
Greetings

Worship this Sunday will be in person and on Facebook live. Special music will be provided by Adam Peterson and Lane Alsup. We will begin the service with a hymn sing.

This Sunday, Sarah Peterson will be leading a special Children's Moment during worship. Now that we can worship in person, we hope to include a time for children as often as we can. So bring the children this week.

Pastor Dick will be preaching on Ephesians 1:3-14.

A Special Congregational Meeting is taking place after worship this Sunday. This is to vote on persons to make up a Pulpit Committee. There is also a vote to accept or reject the Trustees and Church Council's recommendation to sell the parsonage.

Even though you may have already voted we need to have a quorum of 35 members, or more, present at the meeting on Sunday.

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

Tuesday:

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

Trustees meeting, 7 p.m.

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

Wednesday:

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

Thursday:

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

Women meet for breakfast, 9 a.m. at Six Chicks
Adult class social hour, 1 p.m.
Thursday Night Picnic, 6 p.m.

Monday/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.

A Thursday Night Picnic!!!

The Mission board will be hosting a Thursday Night Picnic Supper this week at 6 pm. Hot Dogs, potato salad, cole slaw and bake beans are provided. We do need some brownies for dessert if you can help. All are welcome to this community meal. Kitchen help is needed. You can come at 5 or 5:30 to help, or 6:30 to do dishes!

Adult Class Gathering

During the Pandemic, the Adult Class met on Wednesday evenings for Bible Study. One of the participants was Meredith, from Texas! Well, she is in town with her family visiting her father, Dan Thomspson. This coming Thursday, the Adult class is invited to come and meet with her here at the church at 1 pm. A social hour of cookies, ice tea and conversation.

Children's Ministry- Sunday School reboot

This coming Sunday, July 11 will be a return of Sunday School for our children who are fifth grade or younger. Children will come to worship with their family and come up for Children's Time near the beginning of the service. Then children will go with Sarah Peterson to Sunday School for the remainder of the time of worship. This is a sample of what we'll be doing on the first and third Sundays starting in the Fall. Thanks to Sarah Peterson for leading this!

Our next Children's Activity will be led by Sarah Peterson at the church on July 18 at 2:00. Come for some fun activities and a Bible lesson.

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

Keyana Dick and children

Grieving

Families of Bob & Sharon Overhuel

Funerals for Charlotte Strebeck and Midge Lewis were held Saturday.

We pray for our brothers and sisters at **First Congregational (ONA) in Kalamazoo**.

CHURCH NEWS

Youth Ministry (6th-12th graders)

Our youth are invited to join us on Thursday, July 22 at 5:30 at the church for a meal and a fun game like wiffle ball led by Rick Olsen.

Our next **Highway Clean up** is Thursday, July 22nd. We will meet at 8 a.m. before the day possibly gets too hot. Contact Nancy Garber if you can help.

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 are able to fulfill this duty. 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

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.

CHEERS—Dinner for Six

This is an opportunity for members and friends to gather at home or a place of their choosing. The idea is to sign up in twos (with family or friends, doesn't need to be the same one each time). One team is the host who arranges the date and time and provides main dish (or restaurant if that's what the group would like.) Another team brings salad, another dessert. Adult beverages and rolls are optional. All participants will get a schedule and teams will rotate with each dinner. Five teams have already signed up. A total of nine will mean a dinner each quarter of the year. More will mean more dinners or bigger groups.

We are already signing up for the second group of couples!

Deadline to sign up is August 20. Dinners will begin Fall quarter. Please contact Kris Ayers to sign up. 637.8762 or artayers16@aol.com

Camp Talahi

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

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