



Happy Independence Day

Celebrating our freedom to worship as we choose, is a wonderful way to celebrate Independence Day. Our worship service will feature special music appropriate for the day by Dolly Harris and later a duet by Mary Pietenpol and Ellen Liens. Karen Ruesink will lead our opening hymn sing. Lots of inspiring music for our time together.

The sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated. The scripture lesson is from Mark 6:1-13 and Pastor Dick is preaching.

Our worship is in-person and available live on Facebook.

Feel free to submit prayer requests here or directly to Pastor Dick at pastor@uccsouthhaven.com

Also, do follow our church page to keep informed.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday:

Worship at 9:30 in person and on FB

Monday:

Office is closed—4th of July observed

Tuesday:

Prayer Group, 1:30 p.m. (Zoom)

Mission Board mtg., 6 p.m.

Women's Book Study, 7 p.m. (Zoom)

Wednesday:

Men's coffee, 9 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Women's Fellowship gathering, 2 p.m.

Thursday:

Men's coffee, 9 a.m., Lounge

Wednesday/Friday

10 a.m. to Noon—Food Pantry

Church Office Hours

9:30—1:30 p.m.—M-F

Contact the church office if you are interested in joining any of these events.

Hello ladies,

We are having a social gathering IN PERSON on Wednesday, July 7, at 2 pm in Fellowship Hall. It will be a chance to catch up and get our groove back! Please let me know if you can come or that you ARE interested but can't make it this time.

All women are welcome, along with guests. Our format will be more social/fellowship type activities, some projects/service, a few business meetings.

Looking forward to seeing you,

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New Women's Bible Study

The women of the church are invited to join us for a Zoom Bible Study on the book of Philippians. It is a five-week study led by Ana Chavarria on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. Pastor Mike will be the Zoom host. Let Ana (anachavarria21@icloud.com) or Pastor Mike (michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com) know if you are interested in participating.

ADOPT A DAY

June 25th, in celebration of Michelle Strebeck Rawsky's 30th birthday, given by her family.

Tuesday Prayer Group

If you have prayer requests, please let the church office know. These will be added to the Tuesday and Sunday lists .

Please hold the following in your prayers:

Novella Barden

Chip Harris

Margaret Guimond

Sharon McNicholas

Gary Scott

Miriam Dick

Susan Shellenberger

Keyana Dick and children

Jessica Wheeler, Karen Morey's daughter-in-law

We pray for our brothers and sisters at **Congregational UCC in Galesburg.**

Prayers of joy for Rev. Stephanie Norton as she begins as the pastor at First United Methodist Church here in South Haven. We lift her, her family, and the church, for a blessed ministry.

A **celebration of Midge Lewis's life** will be taking place in Florida, on July 10th. If you would like to share your condolences visit the funeral homes website:

www.mullinsmemorial.com

CHURCH NEWS

Our next **Highway Clean up** is a Thursday, July 22nd. Contact Nancy Garber if you can help and to confirm time.

LOOKING FOR A MEANINGFUL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

Summer School has just begun at South Haven Public Schools and volunteer readers are needed! If you've got an hour or two, you can make a meaningful impact by reading to students. If interested, please email Nancy Nelson at nnelson@shps.org or call (269.370.5047) for more information.

Children's Ministry

We're looking for input from parents of children about our summer and fall programs. Fill out our survey. Contact Sarah Peterson for more information at Parkgroveplace.sarah@gmail.com

Our next Children's Activity will be led by Sarah Peterson at the church on July 18th at 2 p.m. Come for some fun activities and a Bible lesson.

Voting

To cast your vote to choose the Pulpit Committee and the selling of the Parsonage, a link is below for filling your ballot online. The ballot must be signed in order for it to count. Copies of the ballot are in the Narthex, along with a box to place your ballot in.

If you will not be here in person on July 11th, **all ballots must be to the church by Friday, July 9th at 5 p.m.**

Visit the site below to vote online:

<https://forms.gle/jeiXCNhNzLZp49BH6>

This year's **Holiday Bazaar**, November 20th, will not take place unless a team of 2-3 people volunteer to coordinate this event. Contact the church office if you want to be part of the team. The deadline for contacting the office is July 12th.

Mission Project: Blessings Box for Glenn, MI

The Missions Board has been asked to fund and construct a Blessings Box for the exchange of non-perishable food items, to be located in Glenn at the Methodist Church on Blue Star Hwy. The intent is to build the box behind their sign that faces Blue Star. The box, including a plexiglass door will be approximately 42" wide on each side and 42-48" high. We will use three existing posts to raise it 2-3' off the ground and have to add a fourth post for the final corner. The box will have 4 shelves.

We are hoping to reduce costs by seeking out donations of ½" or thicker outdoor plywood with dimensions of approximately 42" x 48". We will need 8 such panels

for sides and shelves. A 36" square (or similar) piece of ¼" plexiglass would also be useful and reduce cost.

We have already been promised materials for the roof and vinyl siding to protect the outside.

Please contact Dave Murphey at 847-471-6800 if you have any of the needed items indicated above or would like to help out with construction and installation.

Young Adult Ministry

Thanks to all who helped put together our successful Burger Burn last Sunday. We had 24 join us for a fun picnic with activities led by Sarah Peterson.

Our next event is a Zoom event on August 8th at 6 p.m. This will be followed up by a Kayak Trip on the Black River on August 29th at 2 p.m.

Camp Talahi

Information and registration for summer camps can be found on website:

camptalahi.org

July Birthdays

01— Stuart Comiskey

02— Janice Peterson

03— Jim Mears

06— Mary Pietenpol

08— Elena Garcia

Susan Meyer

Louise Wepfer

11— Larry Lewis

Jeanne Lyon

17— Laura Bos

Cheryl Gauntlett

18— Yamil Garcia

20— Linda Olsen

Elaine Stephens

Celeste Wheeler
23– Alicia Garrison
Pat Martorano
25– Patti Brennen-Galati
Rick Olsen
26– Bob Linderman
27– Greg Meyer
28– Jacqui Cowles
31– Marian O’Niel

July Anniversaries

02– Terry & Keri McGarr
09– Al & Jeanne Lyon
11– Larry & Barb Wittkop
12– Greg & Susan Meyer
16– Tom & Abby Larson