

**“Growing on the Foundation of Our Past”
CONSECRATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018
IS QUICKLY APPROACHING.**

Dear Friends,

The pace of life changes in September. The first day of fall is Saturday, September 22; vacations end; school starts; fall flowers bloom and church activities go into high gear. The Consecration Sunday committee wants to remind the church family that Consecration Sunday, October 21, is approaching quickly. The committee urges you to mark your calendar and join your church family for our special service. The committee is pleased to announce that Rev. Sweet has asked Rev. Andy Anthony of the Bethel United Methodist Church in Mascoutah, Illinois to be our special guest speaker. We are having a combined worship service at 10:45 am on Consecration Sunday, October 21.

Our church family includes a number of members that can relate to the theme the committee selected for 2018, **“Growing on the Foundation of Our Past”** but our church historian, Greg Pasley, will present the sermon for both services on Sunday, October 14. Our committee is also working to incorporate a short message from a young member of the church family in each service on October 14. A number of other church members will also present messages in services leading up to Consecration Sunday.

The luncheon will be a catered meal and not be a standard fellowship dinner or potluck prepared by church members. The committee wishes for everyone to enjoy the celebration luncheon. We are working to complete the lunch plans and will announce them as they are finalized.

Our Mission indicates “To lead people to Jesus and help them grow as Disciples”. Consecration Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in a response to the question, “What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?” A member of the committee will present a breakdown of our congregations giving patterns.

Thanking you in advance for your participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Your Consecration Sunday Team

Discipleship Classes

Sunday Morning Discipleship Classes

9:30 Sunday Morning Discipleship Class will be studying *“Escaping the Coming Night”* by Dr. David Jeremiah and the class will be held in the church library.

David Jeremiah's dramatic narrative and perceptive analysis addresses the challenging issues in the perplexing book of Revelation. Through the mysteries posed in the book, Jeremiah guides the reader on an electrifying tour of the future.

9:45 Sunday Morning Discipleship Class will be studying *“Exploring the Mysteries of Heaven”* by Dr. David Jeremiah and the class will be held in the Discipleship Room.

Pastor David Jeremiah provides answers to questions about the nature of heaven, the kinds of bodies heaven's occupants will have, why heaven will never be boring, why infants and small children will go to heaven, and the dwelling place God is preparing for Christians in heaven

Wednesday Evening Adult Study

The Wednesday evening adult study will meet at 6 pm in the church library. They will be studying *“Jesus and His Jewish Influences”*. Please join us to learn more about Jesus and the Jews of His Time. We welcome anyone who wishes to learn more about their faith.

Please join us!!!



You are invited to our Fall Open House

Saturday, November 17th, 3-6pm

7 Hettinger Ct, Monticello, IL

Hope to see you there!!!

Rev. Craig

Brain Aging, Memory Loss, and Alzheimer's Disease

If you or someone you know are affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, it's time to learn the facts.

The Waterford at Bridle Brook, 1505 Patton Dr., Mahomet, has partnered up with Genesis Rehab Services to provide a free educational event on the following topics:

- Disease stages
- Detection
- Causes & risks factors, when to seek help, safety and resources.

This event will be held on October 11th from 6pm-7pm.

For more information please contact EmiLee Lindenbaum at elindenbaum@capitalseniorliving.net or 217-586-3200



CONGRATULATIONS

To those who have October Wedding Anniversaries:

- Andrew & Alyssa White
- John & Kelly McPherson
- Jason & Jennifer Vallowe
- Brian & Sue Chester
- Lance & Eileen Noone
- John & Judy Bell
- Richard & Roberta McElmurry



Thank you for your compassion and your hard work, for seeing the needs of the Mahomet United Methodist Church.

By sharing your skills and knowledge, you are a vital asset. Thank you for your kindness, care and love. Your willingness to use your gifts and abilities has strengthened our mission and the ministry of the church.

For all of your time, effort, commitment, and prayers you have put in:

Please accept our sincere thanks and appreciation for all you do!! You are truly a blessing to our congregation!!! We could not do this without your help and dedication!

With Sincere Gratitude,

MUMC Staff

THANK YOU!!

Bob and I want to thank our friends at MUMC for their prayers, cards, flowers and visits since my shoulder surgery in April. I am now at The Glenwood and continuing my physical therapy and doing well.

Sincerely, Norma Hible

IN SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to:

- The family of Rita Scott following her death on September 13, 2018. (*Christa Steeves, 1911 Meadow Lake Drive, Mahomet, IL 61853*)
- The family of Don Turner following his death on September 21, 2018. (*Patti and Bob Simpson, 201 S Division, Mahomet, IL 61853; Doug and Nancy Turner, 248 County Road, 2500N, Mahomet*)



Sunday, 10/7

Seeking a volunteer!!! —Set-up
Terri Hunt & Georgine Early —Clean-up

Sunday, 10/14

Seeking a volunteer!!!—Set-up
Brian & Sue Chester —Clean-up

Sunday, 10/21

Lance & Eileen Noone—Set-up
John & Jody Bell & Kids—Clean-up

10/28

Seeking a volunteer!!! —Set-up
Warren & Gerry Drake—Clean-up

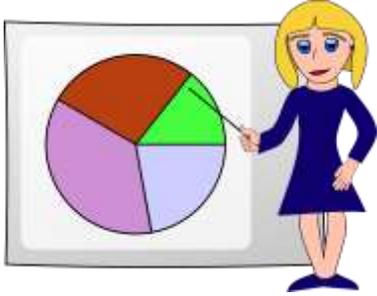
Your help is greatly appreciated!!!

Please contact the church office if you are interested in pursue this opportunity.

From the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee wants to remind the membership that 2018 Consecration Sunday Celebration will be held on October 21st. Dick Livesay along with Rick Swearingen and Kay Williams are working to make the 2018 Celebration a very special event. Dick will be contacting church members to serve as speakers and volunteers as we move closer to the Celebration. If you would like to help, please contact Dick Livesay.

Consecration Sunday is an important day for the members of our church. Please plan to attend the two important events: the combined Sunday morning worship service at 10:30am and the Celebration luncheon immediate following the combined service.



August unrestricted total income was \$21,542 for our church and total expenses were \$32,263 for a negative \$10,721 for the month. January through August 2018 unrestricted total income was \$241,202 and total expenses were \$284,374 for a negative \$43,171. After we take in to account that \$35,550 of the 2018 pledges were paid in 2017 and if we average them monthly for the year, it would essentially be a negative \$19,471 net as of the end of July. Last year January through August 2017 unrestricted total income was \$267,854 and total expenses were \$265,507 for a net positive of \$2,347.

The Finance committees agreed at the September 18th meeting to begin sending out with the statements of giving the “How Your Gift Can Make a Lasting Difference” brochures. The Brochure reviews the tools that make a lasting difference in growing our endowments for the future of our church.

As always, we are a transparent organization. The reports are always available on request. We thrive as a church because of our congregation’s generosity and faithfulness.

Sincerely,

Scott Yeazel

Chair, Finance Committee



From the Parish Nurse

Our parish nurse Eileen Waters will be collecting expired and unused prescription medications and over-the-counter drugs at the church Sunday, October 14 between services. This one day medications take-back project will provide a no-cost anonymous collection of unwanted and expired medicines.

Guidelines

- Medications are to be left in their containers with labels removed or information crossed out
- No aerosols or nebulizers
- Please do not dispose of medications in the trash or by flushing down the toilet.
- The University Police Department will dispose of the medications



It's a great time to clean out your medicine cabinet! Medicines in the home are a leading cause of accidental poisoning, and flushed or trashed medicines can end up polluting our waters. Rates of prescription drug abuse are alarmingly high—over half of teens abusing medicines get them from a family member or friend, including the home medicine cabinet, and often without their knowledge. The use of these abused prescriptions sometimes leads to the desire for cheaper more accessible street drugs like heroin.



Wesley Spirit Singers

Please join the Wesley Spirit Singers for hymn singing and reminiscing on:

Tuesday, October 9 at 1:00 pm
Bridle Brook
1505 Patton Dr.
Mahomet, IL 61853

For questions, contact:
Alice Nelson at 369-6685



Thursday Reading Circle

The Thursday Reading Circle will meet **October 11 at 1:30 pm** in the church prayer room. We will be discussing the novel, *Chasing Chaos*, by Benigno P. Beltran.

Jessica Alexander arrived in Rwanda in the aftermath of the 1994 genocide as an idealistic intern, eager to contribute to the work of the international humanitarian aid community. The world that she encountered in the field was messy, chaotic, and difficult-but she was hooked.

In this honest and irreverent memoir, Alexander introduces readers to the realities of life as an aid worker. We watch as she manages a 24,000-person camp in Darfur, collects evidence for the Charles Taylor trial in Sierra Leone, and contributes to the massive aid effort in Haiti. But we also see the alcohol-fueled parties and fleeting romances, the burnouts and self-doubt, and the struggle to do good in places that have long endured suffering.

Tracing her personal journey from wide-eyed and naive newcomer to hardened cynic and, ultimately, to hopeful but critical realist, Alexander shows us not only the seemingly impossible challenges, but also the moments of resilience and recovery.

If you love reading and discussing what you read with others, please join us on the second Thursday afternoon of each month.

For more information, please contact:
Sheryle Carpenter at davesheryle65@yahoo.com

IN CASE YOU WERE UNSURE... CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

Please see our request for your help in the November Circuit Rider to prepare our worship and learning spaces for the **BIRTH OF JESUS!**
Stay tuned for more information!!!



New Women's Bible Study It's not too late!!!!

Please join us every Thursday through October 25 from 6-8PM for a New Women's Bible Study! The study will be "*Discerning the Voice of God*" by Priscilla Shirer. The study focuses on learning to recognize God's voice above all others through challenging yourself in the discipline of daily Bible study. You'll gain practical advice for knowing and understanding God's voice through his Word, learn to recognize the Holy Spirit's character, language and tone of voice, and experience a deeper relationship with God by strengthening your daily walk with Him.

Each week will feature discussion of the week's reading from the workbook, 30-45 minute videos by Priscilla Shirer, fellowship and prayer. The last session will feature a movie night to recap the series with a presentation of Priscilla's movie, *The War Room*.

If you would like to purchase a workbook for a deeper study through homework during the week, a limited supply is available from the church office or you can order it from the Lifeway website:

www.lifeway.com/discerningthevoiceofgod.

Grab a friend, relative or invite a co-worker and come for an evening of fun and fellowship.

Please contact the church at mumc@mumc.org if you would like more information or to sign up.

Please contact Susan Adamson for questions!



Choir News



This Fall our Chancel Choir (which includes Youth à Adults) will be singing most weeks in First Service and preparing for Christmas Eve and a Christmas Cantata. We welcome anyone willing to praise God with their voice as we lead together in worship.

The Children’s Choir (which is for children 1st to 6th grade) will be singing in worship and it is a great time for your child or grandchild to learn the positive impact of music and singing together.

Chancel Choir practices each Tuesday @ 7:30pm in the Sanctuary and on Sundays @ 8am in the Choir room #300.

Children’s Choir practices each Wednesday @ 5pm (just before WOW) in the Choir room #300.

Talk to any of us in the Choir during Fellowship time or have a conversation with me, Kathy Tock and take the chance, join us as we share in worship and praise this Fall with our voices in song.



Fair Hope Benefit Concert

On October 13 at 5 pm, the St. James United Methodist Church in Danville will be featuring *North Street Soul and Dan First*. Light refreshments will be served during intermission. In lieu of tickets, a goodwill offering will be taken at the door.

Fair Hope Children’s Ministry provides clothing, car seats, play pens, and school supplies to families in the Danville Area. They are currently housed in Bowman Avenue United Methodist Church’s parsonage, however, they have outgrown that space and are in desperate need of a new building. All proceeds raised will go towards a new building.

We hope you will join us for a night of amazing music and fellowship!



Eastern Illinois Foodbank

On October 20 from 8:45 am-12:15 pm, there will be a Foodmobile at the Northern Piatt Fire Protection District, 108 N. Washington St., Mansfield, IL. They are in need of volunteers to distribute food.

Foodmobiles are mobile food pantries focused on alleviating hunger among vulnerable populations and targets rural and under-served communities. Volunteers are needed to set up the food distribution area, hand out product to recipients, help recipients carry product to their cars, and clean up after distribution is complete.

Most of our Foodmobiles feed anywhere from 100-250 families in a single morning! This will service all of Piatt County during October. Without volunteers, these distributions are simply not possible.

If you are interested, please sign up. If anyone has any questions they can contact Emily Stoerger at estoerger@eifoodbank.org or by phone at 217-328-3663.



Mahomet United Methodist Church

Our Mission: To know Christ's love and share it with our neighbors



On the following dates, we will not have WOW.

- 10/31—(Halloween)
- 11/21—(Week of Thanksgiving)



Pictured above-(Joan Kling) Kids learned the science of glow sticks during our GLOW unit at W.O.W. We learned that Jesus told us not to worry, but to come to Him with out fears.

Pictured left-As a part of the United Methodist Women Sunday, these proud second graders received their very own big kid Bible. (Pictured-Jacob Borst, Nathan Stabler, Bryden Ellett, and Nora Robinson. Not pictured-Cambria Clark, Braylynn Corbett, Megan Cramer, John Kent Morrow, Lucas Difiore, Vincent Humes, Kaden Junge, Andy Shafer, Zachary Sanders, and Norelle Eilts)

**OCTOBER, 2018 CALENDAR****MONDAY, 10/1—1 pm** Mission Mondays; **7 pm** Discipleship Team**TUESDAY, 10/2—6:30 pm** Wesley Bells; **7 pm** AA; **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir**WEDNESDAY, 10/3— FALL CARNIVAL;** **6 pm** Grief Support; **7 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal**THURSDAY, 10/4—8:30 am** Women's Small Group at Mahomet Family Restaurant; **1 pm** UMW Meeting; **6 pm** Women's Bible Study**FRIDAY, 10/5—7 pm** Debt Anonymous**SATURDAY, 10/6—Noon** AA**SUNDAY, 10/7—8:30 am** Worship; **9:45 am** Discipleship; **10:45 am** Worship with Praise Band; **5 pm** AA; **6 pm** Jr/Sr High Youth Group**MON, 10/8—1 pm** Mission Mondays**TUESDAY, 10/9—1 pm** Wesley Spirit Singers (Bridle Brook); **6:30 pm** Wesley Bells; **7 pm** AA; **7 pm** Finance Committee; **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir**WEDNESDAY, 10/10—5 pm** Children's Choir; **5:30 pm** Dinner; **6 pm** **WOW** Children & Adult Programs; **6 pm** Adult Study; **6 pm** Grief Support; **7 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal**THURSDAY, 10/11—8:30 am** Women's Small Group at Mahomet Family Restau-rant; **1:30 pm** Thursday Reading Circle; **6 pm** Women's Bible Study; **7 pm** Church Council**FRIDAY, 10/12—7 pm** Debt Anonymous**SATURDAY, 10/13—Noon** AA**SUNDAY, 10/14—8:30 am** Worship; **9:45 am** Discipleship; **9:45 am** Membership Orientation; **10:45 am** Worship with Praise Band; **5 pm** AA**MONDAY, 10/15—1 pm** Mission Mondays**TUESDAY, 10/16—6:30 pm** Wesley Bells; **7 pm** AA; **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir**WEDNESDAY, 10/17—5 pm** Children's Choir; **5:30 pm** Dinner; **6 pm** **WOW** Children & Adult Programs; **6 pm** Adult Study; **6 pm** Grief Support; **7 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal**THURSDAY, 10/18—8:30 am** Women's Small Group at Mahomet Family Restaurant; **6 pm** Women's Bible Study**FRIDAY, 10/19—7 pm** Debt Anonymous**SATURDAY, 10/20—Noon** AA**CONSECRATION SUNDAY, 10/21—8:30 am** Worship; **9:45 am** Discipleship; **10:45 am** Worship with Praise Band; **5 pm** AA; **6 pm** Jr/Sr High Youth Group**MONDAY, 10/22—1 pm** Mission Mondays**TUESDAY, 10/23—6:30 pm** Wesley Bells; **7 pm** AA; **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir**WEDNESDAY, 10/24—5 pm** Children's Choir; **5:30 pm** Dinner; **6 pm** **WOW** Children & Adult Programs; **6 pm** Adult Study; **6 pm** Grief Support; **7 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal**THURSDAY, 10/25—8:30 am** Women's Small Group at Mahomet Family Restaurant; **2-9 pm** Lifetouch Photography; **6 pm** Women's Bible Study**FRIDAY, 10/26—2-9 pm** Lifetouch Photography; **7 pm** Debt Anonymous**SATURDAY, 10/27—9:30-4 pm** Lifetouch Photography; **Noon** AA**SUNDAY, 10/28—8:30 am** Worship; **9:45 am** Discipleship; **10:45 am** Worship with Praise Band; **5 pm** AA**MONDAY, 10/29—1 pm** Mission Mondays; **2-9 pm** Lifetouch Photography**TUESDAY, 10/30—2-9 pm** Lifetouch Photography; **6:30 pm** Wesley Bells; **7 pm** AA; **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir**WEDNESDAY, 10/31—NO WOW;** **6 pm** Adult Study; **6 pm** Grief Support; **7 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal**Would you like to be an active part of our church service?**

We could use your help! We are in need of Worship Assistants, Greeters, and the Coffee Ministry!

What's involved? Are you qualified? Absolutely! Simply arrive 30 minutes prior to the service, greet people at the door, hand out bulletins, distribute hymnals before the service and collect afterwards, record the attendance, and collect the offering.





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UMW October Meeting

Our next meeting is Thursday, October 4 at 1 pm. We will meet in the library and invite you to join us. The devotions and program will be given by Cindy Karr. Lorena McClain is hostess. For more information or questions contact the church office (586-2147). Thank you.

Congratulations To:

- * Joyce Herriott, Linda Meachum and Karen Wilkinson recipients of the Mission Recognition Pin
- * Second Graders who received their Bibles from the United Methodist Women

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE CUNNINGHAM CONNECTION

A fundraising event for Cunningham Children's Home



Thankful for Your Connection

Sunday, November 4

Mahomet United Methodist Church

8:30 & 10:45 am Worship Services

- Witness the presentation of handmade quilts created by our M & Ms Women's group.
- Learn about the latest updates on the new school building project at Cunningham

NOON Come enjoy a **FREE BRUNCH!**

Breakfast Casserole
Biscuits & Gravy
Fruit Cups
Coffee Cakes
Quick Breads
Drinks

Please bring Monetary Donations (*checks should be made out to Cunningham Children's Home*) **or Gift Cards/Certificates for the Cunningham Children's Home from any of the following stores:**

- Barnes & Noble • Bath and Body Works • Best Buy • Burger King • McDonald's • Arby's
- Taco Bell • Wendy's • Meijer • Jimmy Johns • Casey's • TJ Maxx • Family Dollar • iTunes
- Old Navy • Gordmans • Market Place Mall-Champaign • Savoy & Champaign Movie Theatres Gift Certificates • Walmart • Shoe Carnival • Amazon.com • Dollar Tree

To support Cunningham Kids — check their website to see what they need.

<http://www.cunninghamhome.org>

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Office Hours

Mon.-Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday Worship

8:30 am Traditional Worship
10:45 am Contemporary Worship

Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Traditional Worship
9:30 & 10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
9:45 am Sunday School/Discipleship Hour for All Ages
10:45 am Contemporary Worship

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***Circuit Rider* Deadline, October 20th: Committees, classes, and groups: If you have information about upcoming events, please let us know.**

Worship Attendance Figures for September, 2018			
Date	8:30 am	10:45 am	Total
Sept. 2	71	62	133
Sept. 9	105	72	177
Sept. 16	103	97	200
Sept. 23	132	60	192
Sept. 30	94	61	155
September Total	505	352	857



Monday, October 8
Church Office
Closed
for Columbus Day