Newsletter of Inman United Methodist Church

June 2024



A Note From The Pastor

One night last month, as I was lying in bed scrolling on Facebook, I saw where everyone was posting these gorgeous photos of the Northern Lights here in Georgia. I rushed (as guickly as I could with a walking stick) to get to my front porch, only to be disappointed that the sky was simply dark at 11:00pm. It wasn't until I sat in my recliner and kept scrolling on Facebook, that a friend shared you have to take a picture on your cell phone to see it. Once I snapped a photo, I was amazed at the beauty that was before me, the beauty that my natural eye could not capture. The beautiful pinks and greens, lighting up the sky. This celestial dance of light, was painting the night sky with vibrant hue. In the midst of our busy lives, it's easy to overlook the small miracles that surround us each day. Yet, the Northern Lights beckon us to pause, to lift our eyes upward, and to behold the wonder of God's creation. They remind us that even in the darkest of nights, there is light to be found - a beacon of hope shining brightly against the backdrop of uncertainty. There are times where we can see it with the naked eye, and there are times where we may need assistance to perceive the light. Yet even in the moments of darkness and doubt, His light shines forth, guiding us through the storm and illuminating our path with hope and reassurance. May we cling to the Light and look for God's work in our world so we can join in the work of spreading the light.

Pastor Whitney

Psalm 8:1, 3-4 "Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?"











Announcements

1 Service each week in June: We will be having 1 combined service each week in June at 11:00am. The church leadership has several special services planned throughout the month that you will not want to miss.

Annual Conference 2024: Be in prayer for the North Georgia Annual Conference as they meet June 13-15 in Athens, GA. This will be 3 days full of worship, celebration, attending to the business of the church, and connecting with other United Methodists from across the conference. In addition to Pastor Whitney, Jeff Wedge will be attending as our lay delegate from Inman UMC. For more information or to livestream the conference, visit www.ngumc.org/ac2024.

Ordination Service: We celebrate Pastor Whitney as she will be ordained on Friday, June 14 at 7:30pm at Annual Conference in Athens, GA. For those who are unable to attend, the service will be livestreamed at www.ngumc.org/ac2024.

Church Healing Conversation: Join us on Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall as we continue our conversations with Rev. Dr. Brian Tillman. Everyone in the congregation is invited and Administrative Board Members are expected to attend.

5th Sunday Social: Mark your calendar for our 5 th Sunday Social on Sunday, June 30. We'll worship together at 11:00am and share in a potluck afterwards. The church will provide the meat, so please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

ASP Dinner & Commissioning Service: Everyone is invited to the ASP Commissioning Service on Tuesday, June 4 at 7:00pm at Fayetteville First UMC in the old Chapel. This night will be an opportunity for both Inman UMC & Fayetteville First UMC to gather to celebrate our ASP teams before they depart and send them off with a blessing. Dinner for ASP participants and their families will be at 6:30 pm in the FFUMC fellowship hall.





Rev. Susan Landry

Love & Fellowship Circle (United Women in Faith)

CHRISTMAS IN JULY UMCOR CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

This year, as in previous years, there are specific needs for each shoebox. We will again do the shopping and offer an opportunity for our members to:

"BUILD A CHRISTMAS UMCOR SHOEBOX"

Each member has an opportunity to help with this Mission:

- 1) Purchase a shoebox for \$26.00 (\$20.00 for filling shoebox and \$6.00 shipping)
- 2) Choose male and/or female; ages 2-4; 4-6; 6-8; 8-10 and 10-12
- 3) Members are welcome to come and fill the 'Shoebox" they bought at our "July Packing Party" with items already purchased for them.

If members would like we welcome donations to help with our expenses in filling shoeboxes and cost of shipping.

Packing party: Saturday, July 27th @ 12:00 - 2:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and "Build a Christmas Shoebox".

MOTHER'S DAY

This year we gave Red Carnations for Mother's Day to the mothers in our congregation.









FATHER'S DAY

In honor of Father's Day on June 18th, the LAF Circle is preparing a list of loved ones that you would like to honor or remember in our church bulletin on that Sunday. \$1.00 for name. Names need to be turned in by Sunday June 9th.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 18th @ 1:00 pm. At this meeting we will be organizing what is needed for the UMCOR Christmas Shoeboxes.

All are welcome to attend.

Blessings, Joni Janssen, President Kathy Barb. Vice-President

Missions and Outreach

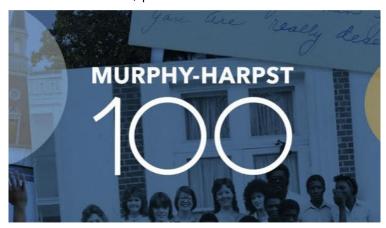
For June there will be "two" Special Offering Sundays: 2024 Annual Conference Offering for Murphy-Harpst will be celebrated June 2, 2024 and Bloom Closet will be celebrated on June 30, 2024.

Murphy-Harpst.....June 2, 2024

Bishop Robin Dease has named Murphy-Harpst as the 2024 North Georgia Annual Conference Special Offering.

Over the last 100 years Murphy-Harpst Children's Centers have served Georgia's mostvulnerable children, youth and young people who have experienced abuse and neglect. Providing them with HOPE and HEALING in a stable environment.

"And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them." Mark 10:16



Bloom Closet.....June 30, 2024

Bloom Closet is a boutique-like shopping experience for foster children and their families. When children enter foster care, most are empty handed, with nothing but the clothes on their backs to call their own. In "The Bloom Closet," we fill their hands with free clothing, toys, school supplies and more. And, we fill their hearts with encouragement and love.

Info: bloomouryouth.org

BIG or SMALL, ALL DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me. Mark 9:37

Blessings Deborah Morris



Trustees

As we move from spring into summer, the Trustees have been focused on the exterior maintenance and upkeep of the facilities and grounds. We would like to thank Joe Gratzer, Forrest Ballard, Jerry Haygood, and Jeff and Zach Creel for all their hard work in keeping the grass cut and the weeds in check around the Church, Parsonage, and Youth House.

The Trustees have also been keeping up with other maintenance issues. In the last few weeks, the hot water tank in the Church Fellowship Hall has gone out and the washing machine at the parsonage has also failed. The Trustees thank Herm Janssen for replacing the thermostats in the hot water tank and getting it back in good working order and the good folks at Lowes for getting a new washing machine out to the Parsonage as quickly as they did.

As always, we greatly appreciate the efforts of everyone for all you do to help maintain the church facilities!



Financial Report for January - April

Income	Ja	n April	YT	D Budget
Gifts & Tithes	\$	73,563	\$	68,333
Other Designated Funds	\$	1,740	\$	-
Grand Total Income	\$	75,303	\$	68,333
Expenses	Ja	n April	YT	D Budget
ASP	\$	4,875	\$	4,000
Committee Expenditures	\$	5,116	\$	5,818
Operational Expenses	\$	16,499	\$	15,697
All Other Expenses	\$	47,891	\$	57,229
Grand Total Expenses	\$	74,381	\$	82,744

United Methodist Men

Thanks to all that attended our May meeting. We had seventeen smiling and hungry folks. Prayers were offered for Roger Ferrell for ongoing health concerns along with George and Lyn Wheeler.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 19th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. A light breakfast will be served.











Athens, GA | The Classic Center | 7:30pm Service will last about 2 hours | Reception to follow

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Please fill out the Google form to express your interest. We want to gather an excellent turn out to support Whitney!



For Our Prayers

For Healing From Health Concerns

Carlos Allen (Gloria Reid's brother)

Jean Allen

Glenda Berman (Dixie Berner)

Cheryl Chance

Darleen Cornelison

Katy Fowler

Ryan Gratzer

Rebecca Goss

Whitney Hair

Brenda Harp

David Harp

Nicole Henry

Robin Hewell

Calvin Hudson (Mary Jane Fortner)

Sara Jane Overstreet

Pat Parker (Nancy Allgood)

Eugene Pritchard

Riley Rada (Kim Jeffords)

Gloria Reid

Miriam Schmidt

Lisa Spears (Nancy Allgood)

Billy Ward

Jenny Ward

Luz Webster (Gloria Reid)

Jeff Wedge

Rhonda Wheeler (George & Lynn Wheeler) Confirmation Students and Mentors

Chance Whittington (Will Chance)

For Healing From Cancer

Denise Anderson (Joni Janssen)

Mike Burr (Mary Jane Fortner)

Betty Chally

Walter Delia (Martha Kozisek)

Dan Dudley (Pat Pratt)

Ashley Edwards (Katy Swanger)

Daniel Houghton (Martha Kozisek)

Tory Howe (Ruth Sitton)

Deborah Morris

Diane Tankersley (Donald Whiteside)

Jerry Wagner

George Wheeler

Louise Woods (Ann Hembree)

For Those Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Alex Jeffords Jeanette Ballard

Other Concerns

For the children/youth of Inman UMC Confirmation Students and Mentors For our Pastor, District Superintendent (Rev. Susan Landry), Bishop (Bishop Robin Dease), and leaders of the United Methodist Church. Unspoken prayers of the congregation

Birthdays & Reminders

Carl Eugene Pritchard	June 3
Paul Ballard	June 4
David Ballard	June 5
Samantha Stephens	June 8
Lyn Wheeler	June 11
Melanie Wagner	June 12
Dorsey (DJ) Pitts	June 14
Ed Hicks	June 14
Sam Jones	June 17
Scott Ballard	June 23
Patsy Elliott	June 24
Ruth Sitton	June 24
June Dudrow	June 25
Nathan Wagner	June 25

If you see a birthday is missing, please notify the church office so we can update our records.

Offering Counters

June 2	Linda W. & Jeff W.
June 9	Brenda N. & Nancy G.
June 16	Donna M. & Chuck J.
June 23	Nancy A. & Joni J.
June 30	Linda W. & Ed R.

Summer Sandwich Socials

Our Summer Sandwich Socials are BACK! Summer Sandwich Social will begin weekly,

June 5th, 5:30-6:30pm. Choice of lunchmeat or "special Sandwich of the week".

\$4.00 for adults \$2.00 for children under 12

June 5: Chicken Salad

Helpers: Deborah, Robin, Dixie

June 12: Bologna

Helpers: Wendy, NEED Helpers

June 19: Pimento Cheese
Helpers: Kathy, Nancy

June 26: Hot Dogs

Helpers: Marie, Jerry

Office Information

Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm

You may call 770-461-2123 or email secretary@inmanmethodist.org to reach our secretary, Katie Nalley

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