

Inman Informer



November 2024

A Note From The Pastor

Important Dates

Charge Conference:

Saturday,
November 2
at 11:00am

Children & Youth Council Meeting:

Sunday,
November 3
at 12:15pm

SPR Meeting:

Thursday,
November 7
at 6:00pm

Trustees Meeting:

Tuesday,
November 12
at 6:00pm

Finance Meeting:

Tuesday,
November 12
at 6:30pm

SPR Meeting:

Tuesday,
November 19
at 6:00pm

Core Values

As many of you know, Inman UMC has been engaged in a visioning process since June. Recently, after much prayer and discernment, the Administrative Board approved some core values which guide the ministry we do as an Administrative Board and as a church. Inman UMC is "Rooted in Christ, shaped by His word, bearing fruit in the world." This statement encapsulates our commitment to living out our faith in meaningful and impactful ways.

Being rooted in Christ means establishing a deep, personal relationship with Him. Through prayer, worship, and service, we cultivate this relationship, ensuring that our lives are anchored in His love and grace. Our identity as followers of Christ compels us to live authentically and reflect His teachings in our everyday lives.

To be shaped by His word means immersing ourselves in the Bible, allowing its truths to mold our thoughts, actions, and attitudes. We are called to study the word, engage in meaningful discussions, and apply biblical principles to our lives. In doing so, we become more aligned with God's will, growing in faith and understanding as we navigate the challenges of life together.

As we are rooted and shaped by Christ, we are naturally compelled to bear fruit in the world around us. This involves actively living out our faith through acts of service, compassion, and justice. Whether through local outreach, global missions, or simply showing kindness to our neighbors, we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ in a world that longs for hope and healing.

In the coming months, we will explore practical ways to embody this vision within our church and the broader community. We invite you to join us in this journey. As we continue to discern how to, let us move forward together, confident that as we root ourselves in Christ, allow His word to shape us, and bear fruit in the world, we will reflect the love of God and fulfill our calling as a united community of faith.



**November 3
Change your clocks
back!**

With love and blessings,
Pastor Whitney



Announcements

◆ **Be on the lookout for The Angel Tree, which will be set up soon in the Sanctuary!**

Help us provide the Magic of Christmas to underprivileged children and seniors by choosing an "Angel" from the tree and shopping for gifts for them.



◆ Join us as we **Decorate the Sanctuary** on Saturday, November 30 at 10:00am!

◆ **Sign-ups for Special December Services:** We need volunteers to assist in our special Advent services in a variety of ways, from reading liturgy, lighting candles, and helping "Hang the Greens."

You can sign up outside of Pastor Whitney's office.

◆ **Hanging of the Greens at the South West District Office:** Join Pastor Whitney and clergy & laity from across the district as we gather to "Hang the Greens" at the new South West District Office on Sunday, November 17 from 3-5pm. If folks are interested, we'll try to organize a carpool from Inman. Let Pastor Whitney know if you are interested in attending.

In the month of December, we will worship together each Sunday in one combined 11:00am service.

We Invite you to join us for Advent



12/1 Hanging of the Greens
One Service at 11:00am

**12/7 Christmas Craft Bazaar and
Country Breakfast**
Craft Bazaar 8:00-1:00pm
Country Breakfast 8:00-10:30am

12/8 Advent Worship
One Service at 11:00am

12/15 Music Sunday
One Service at 11:00am

12/22 Advent Worship
One Service at 11:00am

12/24 Candlelight Christmas Eve
One Service at 5:30pm

12/29 Christmas Worship in the Fellowship Hall
One Service at 11:00am

Missions and Outreach

For November the Special Offering Sunday will be for "United Methodist Student Day" and will be celebrated on November 24, 2024.

What is United Methodist Student Day, you ask?

The United Methodist Student Day is a "Special Sunday Offering" that was originally established in 1872 as the "Children's Fund."

Today, we call it the United Methodist Student Day. In the 18th Century, our Wesleyan roots were formed around the importance of education and its role in spiritual formation.

Students are the future of the United Methodist Church and by investing in our students, the church supports potential in students who will one day pay the investment forward to society. A prime example is our very own Pastor Whitney. Currently, there are over 70 scholarships available to United Methodist Students.

All donations big or small are greatly appreciated!

"Instruct a wise man and he will be wiser still; teach a righteous man and he will add to his learning."

Proverb's 9:9



Blessings,
Deborah Morris



**Thank you for your support through
Special Offerings!**

Through your gifts, we have been able to provide the following donations over the past couple of months:

\$ 160 for Fayette Samaritans.

\$ 56 for Wellroot.

\$ 80 for World Communion Sunday.

\$ 214 for Aldersgate Homes/Collinswood.

**Pastor Whitney was a recipient of a
UMC Scholarship.**

**By giving, you are investing in training
your future pastors and leaders!**

Love & Fellowship Circle (United Women in Faith)



Our Christmas Craft Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 7th. We will be at the church to receive crafts, etc. on Friday, December 6th.

Please contact Joni Janssen at 770-468-8947 or Kathy Barb at 770-713-3861 if you would like to contribute crafts, baked goods, canned goods, etc. or to volunteer in any way. We would appreciate your pricing what you contribute.

Below are some pictures of our 2023 Christmas Craft Bazaar. The December Informer will have information for the Christmas Card Post Office and the Poinsettias order form.



May God Bless you,
Joni Janssen, President
Kathy Barb, Vice-President



United Methodist Men

Thanks to all of the folks who attended our October 16th meeting. We had a lot of good conversation, fellowship and food. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Breakfast will be served. Please mark your calendar and bring a friend. Remember, we are providing breakfast for the UMW annual "Inman Craft Bazaar" on Saturday, December 7th. The serving times are from 8:00 to 10:30AM. Cooks and helpers will start the preparation at 6:30 AM. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated.



Finance

Financial Report for January - September

Income	Jan. - Sept.	YTD Budget
Gifts & Tithes	\$ 152,594	\$ 170,833
Other Designated Funds	\$ 3,899	\$ -
Grand Total Income	\$ 156,493	\$ 170,833
Expenses	Jan. - Sept.	YTD Budget
ASP	\$ 7,910	\$ -
Committee Expenditures	\$ 11,259	\$ 14,544
Operational Expenses	\$ 38,125	\$ 39,243
All Other Expenses	\$ 106,097	\$ 153,073
Grand Total Expenses	\$ 163,391	\$ 206,860

Trustees

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who helped make the church workday on October 26th a tremendous success. To those who helped with supplies or time, we are truly grateful for your efforts to keep the church facilities looking good!

Again, thanks to: Rev. Whitney H., John McLucas, Brandon Harp, Lewis Trucks, Barbara Bryant, Joe & Nancy G., Herm & Joni J., Clay, Zach & Drew B., Ed & Judy R., Will C., Forrest B., Brad, Linda & Nathan W., Robin H., Brenda N., and Nichole H.





For Our Prayers

For Healing From Health Concerns

Jean Allen
Glenda Berman (Dixie Berner)
Cheryl Chance
Linda Chaffin
Darleen Cornelison
Madge Cox (Lyn Wheeler)
Katy Fowler
Rebecca Goss
Whitney Hair
Brenda Harp
David Harp
Nicole Henry
Robin Hewell
Vickie Jackson
Kathe Leo (Nancy Allgood)
Sara Jane Overstreet
Eugene Pritchard
Riley Rada (Kim Jeffords)
Gloria Reid
Miriam Schmidt
Lisa Spears (Nancy Allgood)
Billy Ward
Jenny Ward
Rhonda Wheeler (George & Lyn Wheeler)
Chance Whittington (Will Chance)

For Healing From Cancer

Denise Anderson (Joni Janssen)
Betty Chally
Walter Delia (Martha Kozisek)
Dan Dudley (Pat Pratt)
Ashley Edwards (Katy Swanger)
Daniel Houghton (Martha Kozisek)
Tory Howe (Ruth Sitton)
Woodson Howell (Deborah Morris)
Deborah Morris
Steve Stingecomb (Mary Jane Fortner)
Diane Tankersley (Donald Whiteside)
George Wheeler
Louise Woods (Ann Hembree)

For Those Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Jeff Wedge
Sam Jones
Jerry Wagner
Tony Adamson (Robin Hewell)
Melanie Jones (Mary Jane Fortner)
Pat Parker
June Dudrow
B.J. Ball

Other Concerns

For the children/youth of Inman UMC
For our Pastor, District Superintendent
(Rev. Dr. Byron Thomas), Bishop (Bishop
Robin Dease), and leaders of the United
Methodist Church.
Unspoken prayers of the congregation

Birthdays & Reminders

Marie Large	Nov. 1
Madison Corley	Nov. 9
Zach Brisbois	Nov. 10
Rick Minter	Nov. 11
Ed McGee	Nov. 11
Connie Corley	Nov. 13
Nicole Henry	Nov. 15
Clair Starkey	Nov. 15
Don Whiteside	Nov. 23
Kevin Schachle	Nov. 24
Edith Anderson	Nov. 27
Melanie Ballard	Nov. 29

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

Offering Counters

Nov. 3	Linda W. & Ed R.
Nov. 10	Brenda N. & Nancy G.
Nov. 17	Donna M. & Chuck J.
Nov. 24	Nancy A. & Joni J.

Wednesday Night Meals

5:30-6:30pm

\$9.00 for adults

\$5.00 for children under 12

Three and under eat free

Nov. 6: Oven Fried Chicken

Helpers: Technology

Nov. 13: Soup & Salad

Helpers: Scholarship

Nov. 20: Meatloaf

Helpers: Membership Care

Office Information

Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm

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