our decisions will make different history in the future. I don't think any church members want to finish our church history in 2020 or 2030. Everyone wants to keep writing our church history in 2050 and 2100. So, how can we make that kind of long church history?

The Church should take some risk to be changed to accept the new generation and keep doing God's mission and ministries. I had a chance to meet Rev. John Ed Mathison who was a Senior Pastor at Frazer Memorial UMC for 36 years at the Leadership Conference two weeks ago. He was one of the main speakers and talked about "The changeless and the changing" in the church. The changeless in the church are our Master Jesus Christ, the message and the mission. The rest of the part in the church can be changed for making fruitful ministry. Rev. Mathison said, "If a business or an organization or a church refuses to change in areas where change is essential, they don't stay around very long." I'll share more about that on some Sunday later. So, now, let's think about what kind of changes our church needs for making fruitful ministries and a healthy church for our next generation. Hope our church history will be written by our next generation in 2100 also!

- Pastor Joohyang Kim

## OCTOBER SCHEDULES LITURGISTS

7 - Tamala Lott

14 - Children's Sabbath

21 - Shayla Bailey

28 – Tamala Lott

#### **ACOLYTES**

7 – Ethan and Quinley Bohl

14 - Children's Sabbath

21 – Kaitlyn and McKenna Worlock

28 - Riley Bohl and P. J. Ocker

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGES**

7 – Shayla Bailey

14 - Children's Sabbath

21 - Joan Miles

28 - Tamala Lott

#### **GREETERS**

7 - Daren and Ruthie Sanders

14 - Children's Sabbath

21 - Al and Joan Miles

28 - Megan Grimes Family

#### **NURSERY**

7 - Tammy Krueger & Shayla Bailey

14 – Becky McDuffee & Rosalee Tibbits

21 - Becky McDuffee & Barb Kibler

28 - Becky McDuffee, Kristi & Paul Ocker

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

2 - Justin Abell

2- Javlee Abell

4 - Daryl Stone

10 - Coby Grimes

12 - Kermit Shipley

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

7 – Jeff & Tamala Lott

16 – Dr. Kermit Wedel & Kathleen

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE

The monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - ADULT

Adult Sunday School Class meets every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. Following are the lessons that will be discussed in October:

7 - God's Justice

14 - Global Economic Justice

21 – Loving and just Behavior

28 – Practicing Justice

#### CHILDREN'S SABBATH...

Plan to attend Children's Sabbath 2018 on October 14<sup>th</sup>. The youth of our church will conduct the entire service entitled "Jesus is our Healer...We are free."

Children's Sabbath is a day set aside by churches all over the world for the purpose of spotlighting and affirming the children around us. This special day is when our children have the opportunity to share the gospel in their own words. So invite neighbors and friends to bring their children to church to see the love of Jesus in action!

There will be praise songs, a skit, scripture, special music and prayers as we "Get Caught by Jesus' Love!"

Bring your loose change as the children will collect a special offering for a summer meal program for our county that is in the beginning planning stages.

Following the service, the youth will host a potluck with dinner donations to go toward camps or youth activities.

#### **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Worship Committee would like to enlist the help of the church members with greeter rotation. A sign will be posted on the office windows for the months of September and October. Please sign up when you are able to be a greeter or leave your name with Pat Baccus or Colette Henderson if you are willing to help.

#### METHODIST WOMEN

U.M.W. will meet Tuesday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Wesley Room for the monthly fellowship meeting. All women of the church are welcome.

Operation Christmas Child – Once again it is time to think about preparing shoebox gifts for this mission project. November 18 is our collection date this year. Pamphlets are available and a collection box in the back of the sanctuary will be in place soon. Everyone is encouraged to join this international project for evangelism through the organization Samaritan's Purse.

A recent report from Operation Christmas Child stated that every year the number of boy gifts is much less than the need, so if you are debating which to do, they would appreciate a boy gift.

#### **COME TO A TOWN HALL MEETING!**

The FORWARD IN UNITY Process Team of the Great Plains Conference invites you to learn more about the options shared by the Commission on a Way Forward, a group of 32 people who have worked to preserve unity within the denomination despite differences over human sexuality. Bishop Ruben Saenz Jr. is leading town hall meetings in all 17 districts leading up to the special session of General Conference in February 2019 in St. Louis. Each meeting will feature details of three proposals and will provide an opportunity for discussion. You're invited to come listen, learn and, most importantly, share.

Date: October 14, 2018 Time: 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

**Location: Trinity United Methodist Church** 

901 E. Neal Avenue Salina, Kansas

#### **NOAH'S ARK PRESCHOOL**

Noah's Ark Preschool began the new school year on September 4 with a full complement of students, 12 in each class. School Director, Megan Grimes is concerned about the number of kids who may need For several years now, scholarships. generous church members have been giving half-scholarships to needy students, who did not qualify for Heat Start. This year Head Start only accepted 12 students for their program when they went to all day Head Start sessions. This left at least eight students or more who should have gone to Head Start needing preschool and they have come to Noah's Ark. Many of them have already been evaluated as having IEP (Individualized Education Program). Some students have not yet been tested for this. This puts our Noah's Ark Preschool in a predicament. These parents whose children have been in Head Start last year may not be able to pay their part of their child's tuition or may not understand their need to pay. Megan reported on September 23 that some parents have paid nothing yet. Not their Registration fees nor their first month's tuition. So, we will need more scholarships this year. Thank you so much to all our scholarship providers from previous school years. We cannot operate the school without you! We are applying for a GL Huyett Grant, but the Preschool's needs really fall outside the Huyett Grant parameters, so we may be rejected. Noah's Ark Preschool is asking for your prayers and if you feel led, your generosity. God bless

**Sharon Foust, Board President** 

#### PRACTICE REMINDERS

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Noah's Ark Preschool

Every Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice

Every Sunday after church Service Praise Bank Practice

November 7, 2018 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

# United Methodist Church Steak or Hamburger Dinner

## **Dine In or Carry Out**

Buffet Style – Grilled meat

6 oz. Top sirloin steak – Dine in \$11 – Carry out \$12

Hamburger – Dine in \$7 – Carry out \$8

Carry outs begin at 4:30 p.m.



Sirloin steak or hamburger

Baked potato, green beans, salad

Roll, drink and a dessert

Workers and dessert makers needed!

Signup sheets available at the church or

Contact the following

Dale or Colette Henderson at 392-6187

**Tamala Lott at 392-7193** 



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 10:00 A.M. Love INC Mtg.	4	5	6
7 World Communion First Praise Band Practice	8	9	10 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. Ad Council Mtg.	11 10:30 a.m. OCMA Mtg. at Love INC	12	13 9:00 a.m./Noon Dist. Work Shop in Salina
14 Children's Sabbath – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun. Dinner  Praise Band Practice  Town Hall Mtg.	15	16 7:00 p.m. UMW Meeting	17 5:45 – 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice	18	19 Lay Servant Ministries (conf. to be held on 11-10-18 Registration	20
Salina 21 Laity Sun. Praise Band Practice	22	23	24 5:45 – 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice	25	26	27
Ada/Mpls svc LTC 2:45pm Good Sam's 3:30 pm				End of Registration		
28 Praise Band Practice	29	30	31 5:45 – 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice			

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## The Following Minutes were approved on October 10, 2018 Minneapolis First United Methodist Church Administrative Council Meeting

**September 13, 2018** 

The September Administrative Council Committee ("ADCO") Meeting was opened by ADCO Chairman, Dale Henderson. Pastor Kim opened the meeting with prayer. In attendance were Dale Henderson, Gary Kay, Patti Bertrand, Steve Baccus, Joan Miles, Colette Henderson, Megan Grimes, Deb Nichols, Tammy Krueger, Barb Kibler, Pat Baccus, Sharon Foust and Pastor Kim.

The Minutes of the last ADCO meeting were approved by Gary Kay and seconded by Sharon Foust with 12 ayes and 1 nay.

<u>Dale Henderson, Chairman -</u> Dale reported that John Darrow has resigned as a member of the Trustee's Committee. Angie Darrow will be removed from one who worked in the nursery.

The annual church steak dinner will be on November 7.

<u>Gary Kay, Lay Leader</u> The Outreach Committee and helpers fed 83 people at FCA this month.

<u>Treasurer's Report – Patti Bertrand</u> The Finance Committee recommended to ADCO that \$5,000 from the Jean King Estate gift be added to the Trustee's budget and that the monies be used for Trustees to purchase new computers for the Pastor and the church office. Recommendation approved. The balance of \$85,000 has been invested in the First United Methodist Church of Minneapolis Fund at the Ottawa County Community Foundation. M&M's are increasing by \$450.00.

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#### Finance Committee Report - Steve Baccus No report

<u>Trustee's Report – Gary Kay</u> Gary Kay reported leaks were found in the roof in the Pastor's office and Nursery that will cost \$672 to repair. Nick Krueger and Gary Kay approved repair of the roof damage. Gary advised that \$150/year would pay for roof crack inspections. There is approximately 4,800 sq. ft. of roof.

<u>SPPR/Staff/Pastor/Parish Relations Committee Report - Rodger Peck</u> - No report

<u>Education Committee Report – Megan Grimes –</u> Megan Grimes priority to get more children coming to Sunday School.

<u>Outreach/Fellowship Committee – Tammy Krueger/Deb Nichols:</u> The FCA meal was a success. Our Outreach/Fellowship Committee will host two more meals during this school year.

<u>Missions Committee - Blythe Atwell/Rosalee Tibbits:</u> A Church's City-Wide Garage Sale cleared \$1,000. Treasurer will put this money in the Money Market Account for

now. Our Missions Committee and the Jewell Church's Missions Committee is partnering with a grade school in Zimbabwe as part of the Chibadza Partnership between the Salina District and the sister district in Zimbabwe.

#### **Love INC - Donna Johnson** - No report

Worship Committee – Colette Henderson/Pat Baccus, Co-chairpersons. Colette advised that she along with others have been cleaning out storage rooms, library, etc. in the church. Children's Sabbath will be held on Sunday, October 14.

<u>United Methodist Women – Sharon Foust</u> Ice Cream Social was held on August 26.

Noah's Ark Preschool – Sharon Foust Four-year-old children classes are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the three-year-old classes are on Tuesday and Thursday, with 12 in each class, 24 total students. Eight students from Head Start are now attending Noah's Ark. If we can provide scholarships from the church, the parents will still need to pay half. This will be discussed at the next Ad Council meeting in October.

**Old Business** - Nothing to discuss.

<u>New Business Discussed at the September Meeting –</u> Will the \$150.00 for roof crack inspections be approved?

Has cleaning the church been discussed with the PPR Committee?

What is the status of having training in the event of an active shooter comes into the church?

Steve Baccus made the motion to modernizing the sanctuary and Tammy Krueger seconded the motion. All ayes. Steve Baccus advised this issue is now turned over to the Trustee's Committee. What is the status of this project?

Will Paula Baccus act as chairperson of the annual church dinner? Will Rodger Peck prepare the meat?

<u>Pastor Kim's Report –</u> Pastor Kim reported he attended the FCA meeting and dinner with the youth. He enjoyed worshiping with the youth and looks forward to attending more FCA meetings. Pastor Kim will be attending the Leadership Conference in Kansas City on September 26, 27 and 28. The Praise Band will meet for their first practice the end of this month and will start to serve the middle of October.

**Closing** - The meeting was closed with a prayer given by Gary Kay.

<u>Next Meeting -</u> The next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 10, 2018 in the Fellowship Hall, downstairs at the church.

Respectfully submitted by: Joan Miles Secretary