

November 2015



Tower Topics

HIGH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Upcoming Events

November 1, 2015

All Saints Sunday

November 3, 2015

11:45 a.m.

Heritage Pointe – Warren

November 8, 2015

Children's Sabbath

Preschool Sunday

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 or 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

Deadline

November 3 MM
November 17
December 1 MM

Distribution date

November 11
November 25
December 8

The People You Meet

Dear Friends:

We went to see the foliage. It was beautiful. We were staying in Lake George Village at the southern tip of Lake George. We ventured up Prospect Mountain for the overview and the scenic sights along the way. We traveled up to Ausable Chasm for some hiking and to witness a marvel of nature. We took a two-hour cruise with a buffet out on Lake George (we know from Gilligan's Island to avoid three-hour cruises). We toured Fort William Henry there in the village. We drove over to Lake Placid and were in the arena where the Miracle on Ice occurred in the 1980 Winter Olympics. And we found a place for breakfast each morning.

Well, the first morning there we walked some distance to the Howard Johnson Restaurant for breakfast. Yes, there is one still open. But once was enough. We now can say we did it.

The ensuing three mornings we wandered into the Bank Café. The building obviously used to house a bank. The vault is still there. But now it's a little restaurant open for breakfast and lunch. The café only holds thirty-some people.

The first morning we walked into the café we were greeted by two older women seated at a booth over against the wall. They didn't know us or we them, but still there was a "Good morning" offered genuinely. We ordered our food and sat down. We conversed some with the two women. They are there each morning. On summer

mornings they sit outside at one of the café tables and greet passers-by. The one woman confessed that some of those passers-by think them to be crazy, but they greet them anyway. This woman has health issues and struggles to walk. Her friend looks after her.

And then there was Dennis. He's retired. He has a place north of the village and on the lake. He's athletic and active. Weather permitting, he's out in his boat on the lake before coming to the Bank Café for his regular breakfast of oatmeal with some fixings. One morning his wife came in to join him. Each morning we visited with Dennis. One morning he even offered to take us out in his boat, but we had already been out on the lake and had other plans that day. He did report one morning he had just taken a couple from Portugal out on his boat and had a good time. On our last morning there, Dennis, Cathy, and I enjoyed a really nice visit. When we left, he was sure to invite us to come back next year.

If we do go back (and I would enjoy that), I know where we would go for breakfast each morning. I know whom we would want to be sure to see again. The food at the Bank Café was good. The hospitality at the Bank Café was even better.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dale

WORSHIP

All Saints Sunday, November 1

On Sunday, November 1, we will observe All Saints Sunday. On this Sunday the names of all High Street members who have died during the past twelve months plus the names of those for whom the High Street pastors have conducted funeral services will be read aloud at our worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. We will also display the names and photos of these persons during a time of remembrance in our 11:00 contemporary service. The 11:00 time of remembrance offers people an opportunity to light candles in memory of loved ones recently lost.

As of this writing, these are the names of those people who will be remembered in some fashion in all three services: Esther Andrew, Bill Waldo, Helen Bullock, Carmon Swain, Doris Prosch, Helen Murphy, Auten Cole, Alice Boyd, Elwyn Wolfe, William Crawford, Evelyn Coulter, Jack Fetz, Alberta Schuch, Barbara Kershaw, Robert Lewis, Mildred Estabrook, Corinne Moore, J. Robert Baur, Ray Lanum, Hannah Stanley, and Matthew Smith.

CONNECT

High Street Travelers Since 1974

JAN 24 – FEB 5 SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE SOLD OUT!!

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CONTINUING: After EVERY 3rd paid trip in the calendar year you receive a \$25 voucher towards a future trip.

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 a mission of High Street United Methodist Church 219 So High St Muncie, IN 47305.

COORDINATOR-Deb Heeter EMAIL: dheeter601@comcast.net

Thanks-Singing Festival

The 35th Annual Thanks-Singing Festival sponsored by Christian Ministries of Delaware County will be held on Sunday, November 8 at 3pm. It will be held at High Street UMC, 219 W. High St. You or members of your adult choir are warmly invited to participate. Leonard Atherton of Grace Episcopal Church will conduct the combined adult Thanks-Singing choir. Kevin Woodgett of Church of Living God will also conduct a selection.

Individual choir members from all Muncie church choirs are asked to consider performing in the combined choir. Individual singers, whether members of a church choir or not are also welcome.

You may pick up a sign up form in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Christian Ministries at 288-0601.

There will be a rehearsal for the festival on Saturday, November 7 at 9:30am til noon and Sunday, November 8 at 1:30pm. On Saturday the combined adult choir will rehearse first with other groups to follow. Both rehearsals will be at High Street UMC. Please be conscientious of the time when arriving. We invite you to plan now to join us for the exciting event.

As we have done in the past, this is also an opportunity to give back to Christians

Ministries. We encourage each participant and each attendee to bring canned goods and non-perishable food items as a donation to Christian Ministries.

UMW General Meeting

UMW General Meeting **is November 17th at 12:30pm**. Wesleyan Circle is hosting and the guest speak and program is by Kelli Turner, principle of Southside Middle School. She will be speaking about the school and the road to success. Please RSVP to Mary Swanger at 282-9197.

Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN

We will be taking a trip again to Heritage Pointe in Warren, IN. We will be having pumpkin pie and fellowship on **Tuesday, November 3**. We will **leave the church at 11:45am**. Please call the church office if you'd like to join us. A light lunch is being served.

Thursday Luncheon Program

November 5: Tim and Betty Resler – Singers

November 12: Deb Heeter – High Street Travelers

November 19: Muncie Animal Shelter – Dogs and Cats on display with a speaker

November 26: Thanksgiving – No Thursday Luncheon

Angels on High Preschool

Fall Fundraisers

For the next couple of weeks, Angels on High will be conducting our fall fundraisers. The proceeds benefit the scholarship account and offset costs of new supplies, etc. We will be taking orders for flavor coated pretzels and popcorn from Concannon's and our delicious cheese balls. Concannon's flavor coated pretzels and popcorn are manufactured and packaged fresh in plastic domes. There are several flavors which to choose from including milk chocolate, dark chocolate, white chocolate, key lime, butterscotch, lemon, peanut butter, white raspberry fudge, caramel, marshmallow and just in time for fall, pumpkin. The cheese balls are made in the HSUMC kitchen with the help of our Angels on High Preschool Board and parents. This year, we are offering cheddar cheese balls with and without nuts and chocolate chip dessert cheese balls.

These delicious treats are great for upcoming holiday gatherings, as well as gifts! Each package of pretzels/popcorn and cheese ball is sold for \$6.00. The order form for these delicious treats is available in the church office. You can place an order by completing the order form and returning it to Rebecca Swander (mailbox in the front office) or you can email your order to Rebecca at rswander@angelsonhigh.org. Orders for the pretzels and cheese balls will be taken until Sunday, November 8. All orders will be available for pick-up starting on Sunday, November 22. We hope you will consider purchasing some goodies while supporting a great cause!

Preschool Celebration

Angels on High Preschool will have a Preschool Celebration on Sunday, November 8. This is also Children's Sabbath at HSUMC. The preschool families are invited to attend the 11:00 service, where the children will have a presentation. Rebecca Swander will be giving the message during this service, featuring each preschool child in the message. We would love for you to join us to hear the children sing their songs and witness the ministry happening at Angels on High. The children

are working very hard for their presentation and we are very excited for this special Preschool Sunday!

Following the 11:00 service, we will have a Fellowship Lunch for **both** preschool families and the congregation at HSUMC. This lunch will run from 11:00-1:30 pm. The cost is \$5 per adult and \$3 per child, with a maximum of \$20 per family. It is a time to have fellowship with each other and enjoy a delicious lunch! Please RSVP in the front office or by contacting Rebecca Swander at 216-7919. We hope you will join us!

Angels on High Preschool will have their annual Open House from 12:00-2:00. This is at time for the families to visit their child's classroom and school. The congregation is also invited to attend this Open House, meet the classroom teachers, and see all that is happening in the preschool!

Donations Needed

The following donations are needed at Angels on High Preschool & PDO: Lysol Disinfecting Spray, packaged snacks, disposable forks and spoons, and copy paper.

You can bring your donations to the preschool anytime during the week or leave them in the front office of the church. We appreciate your help!

Celebrate With Us!!

Sunday, November 8, 2015 – Children's Worship Celebrations
8:30 a.m. Worship Celebration led by children & Pastor Sherrie
9:45 a.m. Children's Music Celebrations at beginning of worship
11:00 a.m. Celebration of Angels on High in worship
11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch in Parish Hall provided by Angels on High Preschool Open House

Rebecca Swander

Discipleship

We are compiling a catalog of resources to assist people to consider/move forward in their path of discipleship/relationship with God. If you have resources that you have found meaningful and helpful for the following categories, please send those to Deceil Moore Snyder at deceil.moore@garrett.edu. The list below is a sampling of topics that would be appropriate

Persons beginning in their faith: Prayer

- Church membership/presence
- Spiritual gifts—what are they?
- Basic concept of a servant's heart
- Stories/witnesses of others
- Basics of church: e.g. what is communion about, the Christmas Story, etc
- Basics about Jesus's life and story—especially anything that talks about Jesus and prayer, Jesus' invitations, Jesus' person, Jesus and servanthood
- Studies regarding the Bible
- Presence in the church
- Idea of God calling us
- Inventories of spiritual gifts
- Discernment
- Info on the Holy Spirit
- Info on sharing our own story of faith with others
- Spiritual disciplines
- Covenant Groups
- Spiritual Direction
- Engaging our spiritual gifts
- Servanthood
- Types of Prayer

Hospitalized This Past Month

and giving High Street at their preference:

Everett Colsten, Wilma Ross, Sally Ruble, Helen Overmyer, Kenneth Ford (*IUH Ball Memorial Hospital*); Jackie Wisner (*Indy*).

High Street Memorials/Honors

In Honor of Jerry McNary
Hannah Holmes
Martha Sue Butler
Ray Lanum
Bob Baur

SERVE

High Street Food Pantry Has Served 2015

1,153 people

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, spaghetti, canned fruit, pasta sauce, Instant pudding, and diced tomatoes

Samaritan Fund 2015

People Helped: 273

Rent:	\$4,475.80
Utilities:	\$4,955.23
Prescriptions:	\$525.50
Misc:	<u>\$914.15</u>
Total:	\$10,870.68

**Thank you again for all the donations
and support with the Samaritan Fund**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Calendar of Events

Sun Nov 1, 2015

All Saints Sunday/Handbells/Brown Bag
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 for
10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
11am - 12pm Young Families Lifegroup - 205
1pm - 2pm Preschool making cheese - Kitchen
4pm - 7pm SAF at Gethsemane - Youth

Mon Nov 2, 2015

12pm - 2pm UL Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
4:30pm - 5:30pm Senior Supper - MCL

Tue Nov 3, 2015

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
8am Tower Topics Deadline
8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
9:15am - 10:45am Mary Circle - Parlor
10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
11:45am - 11:45am Heritage Pointe - Warren IN
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
6:15pm - 7:45pm Lilies - Youth Lounge
7pm - 8pm Staff Parish Meeting - Room G6

Wed Nov 4, 2015

9:15am - 10:45am Women's Bible Study - G6
9:30am - 11:30am M&M Fundraiser - 205
5:00pm - 8:00pm Youth Game Night
5:45pm - 7pm Handbells - Room 303
6pm - 7pm Call to Christ/Praise Kids
6pm - 7pm New Members Class - Room 204
7pm - 8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Nov 5, 2015

8am - 11:30am SHIP Counseling
10:30am - 11:30am Blood Pressure Checks - YL
11:30am - 1:30pm Thursday Luncheon - PH
1:30pm - 3pm Naomi Circle - Parlor

Fri Nov 6, 2015

Sat Nov 7, 2015

9:30am - 12pm Thanks-Singing Rehearsal
11:30am - 3pm Regina Vieu baby shower

Sun Nov 8, 2015 Children's Sabbath/Preschool

8:30am - 9:30am *Traditional Worship Service
9:30am - 9:45am *Fellowship and Coffee
9:45am - 10:30am *Informal Worship Service
9:45am - 10:45am *Sunday school Classes for
10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
11am - 2pm Preschool Luncheon - Parish Hall
1:30pm - 3pm Thanks-Singing Rehearsal - Sanct
3pm - 5pm Thanks-Singing Festival - Sanctuary
5pm - 7pm The Grove

Mon Nov 9, 2015

12pm - 2pm UL Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
5:30pm Discipleship Team - Parlor

Tue Nov 10, 2015

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
9:30am - 11am Ruth Circle - Parlor
10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
12pm - 2pm Assistance Appointments - Parlor
1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
6:30pm - 8pm CC Conference - Gethsemane

Wed Nov 11, 2015

9:15am - 10:45am Women's Bible Study - G6
9:30am - 11:30am M&M Bible Study - 205
1pm - 3pm Elder-Law Counseling - Library
5:00pm - 8:00pm Youth Game Night
5:45pm - 7pm Handbells - Room 303
6pm - 7pm Call to Christ/Praise Kids
7pm - 8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Nov 12, 2015

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

Fri Nov 13, 2015

10am - 12pm Westminster Fellowship - Officers

Sat Nov 14, 2015

9am - 12pm District Committee on Ministry

Sun Nov 15, 2015

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 for
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
 11am - 12pm Young Families Lifegroup - 205
 4pm - 7pm Veterans Recognition - PH

Mon Nov 16, 2015

12pm - 2pm UL Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 4pm - 5pm FCJ Team Facilitators

Tue Nov 17, 2015

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
 8am Tower Topics Deadline
 8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
 10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
 11:30am - 11:30am Preschool Chapel - Chapel
 12:30pm - 2pm UMW General Meeting - PH
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 3:30pm - 4:30pm Board of Trustees - Room G6
 5:30pm - 6:30pm Martha Mary - Red Lobster
 6:15pm - 7:45pm Lilies - Youth Lounge

Wed Nov 18, 2015

6am - 7am Men's Breakfast prep - Parish Hall
 7am - 8am UM Men's Breakfast - Parish Hall
 9am - 5pm Travelers LaComedia Dinner Theatre
 9:15am - 10:45am Women's Bible Study - G6
 11:30am - 11:30am Preschool Chapel - Chapel
 5:00pm - 8:00pm Youth Game Night
 5:45pm - 7pm Handbells - Room 303
 6pm - 7pm Call to Christ/Praise Kids
 7pm - 8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 8pm - 9pm AA's - Room 204

Thu Nov 19, 2015

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

Fri Nov 20, 2015

7:15am - 8:15am Kingdom Adviser's - G6
 11:30am - 11:30am Preschool Chapel - Chapel
 1pm - 2:30pm UMW Executive Meeting - G6
 2:30pm - 2:30pm Preschool Chapel - Chapel

Sat Nov 21, 2015

9am - 4pm Open Door/Meridian Service - PH

Sun Nov 22, 2015 Christ the King Sunday

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 for
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service
 3pm - 5pm The Grove

Mon Nov 23, 2015

8am-3pm Preschool Thanksgiving - Parish Hall
 12pm - 2pm UL Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens

Tue Nov 24, 2015

6:45am - 8am Renovare Group - Parlor
 8am-12pm Preschool Thanksgiving - Parish Hall
 8:30am - 10am Church Staff - Library
 10am - 11am Pastoral Staff - Office
 12pm - 2pm Assistance Appointments - Parlor
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Opens
 6pm - 7pm Children Ministries Meeting - Parlor
 7pm - 8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Wed Nov 25, 2015

Thu Nov 26, 2015 Office Closed/ 9:00 am Service

Fri 27, 2015 Office Closed

Sat Nov 28, 2015**Sun Nov 29, 2015**

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 for
 10:30am - 11am *Fellowship and Coffee Time
 11am - 12pm *Contemporary Worship Service

Mon Nov 30, 2015

12pm - 2pm UL Mah Jongg Class - Room G6
 1:30pm - 2:30pm High Street Pantry Open

Thank You's

To our High Street Friends,

My family and I wish to offer our heartfelt thanks for all the love and support you have given us during Ray's illness. Your cards and visits meant so much to both of us. God bless you all.

Shirley Lanum

Thank you for all the prayers and flowers while I was in the hospital. I am home and feeling much better.

Everett Colsten

Thank you for all your kindness, gifts, flowers, and love offering. I survived the house fire and I am back in my home. I am loving the children at school, and writing new stories. Thank you again for your prayers and loving me.

Deborah Musick

A big thank you to Rinda, Nora, Eunice, Mary Lou Ann, Mary Kaye, Virginia Lyn, and all the "Yummy food" donated by Ruth Circle and all the women from High Street Church.

Bonnie Booher

Thanks to all who helped make the Bazaar's candy booth so successful, including those who made candy and purchased the candy. An extra special thanks you goes to Maria Woodall for furnishing the boxes.

Our appreciation to all,
Kaye Uptgraft and Darlene Heath

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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NOVEMBER 1, 2015
All Saints Sunday

Scripture:
Isaiah 25:6-9 & Revelation 21:1-6a
"Preparing the Feast"
Pastor Dale Mendenhall

NOVEMBER 8, 2015
Children's Sabbath & Preschool Sunday

Scripture:
Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 & Psalm 127
"Preparing the House"
Pastor Sherrie Drake

NOVEMBER 15, 2015

Scripture:
1 Samuel 1:4-20 & Hebrews 10:11-25
"Preparing Our Lives"
Pastor Dale Mendenhall

NOVEMBER 22, 2015
Christ the King Sunday

Scripture:
Revelation 1:4b-8 & John 18:33-37
"Preparing the Worship"
Pastor Dale Mendenhall

NOVEMBER 26, 2015
Thanksgiving Day

Scripture:
Psalm 126 & Matthew 6:25-33
"Rejoicing in Thanksgiving"
Pastor Sherrie Drake
