



“In Touch” at Hazel Park First UMC

*Newsletter for all those who worship at
First United Methodist Church of Hazel Park*



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FROM THE PASTOR: *GROWING UP*



Growing up, I was a true fan of Superman. Oh who am I kidding, I still am. Every week I sat in front of my black and white TV and watched the man of steel fight for truth, justice, and the American way. That’s why it truly caught my attention when I read the following insight. “In the original television series, Superman, our favorite super hero would confidently posture himself, legs spread, fists on his hips, chest pushed forward, while he stared down the barrel of a gun. As the bullets bounced off his chest, Superman would smile, with no thought of retreat. Then something would happen that defies explanation. Once the rounds were spent, the bad guy, in desperation, would hurl the gun at Superman, and the caped super hero would duck!!! Superman, the man who was fearless in the face of oncoming bullets, would cower to avoid being hit by an empty gun!” The more I thought about this opening scene of Superman, the more I realized that as Christians we find ourselves doing the same thing over and over again. But like Superman, even when we have what we need to accomplish the task that is before us, sometimes we become discouraged, sometimes we take a detour, and sometimes we too want to duck the issue all together.

In Joshua 1:9 God shares these words, “9 This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” So take heart Beloved, for we are not alone. Whatever task God has given you to do, He will also give you the support, the strength, and the instructions needed to take your stand, to be strong, and to be successful.

But we must be willing to stay focused, be faithful, and to follow.

God Bless Your Hearts,

Pastor Frederick Sampson



Women of the Church

As we head into the fall season, all women are encouraged to join the **Women With Faith** group which will meet on the second Wednesday of every month.

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 12 at 1:00 PM**. In addition to being a time for fellowship and sharing of ideas, Bev Hinton will be reviewing her on-going greeting card project. Since we will be providing pizza, an RSVP is appreciated. Use the sign-up sheet in the church library or call me directly.

Joan Sarns



The men of HP First continue to meet for breakfast and fellowship, usually on the first Saturday of every month. The date of our October breakfast has been changed to **Saturday, October 8** to avoid a conflict with Hands4Detroit on October 1.

Meetings are at 10:00 AM at Classic Coney Restaurant, 24041 Dequindre Rd. (at Woodward Heights) in Hazel Park.

For more information, contact Nick Haller.

Southeast Oakland Coalition (SEOC) Presents their 1st Annual Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, October 15 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Ferndale High School. Theme: United In Peace – Cultivating Relationships to build bridges between school, law enforcement and our community for our children.

Tickets are \$25 per person, which are tax-deductible and will help to support programs, activities, and initiatives that aim to promote mental health and reduce substance abuse, violence, and HIV/AIDS in our community especially among youth. To purchase tickets, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/>

CHAIR YOGA With Shelly

Mondays 9:00am – 10:15am at Berkley First United Methodist Church 2820 - 12 Mile Road; (between Coolidge & Greenfield).

Chair Yoga is a gentle Yoga class that is practiced while sitting on a chair or using the chair for balance. This practice increases strength and flexibility while reducing stress. If you are concerned about getting down on the floor or maintaining balance, this class is perfect for you! Each class ends with the relaxing and meditative vibrations of Tibetan Singing Bowls. Suitable for all levels and abilities. Everyone is Welcome. Cost: \$5, Join anytime. For more information, visit <http://wabisabi.yoga>



The 2017 Annual Conference Planning Team is busy planning the Michigan Area Annual Conference at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, Michigan, June 1-4.

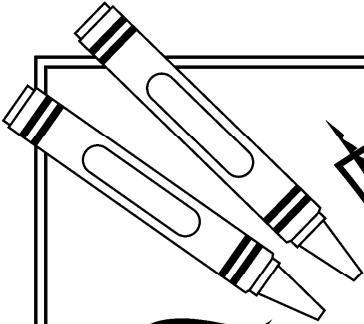
The 2017 Annual Conference website will be up soon - watch for updates.

AN INVITATION FOR WOMEN FROM CLAWSON UMC:

Please join us in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of our Clawson Church with brunch on **Saturday, October 22 at 10:00 AM.**

Along with brunch, Twylia Voshol will present "Music Through The Years", while we also look back on CUMC history. Highlights include when our women served lunches at the State Fair in the 1930's, and our continued efforts serving the Rotary for the past 30 years.

Clawson United Methodist Church is located at 205 N. Main Street (just north of 14 Mile Rd) in Clawson. Reservations are required for attendance. Please RSVP by Saturday, October 15 to Jean Isaacson at Clawson UMC.



PUZZLE

Friends in the Lord

Jesus offers a perfect example of friendship.

What does he do for his friends?

Directions: Follow the clues to fill in the blanks. Then write the completed Bible verse below.

- Better than; rhymes with *crater*: _____
- Opposite of hate: _____
- Opposite of yes: _____
- Three minus two: _____
- Not _____ but that; rhymes with *hiss*: _____
- To place something down; rhymes with *say*: _____
- Opposite of up: _____
- Opposite of death: _____
- Best buds: _____

“ _____ has _____

_____ than _____: to _____

one’s _____ for one’s _____.”

JOHN 15:13, NIV

Warm HARVEST COBBLER

These fall flavors will remind you of all the season’s goodness.

What you need:

- An adult to help



Fruit mixture

- 4 cups apples and/or pears (peeled, cored and diced)
- 2 cups fresh cranberries, halved
- ¼ cup dried cranberries
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 3 Tablespoons cornstarch

Crumble topping

- 1 cup flour
- ½ cup brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup butter

What you do:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease 8" or 9" baking dish.
2. Prepare fruit mixture and place in baking dish.
3. In another bowl, combine dry ingredients. Add in cut butter until it’s a crumbly texture. Sprinkle over fruit mixture.
4. Bake for 45-50 minutes or until fruit juices bubble and topping is browned.
5. Optional: Serve with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.



Please continue to keep those on our prayer list in your daily prayers.



Health Concerns: Dorothy Bastien, Judy Bickel, Cathy Bowen, Rose Bussiere, Arlene Earl, Shelly Hammarskjold, Betty McGinn, Sandra O'Neal, Dennis & Joyce Rash, Carolina Reed, Patricia Rosso, and Tyjna Tippins.

Serving in the Armed Forces: Chris Collis, and Ronald Turner.

Church Leaders: Bishop David A. Bard, Conference Cabinet Members, District Superintendent Rev. Dr. Charles Boayue, Jr., the Detroit Renaissance District, and our Pastor Rev. Dr. Fredrick G. Sampson, III.

Congregation: Please let the pastor know if you have any specific prayer request or needs; or you would like Pastor Sampson to visit you.

UNITED METHODIST UNION ANNUAL DINNER — OCTOBER 27

The United Methodist Union of Greater Detroit will hold its 97th Annual Meeting & Banquet at 6:15 pm on **Thursday, October 27, 2016** at Big Beaver United Methodist Church, 3753 John R. in Troy. Guest speaker for the evening will be Rev. Benton Heisler, West Michigan Director of Connectional Ministries. Tickets are \$10 per person and RSVP is requested by October 17. If you are interested in attending, or for more information, please contact Al Gebo or John Sarns.

GREETING CARDS

Those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25

Sending cards provides a high emotional benefit to the receiver, it can also be a rewarding experience for the giver. It helps us feel connected to people, happy that we have helped to brightened someone's day.



Cards can help someone through a time of grief and hardship, boost their spirits and it let's them know someone is thinking of them. Greeting cards provide a keepsake, that people can hold on to and use to reflect on the past.

Receiving a greeting card makes us feel important, loved and closer to those who take the time to convey this small gestures.



There is a book of sample cards in the church library. You can personalize your card by writing your own message or you can leave it up to me. For only \$2.00 you will make a difference in someone's life.

Bev Hinton

Answer to Puzzle: "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."
John 15:13, NIV



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF HAZEL PARK



October 2016

Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15–Oct. 15

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 20th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide World Communion Sunday (offering) Worship Service w/ communion 11:15 AM	3	4	5 Praise Team 6:00	6	7	1 HANDS 4 DETROIT 8 MENS BREAKFAST AT CLASSIC CONEY 10:00 Children's Sabbath Oct. 7–9
9 21st Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide Children's Sabbath Worship Service 11:15 AM	10 Columbus Day (USA) 	11	12 Women with Faith 1:00 PM Praise Team 6:00	13	14	15 Praise Team 10:30
16 22nd Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide Laity Sunday Worship Service 11:15 AM	17	18	19 Praise Team 6:00	20 CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 PM	21	22 Praise Team 10:30
23 23rd Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide Worship Service 11:15 AM	24	25	26 Praise Team 6:00 Free Community Dinner at Ferndale UMC 6:00–7:30 PM	27 United Methodist Union Annual Meeting & Banquet—Big Beaver UMC 6:15 PM	28	29 Praise Team 10:30

30 24th Sunday after Pentecost/in Kingdomtide

 Worship Service 11:15 AM

31 Reformation Day

NOVEMBER 2016						
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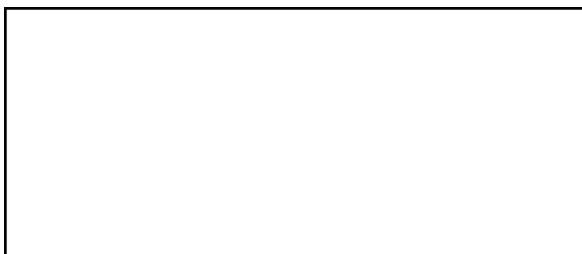
AA Meeting Schedule:
 Monday thru Friday at 6:30 PM
 Saturday: 10:30 AM & 8:00 PM
 Sunday: Women's Meeting at 6:00 PM



Official United Methodist Program Calendar
 Toll-free orders: 888-346-3862/#16100320/1.5M

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UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS:

DANNY EDWARDS - OCTOBER 13

JADE HALLER - OCTOBER 13

AL GEBO - OCTOBER 14

JERRY ALLEN - OCTOBER 14

LEONARD HUNTER - OCTOBER 18

ADRIEN LACHAPELLE - OCTOBER 22

TERESA MCMILLIAN - OCTOBER 29





BRIGHTMOOR 2016

OCTOBER 1, 2016

OPENING CEREMONY is at 9AM

BRIGHTMOOR ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

12065 W. OUTER DRIVE DETROIT, MI 48223

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE MEMBERS OF YOUR CONGREGATION JOIN US FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OUR NEIGHBORS.

WE WOULD ALSO ASK YOU TO PLEASE HELP US SPREAD THE WORD BY PUTTING THIS INFO ON YOUR CHURCH CALENAR.

**ANYONE CAN REGISTER FOR THE EVENT BEGINNING ON AUGUST 15, 2016
BY GOING TO HANDS4DETROIT.ORG**

***VOLUNTEERS WORK FROM 9:30AM - 3:00PM
LUNCH IS PROVIDED***

***Hands4Detroit is an annual day of service and food drive sponsored by the Detroit Renaissance District of the United Methodist Church. Held on the first Saturday of October, Hands4Detroit brings together a thousand volunteers of all ages from across Metropolitan Detroit who, alongside residents of the community, put their hands to work on clean up and beautification projects.

***Additionally, Hands4Detroit partners with Gleaners Community Food Bank to sponsor a food drive. We invite you to come and pick up an empty box or 2 beginning today at Brightmoor Aldersgate UMC, and take them to your church to fill with non perishable food between now and October 1, 2016.

All donations help Hands4Detroit with its goal of driving out hunger across the Motor City.