

August 2016

Tower Topics



HIGH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 14, 2016
50 + Membership Sunday

Sunday, August 28
All Church Picnic
at Morrow's Meadows

High Street United Methodist Christians:

- **Worship** God;
- **Connect** with other Christians to grow as disciples; and
- **Serve** Christ in the community.

Service Times:

8:30 – 9:30 AM
Traditional Worship

9:45 – 10:45 AM
Sunday school

9:45 – 10:30 AM
Chapel Worship

11:00 – Noon
Contemporary Worship

Traditional Worship is
Broadcast at 11 AM on
WXFN – 1340 AM and 102.9 FM

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TOWER TOPICS DEADLINES

Deadline for Submission is 8:00 A. M. on Tuesdays
MM = Mid-Month Tower Topics Issue

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Sending date</u>	<u>Issue</u>
August 2	August 10	Mid-August
August 23	August 31	September
September 6	September 14	Mid-September
September 20	September 28	October

Dear High Street Friends:

All four gospel writers tell us about Peter's denials of Jesus, but only Matthew tells it in a way that particularly struck home with me after spending a couple of weeks in England. Peter was outside in the courtyard as Jesus was inside being interrogated by the high priest. Two different servant girls had fingered Peter as one of Jesus' followers. Peter denied it both times. Then Matthew tells us (26:73): *After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you."*

Newly arrived in Manchester, England and with a GPS that itself was lost, we stopped to ask directions of a woman sitting in a car in a parking lot. She couldn't provide any as she was from Scotland, but when her husband got off the phone, she asked him if he could help "this man from New York." It's the first time anyone has ever said I sounded like I was from New York.

Days later visiting an estate with lovely gardens, Cathy informally engaged a young mother with her preschool son in conversation. They came to this estate frequently. The little boy was interested in how the tadpoles were growing. When Cathy jokingly remarked that we thought we were the only ones without an accent, the young mother responded that we definitely have an accent.

In London in attempting to locate a residence where some of Cathy's relation had lived prior to coming to the USA, I asked

a young man if he knew where this particular address was. He was very gracious. He handed me his smartphone and asked me to type in the address. I realized then that he didn't fully understand me because of my accent.

We found generally people caught on quite readily that we were not local tourists. We have this accent. Even when in a restaurant in Liverpool when we ordered lemonade, the server, who was fun and spoke British English so rapidly that we only could understand portions of what he said, readily identified us as Americans and knew there could be a problem. He wanted to make sure we understood what a lemonade was. We Americans expect a cloudy drink. But a lemonade there meant a Sprite with a lemon in it. And that is what we had with our meal.

There were times when we suspected we were being engaged in conversation or being treated with extra attention because of our accents. Often we were asked where we were from and found ourselves explaining where Indiana is in relationship to Chicago. In London we ran into a family from Oklahoma a couple of times and enjoyed conversing with people who sounded a lot like us.

A question arose in our minds as we obviously were perceived as having an accent. We wondered how it is we truly sound to people who don't have the same accent. We don't really know. How we

Speak is such a part of us that we don't really hear our accent as others would.

Peter was recognized because of his Galilean accent. He probably hadn't expected that to give him away. His accent made the bystanders suspect he was a follower of Jesus Christ.

It all makes me wonder, no matter from where we come or the language we speak or the manner in which we speak it, if being a follower of Jesus Christ isn't something that becomes such a part of us that even unknowingly we give ourselves away. This Christ-like accent, if you will, lets others know there is something different about us. And then I wonder if and how I might sound to people who don't have the same accent.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dale

WORSHIP

50+ Year Recognition

On Sunday, August 14, we will recognize and celebrate those persons who have been members of High Street Church for fifty years and more. This recognition will take place in the 8:30 and the 9:45 services. People who have been members for 50 years, 60 years, and 70 years or more will be honored with a certificate and a flower.

We have such a rich heritage here at High Street. Join us as we celebrate those who have helped make it so rich.

Sermons Series

Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23



Join us each Sunday in August as we continue to explore in worship what our children are learning in Sunday School.

August 7 Communion Sunday

Sermon: "Goodness"

Scripture: Ruth & Matthew 19:16-22

August 14 All-Church Choir at 8:30 and 9:45

Sermon: "Faithfulness"

Scripture: 2 Kings 22:1 – 23:23

August 21 The Sanctuary Choir returns

Sermon: "Gentleness"

Scripture: Psalm 23:1-6

August 28

Sermon: "Self-Control"

Scripture: Daniel 1:1-21

Welcome, Bishop Julius Trimble

The Committee on Episcopacy of the North Central Jurisdiction has announced the appointment of Julius C. Trimble as the Bishop of the Indiana Episcopal Area. Bishop Trimble is moving to Indiana following an eight-year term as Bishop in the Iowa Area. He is married to Racelder Grandberry-Trimble, and they are parents of three grown children: Cameron, Candiace and Julius Thomas. You can read more about Bishop Trimble on the Indiana Conference United Methodist Church website. Please keep Bishop Trimble and his family in your prayers during this time of transition.

CONNECT

Thursday Luncheon

**August--a month to invite
someone to Thursday Luncheon!**

*Food, fellowship and programall for
\$4.....from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm!*

Blood pressure checks are typically offered
the first Thursday of the month.

August 4: Sarah Dale's Tanzania
experiences

August 11: Indiana History re: Bicentennial,
Jim Waechter

August 18: Mark Murphy's music and
testimony

August 25: Deb Heeter, slides of Travelers'
CA rail trip

High Street Travelers - Since 1974



WED AUG 17 INDIANA HISTORY, PART 3
INDIANPOLIS, \$85 PER PERSON

SEPT 8 & 9 OVERNIGHT MYSTERY TRIP:
WAITING LIST ONLY!!

SEPT 11 – 17 BEAUTIFUL MAINE SOLD OUT!

WED SEPT 21 BEEF & BOARDS: MENOPAUSE
THE MUSICAL \$85 PER PERSON

WED OCT 19 INDIANA HISTORY DAY, PART 4
CORYDON \$85 PER PERSON

NOV 15-18 **HURRY!** CHRISTMAS AT THE BILTMORE
\$569 PER PERSON 3 NIGHTS / 6 MEALS /
CANDLELIGHT & DAY BILTMORE TOURS /ASHEVILLE

WED DEC 7 BEEF & BOARDS: A B & B CHRISTMAS
\$85 PER PERSON

Reservation Policy:

- 1) Contact High Street UM Church at 765/747-8500
- 2) Payment MUST accompany reservation.
- 3) Cancellations made within 7 days of trip are NOT guaranteed a refund. Tours are open to the Public, clubs & groups. All trips are deluxe motor coach unless noted. High Street Travelers is sponsored by and is a mission of High Street United Methodist Church, 219 So High St Muncie, IN 47305. COORDINATOR-Deb Heeter

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Disciple Bible Study: Old Testament

INTRODUCTORY SESSION

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Room 204

GROUP STUDY SESSIONS

Tuesdays, September 6- November 22, 2016

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Room 205

FACILITATOR

Pastor Dale Mendenhall

COST

\$15 for the Study Manual

Make checks payable to High Street United Methodist Church

Here's an opportunity to explore the major themes of the Old Testament in twelve sessions of 75 minutes each. Each week participants will prepare by reading and reflecting upon Scripture and other readings each day.

We will be using a new version of Disciple Bible Study designed to "fast track" the study.

REGISTRATION

DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY: OLD TESTAMENT

NAME(S) _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

ENCLOSED IS \$ _____ (\$15 per person) for the Study Manual(s).

(Make checks payable to High Street United Methodist Church)

Registration Deadline: August 16, 2016

_____ I/We will need babysitting provided for _____ children, age(s)

_____.

Mark Your Calendars

Monday, September 26 - October 31, are the dates for Fall session of Update Learning classes!

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group will begin a 5-week study of **Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say**, by Adam Hamilton, on **Wednesday, August 17**. We will meet in G-6 from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. Contact Susan Trout, 702-7813, if you would like to join the study and need a book.

If you have questions, you can call me.
Carol Casazza (289-6087)

Safe Table Conversations

Some in our congregation have expressed an interest in "Safe Table" conversations and prayer around the topic of homosexuality and the inclusivity of the church. We will be making arrangements for open conversations starting in early September. If you have suggestions about this topic, or how you would like to see the conversations structured, please let Pastor Sherrie know.

All-Church Choir

While the Sanctuary Choir is winding down our summer hiatus, YOU are invited to a special singing event. Anyone 13 and older is invited to sing in worship on Sunday morning, August 14, at 8:30 and 9:45. No robes, no audition, no fuss. Just one rehearsal, an easy anthem, and the joy of singing together. Rehearsal is Wednesday evening, August 10, 7:00-8:30 in the choir room.

Wisdom People for August

Lois Jeffers • 93 on August 2
2613 W. Glen Ter.
Muncie, IN 47304

Annabell Epperson • 91 on August 13
344 Banbury Rd.
Noblesville, IN 46062-8006

Jeanette Taylor • 96 on August 14
2605 W. Woodward Dr.
Muncie, IN 47304

LaRayne Burlison • 92 on August 15
20190 SW 286th St.
Homestead, FL 33030

Donald Hartling • 93 on August 15
4711 W. Carinal Dr.
Muncie, IN 47304

Virgil Oxley • 95 on August 21
145 Dogwood Dr.
Warren, IN 46792

Mary Louise Neff • 92 on August 23
1302 N. Brentwood Ln.
Muncie, IN 47304

Bob Kirklin • 90 on August 26
3809 E. Jackson St.
Muncie, IN 47303

Molly Reinoehl • 90 on August 30
311 N. Winthrop Rd.
Muncie, IN 47304



High Street Memorials/Honors

- Judy Barnes
- Everett Tipton

SERVE

High Street Food Pantry Served in 2016

891 clients

Thank you for your contributions, both food and monetary, to the High Street Food Pantry! Please leave donations in the wicker baskets at the North Door entrance and in the Narthex.

Food pantry needs:

- Soup
- One-meal cans
- Canned Corn
- Fruit

Samaritan Fund 2016

People Helped YTD: 144

Utilities:	\$3,306.30
Rent:	\$1032.00
Prescriptions:	\$120.85
Misc:	<u>\$396.00</u>
Total:	\$4,855.15

GENERAL INFORMATION

Strawberry Jam Still Available

Thirteen jars of fresh frozen homemade strawberry jam are still available for \$4.00 each. Proceeds go to U.M.W. missions projects. Please call the church office if interested.

Thank You!

A troop of intrepid folks re-located, pitched and organized items in the Parish Hall closet. Feel free to open the doors and inspect the work of Sydney Wulff, Mary Ruble, Marty Raisor, Bob Mingle, and Sandra Hardcastle! Kudos accepted and apologies offered to anyone who wishes they'd been invited to this "cleaning party"!

Hospital Reminder

Just a reminder that, because of privacy laws, hospitals no longer phone churches to let us know that you are a patient, even if you've told them the name of your church when you were admitted. Please give us a call in the office (747-8500) or phone one of the pastors if you are admitted so that we can keep you in prayers.

A Summer to Revive

The South Muncie Cluster of United Methodist Churches invites everyone to "A Summer to Revive," August 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, at Canon Commons in Downtown Muncie. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating, and enjoy being part of this city-wide revival. Speakers will include: Mayor Dennis Tyler at the opening of the event on Tuesday, with preaching by Pastor Steve Graves of Industry & Fountain Square UMC; Wednesday: Pastor Vickie Perkins of Main Street & The Garden at Gethsemane UMC; and Thursday: Pastor Dana Hill of Trinity UMC. All services begin at 7:00 P.M.

AUGUST

Mon Aug 1, 2016

12pm - 2pm Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
4:30pm - 5:30pm Senior Supper - MCL Cafeteria
5:30pm - 6:30pm Discipleship Process Team
6pm - 8pm Grief Group - Room 205

Tue Aug 2, 2016

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
8am - 8am Tower Topics Deadline
8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
12pm - 2pm Samaritan Lunch - Parlor
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens

Wed Aug 3, 2016

9:15am - 11am Women's Bible Study - G6
7pm - 8pm ACAT Meeting - Room 205
8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Aug 4, 2016

8am - 11am SHIP Counseling - Office
11:30am - 1:30pm Thursday Luncheon

Fri Aug 5, 2016

5pm - 7pm Adult Game Night - Hug's house

Sat Aug 6, 2016

1pm - 2pm Makayla Diaz Bridal Shower Set up
2pm - 4:30pm Makayla Diaz Bridal Shower

Sun Aug 7, 2016 Brown Bag/Communion

8:30am - 9:30am *Traditional Worship Service
9:30am - 9:45am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
9:45am - 10:30am *Informal Worship Service
9:45am - 10:45am *Sunday school Classes
10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
11am - 12pm Young Families LifeGroup
5pm - 6:30pm Hebrews Bible Study - Room 301
5pm - 7pm SAF prayer walk- all over Muncie

Mon Aug 8, 2016

12pm - 2pm Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
6pm - 8pm Grief Group - Room 205

Tue Aug 9, 2016

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
3:30pm - 4:30pm Board of Trustees - Room G6
6pm - 7:30pm Children's Area Work Team

Wed Aug 10, 2016

9:30am - 11:30am Mommy & Me Bible Study
1pm - 3pm Elder-Law Counseling
7pm - 8pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Resumes
8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Aug 11, 2016

8am - 11am SHIP Counseling - Office
11:30am - 1:30pm Thursday Luncheon

Fri Aug 12, 2016

Sat Aug 13, 2016

Sun Aug 14, 2016

8:30am - 9:30am *Traditional Worship Service
 9:30am - 9:45am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 9:45am - 10:30am *Informal Worship Service
 9:45am - 10:45am *Sunday school Classes
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
 11am - 12pm Young Families LifeGroup
 5pm - 6:30pm Hebrews Bible Study - Room 301
 5pm - 7pm The Grove - Youth Lounge

Mon Aug 15, 2016

12pm - 2pm Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 6pm - 8pm Grief Group - Room 205

Tue Aug 16, 2016

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
 8am Tower Topics Deadline
 8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
 10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
 12pm - 2pm Samaritan Lunch - Parlor
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 5:30pm - 6:30pm Martha Mary - Gaither's Cafe

Wed Aug 17, 2016

8am Travelers Indiana History Day, Part 3
 9:15am - 11am Women's Bible Study - Room G6
 7pm - 8pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Aug 18, 2016

8am - 11am SHIP Counseling - Office
 11:30am - 1:30pm Thursday Luncheon

Fri Aug 19, 2016

7:15am - 8:45am Kingdom Advisor's Group
 2pm - 3:30pm Family Ministry staff meeting

Sat Aug 20, 2016

9am - 4pm Family Cohort - Cumberland UMC

Sun Aug 21, 2016

8:30am - 9:30am *Traditional Worship Service
 9:30am - 9:45am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 9:45am - 10:30am *Informal Worship Service
 9:45am - 10:45am *Sunday school Classes
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
 11am - 12pm Young Families LifeGroup
 5pm - 6:30pm Hebrews Bible Study - Room 301
 5pm - 7pm The Grove - Youth

Mon Aug 22, 2016

12pm - 2pm Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 6pm - 8pm Grief Group - Room 205

Tue Aug 23, 2016

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
 8:30am - 1am Church Staff - Library
 10am - 11m Pastoral Staff - Office
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens

Wed Aug 24, 2016

9:15am - 11am Women's Bible Study - Room G6
 6pm - 7pm Call to Christ/Praise Kids
 7pm - 8pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Aug 25, 2016

8am - 11am SHIP Counseling - Office
 11:30am - 1:30pm Thursday Luncheon

Fri Aug 26, 2016

1pm - 2:30pm UMW Executive Meeting - Rm G6

Sat Aug 27, 2016

Church Picnic - Morrows Meadows
 8:30am - 9:30am *Traditional Worship Service
 9:30am - 9:45am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 9:45am - 10:30am *Informal Worship Service
 9:45am - 10:45am *Sunday school Classes
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship
 11am - 12pm Young Families LifeGroup

Mon Aug 29, 2016

12pm - 2pm Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
6pm - 8pm Grief Group - Room 205

Tue Aug 30, 2016

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
12pm - 2pm Samaritan Lunch - Parlor
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
6pm - 7pm Disciple Bible Study Introduction

Wed Aug 31, 2016

9:15am - 11am Women's Bible Study - Room G6
5:45pm - 7pm Handbells resumes - Room 303
6pm - 7pm Call to Christ/Praise Kids
7pm - 8pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204



Contact Information

Our Visitation Pastor, Charlotte Overmyer, is available in the church office on Tuesday mornings, 8:30--10:00 a.m. This is a good time to talk with her about opportunities to visit our homebound members, concerns you may have about your own family members, or an insight or question you would like to share with her.

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