

Inman Informer

October 2023



Important Dates

Oct. 4:
Worship
Committee
Meeting

Oct. 10:
Admin Board
Meeting

Oct. 10:
UWIF Meeting

Oct. 18:
UMM Meeting

Oct. 29:
5th Sunday
Combined
Celebration
Service, followed
by Potluck Social

Nov. 5:
All Saints Day

Nov. 7:
County-Wide
Charge
Conference

A Note From the Pastor

October is always one of my favorite months of the year. While this season always comes with long days and a full calendar, it is also this time of year where I can stand back and be reminded how God has worked through this local congregation.

This month is when church leaders are preparing the Charge Conference paperwork. As tedious as that process is, those reports are an opportunity for us to reflect on the ministry over the last year at Inman UMC. Do y'all realize we have welcomed 9 new members, 4 new children, witnessed 2 adult baptisms, and 1 infant baptism in 2023? For a church of Inman's size, that is remarkable!

October is also stewardship season, which is one of my favorite times of year. For when we talk about being good stewards, it is so much more than just money. As Christians, we are called to be good stewards in all aspects of our lives. It's about living lives that are glorifying to God. While this includes how we spend our money, stewardship also includes how we care for ourselves, how we treat the people around us, and how we live in the world.

My prayer is that we will enter this season filled with gratitude and with joy. We are celebrating God's faithfulness in our lives and in the life of Inman. We've come this far by God's grace and by your faithfulness in giving, serving, and praying. We are celebrating the ways this congregation has faithfully supported the work and the ministry of church. We are celebrating what God has done and what God is doing in the life of this congregation.

For God is still working through us and throughout our community. We continue to be a beacon of hope and light in this community. We celebrate what God has done and we use this time to continue to dream of what God may be wanting to do through us. I look forward to seeing you each week and growing together, as we continue to faithfully attend to the work that God has called us to as Christians.

**Peace,
Whitney**

Announcements

5th Sunday Social:

On October 29th, we'll have one combined service at 11:00am, with a potluck afterwards. The church will provide the meat. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

All Saints Day:

On November 5, we will recognize All Saints Day and remember those from our lives who have gone on before us. We will celebrate their impact, remember our grief, and recognize their role in the church Triumphant.

As part of the service, we will be lighting candles in memory of those who have passed away within the last year (11/1/22-10/31/23). If you would like to submit the names of any family or friends who have died, you can submit the following information to the secretary by email or by filling out a slip in the box by the secretary's office. The deadline for submissions is October 31. Please submit their name, their birthdate, and their death date.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ◆ Worship Committee Meeting: Wednesday, October 4 at 4:30pm
- ◆ Administrative Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 10 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall
- ◆ County-Wide Charge Conference: Tuesday, November 7 at 7pm at Peachtree City UMC

Trustees

September for the Trustees was all about getting ready to resume Wednesday night activities.

After getting the Bible study room cleaned up, attention was turned to the kitchen. Thanks to Herm and Joni for their diligent efforts to sort, scrub and restore order to the church facilities and thanks to Ed for working with the repair folks when the kitchen air conditioner and the refrigerator both went out in the same month!



Love & Fellowship Circle (United Women in Faith)

"All Daughter's Luncheon" September 10th :

Thank you to the ladies in our church and their families and friends for attending. I would also like to give a very special thank you to the ladies in my Circle for all their help in planning, shopping, preparation, decorating and clean up which helped in making the day perfect. Also, the ladies that stayed after the luncheon and their help in cleaning up. Thank you Clay, Drew and Zach Brisbois for your help in serving drinks and providing desserts to the ladies.

A thank you also to our Guest Speaker, Linda Ladd, from Fayette Samaritans.

Heads Up to all our craft lovers, Creators and Buyers .
December 9th will be our Christmas Craft and Bake Sale.
Can't wait to see your creations!

Our next meeting will be October 10th at 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

Blessing to All,
Joni Janssen, President
Kathy Barb, Vice-President



Youth and Children

Our youth kicked off the season with a back to school pool party and cookout in August.

Thanks to Ed & Judy Roehm for offering their pool.

On Sunday evenings this fall our theme is **"What Would Jesus Do?"**

The answer to that question:

He Would Love First!

If you'd like to volunteer to provide dinner on a Sunday evening, please let Caroline know.

Big thanks to Clay & Allie Brisbois, Austin Baur, John & Patty Rigby and Faye Wafford for providing dinner the last month.

Our youth time change for winter will begin with the "fall back" on November 5th.

Youth will be meeting from 5:00 to 6:30 throughout the winter months.

Blessings,
Caroline Creel



Missions and Outreach

Alter Rail Offerings for the month of October are for Wellroot Family Services.

"HOME" is a special place. It's not just a roof over our heads, but a safe, secure, and loving environment shared with those we love and care about the most. It's a place most of us take for granted, but there are thousands of children and young adults in the foster care system in Georgia who don't know what a stable home is like.

2023
Upcoming
Alter Rail
Offerings
November

Fayette Samaritans

December

AIDS Awareness

Wellroot is a ministry of the UMC in North Georgia and has a long history (over 150 years) of providing unconditional love to children. With over "12,000" children in foster care, Wellroot has been leading the effort to transform the lives of children and families in Georgia through their faith centered programs.

100 percent of your gift(s) goes directly to their programs! With the focus on supporting youth from infancy through early adulthood, we help people reach their God-given potential through the encouragement and love of a healthy home.

All donations (gifts) big or small are greatly appreciated.

MISSION: To restore children and families from trauma through Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION: To envision a world where every child is raised in a loving, compassionate, and nurturing home.



United Methodist Men

Thanks to all who attended our September 20th meeting.
 Our next meeting will be on October 18. A light breakfast will be served.
 This will be our LAST MEETING OF 2023 so, please try to attend!



Finance

Financial Report for January - September, 2023

| Income | Jan. - Sept. | YTD Budget |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Gifts & Tithes | \$ 180,846 | \$ 153,750 |
| ASP | \$ 9,775 | \$ - |
| Other Designated Funds | \$ 11,001 | \$ 7,500 |
| Grand Total Income | \$ 201,622 | \$ 161,250 |
| Expenses | Jan. - Sept. | YTD Budget |
| ASP | \$ 13,020 | \$ 9,000 |
| Committee Expenditures | \$ 17,899 | \$ 7,359 |
| Operational Expenses | \$ 36,039 | \$ 33,557 |
| All Other Expenses | \$ 119,051 | \$ 126,572 |
| Grand Total Expenses | \$ 186,009 | \$ 176,487 |

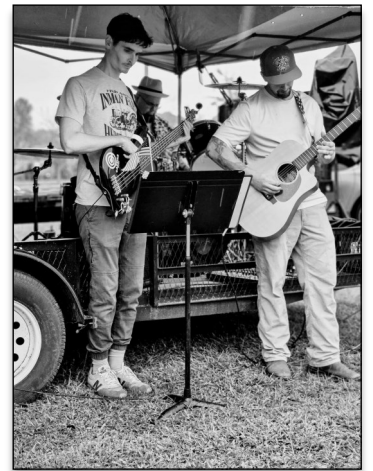
A Note From Frank Stenbridge

Reflections on the Inman Farm Heritage Days

Old things have always fascinated me. Mechanical stuff in particular. How in the world did someone think how to do some of the things that are done with mechanized equipment. Incredible imagination and perseverance. So.....I studied Electrical Engineering, probably because my Dad had a mechanical mind. I guess I didn't want to crowd the field, so to say.

Lucy and I sat in the Inman booth Sunday afternoon, met some fine folks, invited them to visit, quenched their thirst with cold water, decorated their kids with tractor stickers (very popular and a great idea), and made sure the kids had plenty of energy with a few bites of candy. A wonderful experience which I highly recommend.

In between visitors, my gaze moved to the vendor next to our canopy. Tables were all lined up with "antique" gadgets, pails, tools, and what nots. Most were recognizable to me. We have modified milk cans which were adapted with a faucet to provide drinking water on camping trips. I have some old oil cans which came from somewhere. My grandfather started his twenties as a carpenter, building homes and hotels on Miami Beach, and I have a level, some hand saws, and a blow torch. Sitting on the table nearest me were some oil cans and a brass blow torch. These days we have acetylene or butane torches with compressed gas stored and released through a valve and a nozzle. The blow torch creates it's own gas by heating up kerosene. Look it up on internet video. Somebody figured it out. Fascinating. So I didn't buy it, because I already have one that has sentimental value.



For Our Prayers

For Healing From Health Concerns

Carlos Allen (Gloria Reid's brother)
Glenda Berman (Dixie Berner)
Cheryl Chance
Darleen Cornelison
Katy Fowler
Don Harp
Kenny Harp
Nicole Henry
Robin Hewell
Neil Johnston (Mary Jane Fortner)
John Kozisek
Martha Majewski (Mary Jane Fortner)
Sara Jane Overstreet
Pat Parker (Nancy Allgood)
Eugene Pritchard
Gloria Reid
Miriam Schmidt
Kenny Shure (Herm Janssen)
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)
Betty Chally
Walter Delia (Martha Kozisek)
Dan Dudley (Pat Pratt)
Ashley Edwards (Katy Swanger)
Daniel Houghton (Martha Kozisek)
Lee Jackson (David Cathey)
Deborah Morris
Bobby Smith (Tammy Cox)
Diane Tankersley (Donald Whiteside)
Brent Taylor (Jim & Karen Blue)
Wendell Turner
Jerry Wagner
George Wheeler
Louise Woods (Ann Hembree)

For Those Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Michael Barb
Ann Hewell
Joe James
Greg Harp

Other Concerns

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

Birthdays & Reminders

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Joann Turner | October 1 |
| Vivian Christian | October 4 |
| Craig Zoeliner | October 9 |
| Collin Gibson | October 14 |
| Dixie Berner | October 18 |
| Mary Jane Fortner | October 18 |
| Linda DeLisle | October 18 |
| Linda Chaffin | October 19 |
| Melanie Maloney | October 23 |

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

Offering Counters

October 1 Linda W. & Jeff W.
October 8 Brenda N. & Helen B.
October 15 Donna M. & Jerry W.
October 22 Nancy A. & Joni J.
October 29 Linda W. & Ed R.

Wednesday Night Supper

5:30-6:30pm
\$9.00 for adults
\$5.00 for children under 12
Three and under eat free

Office Information

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Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm

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