



If you are hospitalized and would like Pastor Nancy or Joan Osborn, The hospital visitor coordinator to know about what is going on with you, please call the office (219-872-7200), Pastor Nancy directly on her cell phone (812-584-2418), or Joan.

<http://mcindianaumc.org/>, Look for us on Facebook

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Nancy's Notes

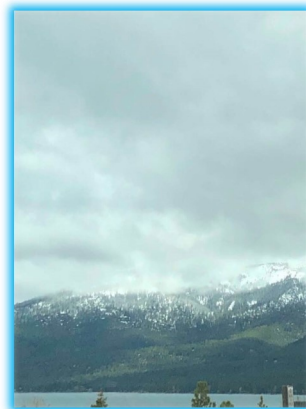
During the middle week of May, I had the opportunity to spend some time in a Continuing Education event at Lake Tahoe! Yes, as Jon Bausback said, choose the location of your Continuing Education and hope the content is good. It was! Spending time in the beauty of God's creation AND learning more about worship flow and design was an amazing experience! I pray we will all be enriched by what I experienced and learned there. You will certainly hear more and experience more of what I learned in the coming months.

What is Worship Design Studio? Founded by Marcia McFee, it is a resource for clergy, musicians, liturgical artists, and other worship leaders as we work together to design worship that brings is both spiritual and missional.

During Advent and Lent our Worship Team used Worship Design Studio materials and have plans to continue doing so as we strengthen our praise of God and move forward to share that joy with the world.

I look forward to a summer of enriched & meaningful Worship!

Shalom,
Pastor Nancy




All photos taken by Pastor Nancy



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5th Sundays Replaced with Worship Together!

At January's board meeting we held an honest discussion of 2018's practice of having both services worship together whenever there was a 5th Sunday in the month. While we loved worshipping together, we weren't sure that the 5th Sunday is the right Sunday. So, in 2019, we will continue worshipping together several times a year. Here are the dates:

Pentecost and Confirmation: **June 9th,**

Children's Sunday: **June 30th,**

Back to School and Blessing of the Backpacks: **August 18th,**

All Saints Sunday: **November 3rd,**

Christmas Sing Along: **December 29th.**

Worship Together! Sundays begin at 9:30!



Sponsoring The Crossbeams

Please check the Welcome center or call the Church office if you would like to sponsor a month of the Crossbeams. The donation to the Church that covers the Crossbeams is \$100.

Annual Conference Missional Opportunity

Joe Stewart and Pastor Nancy will be attending the Indiana Annual Conference from June 12-14. For the past several years, the Annual Conference has chosen a missional opportunity for church to participate in. This year the conference is focusing on addiction recovery by supporting a statewide ministry called Brianna's Hope. Read on:

The opioid crisis and other addictions have devastated too many communities and families in our state. A Better Life – Brianna's Hope (ABL-BH) is a recovery ministry that has been growing and has a history of partnership with many United Methodist Churches in the Indiana Conference. Brianna's Hope is "participant-driven, faith-based, and compassion-filled", and it is our privilege to support this ministry at our 2019 Annual Conference. We are asking delegates and guests to bring LAP BLANKETS (3'x5', homemade or bought, no specific material, for adult men and women) that we will donate to Brianna's Hope. The blankets are given to new ABL-BH participants at their first meeting as a powerful reminder that the community is always available for them. The blankets we collect will be distributed to the over 30 ABL-BH Chapters.

If you wish to participate, please bring blankets to the church on or before June 9th. We will bless them as part of our Pentecost/Confirmation worship and then pack them up to take to conference.



Did you know?

All God's Children Have a Place Here. Look for future service & missional opportunities.



Hospitality Team Needed for Funerals



Recently an opportunity for service has developed. Each time there is a funeral at the church, especially if the visitation is here as well, there is a need for folks who can serve as host/hostesses in the building, directing people to the gathering room and sanctuary, making sure there is water and perhaps even coffee available,

ushering, and communicating with the kitchen crew as the service progress, and at times opening and closing the windows. This group would work with Pastor Nancy as we seek to be the body of Christ for one another during times of grief and sorrow. Please let the church office or Pastor Nancy know if you are interested in working on this team. The Funeral Dinner Crew also needs volunteers if we are to keep offering this vital ministry.

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Worship 8:30am/10:30am Bible Study 9:30am God's Club 9:45am Scholarship Sunday during second Worship Service	3 Soup Kitchen 11am Girl Scouts 5:30pm	4 Clown Classes 6:30pm	5 Try It 4:45pm AA 7pm	6 Soup Kitchen 11am Confirmation Class 5:30pm Ruth Circle 6:30pm	7 Overeaters Anonymous 9am First Friday 5pm	8 Confirmation Class 10am
9 Worship Together 9:30am Confirmation Sunday	10 Soup Kitchen 11am Girl Scouts 5:30pm Michiana Clowns 6pm	11 Clown Classes 6:30pm	12 Try It 4:45pm AA 7pm	13 Soup Kitchen 11am PEO 5:30	14 Overeaters Anonymous 9am	15 Dunes Country Quilters 9am Amarillo Star Line Dancing 6:00pm
16 Worship 8:30am/10:30am Bible Study 9:30am God's Club 9:45am Father's Day	17 Soup Kitchen 11am Girl Scouts 5:30pm Michiana Clowns 6:30pm	18 S.S. Camera Club 6pm Clown Classes 6:30pm	19 PEO 11:15 Try It 4:45pm AA 7pm	20 Soup Kitchen 11am Galveston Give Back 4pm-Close	21 Overeaters Anonymous 9am	22 Kiddy Parade 2pm
23 Worship 8:30am/10:30am Bible Study 9:30am Children Ministry Council Meeting 9:30am	24 Soup Kitchen 11am Girl Scouts 5:30pm	25 Trustee Meeting 6pm Clown Classes 6:30pm	26 Finance Meeting 1:15pm	27 Soup Kitchen 11am	28 Overeaters Anonymous 9am	29
30 Worship Together 9:30am Summer Try It Kids						

Summer Try It 5pm-7:30pm (Supper is served) 24th-28th

Give+ Church

Making Donations Using The GivePlus Mobile App

Where can I download the GivePlus Church App?

GivePlus Church is available through the App Store & Google Play. Search for “GivePlus Church” to download the app, then be sure to allow access to location services if you’d like to use the app’s Find Churches Near Me feature.

Is the GivePlus Church app free to use?

Yes! The app is free to download and you are not charged a fee to make donations using the app.

How do I find my church in the app?

When you open the GivePlus Church app for the first time, you will be prompted to enter the name of the church you want to give to. You can enter as much of the church name that you know, and then select the church from the list. Or, use the find churches near me feature to search for churches in your area. If you can not access this feature, go to your phone settings > GivePlus and allow the app to access your location.

Will I have to search for my church every time I want to donate?

No. After you select a church, it automatically becomes your “Home” or “Default” church. The next time you open the app, the church you last selected will already be displayed.

What Payment methods can I use to donate?

GivePlus Church donations can be made with all major debit/credit cards currently accepted by your church. Use your phone’s camera to quickly scan your card information or enter it manually. You can also give using your checking or savings account.

Thank you,
Tom O’Brien



Worship Notes

Worship in June is a preparation to jump off our Summer Worship Series of Worship at the Lake, which will start in July.

June 2,

John 17: 20-26 What Does it Mean to know?- Higher Education Sunday

June 9,

Acts 2: 1-21 Thar She Blows! – Pentecost and Confirmation **Worship Together at 9:30**

June 16,

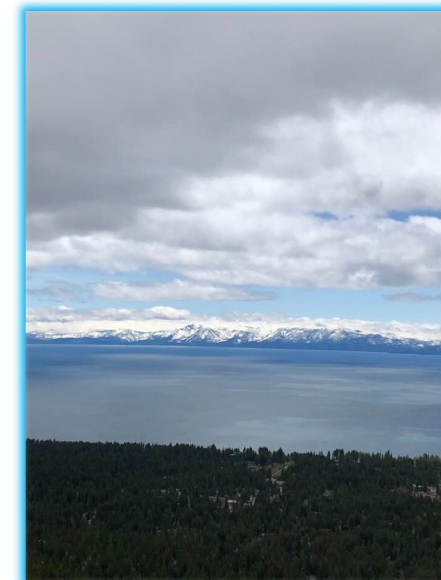
John 16: 12-15; Psalm 8 Living in the Mystery – Trinity Sunday

June 23,

Luke 8: 26-39 What does it mean to be healed? – Healing Service

June 30,

Summer Try It: Searching for the Word-Our Kids Teach Us
Worship Together at 9:30



May 6, 2019

Dear Friends in Christ:

May God continue to richly bless you as you continue your walk in faith. Your continued participation at our church's give back fund raising activity is greatly appreciated. Even more so, bringing your friends helps to support our church's outreach mission. Tell them of some of our activities. It is easy to speak about our Soup Kitchen, the Madrigal, our provision of educational scholarships, the cookie walks, our children's outreach, bible studies, and the openness of our church to host groups like AA, Girl Scouts, and Quilters. You will find your invitation is spiritually uplifting as you engage others in the love of Christ. Your interaction with those you invited may provide the touch needed to re-energize their faith and strengthen their lives through the love of Christ.

Our 2019 Schedule.... PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN ON JOINING US.

On January 17 at Galveston's we raised \$200 for the General Fund	\$200
On February 21 at Galveston's we raised \$210 for Keys to Hope	\$210
On March 21 at Galveston's we raised \$190 for our First Friday events	\$190
On April 25 at Galveston's we raised \$190 for our Soup Kitchen	\$190
May 16, Galveston's (proceeds to Higher Education)	
June 20, Galveston's (proceeds to Children's Ministries)	
July 18, Galveston's (proceeds to Salvation Army Food Pantry)	
August 15, Galveston's (proceeds to Music Department)	
September 19, Galveston's (proceeds to the Samaritan Center)	
October 17, Galveston's (proceeds to the General Fund)	
November 21, Galveston's (proceeds to Christmas Star, children in need)	
December 19, Galveston's (join us in celebration of Christ's birth)	

Total Year to Date \$790

As you can see we serve a large community of those needing assistance. Hopefully you will be inspired by some of the events listed above. If so, please mark the dates on your calendar. Invite your friends, family members, service organization members and work associates to attend. Thanks.

Also, please don't forget to make reservations for parties of 6 or more. Galveston's number is 879-5555.

Have a blessed new year,
Karen Vander Wagen



All photos taken by Pastor Nancy

Windows Windows Windows Windows Windows

The windows restoration project is becoming a reality! A year ago the trustees contracted with Rhonda Deeg, a glass artist recommended by Indiana Landmarks, to clean and restore our beautiful stained glass windows. Beginning in early to mid August. Rhonda will do as much outside work as she can and then will move inside after the Christmas holidays.

Thanks to the hard work of the Chocolate Chicks, the early years of the Madrigal, and the noisy offerings, we have raised just enough money through the years to cover the cost of the art glass repair and scaping, priming, painting, caulking and glazing the window surrounds. There will be additional costs as the storm windows have to be removed, cleaned, and replaced, **so donations are still welcome!**

Rhonda will be staying at the parsonage with Pastor Nancy, so that is a saving to us.

Thank you all for your hard work... it's nice to see a dream come closer to fruition.



Confirmation Notes

One June 9th we will welcome our incoming **Confirmation** Class during our **Worship Together service at 9:30**. We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. Our confirmands will lead in worship and serve communion. Following the service there will be a reception to welcome our newest members. Please come and support our young people in the choices they have made for their lives. There will be other opportunities to offer your blessings on these kids.



Calling All Lost Keys Home

If you have a key to the church building and are no longer using it we would really love to have it come back. We are sure it's missing home! If you could drop it by the office during office hours or give it to Verne Hixon it would be appreciated. Thank you.



Worship Together
Service 9:30am
Confirmation June
9th & Summer Try It
June 30th

**FIRST FRIDAY FUN COMING TO FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH!!**



We are very excited to announce that we will be hosting a Regional Training Event for Messy Church, USA right here at 1st UMC! This is one of only two training events in the entire Midwest. If you are unfamiliar with Messy Church, I encourage you to check out their website at messychurchusa.org to find out why we are so excited. Messy Church has found great success in the UK, where it's proven to be a unique way to bring church to the families in your community.

Saturday, August 10, 2019 9:00- 3:30

We will need volunteers to help serve coffee and treats in the morning, help with serving our catered lunch, provide desserts, and to host throughout the day.

If you want to join the team that is attending the training, or would be willing to volunteer during the day- **please see Trish Johnsen.**

Trish Johnsen, Children and Youth Ministry Director,
765-490-1994 trishatchurch@gmail.com

FABULOUS FIRST FRIDAY - JUNE 7th - DON'T MISS IT!

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for another great First Friday as we have not one, but TWO fantastic offerings for our church and community.

Ripple Effect, an amazing choir from the South Bend area, once again joins us with their message of love, joy, truth and acceptance. They describe themselves as a "Vocal Visionary Project"; led by Sherry K, this energetic and talented group of singers from all walks of life will lift your spirits, get your toes tapping and give you sunshine in your soul.

In addition, the Michigan City Art League will be back to display their works of art in several different mediums for us all to enjoy. This talented group always brings amazing works - come see what they've been up to all winter!

Weather permitting, we'll be on the corner of 7th and Franklin from 5:00pm-8:00pm. In case of inclement weather, we'll be in the Sanctuary and Gathering Room. Don't forget to come early - our Methodist brownies go fast!

Also, looking ahead to July's First Friday. Kids Create will be back to welcome all children as they try their hands in making their own amazing art projects. Spread the word and join us in welcoming our neighbors for what is always a really fun time.

See you on the 7th!

The First Friday Team



Worship Together
Service 9:30am
Confirmation June
9th & Summer Try It
June 30th

"Show Love with your Heart" (Isaac)



Summer Try- It @ 1st UMC of Michigan City

the corner of 7th and Pine St

June 24- 28 2019 5:00- 7:30 PM

Supper Served!

Searching for **the Word**
feel it in our hearts...

A **COMPLETELY** original production with
something for every kid from 4- 14!

Preregistration forms can be found on the "Children's Page" @ mcindianaumc.org
or in the church office and can be returned to the office, mailed to the church, or
emailed to: trishatchurch@gmail.com.

Have questions?

Please contact Trish Johnsen in the church office at 219-872-7200 x 304
or trishatchurch@gmail.com

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Homebound Ministry
June 2019 Edition

MEMORIALS

HELP!

Many times in my life I have tried to do my best and think I can handle what I have taken on; however I have reached the point that I definitely need HELP.

Last Summer Marlene Woodfield explained to me how she handled the visits to our Home bound friends and she asked if I really could handle all the work. Of course being positive I thought I could. My life has changed since then and due to a new job and a new grandchild my time is really stretched.

To make a job less daunting, I would like to divide the job by asking for volunteers. If you might be interested in visiting one or more of our church members on the Home bound list please let me know. If all you can do is call someone that would be welcomed also. This list can be found on the counter in the Gathering room.

I also want to thank the Ruth Circle for making special Easter gifts for these members. Add Annie Trout to our thank you list for designing beautiful floral arrangements which were given to all the Mothers on our Home bound list.

There is a rule in business - the 80/20 rule - 20% of your workers do 80% of the work. When I look at all the wonderful people who always volunteer and are the workers I truly thank you, the 20% at First United Methodist Church.

Please let me know if you have time to visit by emailing me at: judycommers@gmail.com, or call me on my cell phone: 219-363-0103.

Thanks,

Judy



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