

Revelations

Sharon Center United Methodist Newsletter

June 2023

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,

The long-awaited Summer season has finally arrived! Well – it’s not exactly Summer yet, but close enough. The Memorial Day weekend launches in a new season of warmth and sunshine. It also begins the season of “Ordinary Time” or the time in the church calendar when we do more ordinary things. What is Ordinary Time?

Ordinary Time – what we refer to as the seasons after Epiphany and after Pentecost – is that “in-between” period of anticipation, where we allow the mysteries of Jesus’ life to grow deeply into our everyday lives. Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation. We take time to more fully embrace the teaching of Jesus and the chronology of the Old Testament because we aren’t frantically preparing for Jesus’ birth or Jesus’ resurrection. We naturally slow down as a church and as individuals, taking time to vacation, to visit friends and enjoy time away from routines. The Church does the same thing with Ordinary Time. It’s time for some self-care.

We are excited to join with St. Paul Lutheran and Granger United Methodist for Vacation Bible School this summer. VBS will be held at Granger United Methodist on August 4, 5 and 6th. We will gather on Friday evening, Saturday during the day and then have a joint Worship Service and picnic in the Granger Church’s pavilion afterwards with a Blessing of the Pets. The theme is “Pet’s Unleashed”. I’m sure there will be lots of live animals to pet and to cuddle, and you can bring your pet to church on Sunday, August 6 for a blessing. It’s going to be so fun and a great time to get to know our neighbors and make them friends in Christ.

We are having a volunteer meeting on Wednesday, June 21 at 7:00 PM at Granger UMC to give an overview of the program and begin to assign volunteers to roles. We’ll also answer any questions! If you would like to learn more please join us on June 21 or call me/text me.

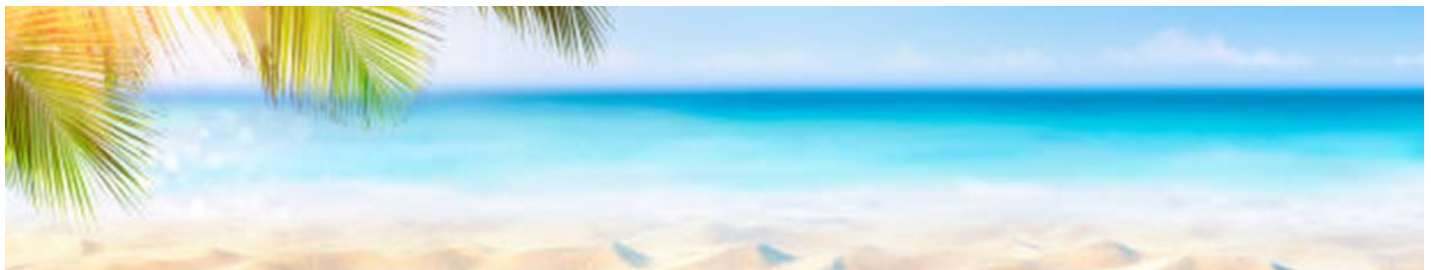
Summer goes quick – enjoy every moment!

Pastor Jane



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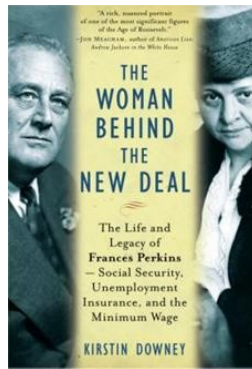
If so, we’re excited to share with you all the things going on in the life of Sharon Center United Methodist Church! Our church is a community that seeks to discover more about God and about who we are as the people God loves. We are truly a family of all ages, and there’s always room for more! You’re always invited to take part in all the activities and gatherings listed in this newsletter, as well as to join us every Sunday morning at 10:30am as we gather to worship and connect. Thanks!



Book Club

We meet at 10:00am in the Conference Room at the Church. Please join us at any time to discuss the books.

June 6th we will be discussing Kirstin Downey's book **The Woman Behind the New Deal**. This is the biography of Frances Perkins the Labor Secretary who was the moving force behind Social Security, unemployment insurance, and other initiatives that have improved the lives of generations of Americans.



July 8th we will be discussing the book **Life on the Mississippi**, by: Rinker Buck. This is a travelogue and an engaging history lesson about America's westward expansion.

~Nancy Vogel

Food Pantry Collection

Let's fill the Food Pantry at St. Paul and our Blessing Box with breakfast bars/ snack bars/ granola bars. Please remember the Blessing Box in front of the church when purchasing items as well as if you find someone you know who needs some basic food items to hold them over until they are able to purchase their own. The box is open to ANYONE. Drop off an item, or pick one up, or select a book to read. Our box has been used and it is a need in our community! Spread the word!



Spring Cleaning of the Church

The Spring Cleaning of the Church is progressing slowly but we can see the finish line. Many thanks again go to Christine Boche' and the Home School Group for volunteering to clean the upstairs children's room and the Youth Room. Randy for cleaning windows. George and cousin Deb did the Choir Room with Nancy Baldwin cleaning out a cupboard in the room. Also, Paul Turner cleaned out all the Scouts supplies. Ann Passmore has been a frequent loyal cleaner. When Randy, George, Ann, I cleaned together it is Ann cleans low, I clean middle, Randy and George clean high! Working together causes some good laughs and fun just as God planned it!! Join us for our next work series that we be announce when get well again.

Vacation Bible School

Mark Your Calendars!

"Pet's Unleashed"

Date: August 4, 5 and 6

Time: TBD

Location: Granger UMC Pavilion

There will be a volunteer information session on June 21 at 7pm at Granger UMC.



Calendar

Regular Schedule:

Sun. 10:30a Worship
available on Facebook Live

May

5/28 Confirmation Sunday
Pentecost
Dignity Care Kit return deadline
5/29 7a-11a Memorial Day
Pancake Breakfast

June

6/7 7p Music in the Sharon
Center Circle—*Dixon's Violin*
6/8-6/10 East Ohio Annual
Conference in Akron, OH
6/18 Father's Day Celebration
in Church
6/21 7p VBS Volunteer mtg
7p Music in the Sharon
Center Circle—*Wishgarden*
6/24 11a-10:30p Sharon
Showcase in the Sharon Center
Circle

July

7/23 Christmas in July
New Undies Sunday

August

8/4-8/6 VBS Weekend
8/6 Combined VBS
Service. With Blessing of the Pets at
Granger UMC
8/20 Blessing of the Backpacks

Future Dates:

4/23-5/3/2024
United Methodist Church General
Conference at the Charlotte
Convention Center in Charlotte,
North Carolina

June Birthdays

- 1 - David Zentiska
- 2 - Jeremy Highman
- 4 - Pat Shick
- 7 - Dick Highman
- 10 – Mindi Haddix
- 19 - Stacey Freitag
- 22 - Laura Lautenschleger
- 29 - Jan Highman
Lily Kehres
- 30 – Dave Piehl

June Anniversaries

- 24 - George & Kathy Hoose
- 30- Richard & Loretta Frost

Foundations Team Spiritual Growth Discussions

There are no Studies scheduled for the Summer, but keep your eyes open as we may add some activities.

The *Our Daily Breads* are available for the next quarter at the back of the sanctuary.
~ Nancy Vogel

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Stop in for our annual Memorial Day Breakfast on Monday, May 29!
Bring your friends and neighbors!

Time is: 7a-11a.

All you can eat Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee, OJ.

Proceeds benefit local organizations.

Bob Mravetz and George Wemmer will need everyone to pitch in and help, as well as eat lots of pancakes!

Hospital/ Home Visitation

If you or someone you love is in the hospital or sick please call the office and let them know so that the Pastor can call, visit or bring Holy Communion. We will need name, address and phone number.

Mission Projects

East Ohio Annual Conference is in early June and we always contribute to the mission project of the Conference. This year they are asking for Personal Dignity Kits and not Flood Buckets. I will let you know how we did sometime in June.

~Nancy Vogel

Summer Camp

Youth Summer Camp at Camp Wanake, Asbury, Aldersgate. Many camp options available. Check out the info on the billboard.



Confirmation Sunday & Pentecost

Confirmation Sunday and Pentecost will be May 28. Bring a red geranium for the garden and come celebrate our new members.

Labyrinth

Our Labyrinth is available for anyone to walk around.

Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Date: 5/29

Time: 7a-11a

Location: Sharon Center UMC

6407 Ridge Rd. Wadsworth, OH



Stop by before, during or after the
Sharon Center Parade and Ceremony

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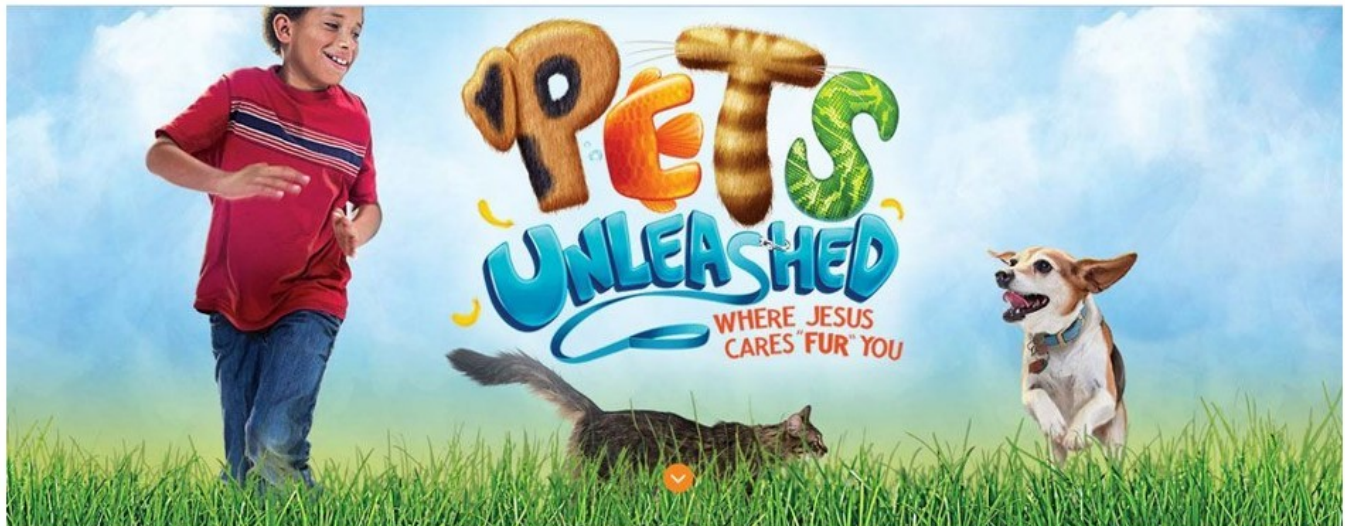
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Service time: Sunday, 10:30a



VBS 2023 August 4-6

* Location will be at GrangerUMC*