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Looking Ahead in Worship...

June 12, 2011
Pentecost Sunday
Services at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 am

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon

All -- Were Filled
Rev. Dr. Barrie Tritle

Music Ministry

@ 8:00 a.m. Cornerstone Service
Allegro from Concerto for Clarinet, K. 622
by W. A. Mozart
Suzanne Smith, Clarinet & Samuel Kwok, piano

@ 9:15 a.m. Sanctuary Service
Revival Fire Fall
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship,
Holy Is the Lord,
Lord, Reign in Me, You Are My All in All
Shout to the Lord
The Sanctuary Band

@ 10:30 a.m. Koinonia Service
Allegro from Concerto for Clarinet, K. 622
by W. A. Mozart
Suzanne Smith, Clarinet & Samuel Kwok, piano
Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers
by Robert J. Powell
As We Part for the Towns and Cities
by Jackson Henry
The Chancel Choir

June 19, 2011
Trinity Sunday
Services at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 am

Scripture

Genesis 1

Sermon

Rev. Jonathan Fell

Music Ministry

@ 8:00 a.m. Cornerstone Service
Amy Ostrem & Rev. Jonathan Fell, vocalist
@ 9:15 a.m. Sanctuary Service
Holy Holy, Praise Adonai, How Great Is Our God,
Make Us One, Everyday
The Sanctuary Band
Amy Ostrem & Rev. Jonathan Fell, vocalist

@ 10:30 a.m. Koinonia Service
Amy Ostrem & Rev. Jonathan Fell, vocalist
Look At the World by John Rutter
Awake, Awake to Love and Work
by G. A. Studdert-Kennedy
The Chancel Choir

Newsletter Submissions

The First Edition needs your help! We would like to hear from you.

Next Newsletter
Deadline: June 16

- Share your thoughts and reflections on a recent sermon, scripture reading, or Sunday School class discussion.
- Let us know about your awesome summer vacation.
- Show off your story writing or photography skills.
- Invite others to an event or to start a group.
- Thank someone for the hard-work they have done.
- Wish a church member a happy birthday or anniversary.



THE
NEWSLETTER
NEEDS YOU

Help us make the First Edition as useful and interesting as it can be!

Please send your submissions to Liz-Swanton@icfirstchurch.org.



Pentecost Sunday, June 12

Don't forget:

To celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church, we are asking everyone to **wear red, pink, yellow, or orange this Sunday**. Our congregation will then be a picture of flames recalling how the Holy Spirit came upon the Disciples as a flame to enliven them.

Vacation Bible School Opportunities!

Due to recent staff changes, FUMC will not host a VBS this summer. Instead, we are encouraging our children to attend one of the Vacation Bible Schools in the area! Go and meet other children in our community, engage in Christian fellowship, and have an awesome summer!



PandaMania

June 26-June 30

Coralville United Methodist Church
806 13th Avenue
Coralville, IA 52241

To register, please visit www.godscumc.org or pick up a registration form attached to the posters throughout the FUMC building

Shake it Up

July 18-July 22

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
2675 East Washington Street
Iowa City, Iowa 52245

For registration information, contact Ginger Troughton at childrensdirector@stmarks-umc.net



If you need further assistance, please contact Rev. Jonathan Fell at jonathan-fell@icfirstchurch.org or Claire Bartleson at claire-bartleson@icfirstchurch.org



Pentecost Sunday Everyone Is Important!

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday! We will be singing "As We Part for Towns and Cities" from our new hymnal supplement *Worship & Song*. This song of sending forth was written by pastor John Thornburg. It conveys the understanding that worshipers do not simply leave the worship space; rather, we are sent to live as disciples in the world. I would like you to meditate the words, "As we part for the towns and cities, where you summon us to go, guide us, Lord, give us strength and courage, teach us all we need to know. Keep us humble, fixed on you, forever seeking, born anew. Kindle holy fires within us; many your Holy Spirit glow." The text is very suitable to sing on Pentecost Sunday. Suzanne Smith will be playing Mozart's Clarinet Concerto as Music for Gathering before 8 and 10:30 a.m. worship services.

The Chancel Choir will still be singing in **June** without having our regular Wednesday night rehearsal. If you want to sing with us without "too much obligation", it's the best time for you to join in the summer! If you want to sing with us, you just need to come to **Choir Room at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings**.

May the Holy Spirit be always with you!

Your brother in Christ,
Samuel



Sanctuary Service Coordinator Needed!

We are in need of a Sanctuary Service Coordinator. The coordinator arranges for greeters and ushers for our Sanctuary (9:15) Service. If you would be willing to help with this important ministry, please contact Samuel Kwok at 338-7653 or Samuel-kwok@icfirstchurch.org.

THANK YOU ARTS FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS!

It was an honor and a privilege to work with all of you as we took our first FUMC food booth out for a spin. Thank you! I hope that you all found it a great experience to work with each other.



Many thanks to our great food booth volunteers!

<i>Marcia & Paul Akin</i>	<i>Jean & Martin Hill</i>	<i>Megan & Michael Petkewec</i>
<i>Fern & Duane Allison</i>	<i>Sally Jablonski</i>	<i>Phillip, Amelia, & Juliann Prybil</i>
<i>Linda & Dion Baylor</i>	<i>Janica & Samuel Kwok</i>	<i>Pam & Paul Ries</i>
<i>Ken Brown</i>	<i>Brad Langguth</i>	<i>Gayle and Ken Royer</i>
<i>Kayla Cress</i>	<i>Phil Leff</i>	<i>Marilyn & Don Shurr</i>
<i>Jan Down</i>	<i>Kristen McIntyre</i>	<i>Maynard Smith</i>
<i>Eddie Etsey</i>	<i>Greg Miller</i>	<i>Joyce Thomas</i>
<i>Linda Fink</i>	<i>Von Miller</i>	<i>Ashlyn & Nick Thorn</i>
<i>Danette & Allen Frauenholtz</i>	<i>Christine & Ken Mullen</i>	<i>Cathy Wilcox</i>
<i>Shannon & Mollie Hammer</i>	<i>Josh Nichols</i>	<i>Christy & Erika Zierke</i>
<i>Doug Herman</i>	<i>Joyce & Dick Oberman</i>	<i>Ila Zimmerman</i>

For all the pastry donors, including those who did not sign up, thank you!

<i>Fern Allison</i>	<i>Jean & Martin Hill</i>	<i>Meredith Parsons</i>
<i>Ann Bagford</i>	<i>Nancy Johns</i>	<i>Vona Robertson</i>
<i>Linda & Dion Baylor</i>	<i>Megan Klazura</i>	<i>Angi Roemerman</i>
<i>Chris Best</i>	<i>Joyce Leff</i>	<i>Lynnda Sanborn</i>
<i>Carl Bontrager</i>	<i>Judy Madsen</i>	<i>Sandra Schuldt</i>
<i>Kayla Cress</i>	<i>Joyce Marner</i>	<i>Mike & Marla Swesey</i>
<i>Lorna Cress</i>	<i>Ronda Marshall</i>	<i>Ashlyn Thorn</i>
<i>Jan Down</i>	<i>Cassie McClellan</i>	<i>Cathy Wilcox</i>
<i>David & Susan Dozark</i>	<i>Sara Nichols</i>	<i>Sandy Willingham</i>
<i>Lisa Hammer</i>	<i>Connie Olson</i>	<i>Christy Zierke</i>

They were all delicious. Some of the high sellers for adults were bars, brownies, breads & muffins. High sellers for kids were rice krispie bars, Scotcheroos, cookies, anything with M&M's & Snickerdoodles. We will be preparing the sign up sheet for our Jazz Fest food donations that will include some breakfast breads and coffee cakes. The remaining food donations have been frozen by Fern Allison & Dee Brown to be used for our Church coffee hours.

Please share any suggestions or feedback that you may have to make Jazz Fest run more smoothly. I have already compiled a list of changes but would appreciate your feedback.

A very special recognition goes to:

- 1. John Cress from BP Amoco on the corner of Scott Boulevard & Washington for donating all the ice.*
- 2. Coralville Hy-Vee for donating all the Sterzings Potato Chips.*
- 3. Christine & Ken Mullen for closing up on Saturday night.*
- 4. Pam & Paul Ries for the donation of their tent.*
- 5. To everyone that stayed longer than their appointed shift to create a smooth transition from one shift to another. You all did it!*

We are off to Jazz Fest and I will be communicating with all of you, as well as the congregation, about our next venture by the end of the week. Again, thank you for being Disciples of Christ for FUMC. I hope you all met new friends. I know I did.

I will be at church the next three Sundays to work the crowd for an even larger cadre of volunteers!

Dave Fink, Chair

MEDICAL MISSION GOING TO OCHO RIOS, JAMAICA



A team of doctors from UIHC Children's Hospital have been going at their own expense since 2008.

Those who choose to help with donations the month of June can place items in the small wooden barrel located in the Gathering Space.

DONATIONS NEEDED INCLUDE:

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|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1% hydrocortisone cream | A+D ointment | Benadryl tablets |
| Lotrimin cream | Aquaphilic ointment | Child toothbrushes |
| Triple antibiotic cream | Liquid ibuprofen | |

Generic forms of these medications are fine.

Thank you for helping in this project and a making a difference.

Sandy Willingham

CHANCEL CHOIR SUMMER SCHEDULE

The Chancel Choir just started the summer schedule this past Sunday. During the summer, the Chancel Choir will rehearse from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. in the Choir Room to prepare music for the Koinonia Service. We welcome interested singers! You just need to come to our rehearsals in June. Please do not hesitate to contact Samuel if you have any questions.

Acolytes for our Koinonia Service

We are inviting young disciples to be our acolytes for the Koinonia (10:30) Worship Service. Please contact Samuel Kwok at 338-7653 if anyone wants to join this ministry.



AFFINITY GROUP NEWS

What is an Affinity Group? It is a group of people who collectively pursue a common interest. And, at First United Methodist Church, there are several such groups covering a variety of interests.

Please consider joining one of these Affinity Groups.

Group Theme

Contact Person

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| Senior Friendship & Support Group | Sage River (sage-river@icfirstchurch.org or 354-5484) |
| Bicycling Affinity Group | Jan and Jim Down (jjdownic@mchsi.com or 354-1820) |
| Bluegrass | Maynard Smith (maynards@q.com or 337-9901) |
| Books And Bagels | Betty Mitchell (354-1225) or Nancy Johns (njohns@q.com) |
| Doers of the Word | Sue Mullins (339-0984) or Linda Fink (338-2860) |
| Dorcas Group | Bernie Mulford (337-6680) |
| Environmental Action | Mark Madsen (mark-madsen@uiowa.edu) |
| Families with Children | Tricia Ross (351-0823) |
| Films For Fun 'N Faith | Lou Crist (338-5014) |
| Flames Softball Team | Jane Driscoll (JDRISCOL@aol.com) |



FLAMES SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Games at Coralville Creekside Ballpark Diamonds 1-3

June 10 @ 6:00 pm

June 17 @ 8:00 pm

June 24 @ 6:00 pm

July 8 @ 7:00 pm

July 15 @ 6:00 pm

July 22 @ 8:00 pm

August 5 @ 6:00 pm

August 12 @ 6:00 pm

August 19 @ 6:00 pm

August 26 TBA

September 2 TBA



The First United Methodist Flames are our COED Softball team. If you would like to play on the team please contact Jane Driscoll at 337-4902; ages 14 and older eligible. And, the team always appreciates fans coming out to the games to cheer them on. Go Flames!

Congrats Flames on the vistory last Friday night!

Growing in Health & Wholeness:

Fathers Day

Bedtime came, we were settling down,
 I was holding one of my lads.
 As I grasped him so tight, I saw a strange sight:
 My hands. . .they looked like my dad's!
 I remember them well, those old gnarled hooks,
 there was always a cracked nail or two.
 And thanks to a hammer that strayed from its mark,
 his thumb was a beautiful blue!
 They were rough, I remember, incredibly tough,
 as strong as a carpenter's vice.
 But holding a scared little boy at night,
 they seemed to me awfully nice!
 The sight of those hands - how impressive it was
 in the eyes of his little boy.
 Other dads' hands were cleaner, it seemed
 (the effects of their office employ).
 I gave little thought in my formative years
 of the reason for Dad's raspy mitts:
 The love in the toil, the dirt and the oil,
 rusty plumbing that gave those hands fits!
 Thinking back, misty-eyed, and thinking ahead,
 when one day my time is done.
 The torch of love in my own wrinkled hands
 will pass on to the hands of my son.
 I don't mind the bruises, the scars here and there
 or the hammer that just seemed to slip.
 I want most of all when my son takes my hand,
 to feel that love lies in the grip.

By David Kettler

To all the dads, and men who are like dads, who care for, comfort, love, and provide for children, blessings of the day to you.

Sage River

Parish Care Ministries



Thank you to all my Church Family Members for their loving phone calls, beautiful get well cards and most of all your Prayers for me during and after my surgery. I hope to be able to once again join you in a couple weeks.

Irene Klinzman



PEACE WITH JUSTICE OFFERING

Peace with Justice Sunday, a day to celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit calling for God's shalom and to hear once more God's demand for a faithful, just, disarmed, and secure world. A Special Offering will be received on this day, June 19. 50% will remain in the Iowa Annual Conference to be administered by the Conference Board of Church & Society; the other 50% will be used for Peace with Justice Ministries related to the General Board of Church and Society. Please plan to give generously in support of these important ministries of our church and denomination.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June 8

Julie Gilmore
 Karl Warner
 Brandon Bay

June 9

Jonathan Pogue
 Alason Jones
 Ethan Zierke

June 10

Joan Cox
 Marjorie Leeney
 Jeff Goldsmith
 Judi Barta
 Danielle Craig

June 11

Connie Colony
 Chris Samuelson
 Cathy Hagen
 Sherri Miller
 Douglas Bywater
 Connor Gordon

June 12

Mary K. Calkin
 Gay Blair
 Kari Daubenberger
 Suzanne Fesler
 Katie Patrick

June 13

Julie Nosek
 Verne Nelson
 Aidan O'Leary

June 15

Leighton Smith

June 16

Bea Walters
 Susan Dozark
 Schuyler Miller

June 17

Kate Carinder
 Jessica Patten
 Noah Hix



June 18

Mary Louise Littrell
 Joyce Oberman
 Wanda Wilker
 Deborah Millsap

June 19

Duane Means
 Lori Allen
 Steven Judge

June 20

Lyle Lord

June 21

Samuel Claus
 Neita Cochran
 Barbara Khal
 Jerri Mensing
 Michael Haring

Take time to pray - Our Church Family

We Celebrate With:

- Jon and Judy Cryer who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 10. May God bless them with many more.

We Pray For:

- The family of Ferne Higdon who died Friday, May 28th at Mercy Hospice. As we lift her to God in our prayers, we pray also for her family and for all who knew and loved Ferne.
- The family of Jane Huit who died in Eagle, CO on January 16th. As we lift her to God in prayer, we pray also for her family and for all who knew and loved her.
- Those from our congregation whom we know to be hospitalized:
 - **Mercy:** Eleanor Doling
 - Recently discharged: Don Marner
- All those in need of continued healing including:
 - Allen & Danette Frauenholtz's niece, Adrienne Smith, who is being treated for Hodgkin's Lymphoma, Carol Horton friend of Vona Robertson and of many in our congregation, has been admitted to Hospice care, Tim Harrington-Tabor's brother, John, who is suffering from bi-polar disorder, John Lennarson, husband of Sherri, and son-in-law of Lorna Cress, as he continues to recover from brain surgery,
 - Allison Johnson, daughter of Cinda & Bill Tanner, as she is being treated for breast cancer, Vicki Burketta, friend to many in the congregation, whose cancer has returned, Cathy Nelson, co-worker of Judy Best, whose son, James, became lost in the Colorado mountains, while hiking,
 - Sharon Campbell, who is suffering from an aggressive bone cancer; Sharon is the aunt of Sherry Mars, Ron Krueger, friend of Connie & Jim Olson, as Ron undergoes treatment for lung cancer, Michael Flynn, friend of Cindy Cobb, as he is treated for Stage IV cancer, Ginnie Woodard, who has been diagnosed with adenocarcinoma; she is a friend of Matt Downen, Danelle Beckman, sister of Mitch Beckman, who is recovering from surgery for thyroid cancer, Barbra Johnson, friend of Jan Vaught Brezina, as she undergoes chemo and radiation for breast cancer in Kansas City,
 - Chris Goodale, friend of the Zierke's, as he recovers from Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma, Steve Wade, brother of Terri Wade, who is receiving chemotherapy for Stage III colon cancer, Carolyn Kirkman, granddaughter of a friend of Doris Hughes, undergoing treatment for colon cancer, Conan Dalton, brother-in-law of Jennifer Ballard, who has an inoperable brain tumor, Wanda Brinton at Atrium Village, and all those in our congregation who are homebound or residing in nursing homes or extended care facilities.
- Those serving in our military:
 - Todd Royar, who has been deployed to Afghanistan,
 - Nathan Bontrager, son of Carol Bontrager, serving in Afghanistan,
 - Joshua Klinzman, grandson of Derrill & Irene, deployed to Afghanistan,
 - Martin Roemerma, serving in Afghanistan; Martin is the husband of Angie, and father of Kaitlyn, Dan, Meredith, and Anna,
 - Chris Rew, son of Terry & Sue Rew, who is deployed to Afghanistan by the National Guard,
 - Jeremy Hahn, nephew of Judi and Jeff Barta, who is serving in Afghanistan,
 - Nathan Platz, son of Bob & Kristy Walker, now stationed in Italy,
 - Joseph Russell, son of Mary Lou Russell, serving in South Korea,
 - Alan G. Kellogg, son of Gary & Catherine Kellogg, now serving in Iraq,
 - Chris Miller, son of Harvey & Maxine Miller, who is serving by Army Special Operations,
- The healing of breaking and broken relationships,
- For those struggling with mental illness that they may receive the medical care they need,
- The mission, ministries and staff of First United Methodist Church,
- Bishop Julius Calvin Trimble, East Central District Superintendent David Crow, Field Outreach Minister Jill Sanders, and the 168th Session of the Iowa Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church.
- All those who have been impacted by violence, oil spills, earthquakes, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, and other natural disasters throughout the world,
- Peace with justice for the world.

5/29/2011 PRESENCE

8:00	75
9:15	61
<u>10:30</u>	<u>148</u>
Total	284

6/5/2011 PRESENCE

8:00	60
9:15	65
<u>10:30</u>	<u>154</u>
Total	279

Coffee Fellowship Host Opportunity

We hope you have been enjoying coffee and fellowship after each service in the Upper Room and Gathering Space. It is wonderful to see so many people staying to visit after each service. But the Coffee Coordinators need your help! Affinity groups, small groups, Sunday School groups, even families are asked to consider hosting fellowship time. You would have the opportunity to recruit and encourage more participation in your group, as well as share the duties for serving coffee and treats for a month at a time, or even for a single Sunday. Coffee and store bought cookies will be provided. Groups are encouraged to treat congregants to homemade treats & juice.

For more information on how to share in hosting coffee fellowship time, please contact:

Sue Mullins #339-0984
 Angi Roerman #430-6663
 Ken Brown #466-0774



We Need Your Support

As you may have noticed, coffee prices have recently been on the rise. In addition, fuel costs have added to a steep increase in shipping charges. If you enjoy drinking fairly traded, organic coffees and teas from Equal Exchange during Fellowship Time in the Upper Room, I would like to urge you to increase your support. The current level of contributions do not come close to covering the church's cost in providing you coffee, tea, and cookies. Visiting with friends over coffee and cookies is an important part of our Sunday. Please consider adding to the collection basket and help us provide coffees and teas which fairly compensate the producers and are raised in a sustainable manner.



Thank you!

A Message from the Japanese Communities in Eastern Iowa and Illinois, Iowa City Japanese School and Iowa City Japanese Association

Thank you for your generous support to our Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Relief Effort!

Our effort was met by the overwhelming warm response. We were able to raise and send \$13,825.88.* Your kind support will encourage the people in Japan and help them stand strong. Once again, **THANK YOU!**



* Please check website <http://iowacityjapanassociation.wordpress.com> for the most updated information.

Stop by the Church Office and see the lovely gift, a origami crane mobile.



Little Angels Play Area

Little Angels Learning Center is working in conjunction with Fred Meyers and Mary Crooks of Backyard Abundance and Tony Malkusak of Abundant Playscapes to create a natural outdoor play environment. We are very excited to be a part of this new movement towards engaging children in their natural environment. In today's hustle and bustle it seems that some of the curiosity and wonder that bring so much joy to childhood has been stifled indoors. Our goal is to go beyond just providing a space for our children to play outside. Instead we hope to give them an environment that engages them in nature and the world around them. If done correctly, our play environment can be certified as an outdoor learning environment.

Please consider volunteering your time w/ us **June 24th-26th** as we complete our project in the space between the Education Building and St. Mary's Church. Contact Cathy at 541-3538 at your convenience. We will be working in the following shifts:

Friday 8am-12pm and 1-5pm **Saturday** 8am-12pm and 1-5pm **Sunday** 1pm-5pm

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

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