



# HEARTS UNITED

Hart United Methodist Church

June 2019

## Pastor's Ponderings *By Steve Young*

### Special Happenings This Month of June

During June, I will be in and out of the Pastor's Study at the church building, as well as in and out of town. Here's what will take place, with a note or two about each upcoming special event:

**Sunday, June 2** – Having been at Annual Conference in Traverse City since Wednesday, May 30, this will be the last day, so SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER during Hart UMC's worship that Sunday will be Jean LeMahieu, along with her husband, Tim, leading Young People's Time. Our thanks goes out to them. Also, our Sunday school kids will continue with the special summer video lessons release from worship, as desired, like we've done in the past. This activity will have started on Memorial Sunday and will continue every Sunday through Sunday, September 1. I will select and set-up the DVD for viewing at the TV in McRae Fellowship Hall, and provide activity sheets there as well, but WE DO NEED VOLUNTEER "MONITORS" TO SUPERVISE THE KIDS. Please let me know how YOU can help from Sunday to Sunday (depending on kids' participation of course...oh, and by the way, they typically know how to run the DVD machine.) Finally, there will be no United Methodism class that Sunday.

**Monday, June 3** – I will be off that day, adjusting for the Friday (my day off) at Annual Conference...and adjusting from Annual Conference!

**Sunday, June 9** – We will celebrate Holy Communion on this special Pentecost Sunday, with the sacrament having been rescheduled from the first Sunday date, June 2, when I was gone. Also on this day, we will be receiving new members and having a baptism! Be sure to be in attendance!

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#### Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday:

10:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday & Friday:

10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

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**Sunday, June 16** – This is Father's Day on the nation's calendar, as well as Trinity Sunday on the church calendar. The choir will be singing (and also practicing every Wednesday in June) and the United Methodist Women will be sponsoring a strawberry shortcake Fellowship Time. Don't miss it!

**Sunday, June 23** – I will be on vacation this day, so Cory Michael will be the SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER during worship. The Fourth Sunday Potluck will take place during Fellowship Time on this fourth Sunday of the five Sunday month of June. Plan now to attend.

**Sunday, June 30** – This will be our Independence Day service and the choir will be singing once again. (Also, in regard to the Fourth of July later in the week that Thursday, plan on the church offices to be closed both Wednesday and Friday, July 3 and 5, as well as on the 4th.) Watch for announcements in the Sunday bulletin-program and also in the weekly e-newsletter for further updates and reminders.

**"PEACE WITH JUSTICE" SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**

The national "Peace with Justice" offering of the UMC general church supports The United Methodist Church's voice in advocating for peace and justice at home and around the world, witnessing to God's demand for a faithful, just, disarmed and secure world. Our Michigan Conference keeps part of the offering, while the other portion goes to the General Board of Church and Society (GBCS) Peace with Justice Program to fund U.S. and global work in social action and public policy education and advocacy. Please use the detachable envelope on the leaflet in the pew racks, or your own designated envelope, to make your generous gift. Thank you.



**Congratulations to Jennie Gottardo, who graduated Magna Cum Laude from Grand Valley State University on April 27, 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science!**

**Youth Group Calendar**

**Car Wash— June 22  
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**Yard Sale— August 2-3  
(Collection Days: July 31  
& August 1)**

## “Christmas in July”

Our “Christmas  
in July” worship  
service will be  
coming Sunday,  
July 21st. See  
next month’s  
newsletter for  
more infor-  
mation.

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## ANOTHER KIT PUT-TOGETHER NIGHT COMING JULY 24, ALONG WITH OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX COLLECTING

Like we’ve done in the past, we’ll again be putting together Health Kits and School Kits for UMCOR on Wednesday, July 24 at 7:00 p.m., and everyone is invited to participate. In addition, like last year, we’ll get a head start on collecting items for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. This additional activity enables our summertime residents to participate now instead of waiting until we do it again in November. The shoeboxes need to be filled independently according to instructions available, then brought in that night (or later), to be added to our “official” November gathering.

For the kits, the specific supplies for each kit cost around \$5, so persons are being asked to donate that amount for one or more kits, now through the middle of July, even if they cannot attend the put-together night. Then, persons are needed to assemble the kits according to specified instructions which will be explained at the put-together event on July 24th. Please SIGN UP FOR HOW MANY KITS YOU’LL SUBSIDIZE on the clipboard at the church’s Welcome Center or at the Church Office so we’ll know how many kits to plan for...and paying in advance will be helpful, too. Watch for more information to come, especially how this will be tied into a “Christmas in July” theme on Sunday, July 21, but plan now for this special kit-and-shoebox event, knowing that it is also open to other church and community groups, too, if they want to participate.



### Molly’s Poetry Corner

The seasons may change  
But His love remains the same  
From night to day  
His mercy for us does not stray  
Though our faith may be small  
We must follow His call  
For He alone is our all in all



## United Methodist Women

SAVE THE DATE!! June 8 at 10:00 a.m. there will be a Gathering held at Judy Kuipers home, 3845 N. 104 Ave. All women of the church are invited. Please RSVP to Judy at (231)873-5879.

The UMW will host a Strawberry Shortcake Sunday during Fellowship Time on Father's Day, June 16th. We hope you will stay and join us!

NAF is asking for your favorite asparagus recipes for their 2020 cookbook. Forms are available in the Church Office or see Kay Dion.

On May 3-4, Maureen Huizing, Linda McLouth, and Kay Dion attended the 2019 Spiritual Growth Retreat "Discovering Your Spiritual Style." Hosted by the UMW of the Midwest and Mid-Michigan Districts, it was held in the beautiful St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, MI. They enjoyed meeting up with old friends and making new ones in the new districts. Special time was in spiritual reflection (including a walk around the beautiful grounds), ate good food, and some fun making crafts and learned some new things too, such as chair yoga.

## UMW 2019 Calendar

June 16: Father's Day Strawberry Shortcake Sunday

July 10-13: Mission U Albion College Albion, MI

July 24: Christmas in July—Pack Health, School Kits and Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

August 26: Picnic in the Park (location to be determined)

September 21: Midwest District Annual Meeting (location to be determined)

September 23: General Meeting for Fall Bazaar discussion and Officer nominations at 6:00 p.m.

October 14: Election of Officers and complete plans for the Fall Bazaar

October 26: MI Conference Annual Meeting Howell UMC

November 8: Fall Bazaar and Luncheon from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

November 9: Evening Apart Middleville UMC

December 13: Oceana County Medical Care Facility Birthday Party at 2:00 p.m.

## United Methodist Men

Thanks to all who participated in our Spaghetti supper and Singspiration program recently. We made few dollars for our men's projects and enjoyed the various performances from a variety of performers.

## Personal Care Pantry

Kay Dion would like to offer clients sunscreen for the summer. If you would like to make a donation, it would be greatly appreciated. Of course, any donations are always welcome. On June 25th she will be out of town, so she is looking for someone to open the Personal Care Pantry that day from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Please see Kay, if you can help in this way.

## June Birthdays

1– Susan Stace  
 3– Walt Urick  
 4– Rilee Bouwkamp  
 9– Sheila Burrell  
 13– Brandi Pierce  
 14– Becky Vanderputte  
 15–Brenda Goughler;  
 Jason Bond  
 17– Gayla Carskadon;  
 Kendall Williamson;  
 Taylor Gebhart  
 20– Joel Mead  
 21– June Russell  
 26– William Goughler;  
 Becky VanderLaan; Bill  
 Stevens  
 27– Kay Novotny  
 28– Sonny Buono;  
 Donna Mae Flanery;  
 Jaden Luft  
 29– Brian England  
 30– Jennie Gottardo;  
 Evan Luft

## Finance Balances

Our Balance Sheet as of May 7, 2019 is shown below:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Fund Balance</u>
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$120,978.68	\$126,228.17	\$5,249.49
<b>Care Fund</b>	\$3,827.98	\$4,377.10	\$549.12
<b>Church Improvements Fund</b>	\$15,661.00	\$15,661.00	(\$0.00)
<b>College Care Box Fund</b>	\$1,643.97	\$1,705.96	\$61.99
<b>Emergency Repairs Fund</b>		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<b>General Fund</b>	\$720,734.28	\$757,007.48	\$36,237.20
<b>Memorial Fund</b>	\$33,378.45	\$90,027.60	\$56,649.15
<b>Ministry Shares Fund</b>	\$87,397.00	\$97,902.00	\$505.00
<b>Miscellaneous Giving Fund</b>	\$36,849.43	\$36,996.20	\$146.77
<b>Music Program Special Fund</b>	\$543.14	\$821.00	\$277.86
<b>Noisy Can</b>	\$617.93	\$2,254.38	\$1,636.45
<b>PC Pantry Fund</b>	\$1,466.42	\$1,841.00	\$374.58
<b>Tech Fund</b>	\$996.25	\$998.72	\$2.47
<b>Van Fund</b>	\$896.01	\$1,000.00	\$103.99
<b>Youth Fund</b>	\$41,466.43	\$44,651.47	\$3,185.04

# Upcoming Events at HUMC

## Mark your calendar!

Sunday, June 2: Speaker– Jean LeMahieu; OCMCF Worship at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 9: Pentecost Holy Communion, baptism, new members

Tuesday, June 11: Personal Care Pantry from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 16: Father's Day Strawberry Shortcake Sunday

Monday, June 17: Governance Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 23: Guest Speaker– Cory Michael

Tuesday, June 25: Personal Care Pantry from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

July 3-5: *Fourth July*—OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, July 7: Holy Communion; OCMCF Worship at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 9: Personal Care Pantry from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 21: "Christmas in July" Worship Service

Tuesday, July 23: Personal Care Pantry from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 24: Pack Kits & OCC Shoeboxes at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 4: Holy Communion; Worship at OCMCF at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13: Personal Care Pantry from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Monday, August 26: Picnic in the Park (location to be determined)

## Contact Us

Call the office or check out our website for more information about us!

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