

Inman Informer

July 2023



A Note From the Pastor

Have you ever wondered how many hands it takes for the church to run? Many people see what happens on Sundays and Wednesday evenings. So much happens on those two days, but so much more happens throughout the week. In my role as pastor, I get to see all that happens behind the scenes; the faithful stewards working and serving in ways that rarely get recognized.

From trustees who are constantly maintaining and updating our facilities, to members intentionally reaching out to those who are on the prayer list, to committees holding workshops to help plan and support the church in her mission, to our music team practicing (both at the church and at home) throughout the week, to the administrative work accomplished in the office by our treasurer and secretary, to volunteers mowing and tending our flower beds, and countless other acts of service.

To answer the question, it takes all the hands for the church to function. I am grateful and consider it an honor to serve alongside y'all here at Inman. Together, we are spreading the good news of Jesus. Together, we are sharing Christ's love with one another and with the community.

Peace,
Whitney

Announcements

Church office closed on Tuesday, July 4.

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in recognition of Independence Day.

SPR Meeting on Monday, July 10

There will be an SPR Meeting on Monday, July 10 at 6pm in Room 212.

Youth Council Meeting on July 16

There will be a youth council meeting on Sunday, July 16 after the 11:00 service.

5th Sunday Social

We will have 1 combined service at 11:00am on Sunday, July 30. Following the service, we will have a potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall. The church will provide the meat. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Summer Lunch Program

Join us every Tuesday at 9:30, as Inman joins with various churches at Fayetteville First UMC to pack and serve lunches for children throughout Fayette County. All are welcome!

Thank You:

A big thank you to everyone who worked on the church directory. If you want to update any information for the electronic version of the directory, please reach out to Katie at secretary@inmanmethodist.org.

Missions and Outreach

Alter Rail Offerings for the month of July are for Murphy-Harpst Children's Center

Murphy-Harpst Children's Center is an independent not-for-profit organization committed to meeting the needs of abused and neglected children. The core of Murphy-Harpst is to provide a safe and nurturing residential environment along with treatment, placement in specialized foster care, and community programs that will allow them to thrive and heal.

It is only through your generous donations that give Murphy-Harpst the ability to provide critical services that truly heal the children and allow them to achieve their potential and lead successful lives. Your donations help support vital programs such as: equine and art therapy, education and technology, spiritual and character development, life skills and vocational services as well as many others.

So, big or small; any and all donations are welcome and very much appreciated.

Reflection of Sarah Murphy and Ethel Harpst (founders): "The love in your heart wasn't put there to stay. Love isn't love till it's given away."

'Children are God's love-gift; they are heaven's generous rewards.' Psalm 127:3

Blessings
Deborah Morris

2023
Upcoming
Altar Rail
Offerings

August

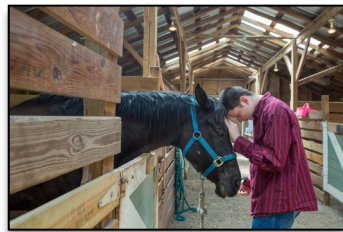
Homeless Offering

September

Wesley Woods

October

Wellroot



United Methodist Men

We had a great gathering on June 21st with 16 folks enjoying breakfast and fellowship.

Thanks to all who helped prepare the meal and did the cleanup.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 in the fellowship hall. Time: 9:00 AM. Food: a light breakfast will be served.

Trustees

This past month the Trustees have been meeting with people to discuss gutter repairs and drainage issues around the church as well as working on a variety of other projects. The Trustees would like to thank Nathan Wagner for being one of the "higher ups" and spending a day on a ladder helping Herm Janssen and Ed Roehm clean the roof and gutters at the parsonage and take care of some other necessary repairs at both the parsonage and the church. Thanks to everyone else that have helped maintain the church facilities and grounds over the past month as well!



Finance

Financial Report for January - May, 2023

Income	Jan. - May	YTD Budget
Gifts & Tithes	\$ 106,583	\$ 85,417
ASP	\$ 9,630	\$ -
Other Designated Funds	\$ 9,176	\$ 4,167
Grand Total Income	\$ 125,389	\$ 89,583
Expenses	Jan. - May	YTD Budget
ASP	\$ 3,460	\$ 5,000
Committee Expenditures	\$ 13,573	\$ 4,088
Operational Expenses	\$ 16,109	\$ 18,643
All Other Expenses	\$ 62,126	\$ 70,318
Grand Total Expenses	\$ 95,269	\$ 98,048

Youth and ASP

Inman, along side Fayetteville First, was able to take three teams to Breathitt County, Kentucky in June. Between roofs, flooring, joists and cabinets our teams were able to assist in making three homes warmer, safer and drier. We were able to get to know three wonderful families; we learned about their lives, their triumphs and their struggles. We built houses, but we also built bonds with our families and each other.

The Appalachia Service Project theme for this year is LOVE STRONG and we certainly did that.

You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.

Luke 10:27

Here are some of our team members thoughts:

"My biggest ASP memory was definitely bonding with the family. I had fun playing with the 2 girls and their mom. The animals were a great bonus!"

-Drew Brisbois

"This is always my favorite week of the year. I get to give back, but also receive so much."

-Caroline

"I can't wait to go back next year!"

-Jasmine

**Blessings,
Caroline Creel**

**Team One:
Chris Christian
Deborah Morris
John Rigby
Jasmine Akeman
Sarah Nell Harp
Andrew Graddy
Kaitlyn Lawrence
Emily Wagner**

**Team Two:
Caroline Creel
Jordan Hart
Tami Kemberling
Hannah Vickery
Emma Autrey
Glenda Harrah
Jonathan Lin
Carpenter Ray**

**Team Three:
Austin Baur
Clay Bribois
Kenny Corley
Logan Ayers
Kailee Black
Drew Brisbois
Madison Corley
Maggie Myers**

Love & Fellowship Circle (United Women in Faith)

CHRISTMAS IN JULY "UMCOR CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES"

This year, as in previous years, there are specific needs for each shoebox. We will again do the shopping and offer an opportunity for our members to:

"BUILD A CHRISTMAS UMCOR SHOEBOX"

Each member has an opportunity to help with this Mission:

- 1) Purchase a shoebox for \$25.00 (\$20.00 for filling shoebox and \$5.00 shipping)
- 2) Choose male and/or female; ages 2-4; 4-6; 6-8; 8-10 and 10-12
- 3) Members are welcome to come and fill the "Shoebox" they bought at our "July Packing Party" with items already purchased for them.

If members would like, we welcome donations to help with our expenses in filling shoeboxes and cost of shipping.

Packing party: Saturday, July 15th @ 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to come and "Build a Christmas Shoebox".

Blessings,

Joni Janssen, President

Kathy Barb. Vice-President



Photos from
last year's
packing party.



A View From The Lay Leader

Been quite some time since I sat down to share thoughts with everyone at Inman, time just seems right. First of the month is my turn at helping Linda with counting the offering after church. I march, ok wobble, myself to the office to take my place on the adding machine. We are fortunate enough to get to see God at work in many ways, but I get to see it every month at the end of an adding machine tape. Lord knows Inman, you are good and loyal to the church big and small and loving of all things great and small. I had the pleasure of serving as Lay Delegate to Annual Conference June 1-3, 2023, been trying to get there for a couple of years. It was big and at times loud, and I would do it again. I tried my best to make sure I voted as the church would want me to and not my idea of what it should be. I only pray that I represented you well and gave you no reason to second guess your choice. I really don't know why anyone who loves Inman would not go. No one tries to get you to buy anything because they know a committee must vote on it, we are Methodists. Funny, we are known as "Meth heads" by the locals in Athens, now that means something else in downtown Atlanta. One "Meth-head" to another, Christ's Peace to you all,
Jeff

For Our Prayers

For Healing From Health Concerns

Carlos Allen (Gloria Reid's brother)
Michael Barb
Glenda Berman (Dixie Berner)
Cheryl Chance
Darleen Cornelison
Katy Fowler
Don Harp
Kenny Harp
Nicole Henry
Robin Hewell
Leigh Ann Hicks
Ed Hicks
John Kozisek
Martha Majewski (Mary Jane Fortner)
Sara Jane Overstreet
Pat Parker (Nancy Allgood)
James Pompey (Ed Hicks)
Eugene Pritchard
Gloria Reid
Miriam Schmidt
Lisa Spears (Nancy Allgood)
Jane St. Amour
Billy Ward
Luz Webster (Gloria Reid)
Jeff Wedge
Rhonda Wheeler (George & Lynn Wheeler)
Chance Whittington (Will Chance)

For Healing From Cancer

Denise Anderson (Joni Janssen)
David Booth (Martha Kozisek)
Walter Delia (Martha Kozisek)
Dan Dudley (Pat Pratt)
Ashley Edwards (Katy Swanger)
Daniel Houghton (Martha Kozisek)
Lee Jackson (David Cathey)
Deborah Morris
Wendy Rogers
Bobby Smith (Tammy Cox)
Diane Tankersley (Donald Whiteside)
Brent Taylor (Jim & Karen Blue)
Jerry Wagner
George Wheeler
Louise Woods (Ann Hembree)

For Those Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Joe James
Greg Harp
Sarah McCart (Jane St. Amour)
Charles Harp
Julie Ward (Joni Janssen)
Anne Drake
Pat Reeder (Barbara Ponzio)

Other Concerns

For the children/youth programs of
Inman UMC
Unspoken prayers of the congregation

Bill & Linda Chaffin would like to express their gratitude and thanks to Linda Wagner, Ed Roehm and the Trustees for building the ramp on their home. They are very grateful to everyone who helped make this much needed project a success!

Birthdays & Reminders

Happy Birthday

Pat Pratt	July 1
Preston Scurry	July 7
Jerry Wagner	July 7
Sue Mahaffey	July 11
Kenny Corley	July 13
Debi Creel	July 18
Jolynn Stevens	July 20
Linda Price	July 22
Moody Elliott	July 23
Leigh Ann Hicks	July 24
Gayle Harp	July 26
Darleen Cornelison	July 27
Karen Millman	July 30

*If you see a birthday is missing,
please notify the church office
so we can update our records.*

Offering Counters

July 2	Linda W. & Jeff W.
July 9	Brenda N. & Helen B.
July 16	Donna M. & Jerry W.
July 23	Nancy A. & Joni J.
July 30	Linda W. & Ed R.

Wednesday Night Supper

5:30-6:30pm Summer Sandwich Socials

\$4.00 for adults

\$2.00 for children under 12

Three and under eat free

Options include PB&J, lunchmeat, or the "special sandwich of the week", chips, and dessert.

July 12: Hot Dogs Helpers: Wendy, Joni, & Ed

July 19: BLT Helpers: Ed, Linda, & Jerry

July 26: Chicken Salad Helpers: Nancy and Dixie

Office Information

Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm

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