



SELLERSBURG

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Words to the Wise

August | 2024

Pastor's Pen...

The month of August is going to focus on the founder and inspiration for the United Methodist Church and many other denominations in our world today. John Wesley was a pastor's kid born in 1703, he grew up in the church and became a powerful preacher in his own right. He started a religious revolution in England and an entirely new church in the Americas.

Our month of John Wesley will start off with the man himself. We are looking forward to having John Wesley himself in worship with us on August 11th. Come hear his story of faith. A faith so profound, that it literally changed the course of religion in the United Kingdom and around the world. Today, Wesley influenced churches span the globe..

This special Sunday will be followed by a short sermon series focused on one of Wesley's most important teachings: Social Holiness. If you are unfamiliar with John Wesley, Social Holiness might sound strange. It simply means that we can grow closer to God (holiness) by being social and engaging with our neighbors and those in need.

July and August are popular months for vacations in many families. The Daily family went on their own vacation in July. That meant our guitarist, Colin Daily, our sound board operator, Stewart Daily, and our projectionist, Dalton Daily, were all gone on the same two Sundays. A big thank you to Lori Rice, Jennifer

Demaree, and John Reid, and our pianist, Diana, for stepping up and helping make those 2 Sundays run smoothly.

I will be taking a short vacation myself at the beginning of August. My daughter, Joanna, and I will be traveling around the Great Lakes visiting several national parks. For Joanna, it will be her first time in at least 3 states, not to mention traveling across the border into Canada. Jennifer will be on a vacation with 3 close friends during the same time. Pastor Gary will be leading worship on August 4th.

Many of our kids are already back in school, and for some summer may feel like it's already over. Others still have trips to look forward to. Whatever your plans are for the month of August, I hope you will remember to include your spiritual life. Don't forget that when you are away, you can watch the service live from anywhere. You can also catch up using the same links once you have returned home.

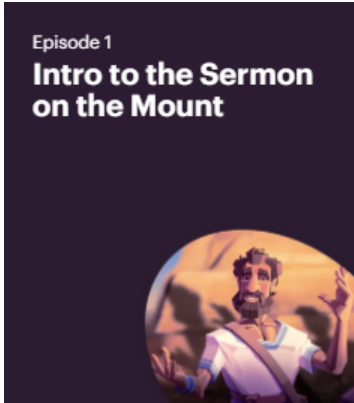
Blessings,

Pastor John

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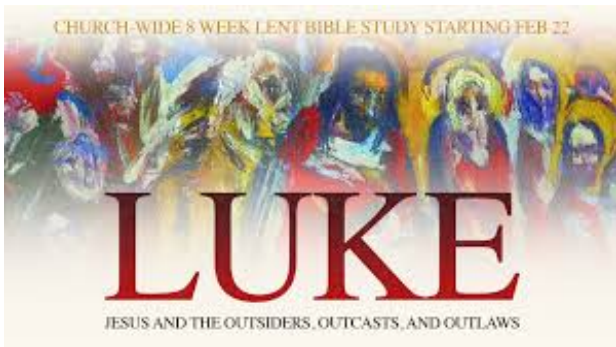
**Wednesday Evening Study -
Starting Back July 10th**



The Wednesday Evening Study will be back on August 13th. We will be studying the Sermon on the Mount using the Bible Project video series. The Sermon on the Mount is a collection of Jesus' most

famous teachings in the Bible. These include the beatitudes, his teachings about loving your enemies, and the Lord's prayer that we say each Sunday. Learn how the entire Sermon on the Mount connects together and shows us how to bring God's kingdom to earth. We meet in the church basement in room 2 every Wednesday evening from 6:30 pm to 8pm. You are welcome to join us any week. Enter through door C from the back parking lot.

**Friday Morning Bible Study -
Starting Back July 12th**



Friday Morning Bible Study

The Friday morning Bible study will be back on August 16th. They will continue their study, *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws* by Adam Hamilton. Jesus came to lift up the lowly. Throughout his ministry to his final days on the road to the cross, we find stories of his relationships with ordinary, flawed, and unexpected people. He met, dined, and traveled with people who were not perfect. Many of them were struggling, some were outsiders or even outlaws. Whoever they were, from those he healed to the outlaws with him at his crucifixion, Jesus brought the good news of God's kingdom to those who most needed to hear it.

In *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws*, pastor and bestselling author Adam Hamilton explores the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke. Through Luke's stories, we find Jesus' care and compassion for all as he welcomes sinners and outcasts. As we study Luke and see Jesus' concern for those who were considered unimportant, we hear a hopeful and inspiring word for our lives today.

We meet in the church basement in room 2 every Friday morning from 10am to 11:30am. You are welcome to join us any week. Enter through door C from the back parking lot.



Beyond the Walls Ministry

You are encouraged to keep in contact with your fellow churchgoers in any of the following ways:

Send a card

Make a phone call

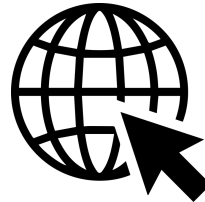
Stop by for a visit

If you need information, let me know and I will help you with names, addresses and phone numbers.



Kathy Waterman 812-256-5298

SellersburgUMC.com



Visit our church website to view the worship service, set up online giving, or learn more about the church ministries.



Young at Heart

Young-At-Heart Pitch-In

Wednesday August 7, 2024

11:30 a.m.

JayC Fried Chicken, Baked Ham, and Drinks Provided

BINGO with Prizes



Everyone is invited!

Phyllis Hunefeld (502-693-3696)

Maureen Atkinson (812-786-2119)



Check out What's Up Wednesday...

Available on Facebook and through our website

Interested in singing with the choir?

The Choir is on summer break.

All are welcome.

See Diana, our accompanist and choir director, after our Sunday service for more information.

dholman@ius.edu



Sunday School Opportunities

Sunday School is offered to all age groups before our service downstairs and in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00am

SUMC Prayer Chain

If you'd like to be a part of our prayer chain, you can join by sending the message "@sumcprayer" to the number "81010" in a text using your phone. If you'd like to sign up for emails, then you can send an email to sellersburgumc@gmail.com and let us know so we can get you signed up.



United Women in Faith

August 11 - On this second Sunday of the month we will meet at 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Jennifer Demaree will talk about Disaster Recovery Missions, where UMCOR fits in, and her experience leading mission trips to help survivors repair or rebuild their homes.

September 12 - This is Thursday, the day before the SUMC BBQ dinner, and a crew is needed to package cookies and get the sides ready for the carry outs. We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m. A sign up sheet will be available at the August meeting.

September 28 - We will prepare apple dumplings to be sold on Sunday, September 29. This is our fund-raiser for the year, so be taking orders. Lots of help will be needed.



GROW PRAY SERVE

Are you receiving Pastor John's weekly email?

If not, email the office and let Tony know!



Phyllis Hunefeld
(502-693-3696 or Phyllis.hunefeld@gmail.com)

MEN'S WEEKLY PRAYER GROUP

Summer is well underway. Take a minute to learn about what's happening at Men's Breakfast and Prayer Group this summer.

We hope to see you around.

We love to fellowship, pray, and rejoice in the sharing of the answered prayers we have laid to our Lord And Savior Jesus Christ.

We continue to pray for all of you,

Men's Prayer Group

SELLERSBURG
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturdays at 8:45 am in Fellowship Hall

*Join us for prayer, praise, food, and fellowship.
All are welcome here.*

See Rob Lamb for more information.



Birthday List

See a mistake or omission? Need a mailing address for a card? Contact the church office sellersburgumc@gmail.com

August

- William Durham Aug 1
- Allison Sims Aug 1
- Lori Rice Aug 1
- Betsy Boman Aug 2
- Janice Jones Aug 2
- Marcia Schiller Aug 3
- Alan Pritchett Aug 5
- Judy Lewis Aug 5
- Sheila Mapes Aug 8
- Lois Lewis Aug 10
- Carolyn Curtis Aug 11
- Rodney Lewis Aug 12
- Ralph Raeinhardt Aug 16
- James Mattingly Aug 16
- Alice Jones Aug 22
- Jim Lewis Aug 27

September

- Meredith Sims Sep 9
- Dwight Elrod Sep 16
- Joanna Demaree Sep 17
- Dorothy Scannapieco Sep 18
- Marc Lomax Sep 19
- Paulette Davison Sep 22
- Collin Daily Sep 24
- Phyllis Hunefeld Sep 24
- Derek Reuille Sep 25
- John Koerner Sep 27
- Scott Goodwin Sep 28
- Jim McMillin Sep 29
- Sue Smith Sep 29

Prayer List

1. Joyce Adams
2. Anthony Fugit & mother, Barbara
3. Alice & Denny Jones
4. Janice Jones
5. John Scannapieco
6. Pastor John's parents
7. Yvonne Frederick
8. The people of Ukraine
9. Jennifer Demaree's cousin Eddie
10. Josh Caldwell Family
11. Ralph Raeinhardt
12. Lori Shield's friend, Janae
13. Tardy family
14. Janet Smith Family
15. The people suffering in the Israel/Hamas War
16. Brenda Croucher
17. Kathy Waterman's sister, Suzanne
18. Paulette Davidson
19. Sheila Mapes family



BBQ PORK DINNER

Sellersburg



United Methodist Church

**FRIDAY
SEPT 13**

**226 N NEW ALBANY ST
4:30-7PM**

— X —
**BAKE SALE IN WELCOME CENTER
EAT-IN OR CARRY-OUT
DRIVE-THRU ON STREET**



— X —
**PORK BBQ DINNER \$12
HOT DOG DINNER \$5**

Indiana 2024 Annual Conference Report to Sellersburg UMC

Each year Indiana United Methodists meet to celebrate ministry, learn new ways to reach others for Christ, renew friendships, and praise God in exciting worship services throughout the 3 days at Annual Conference. The theme for 2024 was "Cultivate Joy." We arrived on Wednesday, June 05, at St. Luke's UMC, Indianapolis to register, pick up our tote bags and participate in the Midwest Missions Packing event where in an assembly line, we added measured food ingredients to zip lock bags for shipment to several foreign mission locations. This was also a Fun Night for attendees, Conference staff and families with food trucks, skill games and face painting. Thursday morning found us in the sanctuary for an amazing worship service with 2300 participants. We sang familiar hymns and praise songs with the Conference Choir, an orchestra, organ, and inspiring worship leaders. Members of the Annual Conference were Cultivating Joy—the Annual Conference theme—as the Conference Choir opened with "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee!" Retiring resident bishop, Julius C. Trimble called to us to order with his signature statement, "Be encouraged as we work together and give God the glory!" During Bishop Trimble's episcopal address, "A Few Minutes to Say Thank You," he emphasized God's steadfast love. "God loves you! And that's not up for vote!" He reported and thanked the Indiana Conference for raising an excess of over \$379,000 for Africa University. "To God be the glory!" he said. Bishop Trimble and Rev. Marcy Patrick presided over Holy Communion. Janet was honored to be one of the communion servers with Rev. Greg Pimlott. At the Thursday Laity Luncheon, we enjoyed a boxed lunch while exchanging ideas and highlights of our various ministries. Shannon Priddy, Conference Lay Leader, spoke about inclusiveness and invited those in the audience to share personal experiences. Some shared feelings of being ostracized and outside of the church for

years then finding love and acceptance in a UMC congregation.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as representatives of Sellersburg UMC and the South District.

Maureen Atkinson, SUMC Lay Leader, Lay Member to Annual Conference
Janet Werle, South District Lay Leader



Annual Picnic

August 17, 2024, 5:30 to 8:00

Pleasant Grove UMC

8211 Stacy Road

(corner of Hwy 403 and Stacy Rd.)

Charlestown, IN 47111

**Please join us for Fellowship, Dinner,
and Games**

Members of Sellersburg UMC

are asked to bring SALADS

Also a lawn chair and games to share