

East Columbus United Methodist Church

A Church for Everyone!

JUNE 2014 NEWSLETTER



FATHER'S DAY



I found this moving story for Father's day and I hope it speaks to you as it did to me.

A man came home from work late, tired and irritated, to find his 5-year old son waiting for him at the door.

Son: 'Daddy, may I ask you a question?'

Dad: 'Yeah sure, what is it?' replied the man.

Son: 'Daddy, how much do you make an hour?'

Dad: 'That's none of your business. Why do you ask such a thing?' the man said angrily.

Son: 'I just want to know. Please tell me, how much do you make an hour?'

Dad: 'If you must know, I make \$50 an hour.'

Son: 'Oh,' the little boy replied, with his head down.

Son: 'May I please borrow \$25?'

The father was furious, 'If the only reason you asked that is so you can borrow some money to buy a silly toy or some other nonsense, then you march yourself straight to your room and go to bed. Think about why you are being so selfish. I don't work hard every day for such childish frivolities.'

The little boy quietly went to his room and shut the door. The man sat down and started to get even angrier about the little boy's questions. Now dare he ask such questions only to get some money? After about an hour or so, the man had calmed down and started to think: Maybe there was something he really needed to buy with that \$25 and he really didn't ask for money very often. The man went to the door of the little boy's room and opened the door.

'Are you asleep, son?' he asked. 'No daddy, I'm awake,' replied the boy. 'I've been thinking, maybe I was too hard on you earlier,' said the man. 'It's been a long day and I took out my aggravation on you. Here's the \$25 you asked for.' The little boy sat straight up, smiling. 'Oh thank you daddy!' he yelled. Then, reaching under his pillow he pulled out some crumpled up bills.

The man saw that the boy already had money and started to get angry again. The little boy slowly counted out his money, and then looked up at his father. 'Why do you want more money if you already have some?' the father grumbled. 'Because I didn't have enough, but now I do,' the little boy replied. 'Daddy, I have \$50 now. Can I buy an hour of your time? Please come home early tomorrow. I would like to have dinner with you.'

The father was crushed. He put his arms around his little son, and he begged for his forgiveness. It's just a short reminder to all of you working so hard in life. We should not let time slip through our fingers without having spent some time with those who really matter to us, those close to our hearts. Do remember to share that \$100 worth of your time with someone you love. If we die tomorrow, the company that we are working for could easily replace us in a matter of days. But the family and friends we leave behind will feel the loss for the rest of their lives. And come to think of it, we pour ourselves more into work than to our family.

Pastor Charlie



*A Note
from
Terry Snyder*

As I have mentioned before, I read different blogs concerning gospel music. One of them is run by a young man, Daniel Mount, who ended up getting a job in the southern gospel industry itself and moving from Ohio to North Carolina to work for Crossroads Music. I read one of his entries the other day and asked if I could publish it here. He graciously agreed. Here it is as published on southernjournal.com

Yesterday morning at church, we were singing one of the grand old hymns of the faith.

*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?*

The song was keyed low enough that I was singing an alto harmony. I heard a voice in the row behind me joining in. I didn't have to look back to know who it was. There is a precious elderly saint in our church who, years ago, sang alto in a local Southern Gospel quartet. When I started attending this church, she was on the worship team.

*Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.*

She had to step down from the worship team when she came down with Alzheimer's. The brilliance that made her a high school valedictorian has faded away. Yet she still remembers the old hymns, and on this one at least, the alto part.

*When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*

Then I realized what I was hearing. She has been called to go through the deep waters. Yet she still sings this song. When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,

*My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.*

She knows a promise. I say "knows"; whether or not her mind remembers, her heart still knows: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand" (John 10:27-29).

That's why she can sing:
*The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.*

I'll admit, I cried through the last few verses. I don't know if I sang a word. But it was just as well, because it meant that I could just listen to her sing. It was one of those moments that I will never forget—unless, of course I am someday called to walk through those same deep waters. But hearing her sing this song reminds me that should that day come, I have the same promise that was made to her: Nothing can pluck one of Jesus' sheep out of His Father's hand.

Not even Alzheimer's.



by Pastor Charlie & Judy Aigner

All4ONE members would like to thank the McDonnells and Barringers for hosting AfterALL in May. We only had two meetings in May due to Mother's Day and Memorial Day week-end.

We want to thank in advance Jamie and Jennifer Eubanks for hosting us at their home on June 1 and Mike and Erin Mattern and sons for hosting us at their home on June 8. There will not be a meeting on June 15 due to Father's Day. We may not meet on June 22, but watch the bulleting for a final decision. We still need someone to host AfterALL on June 29. Please let Judy Aigner know if you are interested.

June is a big month for two of our members. William Voils and Drew Wheeler are graduating from East High School.

June 29 the youth will be in charge of the second service. More details to come in the bulletin.

Plans for the summer include a day at Holiday World, camping trip and assisting Elizabeth Cox with her senior project which is a 5K run at Ceraland on July 4. More details to come when the dates are set. June 1 is an important meeting when dates for summer events will be decided.



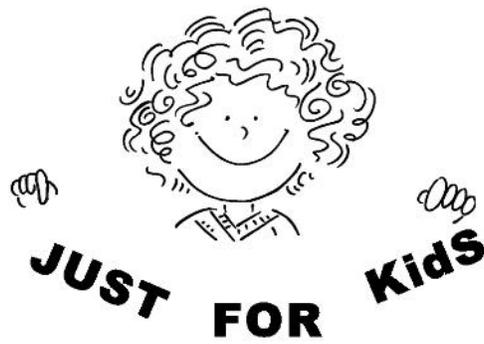
GRADUATION "OPEN HOUSES"

"Open House" in honor of Jimmy Fisher, Dereck and Angela Fields son, is Saturday, June 7 from 3-5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone invited!

"Open House" in honor of William Voils is Sunday, June 8 from 1-4 p.m. at his home, 2445 Broadmoor Lane, Columbus. Everyone is invited!

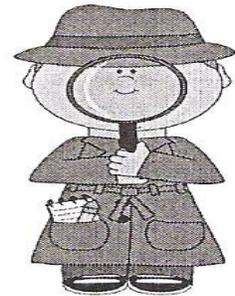
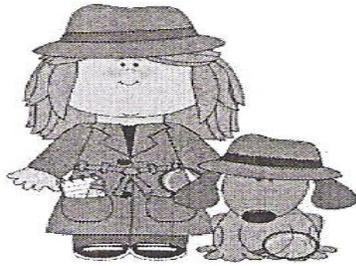
"Open House" in honor of Drew Wheeler is Friday, June 6, 6-8 p.m. at the Two Worlds Club House. Everyone is invited!

<p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES</p> <p>8:30 & 10:40 a.m. Blended Worship 9:40-10:30 a.m. Sunday School 6 p.m.—Casual-Informal Praise Service</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Charles Aigner, Senior Minister Carol McIntosh, Adm. Assistant Terry Snyder, Music Director Pastor Charlie & Judy Aigner, Youth Directors Dereck Fields, Custodian</p>
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by Paula Turnbow

**UNCOVER JESUS'
LOVE AT THIS
YEAR'S
VBS**



When:

July 14-18

6 p.m.—8 p.m.

****Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m.****

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

Monday, July 14

Magic by Drew

At 5:00 p.m.

“COME AND BE AMAZED BEFORE DINNER”

Important meeting for all VBS Volunteers

Monday, June 23

6:00 p.m.

in the Fellowship Hall

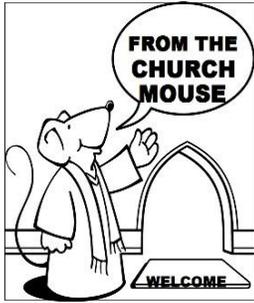
OUR CHURCH MISSION

THE EAST COLUMBUS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS SEEKING TO BECOME A MORE SERVING CONGREGATION UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST AND THROUGH THE PROMPTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. GOD HAS CALLED US TOGETHER TO BE THE BODY OF CHRIST AND TO WORSHIP AND GROW SPIRITUALLY; THEREFORE, WE WILL WITNESS TO THE GOSPEL IN ALL OUR ACTIVITIES FOR THE WINNING OF SOULS TO CHRIST.

JUNE

LOVE CHAPEL FOOD MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Darla McFadden in Concert 8:30 & 10:40 6 p.m. Casual- Informal Praise Service	2 9am-UMW Service Group	3 1pm-Bible Study	4 6pm-Chancel Choir Re- hearsal 7pm-Bible Study	5 5:30pm- Trustees Meeting 6:30pm-Boy Scouts	6	7 High School Grad. 10am- Cols. North 1pm-Cols. East
8 HOLY COMMUNION Regular Ser- vices 6pm-Casual – Informal Praise Service	9 9am-UMW Service Group	10 1pm-Bible Study	11 6pm- Chan- cel Choir Rehearsal 7pm-Bible Study	12 6:30pm-Boy Scouts	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day Regular Ser- vices <u>NO EVENING SERVICE</u>	16 9am-UMW Service Group	17 1pm-Bible Study 6:15pm- Church Growth Com- mittee Mtg.	18 6pm-Chancel Choir Re- hearsal 7pm-Bible Study	19	20 7pm-Cols. Community Emmaus Gath- ering (Asbury UMC)	21 8am-United Methodist Men's Break- fast
22 Sharon Johnson & men from Hope Royale speak at 8:30 & 10:40am <u>NO EVENING</u>	23 9am-UMW Service Group 6pm-VBS Volunteer Mtg.	24 <u>NO BIBLE STUDY</u> 7pm-Ecum. Assembly Board Mtg. (Love Chapel)	25 6pm-Chancel Choir Re- hearsal <u>NO BIBLE STUDY</u>	26 6:30pm-Boy Scouts	27	28
29 Regular Ser- vices 1-4pm- "Cancer Free Party" for Jocelyn Eubanks 6pm-Casual- Informal Praise Service	30 HAPPY BIRTHDAY PASTOR CHARLIE 9am-UMW Service Group					



Greetings Fellow Christians:

Do you know the legend of the Cherokee Indian youths' Rite of Passage?

His father takes him into the forest, blindfolds him and leaves him alone. He is required to sit on a stump the whole night and not remove the blindfold until the rays of the morning sun shine through it. He cannot cry out for help to anyone. Once he survives the night, he is a MAN.

He cannot tell the other boys of this experience, because each lad must come into manhood on his own. The boy is naturally terrified. He can hear all kinds of noises. Wild beasts must surely be all around him. Maybe even some human might do him harm.

The wind blew the grass and earth, and shook his stump, but he sat stoically, never removing the blindfold. It would be the only way he could become a man!

Finally, after a horrific night the sun appeared and he removed his blindfold.

It was then that he discovered his father sitting on the stump next to him. He had been at watch the entire night, protecting his son from harm.

We, too, are never alone. Even when we don't know it, God is watching over us, sitting on the stump beside us. When trouble comes, all we have to do is reach out to Him. He may not give us the answer we want, but He is there.

If you liked this story, share it with someone else. If not, you took off your blindfold before dawn. Moral of the story: Just because you can't see God, doesn't mean He is not there.

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.”

Thank you, Dad, for always keeping watch! Happy Father's Day to all of our Dads!!

Till next month.....Timothy



East Columbus United Methodist Church

**Our Mission: Growing the Family of God by
Making Loving Disciples of Jesus Christ**

Are You Ready for a Spiritual Growth Opportunity?

The growth committee is creating an opportunity for our members to participate in Phase 1 of our Fruitful Congregation Journey. Phase 1 will provide the foundation for our Church to carry out our mission. It will be exciting, rewarding and provide interaction with other Methodist Churches who are embarking on a new quest of continued growth. The process is seven Saturdays, once per month starting in September. The location of the meeting will be announced when the quorum of churches have signed up, but should not be more than one hour in distance. We need 10-12 participants and couples can tag team together. The time of the meeting will be from 9 am to 1 pm. To be acclimated in the process, there will be some reading. If you are interested, please see Pastor Charlie or Steve Bloomer.



HOOSIER TRAILS COUNCIL TROOP 549

On April 25-27, we had a Spring Camp-O-Ree at Ceraland. WE WON the best campsite! We also received 2nd place in paper tower building and 3rd place in water bottle rocket launch. A great time was had by all.

May 16-18, we had a campout at Jackson/Washington park. A dry campout with three boys passing another rank and they are ready for the board of review.

June 15-21, we will attend Summer Camp with six boys and two leaders attending.

If anyone is interested in helping out with scouting or if a boy would like to join the troop we will welcome a visit. Boys need to be 11 years old to join and less than 18.

Meeting time is Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Youth Center.

Roger Schaefer
Scoutmaster
812-342-3583 H
812-350-9707 C

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1.... Tracy Beier
Karen Helton
Sharon Johnson

2.... Karen Matern

4.... Sidney Beier

5.... Diana Fear

6.... Michele Bloomer
Don Wilson

7.... Tom Gorman
Cindi McClure

9.... Bob Hodler

10.... Brenda Hodler
Brenda Wilson

11.... Gladys Tuttle

12.... David Nichols

13.... Doris Barks
Sydney Conley
June Fiesbeck

14.... Eric Schuyler

15.... Jason Bloomer
Joe Schmidt
John Staples

17.... Alice Sechrest

19.... Peggy Skinner

21.... Sherri Hanna

22.... Tom Hadley
Thomas Voils

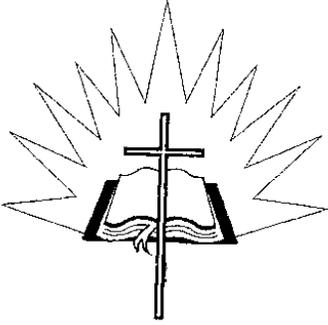
23.... Beverly Abbett

25.... Nita Basey

27.... Sally Brown

30.... Rev. Charles Aigner
Lois Mires





Applying Bible Principles

The Steinway piano has been the instrument of choice by masters of the keyboard for many years. Pianists such as Rubinstein, Cliburn, Horowitz, Rachmaninoff, and Liszt knew that a skillfully crafted instrument such as the Steinway produces a rich, wonderful sound.

Steinway pianos are built today the same way they were when Henry Steinway started the company in 1845. Two hundred craftsmen and 12,000 parts are required to produce one of these instruments. Most crucial is the rim-bending process where 18 layers of maple are bent around an iron press to create the shape of a Steinway grand. Five coats of lacquer are applied and hand-rubbed to give the piano its outer glow. Each key is tested 10,000 times to ensure quality and durability.

In a similar manner, Christians—followers of Jesus Christ—are being “handcrafted.” We are pressed, formed and shaped to make us more and more like Him. We are polished until we “glow.” We are tested in the laboratory of human experience to ensure quality and durability.

One of the ways in which we are made in Christ’s image concerns our giving. 1 John 3:17 (why not take time to look it up in your Bible?) says that we demonstrate God’s love when we see our brother in need and give to meet that need. In fact, the Lord Jesus said that we are to love our neighbor just as we love ourselves, and the illustration He provided was that of the Good Samaritan.

Yes, we are to give to the Lord’s work here at East Columbus United Methodist Church. Yes, we are to place a priority in our lives on supporting this ministry financially. But let’s not limit ourselves and our service for Christ to the walls of our church. Instead, let’s be alert to opportunities to God’s love to fellow-travelers on the road of life. When we do that, we are demonstrating to ourselves and to all who observe that we have been “handcrafted” in the likeness of the Lord Jesus Christ.



High School

William Voils (Columbus East)
Drew Wheeler (Columbus East)
Jimmy Fisher (Columbus East)

College

Dereck Fields (IUPUC)
Caleb Barringer (Ivy Tech)

High School graduation is Saturday, June 7. Columbus North graduates at 10 a.m. and Columbus East at 1 p.m.

Our graduates will be recognized in the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services on Sunday, June 8.

News



From the Mail Box...

Thank you to our church family for all of the cards, prayers and visits at the loss of our loved one, Max Carothers. Thank you to the church for the flowers that were sent and also the flowers sent from the Come Alive Singers. A special thank you to Pastor Charlie for the beautiful service for my father. Everything was appreciated.

-Steve & Carrie Carothers and family

LOVE CHAPEL FOOD MONTH

June is the month East Columbus UMC is designated to provide money to help with the payment of utilities and to purchase food in bulk. If you would like to bring food instead of giving money, the food will be taken to Love Chapel. You will find a "heart" envelope in your bulletin each Sunday in June for your giving.

CANCER FREE PARTY

A "Cancer Free Party" will be held for 2-year old Jocelyn Grace Eubanks, daughter of Jamie and Jennifer Eubanks, on Sunday, June 29 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served and everyone is invited to attend. You will be given the opportunity to donate in Jocelyn's name at the party to Riley Hospital in Indianapolis.

In Memory of
Rev. Kenneth Earl Veters
who went home
to his Heavenly Father
on May 15, 2014.
Rev. Veters served as minister
at ECUMC
from June 1987 to June 1991.



Our sympathy to Mary Veters and family at the loss of loved one, Rev. Kenneth Veters.



June 1, Darla McFadden in concert at 8:30 & 10:40 am. Services. See back page for more details.

Miriam Circle will meet Saturday, June 7, 11:30 a.m. at Strawberry Fields Tea Room at Hope, IN.

Trustees will meet Thursday, June 5, 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Graduates will be recognized in the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services on Sunday, June 8.

Flag Day is Saturday, June 14. Remember to fly your flag!

Father's Day is Sunday, June 15. Fathers will be recognized in the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services. There will be no 6 p.m. evening service due to Father's Day.

Church Growth committee will meet Tuesday, June 17, 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Columbus Community Emmaus gathering is Friday, June 20, 7 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church.

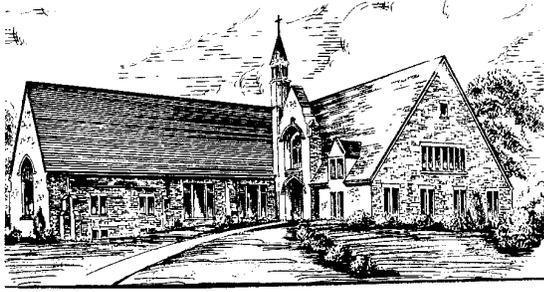
United Methodist Men will have their monthly breakfast Saturday, June 21, 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men invited to attend.

Special Speaker: Sharon Johnson and men from Hope Royale will speak and bring the music on Sunday, June 22 at the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services. Hope Royale is a faith based ministry located in Bethany, MO which includes a place for the homeless, a transitional center and most of all a restoration home for those that are in need of healing.

VBS meeting for volunteers is Monday, June 23, 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Ecumenical Assembly board meeting is Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m. at Love Chapel.

Beginning Balance 1/1/14	\$8,840.03
Current Expense Income 1/1/14—5/24/14	\$95,445.85
Current Expenses 1/1/14—5/24/14 (\$9,941.57)	\$114,227.45
Borrowed from Savings	<u>\$12,000.00</u>
Balance 5/24/14	\$ 2,058.43



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Return Service Requested

DARLA MCFADDEN IN CONCERT

June 1, 2014

8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services

Darla McFadden will return to East Columbus UMC to sing on Sunday, June 1 at the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services. Darla McFadden is a “Top 10” Nashville Christian music recording artist. She is from Lake St. Louis, MO. Invite your friends and family to come to church with you on this Sunday to enjoy this special time of music.