

# Inman Informer

June 2023



## Important Announcements

### Directory

You can pick up your copy of the directory on Sunday, June 4th on the Landing.

### Administrative Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 13

### SPR Workshops

June 5th at 6pm

June 19th at 6pm

## A Note From the Pastor

### On your Mark, Get Set....

With Memorial Day behind us, we enter the summer. While often thought of as a time of rest, it often times can feel like a marathon race to September. Whether it's racing to try to mow your lawn before that heat becomes unbearable, figuring out another activity for keeping your kids entertained, or squeezing in all of your travels before the weather changes, summer seems to be a time where we are on the move.

My question for you this month is where are you going with your Spirit?

For the month of June, we are going to be talking about what it looks like to follow God's calling. We so often attribute that word "calling" to professional religious people, but the truth is God is calling each of us. We are going to talk not only about the calling of all Christians, but also how God calls us as individuals into the world. We'll look at examples in Scripture of ordinary (some would call unqualified) people who God chose to partner with to change the world.

We also will be commissioning our ASP Mission team, and hear about several mission opportunities coming up later on in the year.

God is calling each of us, calling us deeper into relationship, calling us deeper into service, calling us deeper into discipleship.

My prayer for us this month is that we will be a people who will listen and will GO!

Peace,  
Whitney

"I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints" Ephesians 1:17-18

Congratulations to our  
2023 Graduates!



# Missions and Outreach

## Alter Rail Offerings for the month of June are for UMCOR- United Methodist Committee on Relief

Bishop Robin Dease has named UMCOR as the 2023 North Georgia Annual Conference Special Offering.

UMCOR is a nonprofit global humanitarian aid and development organization of the United Methodist Church. It began in 1940.

UMCOR responds to disasters in the United States and around the world; providing essential relief supplies and supporting long-term rebuilding efforts.

UMCOR brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by war, conflict or natural disaster.

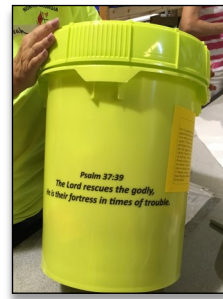
The reality is that we are UMCOR! It is our praying, giving and going that makes up UMCOR!

All donations big or small are greatly appreciated!

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Blessings  
Deborah Morris

**2023**  
**Upcoming**  
**Altar Rail**  
**Offerings**  
**July**  
*Murphy-Harpst*  
**August**  
*Homeless Offering*  
**September**  
*Wesley Woods*  
**October**  
*Wellroot*



# Choir

## Choir Summer Practice Dates

**June 14 & 28**

**July 12 & 26**

**August 9 & 23**

**Regular schedule resumes September 6**



# A Message From Frank Stemberidge

**"I love to laugh (HaHaHaHa)  
Loud and long and clear  
I love to laugh  
It's getting worse ev'ry year!"  
From Mary Poppins**



If you recognize the lyrics above from seeing the movie in a movie theater, you are, to be blunt, OLD. Thankfully we don't really have to admit our age, because it has been revived as a stage musical. We travelled to Cleveland OH a while back to see our daughter, Gwen, in the role of the housekeeper at a local community theater.

We recently experienced Holy Hilarity Sunday at Inman, and as I understand it was successful in several ways. This was celebrated not long after the solemnity of Holy Week culminating with the joy of Easter! As Whitney said, "The joke is on the Devil!" A balance of sorts.

I also love to laugh. I believe I heard our own pastor proclaim, from the pulpit no less, how much she loves to laugh. Well, who doesn't?

Too rarely do I have the opportunity to belly laugh with friends or family. Last year my sister and I attended a funeral for an aunt on my mother's side in Iowa. We met a dozen cousins we had not seen in 30 years or so at a local restaurant after the service and laughed and laughed at stories we knew and those we did not. A solemn occasion and a joyous one in a single afternoon. A balance of sorts.

Just a week or so ago, I saw that a couple we went to church with years ago with had a freak accident in which one of their fingers was, (be delicate here, Frank) shortened by a door in their 1920's bungalow. I saw them recently and found that two cats were involved and the incident occurred while trying to get the cats into their room for the night, by dropping them over a pet fence and trying to get the door closed before the cats jumped said fence (again). The end of her finger was not able to be reattached, and thankfully they were laughing about it because I was about to fall over. Tears and laughter, a balance of sorts.

One last thing. My hair has not always been this shade of white, I was blessed with brown hair until one morning I woke up, looked in the mirror and saw the change. When I am out and about in the past few years, a new acquaintance, a clerk, or a random stranger will ask the question. "Do you know who you look like?" I used to be unsure about how to respond to their suggestion: "Steve Martin". I now respond "Yes, but I am much funnier than he is!" and yes I do know that is not true.

## Inman United Methodist Men

We had a great meeting on May 17th with sixteen hungry and intergetic folks attending. Topics of discussion included our current finances, and future plans for fundraisers during the balance of the year which will be discussed in our June meeting.

The only item currently scheduled is the UMM Breakfast in December ,which will be held in conjunction with the UMW annual "Craft Bazaar."

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 21 at 9:00 AM.

A light breakfast will be served.



# Youth



The NYE lock-in and the SOUP-er bowl party were successful. We took 7 middle schoolers and 3 adults on Spiritual Life Retreat at Camp Glisson in March. We had 2 youth attend DNOW in March also. We studied the old testament from Genesis through 1st Chronicles on Sunday evenings. Our February mission was Fayette Samaritains and our March mission was UMCOR. We conconcluded the schoolyear with an ice cream party.

## ASP

We had a great time baking potatoes & making funnel cakes to help fund our mission. We successfully hit our fundraising goal THANKS TO YOU!

We also rebuilt the back deck at the youth house in April to practice our ASP skills and we are looking forward to leaving June 10th for Kentucky.



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Caroline Creel

# 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 at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

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



## FATHER'S DAY



In honor of Father's Day on June 18th, the LAF Circle is preparing a list of loved ones that you would like to honor or remember in our church bulletin on that Sunday. \$1.00 per name. Names need to be turned in by Sunday June 11th .

- Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 6th at 12:00. At this meeting we will be organizing what is needed for the UMCOR Christmas Shoeboxes an assembling the boxes to be filled at the "Packing" party. All are welcome to attend.

Blessings,

Joni Janssen, President

Kathy Barb. Vice-President



# Trustees

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who was able to come out and help finish getting the mulch spread around the church. We had originally planned to take care of the mulch on our church wide workday, but due to the weather that wasn't possible. Fortunately, several folks were able to get together and get the rest of the project knocked out quickly and keep the church grounds looking beautiful. Thanks again!



# Finance

## Financial Report for January - April, 2023

<b>Income</b>	<b>Jan. - April</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
Gifts & Tithes	\$ 83,976	\$ 68,333
ASP	\$ 8,630	\$ -
Other Designated Funds	\$ 8,530	\$ 3,333
<b>Grand Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 101,136</b>	<b>\$ 71,667</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Jan. - April</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
ASP	\$ 3,460	\$ 4,000
Committee Expenditures	\$ 8,224	\$ 3,271
Operational Expenses	\$ 13,200	\$ 14,914
All Other Expenses	\$ 48,658	\$ 56,254
<b>Grand Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 73,542</b>	<b>\$ 78,439</b>

# 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**

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

# Birthdays & Reminders

## Happy Birthday

Carl Eugene Pritchard	June 3
Paul Ballard	June 4
David Ballard	June 5
Samantha Stephens	June 8
Lyn Wheeler	June 11
Melanie Wagner	June 12
Dorsey (DJ) Pitts	June 14
Ed Hicks	June 14
Sam Jones	June 17
Scott Ballard	June 23
Patsy Elliott	June 24
Ruth Sitton	June 24
June Dudrow	June 25
Nathan Wagner	June 25

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

## Offering Counters

<b>June 4</b>	Linda W. & Jeff W.
<b>June 11</b>	Brenda N. & Helen B.
<b>June 18</b>	Donna M. & Jerry W.
<b>June 25</b>	Nancy A. & Joni J.

## 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.

**June 7:** Sandwich- Bologna  
Helpers-Brisbois

**June 14:** Sandwich- Meatloaf Sandwich  
Helpers-Wendy R. & Nancy A

**June 21:** Sandwich- Tuna Salad  
Helpers-Marie and Jerry L.

**June 28:** Sandwich- Sub Sandwich  
Helpers-Jeff & Jean A.

# Office Information

## Office Hours

### Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm

You may call 770-461-2123  
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## Our Staff

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