

July 2018



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Paoli United Methodist Church



LaMont's Lines July 2018

Confirmation planning is in progress. I have begun discussions with parents of our youth about their expectation concerning Confirmation. Confirmation runs from September 9 – November 11, and December 2 & 9 from 2-5 P.M. Sunday afternoons. Please block these dates on your calendar now. Confirmation will be a 12 week course of study. Due to our child protection policy, I will be asking one of the parents to be present during the entire class and to provide food and drink for the youth. Here are the youth and one adult who have signed up for Confirmation:

**Cora Austin
Max Newkirk
Stella Windhorst
Willson Windhorst and
William Windhorst.**

Confirmation is a process or rite of confirming one's faith. It is part of the fulfillment of the Lord's commandment (Acts 1:8). Once confirmed in the faith, new converts are now able to fully share in the communion of the apostolic church. See Acts 8:14-17 or Acts 2:38 for more information.

Some of the topics to be covered focus on:

- 1. interpreting and understanding scripture,**
- 2. history of the Christian church,**
- 3. history of our local church,**
- 4. What is a sacrament? and**
- 5. going on a local mission trip.**

These are only a few of the topics which will be covered. A syllabus of the class should be available the first part of August.

Methodist Mountain Mission

The Methodist Mountain truck will be at the church July 16. Have items to the church by July 8.

Defibrillator

An automatic defibrillator is located outside of the men's restroom in the sanctuary foyer.

Prayer Blankets

If you would like your prayer blanket re-blessed, contact Annabelle Rominger at (812) 865-0927, (812) 723-3190 or annrobertr@frontier.com.

Jr. Church

July 8 and 22

Need to Quit Smoking?

Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW

Free Car Seat Inspections

By appt. at (812) 723-7474

Confirmation

**Sept. 9 – Nov. 11,
Dec. 2 & 9
2-5 P.M.**

Sunday afternoons.

July 2018

Sunday Schedule

8:15 A.M. Worship

9:00 A.M. Sunday School

10:15 A.M. Worship

Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday, Friday 8 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Thursday 8 A.M. to noon

Following in the Footsteps of Jesus John 8:15

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 6:30 Boy & Cub Scouts	4 <i>Office closed</i>	5	6	7
8 Jr. church	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Methodist Mountain Mission arrives	17 6:30 Boy & Cub Scouts	18	19	20 Newsletter articles due	21
22 Jr. church	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 7 P.M. Boy Scouts committee mtg.	31 6:30 Boy & Cub Scouts				

July sermon titles & texts

- July 1 Communion Sunday
"Lay Hands Upon Her"
 Mark 5:21-43
- July 8 Christian Education Sunday
"Where is Your Power?"
 II Corinthians 12:2-10
- July 15 Food Pantry Sunday
"Opportunity"
 Mark 6:14-29
- July 22 Missions Sunday
"Rest"
 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
- July 29 Congregational Hymn Sunday
"How Will They Be Fed"
 John 6:1-21

Particular Sunday Emphases

- 1st Sunday of the month - Communion Sunday
 2nd Sunday of the month - Christian Education/Junior Church Sunday
 3rd Sunday of the month - Food Pantry/Altar Call Sunday
 4th Sunday of the month - Mission Moment/Junior Church Sunday
 5th Sunday of the month - Stewardship Moment/Altar Call
 - Congregational Hymn Choice

July Altar Flowers

- July 1 Open
 July 8 Open
 July 15 Garrett Vincent
 July 22 Open
 July 29 Open

See altar flowers clipboard across from church office for more information.

Information for the August newsletter needs to be submitted by July 20.

What is an Acolyte?

The word acolyte means companion, attendant or helper. In some churches acolytes may be called servers. Acolytes are part of a team which helps the congregation worship God. Since ancient times, light and fire are reminders God is present with us. When the acolytes bring light into the sanctuary, they remind the congregation God is present. Lighted candles also remind us Jesus Christ is the Light of the World.

quick response code for church website



**The Paoli United Methodist Church
Celebrating 50 years**

Here a few questions to ponder:

- 1. Do you remember which of our pastors hosted an exchange student from Brazil, South America? The student was interested in dentistry and Dr. Cromwell invited him to observe in his office for a day.**
- 2. How many bricks were required to build our church? (please notice the bricks are 1½ times the standard brick size)**

EUB and Methodist Merger



The merger could not have come at a more difficult time (or a better time, depending on one's perspective). The nation was facing unprecedented political, social and racial upheaval. The 1960s brought serious race riots to Watts in 1965 and Detroit in 1967. It brought Woodstock and the drug culture. It also brought the rise of gay and lesbian activism, liberation theology, the Secular City, the Death of God movement, and the Vietnam war. The shooting of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Bobby Kennedy came only days before the Uniting Conference of 1968. Serious riots broke out at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago that summer.

Use your Facebook and other social media sites to help Promote our Church

Some people only interact with the Internet through the filter of Facebook, thus it would be a very good idea for members who are active on Facebook and other social media sites to help promote our church.

Here are some suggestions:

- **Make a point of regularly (maybe once a week?) posting something about our church.**
- **Find a relevant page within the church web site. Copy that URL into your post. It should appear within your post with the title or description of the page, and a relevant picture. You can change it to a different picture if you want. And if it doesn't suggest the picture you expect or prefer, let me know which page and what would be a better picture.**
- **Say something meaningful. Don't just say "My church is nice." Useful posts might be something like "I enjoyed today's sermon about...", "We had a good discussion in our class about ..." or "I'm looking forward to ..."**

This will help draw people to our web site, and hopefully through the web site to the church, in multiple ways. First, they see you, their trusted friend, recommending something and they see a picture and a snippet of our web site page. Second, after enough people have done this multiple times, relevant searches within the walled-off Facebook environment may start returning church web site pages as a result. Third, it's possible, for someone connected within Facebook with enough people who have posted a variety of pages (not the main page over and over), then the church web site might start to be offered in the "you might be interested in..." section, replacing the celebrity gossip and rumors normally filling Facebook feeds.

Bob Cromwell
bob.cromwell@comcast.net

Signs and Symptoms of Mental Health Distress

Signs and symptoms of mental health distress vary by a child's age and developmental maturity. Sudden changes in thoughts and behaviors or the onset of several symptoms rather than just one may indicate a need for mental health services.

The following is a generalized list of feelings, thoughts, behaviors and physical signs that may indicate a child could benefit from professional help regarding a mental health condition.

Feelings:

- Sadness or withdrawal lasting at least two weeks
- Severe mood swings
- Extreme highs and lows
- Intense worries or fears
- Strong anger

Thoughts:

- Strange thoughts (delusions)
- Seeing or hearing things that aren't there (hallucinations)
- Repeated thoughts of death
- Confused thinking
- A desire to badly hurt others

Behaviors:

- Drastic changes in behavior or personality
- Dangerous or out-of-control behavior
- Persistent aggression, temper tantrum or fighting
- Carrying a weapon
- Persistent disobedience or defiance of authority
- Truancy, theft, and/or vandalism
- Dramatic changes in eating or sleeping habits
- Trouble focusing or sitting still
- Using drugs or alcohol
- Social withdrawal; repeated refusal to go to school or take part in normal activities
- Returning to behaviors more common in younger children, such as bedwetting
- Decline in school performance
- Attempting suicide
- Persistent nightmares

Physical:

- A sudden loss of appetite
- Sudden weight loss or gain
- Persistent headaches and stomach aches
- Self destructive behavior such as head-banging, cutting or burning themselves
- Racing heart or fast breathing in association with excess fear or anxiety
- Hyperactivity or fidgeting
- Unexplained physical ailments



Promoting our Church
in the Community

Monday- Friday
Faith Break
WUME

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Weekly – the Paoli
News Republican
church section –
worship schedule.

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A. www.paoli-umc.com
B. Google Reviews

To write a review:

1. On your computer, open Google Maps and make sure you are signed in.
2. Search for the Paoli United Methodist Church.
3. Click write a review.
4. In the window that appears, click the stars to score the place or write a review.

If you can try to post something once a month. Otherwise it looks like nothing is going on at the church.

The new generation coming of age will be checking us out – what will they find?

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During the Spring/
Summer baseball
season sign on the
fence of field #2 Paoli
Community Park.

Remember Paoli United Methodist Church in you will.

Contact Skip Lambdin, endowment chair, at skipl1963@gmail.com or 812-345-3873 with your questions.

Report on Indiana Annual Conference 2018

As your elected lay representative to the Indiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, here is a brief report.

General Information:

The budget for 2019 was approved at \$13,149,000. 40% of this goes to general church apportionments and 60% goes to the Indiana Annual Conference.

We received \$680,000 from the sale of retired church properties (mergers or closings). This money will be applied toward new church ministries. The Conference had a goal that by 2020 we will have established 30 new faith communities. We have met the goal 2 years early! Our new goal is to have 30 new faith communities each year.

Thirty four clergy retired this last year and only 23 were commissioned and ordained.

Eighteen churches are scheduled to be closed in this next year (2 in the South District).

Several resolutions were passed which were left over from the 2017 session (came back with changed wording). Two resolutions were on the agenda for this year. The bishop declared one to be unconstitutional and the second was postponed indefinitely.

Mission Information:

Indiana gave 3000 cleaning buckets and 3000 health kits to people in TX, LA, FL and Puerto Rico who had experiences with flooding and hurricanes.

The mission offering taken at the conference for UMCOR totaled \$9,159.

For those who desired to do a mission trip (Guatemala) can do so without gathering a large group. You and join as individuals to another group that is going.

I learned of an organization called SAWS (Servants at Work, Inc.). They provide wheel chair ramps for those in need of one. They provide the tools, plans and materials. They need local volunteers to assemble the ramps. Let the pastor know if this is something that would interest you.

Thank you for allowing me to be your representative to the Indiana Annual Conference.

Howard D Detweiler

Family Support



Family life provides high levels of love and support.

*"A soothing tongue is a tree of life."
Proverbs 15:4*

Ideally, a family that offers high levels of love and support would be one that provides inviting surroundings, mealtime gatherings, and family traditions. The family would provide an environment in which creativity and talents are explored and nurtured. Yet not all families have the ability to fit into this ideal. Hectic schedules, school events, and job demands, all distract families from this classic model. Nevertheless, every family member has the ability to speak the simple words – "I love you no matter what." Unconditional love – repeated words and action is a powerful gift.

Every child needs structure, discipline, and forgiveness. Unconditional love requires families provide these essentials through encouragement.

Parents are given the opportunity to shape their child's self-concept, understanding of God, and the ability to empathize with others.

God's Word, spoken through the love of a family member rekindles hope and promotes an enduring bond. A soothing tongue, and encouragement when mistakes or failures cloud the day. It is God's recipe for instilling resilience in a child.

*"Daily learn the article of divine creation by looking at your children and offspring, who stand before you... Here you may behold the providence of God, who created them out of nothing." –
Martin Luther*

New Sunday school and Adult Bible Study Attendance Booklet Drop Box

Class leaders and teachers please put your Attendance Booklets & offering in the box labeled Sunday school and Adult Bible study Attendance Booklets. The box is located on the left side of the church office door. You may have to move your booklet around in the slot before it drops in if other booklets are already in the box. Thank you!

Celebrations & Member Care

Lifting up others in prayer and giving thanks

The earnest, heartfelt, continued prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available – dynamic in it working. James 5:16 AMP

Celebrations

In the newspaper –
Honor Roll

Cora Austin
Austin Benales
River Fleming
Clara Henderson
Max Newkirk
Andrew Benales
Michael Hannon
Maggie Vincent
Lexi Stroud
Bela Brewster
Garrett Vincent

C.J. & Caitlin Fleenor
David Foster
Rex Hudleson
Trent Magner
Kyle Marshall
Harold Minton
Lexi Stroud
Ed Wheeler



Please keep our church
coconut oil and peanut free
for those members who are allergic.

Medical Concerns

LeRoy Boyer,
Mike Burton,
Betty Cromwell,
Deegan Epperson,
Madalyn Harmon,
Christina Harris,
Carolyn Huffman,
Mary Margaret McCoy,
(recovering from a stroke),
Quincy Pickett,
Paulette Purkhiser

Cancer Concerns

Rex Babcock
Joyce Schaar
Sarah Windhorst

Condolences

Weddings

Mark & Rachel
Wyatt-Carter
June 26

Baptisms

Births

***If you aim at nothing
you hit nothing...***

**Indiana Conference goal-
Thirty new faith
communities every year.**

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**Mission Offering
UMCOR special offering at
Annual Conference
collected \$9,159**

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**3,000 cleaning buckets
3,000 health kits sent to –
Texas
Louisiana
Florida
Puerto Rico**



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**The red envelopes are
coming.**



Members in nursing & retirement facilities

Martha Denny Rm. 119,
Bliss House, 3008 S. Shawnee Dr. Bedford, Indiana 47421

Mary Margaret McCoy Rm. 26
Westview Nursing Center, 1510 Clinic Dr. Bedford, IN 47421

Rosemary Noble Rm. 123A
Garden Villa, 2111 Norton Ln. Bedford, Indiana 47421

Bud Caraway Rm. 505, Betty Jo Henderson Rm. 402, Helen Roberts Rm. 212
Paoli Health & Living, 559 W. Longest St. Paoli, IN 47454

**Pastor visits the homebound & retirement
facilities once a month with Harold Minton.**

These are the people who will be receiving a
paper copy of the newsletter by first class mail:

Bud & Mary Alice Caraway,
Karen Coulter,
Bill & Betty Cromwell,
Martha Denny,
Greg & Lesa Farlow,
Jim & Elizabeth Faulkner,
Joy Grimes,
Cody & Daria Hall,
Larry & Jann Jones,
Skip & Martha Lambdin,
Kevin & Rhonda Mills,
Harold Minton,
Marilyn Qualkenbush, and
Duane & Mary Alice Radcliffe

Jr. Church July 8 and 22 10:15 service

Where the Spirit Leads, we will follow

Spirit led mission work is a result of the powerful moving of the Spirit. The Spirit takes hold of us and compels us to focus on the mission work of the church. The Spirit moves, compels, urges and directs us in a powerful way. The Spirit also speaks to the people who are the focus of our mission efforts. Through the work of the Spirit, God speaks to people.

Jesus himself is "sent" with a message (Matthew 15:24; Luke 4:18), as is John the Baptist (Matthew 11:10). Jesus, in turn, sends out the twelve with power (Matthew 10) and the seventy (Luke 10:1-20). Or consider Paul's mission to the Gentiles which is a continuation of the work began at the time of his conversion. This is our Christian tradition.

At its most basic level, mission is about conveying a message or carrying out a task. The challenge for the local church is to clearly define the message and the task. What do we want to say, to whom and why do we need to say it? What is our task and how do we accomplish it?

Let's use our youth ministry as an example. Youth spend only a very small amount of time in church activities. Most of their time is with their families. Therefore, the church needs to provide Christian guidance to the parents, and children or youth.

When doing mission work there is an internal and an external component which must be worked on simultaneously. Internally, a church's youth group changes about every 18 months. So when someone "ages out" of the youth group what is the next stage for the young adults? One idea is for the preacher to meet with those in college and their friends once a quarter for a meal. The concept of a traveling preacher is not new to United Methodists. However, more discussion will be needed in our church committees about providing additional spiritual support and contact for these who "age out" of our youth program.

Externally, we need to be reaching out to children and youth in the local community. Why? Consider the problems of suicide, illegal drug addiction and single parent families. The church's counter culture message is very relevant. It is a message of love, hope and understanding what it means to be the family of God. If your heart be as my heart, give me your hand!

The discussions need to begin within our church committees after a time of personal prayer and reflection. Can we break our goals and dreams into small manageable tasks? Seek the Spirit's guidance for the mission work which is before us. Amen.

Missions

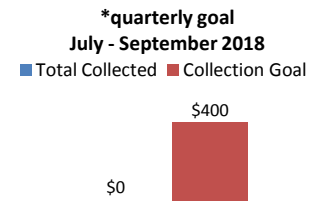
Elementary Sunday School Project

The 1st – 6th grade Sunday school classes collected \$124.98 from their penny collection. This money will be given to the negative lunch balances at both Paoli schools.

Blankets of Love

Since we started this mission project, 125 blankets have been made and given to the Salem Women's shelter.

Blankets of Love*



Methodist Mountain Mission

The Methodist Mountain mission truck is coming July 16. Items need to be in by July 8.

Scouts

Cub Scout pack 385 and Boy Scout troop 381 use our fellowship hall and the F.A.I.T.H. classroom for their meetings July 3, 17 and 31 at 6:30 P.M.

Local AA meetings

Paoli

Mondays, 10 A.M. New Hope Christian Church
Tuesdays, 8 P.M. Paoli Wesleyan Church

Orleans

Wednesdays, 8 P.M. American Legion Post 69

French Lick

Sundays, 7 P.M. Springs Valley Wesleyan Church
Wednesdays 7 P.M. Beechwood Christian Church

For up to date changes on AA meetings visit:

<http://www.district10.area23aa.org>

Jesus is sent with a Message

He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.'

Matthew 15:24 NRSV

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,

Luke 4:18 NRSV

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Rev. Dr. LaMont Bonath, pastoral care specialist, AAPC

Sunday Schedule

8:15 a.m. Worship

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:15 a.m. Worship

Junior Church July 8 & 22 10:15 service

Access church website
using the quick response
code.



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To make a donation,
use this quick
response code

July Helpers

Greeters

July 1 Keith & Debbie Sparks
July 8 Willie & Jackie Bosley
July 15 Aaron & Terri Hannon
July 22 Frank & Linda Barnett
July 29 Duane & Mary Alice Radcliffe

Please contact Lesa Farlow at
l.farlow82@frontier.com or (812) 723-2333 if you are
unavailable as a greeter for any of the above dates.

Acolytes

July 1 Willie & Jackie Bosley
July 8 Eric & Dee Ann Harmon
July 15 Irvin & Darlene McBride
July 22 Rex & Ann Babcock
July 29 Emma Bradley & Harper Ralston

Please contact Dee Ann Harmon at
deeharmon1@frontier.com or (812) 521-6822 if you
are unavailable as an acolyte for any of the above
dates.

Worship Leaders

July 1 Howard Detweiler
July 8 Howard Detweiler
July 15 Jim Bowen
July 22 Jim Bowen
July 29 Howard Detweiler

July Anniversaries

6 Mitchell & Candice Foster
15 Tim & Jennifer Austin
20 Anthony & Megan Bradley

July Birthdays

1 Dee Pedigo
Curtis Ralston
Robert Seidner
3 Grant Trinkle
4 Beau Hannon
6 Jannalyn Jones
7 Bradley Walker
11 Regan Ralston
13 Megan Bosley
14 LaMont Bonath
Daria Hall
15 Garrett Vincent
Greta Kubic
Harriet Foster
Curt Shinkle
Steve Trinkle
19 Nancy Crousore
20 Todd Trinkle
27 Megan Bradley
29 Eli Bradley