

May 2015



Family Fun Night

Saturday, May 16th

*Spaghetti Dinner at 6:00
 followed by fun and games
 for the whole family!*

Watch the Sunday Announcements
 for more info.

Free will offering for upcoming Biloxi Mission Trip.

May 24th ...



and



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Ministerial Musings...

As May is the month of Mother's Day, and my mother, Jean Temperance Hayward Isham has just passed away, I thought I would share with you some reflections and lessons from my mother ...

Emotions are just emotions, they are neither right nor wrong. It's what you do with them that matters.

Being a woman doesn't make you any less of a full person, able to be and do whatever you put your mind to. My mother was one of the first women deacons in the church I grew up in, Newark First Baptist Church (American Baptist) and paved the way for other women to serve communion and hold leadership positions within the church. She was a "women's libber" and the first feminist I knew.

Think for yourself. If I ever said to my mother, "everyone else has one," or "everyone else is doing it." She would reply, "you're not everyone else." She never seemed to appreciate my social embarrassment or pining for the latest fads, but I survived. I saw her struggle and make difficult choices too, however. Sometime in my early teen years, we called a new minister at our church. Mom respected him, but sometimes she disagreed with him on theological issues, church policy and probably how he wanted to change the order of worship. Sometimes her "discussions" with him were heated. She didn't just take his word, acquiesce or complain about him in the parking lot. She engaged him and sometimes they worked it out, sometimes they agreed to disagree. As the years passed, like the previous minister, he and his family became great family friends. When they moved away in the middle of their daughter's junior year of high school to a school without a basketball program - which she excelled in - my parents opened their home to her. She lived with my folks while she finished her high school career, graduated with her friends and played on the varsity basketball team in Newark, Ohio.

Some family we choose, some family we're related to. Uncle Frank and Aunt Margaret were of no blood relation. They were our neighbors in the first house where my folks lived in Newark, OH, but they became family. Aunt Mildred mentored mom when she became a Girl Scout leader and her daughters were some of our favorite babysitters. When my mom, with two small children - one in diapers, broke her thumb, Uncle John brought over a dishwasher. And so my host family in France that I stayed with initially for only 3 weeks in high school became friends, corresponded and visited my parents and became my "French family." People allowed in to one's inner circle, people one accepts help from and offers help to intimately and without question. These people become family by choice.

Bloom where you are planted. We had a plaque in our kitchen with that saying and it's still in my folks' kitchen. My folks lived in Newark, OH, for 40 years and were members in one church. Since moving to Prescott Valley, they found a new church and became involved giving of their skills and have stayed there now 14 years. My mother and I have always been close and so I hear from time to time about struggles going on, a minister who she likes more or less, a really poor sermon series, a frustrating committee. And I have no doubt that my mother was sometimes that frustrating committee member. But she planted herself in a church and let her talents bloom, sharing them with the congregation. She planted herself in a community and shared her talents, even when her teenage daughter was not so pleased to share her mother with the Armenian immigrant family that the church sponsored, or the foster kids that she was counseling, or her return to get her bachelor's degree.

A life of simple acts of kindness makes a big difference in the world. After my mother had been diagnosed with cancer and we got the word out, she received so many cards and letters, flowers and even visits. She was a little overwhelmed by all the comments of how her life had impacted others. She heard from a foster child she had mentored, was visited by our exchange student from Norway, the Armenian immigrant family the church in Newark, OH, had sponsored in the 1990s (She had helped them learn English, get one a liver transplant after years of dialysis, and seen their

kids go to college and become successful.), family and friends who reminded her of small things she had done to help or encourage them at different times in their lives when it had made a difference. I saw the impact of this outpouring of love on her, it was amazing. But it has also helped me to appreciate how interconnected we are, how invisibly our actions can bring life and love to one another (as well as the opposite). In so many ways she lived to lift others up, to encourage them to reach higher, achieve more, to be better, to dream, to seek adventure. These were the things she sought for herself and she wanted them for others too. Not just for her own children, but for all those around her. As a kid, sometimes I resented that, but I'm glad she was interested in folks other than just me; it opened my eyes to others' needs and had a huge impact on so many people around her; something I can see and appreciate now.

So she worked to continue her education, both at the university and in Sunday School and weekly Bible study and regular worship, in photography classes and educational travel. And it was always more fun when she could do it with a group, who would allow her to speak her mind and stay engaged with her in discussion even if they disagreed.

There is so much more I could say, I learned so much from my mother during her life; and I am continuing to learn from her after her death. She was at peace with dying, a peace she said she knew was from God. As I write, sitting at my mother's computer, her presence and the peace she sensed is palpable. I give thanks to God for the imperfect saint she was, for the imperfect, loving mother she was, and for teaching me that all of us ordinary, imperfect folks are vessels of God's love and transformative power on earth. We have the power to bring love and life, hope and adventure to every person we meet just by being ourselves and leading what seem to be ordinary lives, just as my mother did.

Pastor Christine

Edwards Worship...

May 3rd ~ Communion Sunday

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

May 10th ~ Mother's Day

Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17



May 17th

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
Psalm 1
John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

May 24th ~ Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

May 31st ~ Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17



THREE IN ONE

Confirmation Sunday - May 24! Is also Pentecost Sunday! Wear red for worship and join us in blessing and confirming our youth!

INQUIRERS CLASS

Membership Board will be hosting an informational session on **Sunday, May 3rd** after church in the library for those interested in learning more about Edwards UCC and/or becoming a member. Please let Trisha Gehler (tsgehler@gmail.com or 343-8477) know if you will be attending in order to make arrangements for refreshments and information packets.

GRADUATES NAMES NEEDED

Names of all graduates who are part of the church family (children, grandchildren, siblings, spouse) are wanted for the upcoming **Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 31st**. Whether it is school, college, grad school or some type of certification or other achievement, we want to know and celebrate with you! Please be sure all names and related information are provided to the church office. You may phone or email the information.



STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH OFFERING

On **Sunday, May 24th** we will be receiving the Strengthen the Church special mission offering of the United Church of Christ. This offering builds the UCC's future. It funds new congregations and renews existing ones. It supports programs for youth and young adults and nurtures current and future leaders. It aids the God is Still Speaking Ministry to spread our message of inclusivity. Directed to local conferences, local church ministries and the Still Speaking Ministry, Strengthen the Church gifts help to create vibrant church communities of extravagant welcome. Spread the Love!

GET READY...

Get ready to serve, teach or learn, and play this summer. We have designated **Sundays, August 2, 9, and 16** to do just that! Watch for opportunities on these Sundays and if you have any service projects you'd like to see on these days, please let Marilyn Riedesel, Terri Schlabach, or Pastor Christine or the church office about them. Is there someone that needs help in their homes or yards that you know of. We would like to hear any of your ideas. We are open to any projects that take one or all 3 Sundays. ~Worship Board

ATTENDANCE

<i>January 2014 Worship Attendance</i>				
<i>Date</i>	<i>1/4</i>	<i>1/11</i>	<i>1/18</i>	<i>1/25</i>
<i>Adults</i>	66	92	93	76
<i>Youth & Children</i>	8	24	18	18
<i>TOTAL</i>	74	116	111	94

<i>February 2014 Worship Attendance</i>					
<i>Date</i>	<i>2/1*</i>	<i>2/8</i>	<i>2/15</i>	<i>2/18*</i>	<i>2/29</i>
<i>Adults</i>	0	81	79	31	92
<i>Youth & Children</i>	0	16	16	3	18
<i>TOTAL</i>	0	97	95	34	110

2/1* = Cancelled due to snow
2/18* - Ash Wednesday

Faith Formation ...

BIG THANKS...

To all who made the Lorax Luncheon and Play a total success! Thanks to Annette and Anita Dietz, the social fellowship board and the faith formation board for a “green-eggs-and-ham” lunch. (Special thanks to Jim Van Howe and Mike Augspurger who served our lunch as “thing one” and “thing two.”) Thanks to Bob and Marilyn Riedesel for their tireless efforts with set design and costuming. Thanks to Donuts and Hammers for helping with sets, also. Thank you, Miriam Prichard, for working faithfully with the children to learn three new songs for the play. They did a marvelous job thanks to what you taught them. Thanks to all the parents and volunteers who helped on rehearsal nights and as we built the set. This was a fun new experience that I hope will become a spring tradition!

~Pastor Kendra

Vacation Bible School is June 8-12, 5:30-7:30 PM

And vacation Bible school has something for *everyone*.

This year, we will collaborate with **All Saints' Lutheran Church** (they are just up the road from us on Jersey Ridge) and the theme is “Gone Fishin’.” Vacation Bible School is for children preschool through fifth grade, but we love having “big kid” helpers!

We plan to have a mission project (instead of a craft), and a guest speaker from the community or congregation for every night of VBS. The last night of VBS, **Friday June 12th**, will be a church-wide picnic and celebration. Between the two churches, we are hoping to get the word out to our neighborhoods in the two weekends preceding Bible School.



Our hope is that VBS will become an outreach opportunity that connects us to our surrounding community. Since I've been at Edwards UCC, our VBS has brought in about thirty kids. What if we doubled that number this year? Wouldn't that be great?

As you read this, you may be asking yourself: *How Can I Help?*

Here are some ideas for how you can help:

- Donate items (food or supplies) to be used during VBS week (watch for donation board in Narthex later in May)
- Pass out flyers in surrounding neighborhood to promote VBS during the following weekends **5/23-24** and/or **5/30 - 6/1**
- Volunteer to “shepherd” a group of children from **6:20-7:20pm** as they rotate through activities
- Volunteer to host an activity station from **6:20-7:20pm** (outdoor games or mission project)
- Volunteer to help with opening and closing music and skits from **6:00-6:20pm** & **7:20-7:30pm**
- Volunteer to help coordinate simple mission projects for kids to do during VBS
- Volunteer to help contact guest speakers from the community
- Volunteer to help with dinner (preparation, serving, clean up)

If any of these interests you, please contact Pastor Kendra, kendra@edwards-ucc.org

Confirmation Sunday ~ May 24th
Breakfast for confirmands and their families at 9:00 am.

Something for Adults too...

SUNDAYS EVENINGS IN MAY...

May 17th at 6:30

How Do I Pray?

Most of us agree that prayer is a good thing, and can be a great help in living well. But like many things we believe are good for us, we may have a hard time actually doing it. Maybe the challenge is finding time, maybe it's finding an approach to prayer that feels natural, maybe it's reconciling conflicting forces within us. Join this gathering to explore what prayer really is, what are different ways of engaging in it, and how it can be a doorway to deep connection with the Holy.

May 24th at 6:30

Share a Blessing!

Think of someone you know who is going through something serious: a job loss, an illness, a career change, a new sobriety, a divorce, a big move. Now picture a small group of 8-12 people gathering to bless that person with prayer, anointing and the laying on of hands. This sacred experience comforts, empowers and encourages the person with the knowledge that they face their trials with love from God and from their brothers and sisters in Christ. Can you picture it? In this gathering we'll talk about how to create these experiences for those among us who need them.

Caring For One Another...

Because of privacy concerns related to information available on the internet, Edwards has chosen to remove the names of those for whom we are praying from our on-line newsletter.

We lift in joy those moments of celebration in our lives – anniversaries, births, and marriages. We continue to pray for those in the hospital, those who are home-bound, and those who battle illness. We lift up those who grieve the loss of a loved one and remember those who carry heavy burdens. We trust that as we lift one another in prayer, God's presence brings strength, hope and wholeness to us all. Amen.

May Birthdays ...

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|----|------------------|----|-----------------|
| 1 | Joni Holt | 13 | Tim Beck |
| 2 | Evona Petherick | 13 | Elaine Lippert |
| 3 | Jason Gephart | 15 | Emily Norwood |
| 4 | Shannon Crawford | 19 | John Keraus |
| 4 | Katherine Dircks | 20 | Olivia Haney |
| 5 | Lily Beitzel | 26 | Cathy Loughead |
| 6 | Kathy Lafrenz | 27 | Colton Glessner |
| 6 | John McDowell | 27 | Craig Lucas |
| 7 | Sandy Doran | 28 | Dee Hillyer |
| 8 | Sean Glessner | 29 | Sue Kinnick |
| 10 | Michael Fessler | 29 | Kailan Neff |
| 11 | Carol Bachellor | 29 | Ron Rebal |
| 11 | Geri Dulaney | | |

***Happy
Birthday***

Fellowship Opportunities...

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Join us at Riefe's Restaurant (1417 W. Locust St., Davenport) on **Monday, May 4th** at 10:00 am for brunch/lunch and fellowship. Join in the fellowship and bring a friend!!

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT

We will be gathering at The Olive Garden (330 W. Kimberly Rd., Davenport) on **Thursday, May 21st** at 6:00 pm. Please join us and bring a friend or two!!

Service Opportunities ...

ADOPT A HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP ~ MAY 16TH AT 9AM

Saturday, April 25th was a rain out. The rain date is set for **Saturday, May 16th**.

Volunteers meet at the church at 9:30am for a light breakfast and return to the church around noon. We usually have 6-8 volunteers. Of course, more are welcome. The process is to meet at church and car pool to the site on Utica Ridge Road. We will park at the half-way point and divide into 2 groups. Each group will walk 2 miles (1 mile up and back). We will drop off the bags at the (Edwards Congregational) sign for the road crew to pick up. Throw away used gloves; keep vests for the fall highway clean-up. Return to church. Contact Dee Hillyer with any questions (563-381-1071 / ddhillyer@mchsi.com) or Kristin Van Heyningen (573-424-4629 / kdvanhey@yahoo.com).

Beyond Our Walls ...

WINNIE'S WISHES RESALE SHOP HAS A NEW ADDRESS!

They have moved to 1605 Harrison Street, Davenport. They are located across the street from Greatest Grains. Winnie's Wishes sells gently used clothing, toys, housewares, etc. The shop helps fund the shelter.

Winnie's Place Shelter is in need of: vegetable oil, vinegar, chili beans, canned tomato products, quart size baggies, miracle whip, peanut butter, jelly, kid's snacks, dish washer detergent, heavy garbage bags, taco & chili seasoning, boxed potatoes, sugar and gallon size juice or drink mixes. You can leave your gently used items and shelter items in the bin in the narthex.

Supporting Our Ministries...

MISSION IN MOTION (MiM) BAKE SALE AT THE EDWARDS GARAGE SALE!

Shopping at a garage sale can be hard work...you're gonna need caffeine and you're gonna need sugar!! You can count on MiM to be there for you. Baked goods and coffee will be available for sale during the annual Edwards Garage Sale on Saturday, May 2nd.

And, if you would like to donate goodies that the MiM crew will sell at the garage sale, please drop off your donations to the Edwards kitchen by 2 pm, Friday, May 1st. Be sure to label your goodies so we know what they are called. The MiM crew can repackage the treats for "individual" sale, but if you can package the items for individual "sale," we would appreciate it!

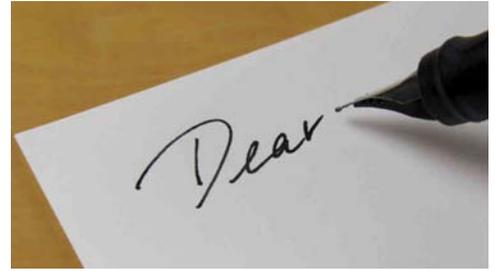
We thank you for your continued support!

The Edwards 2015 BBM Crew



END HUNGER LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision to end hunger at home and abroad. Churches and individuals are taking part in Bread for the World's 2015 Offering of Letters urging Congress to renew our federal government's major child nutrition programs including those for school meals, summer feeding, and WIC nutrition program for new mothers along with their small children.



Every five years, Congress must re-authorize the law that funds these programs. Now is the time to renew these national nutrition programs. This will come to vote in Congress sometime this June 2015. Please be a part of Bread's 2015 Offering of Letters by taking a few minutes to write letters to your members of Congress. Urge them to sustain the improvements made in 2010 and give more children access to school breakfasts and summer meals.

On May 10th and May 17th we will have sample letters for you to sign after church in Baxter Hall and mail to members of Congress. We urge you to write your own letters as well. Working together, we can be part of God's will on earth that all children receive the 'daily bread' that enables them to learn, be healthy, and grow strong.

For more information about writing letters to Congress, visit www.bread.org/OL

US Senator ~ Iowa

Joni Ernst (R – IA)
825 B&C Hart Senate Office Bldg
Washington DC 20510

Chuck Grassley (R – IA)
135 Hart Senate Office Bldg
Washington DC 20510

US Representative ~ Iowa

Dave Loebsack
1527 Longworth House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20515

US Senator ~ Illinois

Richard Durbin (D – IL)
711 Hart Senate Office Bldg
Washington DC 20510

Mark Kirk (R – IL)
524 Hart Senate Office Bldg
Washington DC 20510

US Representative ~ Illinois

Cheri Bustos
1009 Longworth House Office Bldg
Washington, DC 20515

Sample Letter:

[Date]

Dear Senator _____, or Dear Rep. _____,

As you consider the 2016 budget and renewing child nutrition programs this year, I urge you to make sure children at risk of hunger can get the healthy meals they need to learn and grow.

Specifically, I urge you to protect child nutrition programs from cuts and harmful policy changes and improve children's access to these programs while not cutting other safety-net programs. SNAP (formerly food stamps), serves nearly 21 million children. I urge you to protect SNAP and other anti-poverty programs from harmful budget and funding cuts.

Nutrition programs serve as a lifeline for America's vulnerable children and their families. As your constituent, I urge you to protect and improve child nutrition programs.

Sincerely,

[your name]

[your address]

[city, state, ZIP]

BIRDIES FOR CHARITY

The Edward's Bird, (as in Birdies for Charity) Dick Jirus, has been to the Kick-Off segment of the John Deere Golf Classic and has brought the pledge forms to the church for distribution. The Trustees have decided that the funds will be used this year to help defray the deficit budget. The prize for guessing the correct number of birdies during the golf classic will be a two-year lease of a new Lexus automobile. Other prizes are noted on the pledge forms. All money pledged to this charity will be returned back to our church with added bonus. In 2014 the bonus was 10 %. Pledge forms are available at the church office. They may be returned directly to the Golf Classic office, address on the forms, or returned to the church office where the pledge forms will be forwarded to the golf office.



Church Council Highlights

Highlights from the April 14, 2015, Church Council meeting

The following are highlights from the most recent Church Council meeting. If you would prefer to read the Council minutes in their entirety, please contact the church office, the Church Clerk, or visit our website for a copy.

- Kay Stile's family sent a check to the Church for \$10,000 in her memory. Kay's wishes were that the money be used to pay off the remaining balances of her capital campaign and operating budget pledges. Any funds remaining will go into the caregiver memorial fund.
- The Church's operating budget is looking pretty good as of the end of March. The budget is still balanced.
- Pledge payments to the Capital Campaign, however, continue to lag by approximately \$40,000/\$50,000. This gap has remained pretty much unchanged for the past year or so.
- The Rekindling Our Congregation (ROC) listening campaign is under way with Scott Gehler and Lisa Gaston co-leading the effort. A total of 83 surveys have been turned in. By the end of the summer, the ROC leadership will have a report for Council's consideration.
- At the moment, 11 participants are planning to go on the next mission trip to Biloxi. The Biloxi teams' next fundraiser will be a family fun night on May 16.
- A new member information class will be held on May 3rd.
- Confirmation will be May 24th.
- Richard Jirus will be collecting pledges for Birdies for Charity. The pledges need to be turned in no later than July 10th. The full amount of the pledge, plus a bonus, comes back to Edwards at the end of the event.
- New leaders at Edwards:
 - Tim Reier has been elected chair of Personnel Board
 - Barb Bleedorn has been elected chair of Worship Board
 - Ray Ball-Trevor has agreed to serve as Treasurer-Elect
 - Mike Augspurger, Jim Van Howe, and Torri Vande Zande have formed a Youth Advisory Committee to assist Kendra and Faith Formation Board
 - Elisabeth Norwood has agreed to represent Edwards on the Quad Cities Interfaith Board beginning in December

Financial Summary – March 2015

	Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	Annual Budget	Sources:
Pledge Income	51,123	51,700	206,800	Pledge Prior Year, Pledge Current Year
Offerings	3,641	5,000	20,000	Regular Gifts, Defeat the Deficit, Church School/Youth, Loose Offering
Other Income*	4,098	12,487	43,608	All Other
TOTAL Receipts	58,862	69,187	270,408	
TOTAL Expenses	74,995	66,408	270,374	
*Other Income appears under Budget due to the timing of funds received from Endowment.				
Funds were received in April, bringing Other Income back on track for the year.				

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You !!

A big thank you to everyone who came and donated blood at the spring drive. The goal was met with three to spare. We collected 23 units which could help or save up to 69 people. Thank you to everyone who donated fruit, cookies and juice. It was enjoyed by all. Also thank you **Dick Dulaney** for setting up Baxter Fellowship Hall for us. You moved all of the tables and chairs so Julie did not have to do it. You saw a need and did it without us asking. Thank you, **Dorothy Hammond**

Thanks to everyone who helped with sprucing up Edwards the past few weeks:
Cec Chapman, Darryl Hillyer, Tracey Hustad & Lori Roth, Shirley Johnson, Tom Kenneke, Ann & George Kovacs, Dave & Sandy Reinders, Robert Riedesel, Steve Wildemuth.

Thank you to the crew that cleaned the kitchen: **Pat Cresap, Anita & Annette Dietz, Dee Hillyer, Shirley Johnson, Chris Medina, Katie Van Blair, Fran Wolfe.** We got a lot done but did not get everything cleaned so will have to pick another day to finish up.

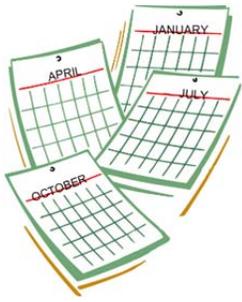
Thank you so much for all the food, visits, and prayers while my broken foot was mending. It meant a lot to know you were thinking of me. As I've said before, it's wonderful to be a member of Edwards. Love and God Bless You, **Elinor Moore**

Thank you so much for your recent donations of towels, sheets, blankets, comforter, hats, gloves, and purses, etc. We appreciate the support of donors such as you. Thank you for remembering us. **Jean for Winnie's Place**

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

We need your help keeping Edward's membership records accurate and up-to-date! It is important you let the church office know when you change your home address, email address, cell phone, or if you replace your land line with a cell phone number. Please email kathy@edwards-ucc.org or give Kathy Bowerman a call with your new information.

This and That...



EVENTS, REHEARSALS, MEETINGS, ETC.

If you are scheduling a meeting or rehearsal, planning a church event or would like to use any church space, it is **necessary** to call, email, or stop by the church office to check the church calendar for room availability and to make a reservation. This makes for efficient room scheduling and prevents conflicts. Please contact Kathy Bowerman (563-359-0331 or kathy@edwards-ucc.org) to reserve your meeting time, location, and room set-up needs.

Who... What... When... Where...

	May 3 rd	May 10 th	May 17 th	May 24 th	May 31 st
Happenings	Communion	Mother's Day	Last Children's Chapel till Fall	Confirmation Pentecost Food Pantry	Graduation
Preacher	Christine Isham	Kendra Thompson	Christine Isham	Christine Isham	Christine Isham
Chancel Set-up	Barb Bleedorn	Katie Kyte	Judy Stouffer	Sandy Doran	Emily Norwood
Altar Flowers					
Scripture Reader	Jane Simonsen	Brian Dugan	Sharon Wildemuth	Suzanne Benson	Richard Jirus
Audio	Terry Schlabach		Lyle Stratton	Joyce Paustian	Lyle Stratton
Video		Lyle Stratton	Terry Schlabach	Lyle Stratton	Joyce Paustian
Ushers	Barb Bleedorn Paul Petherick Angela Reier Marilyn Riedesel	Curly Curl Darrell Hillyer Margaret Wilber Fran Wolfe	Mila Smith Milo Smith Judy Stouffer Steve Wildemuth	Ray Ball-Trevor Dick Dulaney Tom Kenneke Gail McPike	Mike Augspurger Vince Holdridge Pat Sterk Judy Stouffer
Greeters	Kyte Family Bill Coker	Edith Egli Dorothy Hammond	Pat Sterk Van Howe Family	Jeannine Miller Chris Medina	Judy Pavlak Paul & Evona Petherick
Coffee Hour	Sandy & Dave Reinders	Ball-Trevor & Dietz family	Gehler Family	Reier Family	Kyte Family
Lock-up	Cec Chapman	Tracey Hustad	Craig Lucas	Angela Reier	Sandy Reinders
Mower / Trimmer	Curly Curl Darrell Hillyer	Richard Jirus	Milo Smith Jay Kyte	Steve Wildemuth	Brad Miller Robert Riedesel
CareGivers On Call	Audrey Dugan Evona Petherick	Dee Hillyer Lois Larew	Bev Bergert Fran Wolfe	Carol Hart Martha Jirus	Sandy Reinders

WHERE THERE ARE BLANKS, WE MAY NEED YOUR HELP!!

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SIGN UP.

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May 2015 Calendar...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Food Pantry Sunday 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 10:40 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:30 AM Liturgical Dance Practice 11:30 AM Promised Land Rehearsal 7:00 PM Earthday @UUCQC	27 9:00 AM Garage Sale ~ Sort & Setup 9:00 AM Garage Sale Drop-offs till 2 6:00 PM Diversity AA Meeting 7:00 PM Alleluia Ringers 7:00 PM Food, Faith, Climate: Connecting the Dots	28 8:30 AM Donuts & Hammers 9:00 AM Garage Sale ~ Sort & Setup 9:00 AM Garage Sale Drop-offs till 2 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting	29 9:00 AM Garage Sale ~ Sort & Setup 9:00 AM Last Day for Garage Sale Drop-offs 6:00 PM Confirmation 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM Promised Land Rehearsal	30 9:00 AM Garage Sale ~ Sort & Setup 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Diversity AA Meeting	1 9:00 AM Bake Sale Drop-off 9:00 AM Garage Sale ~ Sort & Setup 9:00 AM Library reserved 6:00 PM Garage Sale Wine & Cheese Event	2 8:00 AM Garage Sale! 3:00 PM Sanctuary Reserved
3 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship with Communion 10:40 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Biloxi Trip Meeting 11:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:30 AM Inquirers Class 11:30 AM Liturgical Dance Practice 11:30 AM Promised Land Rehearsal	4 10:00 AM Women's Breakfast Group 6:00 PM Diversity AA Meeting 7:00 PM Alleluia Ringers	5 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Meeting 12:00 PM Pre-Council Meeting 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting	6 6:00 PM Confirmation 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	7 12:30 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Diversity AA Meeting	8 11:45 AM Memorial Committee Meeting	9
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