

Show Me Love

Don't let me show
cruelty
Though I may make
mistakes
Don't let me show
ugliness
Though I know I can
hate
And don't let me
show evil
Though it might be all
I take
Show me love
Show me love
Show me love

Don't let me think
weakly
Though I know that I
can break
Keep me away from
apathy
While I am still awake
And don't let me
think too long of the
one I'm bound to face
Show me love
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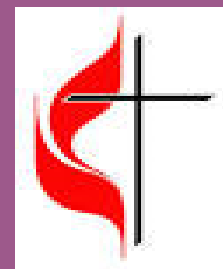
-by Hundred Waters

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The Voice on the Village Green

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The New "Normal" -- Church Life and Covid

FALL FARE

Church Council voted to move ahead with plans for FallFare in person. Recommended measures will be taken to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19.

These and other precautions will be observed:

- Greater distance between booths and tables within booths.
- Signage requesting that people use masks when in close proximity to others, hopefully incorporating some gentle humor
- Reducing the fatigue factor for older church volunteers by hiring workers to provide setup and tear-down
- Use of larger rooms for any indoor activities (pie cutting, for example)

This newsletter is full of lots of information about FallFare! Let's get ready for a great day where Every FallFare Dollar is a Gift to Someone in Need!

SUNDAY MORNINGS

We strongly urge you to get vaccinated. A FREE Covid Vaccination Clinic is Sept 3 and 4, 12pm to 8 pm at the Brown County Music Center.

All who attend worship are asked to wear masks. (And thank you because everyone has been willing to do that!)

Live Streaming is Happening every Sunday, 10:30 a.m. If you want to attend in person you can. If we get to an attendance that is not safe for the size of the room, we'll get the word out.

Starting in mid-September your own personal Live interaction with worship will be available from home. Do you have a prayer concern? A question about an announcement? A greeting you'd like to share? You'll be able to put it in the Comments section on YouTube or send a text. Someone will monitor these messages and share your comments with the worshipping community.

Love God, Love Others, Pass It On!

If you would like to serve as a Sunday liturgist, please contact Pastor Mary.

September Birthdays

09/01	Amy Oliver
09/05	Judy Burns
09/07	Denny Kubal
09/08	Trevor Wright
09/08	Owen Bohbrink
09/10	Rob Taylor
	Judy Smith
	Lacey Bryant
09/11	Stephen Shaffer
09/15	Anne Miller
	Crystal Augustine
09/20	Kurt Von Schriltz
09/21	Pamela Keech
09/22	Mariea Fox
09/23	Jane Huffman
	James Gredy
09/24	Logan Miller
09/26	Gloria Sooby
	Jan Swigert
09/27	Kyle Miller
	Averi Bohbrink
09/29	Ann Walters
	Kevin Wright

Hello from the Church Library

Today I would like to talk about *The Storyteller's Companion to the Bible: Acts of the Apostles*. The preface talks about not just viewing scripture from one point of view. The plurality of the gospels reveals imaginative retellings of the words and works of Jesus. So many of our Bible stories have been told and retold, passed down from generation to generation, yet the truth remains. This book is to be used as a resource, promoting the telling of the Acts of the Apostles.

-Diana Wright

Candied Dill Pickle Making

In addition to all the other Fallfare news below, we are happy to announce volunteers will be prepping candied dill pickles at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21st in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. All extra hands are welcome.

If you have any questions, please contact Rita Simon at rita.simon.lo@gmail.com

September Anniversaries

09/15	Heather & Steve Mollo
09/23	Norman & Becky Courtney-Knight

ONLINE GIVING

Go to www.nashvilleumc.com and click the online giving button. It's quick and easy!

Sunday Flowers

For anyone interested in arranging flowers for a Sunday service, we encourage you to do so! Whether in honor of someone's memory or just because, we hope you'll make it happen for flowers to add beauty to our worship. Call the church office to sign up!

Mother's Cupboard Donors

In September and October Mother's Cupboard focuses on collecting as many food donations as possible. This is in anticipation for the holiday season when many people experience heavy financial strain. We can help provide those in need relief on food expenses through local charities like Mother's Cupboard. So, please consider donating some food this fall if you are able. If you have any questions, you can reach Linda Wescott at: lbwescott@gmail.com

Want A More Musical Life?

If anyone who hasn't been asked would be interested in helping out with music, please contact Tammera Lane at 812-322-9433 or tammera.lane@nashvilleumc.com.

Our Life Together

Labyrinth Retreat Day Planned for October

Walking the labyrinth is like a pilgrimage in miniature. Not everyone is able to go on a pilgrimage to Rome or the Holy Land. When that was the case for pilgrims in the medieval ages, the labyrinth was developed as a prayer practice where one walked in a circular pattern and the center of the labyrinth represented the heart of God.

That continues to be true today -- the labyrinth is a prayer practice that represents a pilgrimage. One can grow deeper in their prayer life by walking.

Pastor Mary is planning a Labyrinth Retreat Day at the Benedict Inn in Beech Grove. All are welcome. The details are:

Labyrinth Retreat Day, Thursday, Oct. 7

- 9:30 Leave from church parking lot
- 10:45 Arrive; meet Sr. Cathy Ann for Labyrinth talk; walk the labyrinth
- 12:15 Lunch (either on the grounds or in the Benedict Inn cafeteria depending on covid guidelines at that time)
- 1:00 ish - leave for Nashville
- 3:00 -- arrive back at church

Chamber Fest Recap and Choir Update

A big thanks to all those who volunteered their time and/or home-baked cookies on behalf of Chamber Fest Brown County. A special thanks to Rhea Ellen Boley, who organized the wonderful intermission receptions, and to Heather Mollo, who provided much assistance. It was a lovely week of wonderful music throughout the Village, with NUMC hosting four of the classical chamber concerts. We are looking forward to it all again next year.

Also, a note about choir - when the county Covid metric is warmer than Blue in color, we won't be having rehearsals. Being that we are in the Red now, it looks like it may be a while before we resume choir. So we will be continuing with song leaders to help lead the Sunday morning services.

There will be an upcoming choir pitch-in soon, so that we all can stay connected and be reminded that we actually are still a choir. Keep an eye out for info soon.

- Tammera Lane

What's Going on with our Church Finances?

As you know your financial support makes the church's work in the name of Jesus Christ. Money makes each of these possible:

Worship, music ministry, pastoral care support from pastor, ministry with youth, nurture and care of children in the faith life, a beautiful building and grounds that hosts Weekend Backpacks, Scouting, weddings, arts events, playground and more, Outreach to the community through FallFare and many other areas of service

However, giving is lagging for several reasons:

(1) Several people who gave generously have either moved or died; one of our most faithful givers died last year and she regularly gave more than \$10,000/year. (2) Circumstances of Covid -- fewer people in worship in-person and 3 months of no in-person worship have meant less offerings. (3) Fair Share Giving is not practiced? -- we're not sure why some give financially and others don't, so if there are reasons you'd like to share, we'd love to hear from you!

At this point in the year we're looking at a shortfall of approximately \$50,000 and that would be catastrophic. Such a circumstance would certainly put 2022 in question of how we would be able to continue as the church which we all know and love.

But we have time and the Finance Committee is coming to you to ask for your help in meeting this challenge head on. I feel that asking you to give more is the first step. It is also appropriate for me to up my pledge by 20% to show my commitment to stemming this tide. Please consider stepping up your giving in any way possible and if you do not give regularly we hope you'll prayerfully consider a starting pledge of 1% or 2% of your income. Thank for the generosity you have shown as faithful stewards of NUMC.

-Bruce Marks
Chairman of NUMC Finance Committee



Everything You Need to Know About Fallfare from Heather Mollo



Sign-up sheets for working on the day of Fallfare and sign-up sheets for Booth and other needs are now prepared. Drop-off locations for Booth items have also been designated. All of this information is on display in the Church Narthex and will remain there for the next several weeks. Stopping by the Church may be the easiest way to sign-up. You are also welcome to call Booth Chairs or the church office for assistance in signing-up. We also hope to soon have the ability for you to sign-up electronically. In the meantime, the following information should help in your planning.



Adopt a Pot & Plants Booth:

Volunteers needed to work the Booth on the day of Fallfare

Sign up through Church or contact Booth Chairs: Jane Huffman – 812-988-7558 or Rita Simon – 812-988-7938

What to donate: Pots filled with house plants, perennials, or other decorative ideas for potted gifts. Also, potted plants and starts for next year's garden.

Drop-off location: Stage downstairs

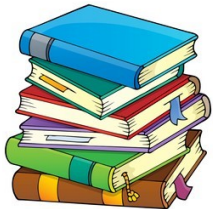
Art & Silent Auction Booth:

There are two sign-up sheets for this Booth – One to work the day of Fallfare and another for themed baskets or artwork to be donated.

Sign up for both through Church or contact Booth Chairs: Bruce and Donna Marks: 317-796-0780.

What to donate: Themed baskets for silent auction, ideas: cooking, reading, car washing, holiday, fun night out, family night, etc. Artwork, both framed and unframed. Brown County artwork or Brown County artists especially popular.

Drop-off location: Church library



Books:

Volunteers needed to work the Booth on the day of Fallfare

Sign up through Church or contact Booth Chair: Linda Wescott: 765-744-6441

What to donate: Books in good condition. No encyclopedias, magazines or textbooks.

Drop-off location: Backpack room

Boutique:

Volunteers needed to work the Booth on the day of Fallfare

Sign up through Church or contact Booth Chair: Pam Boer: 812-988-4790

What to donate: Jewelry, purses, scarves and hats. Think accessorize!

Drop-off location: The Gathering Place

Kids Carnival

Volunteers needed to work the Booth on the day of Fallfare

Sign up through Church or contact Booth Chair: Amanda Middleton: 317-654-4330



My Oh My We Love Pie:

There are two sign-up sheets for this Booth – One to work the day of Fallfare and another for pies to be donated.

Sign up for both through Church or by contacting one of the Chairs:

Linda Todd: 812-287-2489, Ruthann Bailey: 812-988-0937, Deb Beckinger: 812-720-0201

What to donate: Any pie, except cream

Drop-off location: Green Room on Friday, 10/1, or very early on the day of Fallfare

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Nature's Bounty

Volunteers needed to work the Booth on the day of Fallfare

Sign up through Church or contact Heather Mollo: 812-360-1967

What to donate: Jams, breads, noodles, jellies, apple butter, & pickles.

Gourds, small pumpkins, & other natural fall decorations.

Drop-off location: Kitchen for food items; Stage for all other.



Unexpected Treasures

Volunteers needed to work the day of Fallfare.

Sign-up through Church or contact Booth Chairs:

Mary Reeder or Jay Hancock: 317-979-1669

What to donate: Saleable household items, small furniture, lamps, kitchen items, tools, sports equipment and plastic bags for shoppers. PLEASE!! No clothing, large furniture or computer electronics.

Drop-off location: Stage downstairs



Village Café: Volunteers needed to make breakfast casserole. Sign-up through Church or contact Jim Oliver.

Drop-off location: Kitchen on Friday, 10/1, or by 7:15 A.M. on Saturday if warm.

Recipe: 2 cups frozen hashbrowns (1/2 32-Oz bag)

1 Tablespoon margarine, melted

½ Tablespoon diced onion

3 eggs

1 Cup diced ham

1 Cup shredded cheese (1/2 cheddar, ½ jack for traditional recipe)

¾ Cup milk

1/8 Teaspoon dry mustard

¼ Teaspoon seasoned salt

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Spray 9" casserole with cooking spray. Mix hashbrowns, margarine and onions, and place in casserole. Bake at 400 degrees for 25 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees. Beat eggs and mix remaining ingredients with eggs. Pour mixture over hashbrown crust. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes.



We Made It

Volunteers needed to work the day of Fallfare.

Sign up through Church or contact Booth Chairs;

Kathy Roberts: 812-273-1097 or Jan Greenlee: 812-350-0333.

What to donate: Lots of handmade items by woodworkers, quilters, paper crafters, knitters or use your imagination.

Drop-Off location: Craft Room



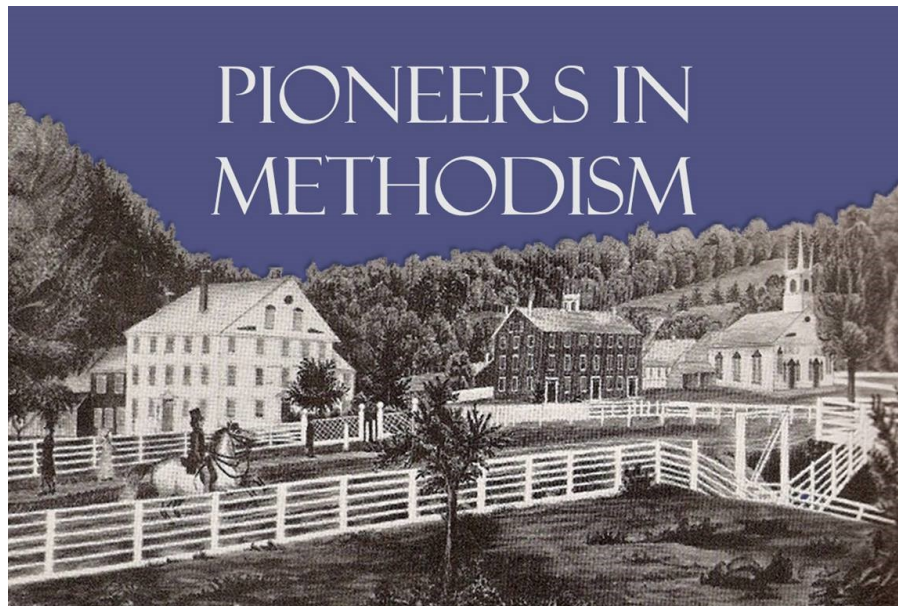
Workers needed for evening of 9/30 and all day on 10/1

If you are available to help with tents on the evening of 9/30 or can work during the day on 10/1, lots of hands are needed. Please contact Heather Mollo, 812-360-1967.

Workers needed for clean up on the day of Fallfare

Workers are needed to help with clean up, moving tables, chairs and unsold items. Plan to arrive by 2:30 on the day of Fallfare. Please contact Heather Mollo, 812-360-1967.





Betsey Twombly, Pioneer of United Methodist Women

Betsey Dow Twombly (1818-1900) was a pioneer in education for women and men, taught one of the first courses in the early beginnings of Boston University School of Theology, and was a leader in supporting women in mission.

Born in Cabot, Vermont in 1818, Betsey was the daughter of the Rev. John G. Dow. In 1837, when she was just 19 years old, she became the preceptress (teacher and head of “women’s work”) at the newly organized Newbury Seminary, a Methodist high school for the New Hampshire and Vermont Annual Conferences in Newbury, Vermont.

Not long after her arrival at Newbury, she organized a literary society for young women only – the first of its kind in the country. While women were allowed a formal education during the mid-nineteenth century, the widely influential “cult of domesticity” of the period considered the home to be the proper “sphere” for women. The literary society caused quite a stir among those who believed these young women “were going beyond their sphere, being bold and presumptuous in assuming what belong to gentlemen only.” (*History of Newbury, Vermont by Frederic P. Wells, The Caledonian Co., 1902*)

That same year a group of young men interested in entering the Methodist ministry approached the male faculty at Newbury and requested a class in Mental Philosophy, a subject with which candidates for ministry needed to be familiar. The male teachers already had full loads, so the class was taught by Miss Dow. This class and others evolved into the Newbury Biblical Institute in 1841 – the first formal Methodist theological training institution for both women and men in the country. The Institute moved to Concord, New Hampshire in 1847 as the General Methodist Biblical Institute, and then to Boston, evolving into what is known today as the Boston University School of Theology. Thus, the origins of the oldest Methodist seminary in existence today can be traced to a class in Mental Philosophy taught by Betsey Dow.

Betsey’s influence continued when she became involved in organizing the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society. Her influence and the respect for her leadership were especially felt at their meeting in May 1869. Men from the church’s Missionary Society came to Boston to convince the women to turn control of their funds over to the men’s organization. Betsey made the motion that the women should maintain control over their own funds. The motion was approved, making the Women’s Foreign Missionary Society the first and only Protestant women’s missionary society at the time to do so. That legacy has been continued through the work of United Methodist Women in The United Methodist Church today.



September 2021

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> Labor Day Office Closed	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> Listening Prayer 10p NUMY 6p	<u>9</u> Faith Rising 7p	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> Hoosiers of Faith & Immigration 7p via Zoom	<u>15</u> Listening Prayer 10p NUMY 6p	<u>16</u> Trustees 7p	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> Compassionate Friends 7p	<u>22</u> Listening Prayer 10p NUMY 6p	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u> Church Council	<u>29</u> Listening Prayer 10p NUMY 6p	<u>30</u>		
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Immigration & Hoosiers of Faith

How do people of faith approach the issue of immigration and especially the policy of detaining individuals in immigration custody for months or years for civil immigration violations? What does immigration detention look like in Indiana? If you're curious about the answers to these questions and want to learn more about a recent proposal to expand immigration detention in the Hoosier state, please consider joining this conversation with immigration leaders and people of faith from across the state! All are welcome!

Tuesday, Sept. 14

7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86817646573?>

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(For the actual link that you can click instead of typing all of the numbers into your browser, go to the church's Facebook page and find it there.)

