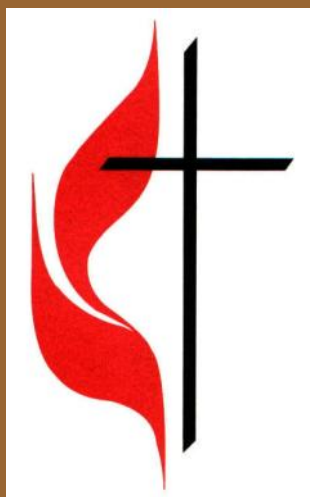


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United?”** see page 4



Sara Compton, Jason Janssen, Tim Gossett, and Dee Dreeszen (director) members of the Chancel bell choir at the 8:30 a.m. service on 9/12.



Completed Gilgal



The Cat in the Hat aka Jim Shirbroun, visits Deborah Blaedel at Soup Supper on Wednesday, September, 9/8.



Ben Hucker doing highway clean-up with Wesley Foundation on 9/18.

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Bulletin and Weekly Email Announcements Deadline

9:00 a.m. Wednesdays

Send Bulletin submissions to natalie@cwames.org

Send Weekly Email submissions to natalie@cwames.org by Friday at 10:00 a.m.

About *The Communicator*

The Communicator is a bi-weekly publication of Collegiate United Methodist Church and Wesley Foundation. The goal of *The Communicator* is to inform and involve people in the life and work of the church. To submit articles please email them to natalie@cwames.org. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Natalie in the office at 292-6936.

Deadline dates are 8:00 a.m. on September 30 (Material to cover dates 10/10–10/24), October 14 (10/24-11/7), October 28 (11/7-11/21).

“Why Ply United?”

By Rev. Melissa Warren

Welcome, and thank you for joining us at CUMC/WF. I'm your attendant, Rev. Melissa Warren. You can refer to me as one of our “plight attendants” or co-pilots on this little journey upon which we are about to embark. Here at CUMC/WF we're committed to making your time with us encouraging, educational, challenging, supportive, nurturing, and comfortable as you become a disciple of Jesus Christ. So, before we depart further into this newsletter, I'll be presenting a brief review of general or common phrases that define us as community. This information can help you if there is an emergency or other uncomfortable situation, so please pay close attention even if you are a frequent **United** Methodist “plyer”.

Potential situation #1: a short period of turbulence. In the case of turbulence, maintain complete faith that God will indeed pull us through safely. Also, this congregation has been equipped with the best in guidance equipment (prayer, worship, pastoral leadership) and will soon be able, with your help, to have the situation righted. We have been the people called **United Methodists** since 1968, and God and our leadership have no intentions of leading us astray in the future.

Potential situation #2: direct and indirect interference with ongoing ministries from external denominations and/or forces. Again, remain calm and have

complete faith that God is good all the time and that all the time God is good. As people known as **United Methodists**, we affirm realities like women as pastors and open communion and have done so since 1889 in the United Brethren tradition (one of our founding traditions). We've weathered these storms before and are equipped to continue to do so again as necessary.

Potential situation #3: In the unfortunate case of a watery landing (or library, or Wesley Hall), bright beacons of hope and leadership will arise from the congregation and show you what is needed to be done. The more **United** we are, the more beacons that will arise, and the faster the tasks will be accomplished.

In this ever changing culture and economy we know that many of you joined us prior to being **United** Methodist and were comfortable with your Methodist Episcopal roots. Here at CUMC/WF, we respect your process and will continue to honor your traditions and language choices. For ease of communication, and for the comfort of the newer “plying” attendants (namely Rev. Melissa Warren), however, it is requested, that, when possible, all attempts be made to utilize our full company name...Collegiate **United** Methodist Church **and** Wesley Foundation.

Your participation in this program is greatly appreciated.

As people called **United** Methodists, we continue proudly in the Wesleyan tradition and acknowledge our history as a manual and guide leading us into new challenges. If you would like to review these policies further, I direct you to **United Methodist Hymnal** located in the seat back in front of you as well as our primary text in the NRSV version located right next to that. And, as always, further questions may be directed to the plight attendants directly on this Journey with you; Rev. Scott Grotewold, Rev. Melissa Warren, Rev. Jim Shirbroun, and Rev. Kathye Harrington-Taber.

Once again, thank you for joining us at CUMC/WF. We appreciate your attendance and support. We know you have choices when you ply, and we are grateful that you chose the congregation with the most interesting and complex name and purpose. Continue to enjoy your journey with us, whatever your final gift discernment may be. On behalf of myself and the CUMC/WF staff; Thank you, and God Bless.

Our Mission Collegiate United Methodist Church/Wesley Foundation.

*To ply – to use, work with, to apply

Lay Speaking Opportunity

The emphasis of the lay speaking ministry is helping people claim their gifts, offering them training, helping them find places to use those gifts in ministry, and networking for support as they serve. *The Book of Discipline* describes two categories of lay speakers: Local Church Lay Speaker and Certified Lay Speaker.

Courses for Local Church Lay Speakers—Basic Course (for persons primarily in and through their local church) and Certified Lay Speakers—Advanced Course (who would serve in settings in their district and conference as well as serve in their local church).

First class will be hosted here at CUMC/WF on October 9 & 23.

Basic teacher: Dennis Shepherd

Advanced teacher: Emmanuel Dass

Advanced course: Leading in Prayer

Future Dates:

First UMC—Forest City Nov 20 & Dec. 4

First UMC—Fort Dodge Mar. 26 & April 9

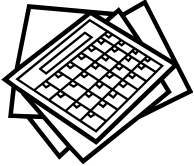
First UMC—Iowa Falls April 2 & 16

You can register by contacting Alanna Warren at the District Office at Alanna.Warren@iaumc.org or the church office.

Christian Education Opportunities

Rev. Kathy Harrington-Taber

Youth Group Calendars



The calendars for the Middle School and High School Youth Groups are now available. In addition to the church website (www.cwames.org), they can be found on Facebook. When you are signed into Facebook search for “Collegiate United Methodist/Wesley Foundation Youth”, then click “like”. If parents fill out and turn in the universal permission slip – it’s called “CUMC/WF Permission Form & Emergency Release” on the website and on Facebook – permission slips will not be needed for their youth for short off-site trips. Please contact Rev. Kathy Harrington-Taber at (515)292-6936 ext. 28 or kathyecwames.org if you have questions or to volunteer.

Thanks to those who drove or provided drinks and snacks for our Adventureland Trip! The Middle School Youth will be going bowling on September 29. We will need an extra chaperone or two that evening. Every family will get a chance to chaperone once or twice this semester. The High School Youth will be playing Disc Golf, weather permitting, on September 26. We’ll meet in the parking lot outside the Annex that day to carpool over to the park. We will return to our usual room in the Annex by dismissal time. Please bring a Frisbee. The Senior High Fall Lock-In will be 7:00 p.m. Friday October 1 – 8:00 a.m. October 2. Please bring a snack to share, your permission slips, toiletries, and a sleeping bag. I need donations of breakfast food and parents to help in 2-3 hour shifts.

Third Grade Bibles

Third graders will receive their Bibles on Sunday, October 10 at the 8:30 a.m. service. Please plan on arriving about 8:10 to meet with Rev. Kathy Harrington-Taber to go over your parts. The third graders will start their “Learn to Use Their Bible Unit” in the Tree House Room (235) that morning during Sunday School.

Children’s Sunday School News

The Two Year Old and Preschool Classes are going very well. Ask the children to show you what they have learned. The elementary students will be starting their “David the Boy” rotation in October. The children will be learning about the early life of King David using art, computers, games, storytelling, and video.

September 26- October 10

Pull-out Calendar



Sunday, September 26, 2010

Worship Service	8:30 AM	Sanctuary
Nursery	8:30 AM	
Sunday School Classes for all ages	9:45 AM	
WF FaithLink	9:45 AM	
Journey into Faith Festival	9:45 AM	Wesley Hall
Worship Service	11:00 AM	Sanctuary
Kids Korner	11:15 AM	
Journey into Faith Festival	12:00 PM	Wesley Hall
<i>faithspring</i> -Seuss Series 3	5:30 PM	ANX-AUD
Journey's Team	6:15 PM	Fireside Room
Sunday Supper	6:30 PM	ANX-AUD
HS Youth Group	6:45 PM	ANX 301 HS Yth Rm
Collegiate bell choir rehearsal	7:15 PM	Music Room

Monday, September 27, 2010

Office Volunteers	9:00 AM	Fireside Room
Order of Elders meeting @ Indianola FUMC	10:00 AM	
WF Uppity Women of the Bible-Pine Rm MU	2:00 PM	
Caroliers Choir bell rehearsal	4:30 PM	Music Room
Disciple Bible Study III	6:00 PM	Library
Aftercare Team Meeting	7:00 PM	44
Welcome Team meeting	7:00 PM	Wesley Hall

Tuesday, September 28, 2010

Staff Meeting	8:30 AM	Fireside Room
Staff Lunch	12:15 PM	
Reaching and Receiving Cluster Meeting	7:00 PM	Fireside Room
WF Phoenix Affirmations-Pine Rm MU	7:00 PM	

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

Library Team	9:00 AM	Library
UM Men's Coffee	9:30 AM	Fireside Room
WF Lunch @ the Union	11:30 AM	
Noon Book Group	12:00 PM	ANX 202
WF midweek chapel @ Mem. Union	12:15 PM	
Endowment By-laws meeting	1:00 PM	Fireside Room
Crusaders bell choir rehearsal	5:30 PM	Music Room
Choristers choir rehearsal	5:30 PM	Fireside Room
Soup Supper	6:15 PM	Wesley Hall

MS Youth Group	7:00 PM	MS Youth Room
Chancel Choir rehearsal	7:00 PM	Music Room
WF Uppity Women of the Bible	7:15 PM	Student Lounge
Chancel bell choir rehearsal	8:30 PM	Music Room

Thursday, September 30, 2010

Communicator Deadline 8:00 a.m.

WF Devotional and Exercise	8:00 AM	Student Lounge
NAMI meeting	2:30 PM	ANX 202
WF <i>faithspring</i> planning	5:30 PM	Student Lounge
WF <i>faithspring</i> band rehearsal	7:00 PM	ANX-AUD

Sunday, October 3, 2010

Worship Service	8:30 AM	Sanctuary
Nursery	8:30 AM	
Sunday School Classes for all ages	9:45 AM	
WF FaithLink	9:45 AM	Student Lounge
Worship Service	11:00 AM	Sanctuary
Kids Korner	11:15 AM	
<i>faithspring</i> -Seuss Series 4	5:30 PM	ANX-AUD
Sunday Supper	6:30 PM	ANX-AUD
HS Youth Group	6:45 PM	ANX 301 HS Yth Rm
Collegiate bell choir rehearsal	7:15 PM	Music Room

Monday, October 4, 2010

Clergy Benefit Workshop in WDM		
Office Volunteers	9:00 AM	
WF Uppity Women of the Bible-Pine Rm in the MU	2:00 PM	
Caroliers Choir bell rehearsal	4:30 PM	Music Room
Disciple Bible Study III	6:00 PM	Library
Wesley Foundation Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Fireside Room
Aftercare Team Meeting	7:00 PM	44

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

Clergy Benefit Workshop in WDM		
Staff Meeting	8:30 AM	Fireside Room
Staff Parish Meeting	7:00 PM	Fireside Room
WF Phoenix Affirmations-Pine Rm MU	7:00 PM	

Wednesday, October 6, 2010

Clergy Benefit Workshop in WDM

Library Team	9:00 AM	Library
UM Men's Coffee	9:30 AM	Fireside Room
WF Lunch @ the Union	11:30 AM	
WF midweek chapel @ Mem. Union	12:15 PM	
Crusaders bell choir rehearsal	5:30 PM	Music Room
Choristers choir rehearsal	5:30 PM	Fireside Room
Soup Supper	6:15 PM	Wesley Hall
MS Youth Group	7:00 PM	MS Youth Room
Chancel Choir rehearsal	7:00 PM	Music Room
WF Uppity Women of the Bible	7:15 PM	Student Lounge
Chancel bell choir rehearsal	8:30 PM	Music Room

Thursday, October 7, 2010

Communicator Volunteers	8:00 AM	Fireside Room
WF Devotional and Exercise	8:00 AM	Student Lounge
Subdistrict meeting @ FUMC	9:30 AM	
WF <i>faithspring</i> planning	5:30 PM	Student Lounge
WF <i>faithspring</i> band rehearsal	7:00 PM	ANX-AUD
Trustee/Property Meeting	7:00 PM	Fireside Room

Friday, October 8, 2010

WF Friday Fun Night

Sunday, October 10, 2010

CROPWALK Sunday

Worship Service	8:30 AM	Sanctuary
Nursery	8:30 AM	
Sunday School Classes for all ages	9:45 AM	
WF FaithLink	9:45 AM	Student Lounge
Worship Service	11:00 AM	Sanctuary
Kids Korner	11:15 AM	
WF Crop Walk	12:00 PM	Church Van
CROPWALK	1:00 PM	Maple Shelter @ Brookside Park
<i>faithspring</i> -Seuss Series 5	5:30 PM	ANX-AUD
Sunday Supper	6:30 PM	ANX-AUD
HS Youth Group	6:45 PM	ANX 301 HS Yth Rm
Collegiate bell choir rehearsal	7:15 PM	Music Room

Nichols Scholarships Awarded

Paula Anderson

Nichols Scholarships provide financial aid to students from Collegiate who plan a career of Christian service. Scholarships this year have been awarded to two students:

Chris Hockley began studies at the Pacific School of Religion, in Berkeley, California, in September. Chris served as Campus Ministry Associate at CUMC/WF from 2008 to 2010.

Nicole Ross began studies in August at Methodist Theological School in Delaware, Ohio. While at Iowa State University, Nicole was very active in the Wesley Foundation.

The scholarships were awarded by the G.S. Nichols Scholarship Board in May. Nichols Scholarships were established in 1959 to honor the long-time pastoral ministry of G.S. (Sam) Nichols, who served Collegiate United Methodist Church and Wesley Foundation for 25 years. Only the interest from our funds is available for scholarships. We welcome and appreciate memorials, bequests, and other donations to increase the principal and interest generated.

The Nichols Scholarship Board would also like to recognize Rev. Nan Geske, upon earning a Master of Divinity degree from St. Paul's School of Theology in Kansas City. Nan has been appointed as pastor for Woodward United Methodist Church in Woodward, IA, where she began serving in July 2010. Rev. Geske was a previous recipient of the G.S. Nichols Scholarship.

Journey Into Faith Festival



Sunday, September 26
9:45-10:45 a.m. and
Noon-1:00 p.m.
Wesley Hall



Please join us for our 3rd annual Journey into Faith Festival. This is our yearly opportunity to witness the wonderful ministry happening in and around the church, and to see how we can get involved. Last year over 400 people attended our Journey into Faith Festival, and there were 34 exhibitors representing ministries inside the church, and our mission partners in the community. Be sure to pick up your 2011 Journeys catalog at the festival. Find more information online by going to www.cwames.org and clicking on the *Journeys* button.

The Vine



Be a driver for our RAGBRAI team

Ever wanted to experience the fun of RAGBRAI without having to ever get on a bike? Then being a driver is the thing to do! Our RAGBRAI team is in need of one or two additional drivers, for all or part of the trip. The dates are July 24-31, 2011.

Drivers are responsible for getting the team's luggage to the overnight towns, beginning the camp setup, and helping with shopping for food. The vehicles are 7 or 8 passenger vehicles (e.g. minivan). It's not a lot of work, and you'll have plenty of time to enjoy the sights, sounds, and people of RAGBRAI.

For more information, please contact Tim Gossett, timgossett@mac.com or 450-2858 as soon as possible.

Personal Stories Needed for a Book

Tim Gossett

I'm working on a new book about the "with" moments of our lives, i.e. those times when people have been truly present with us (or us with them), physically and emotionally, especially in the following ways:

- With us in times of sadness and joy. (A key scripture for the book is, "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." Romans 12:15)
- With us in times of turmoil and challenge. (Another key scripture is, "Live in harmony with one another." Romans 12:16a)

- With those who are poor or oppressed.

Please consider sharing a story with me that I could include in the book. If you have a story you'd be willing to share, please email tim@differentvoice.com. Please include your name as you'd prefer it be printed & town along with the story. Feel free to change names, as necessary, to protect the privacy of those in the stories. (If you do that, put the person's name in "quotes" so it's clear it's not his or her real name.) Please note that stories may be edited or not included, in order to fit the limitations of the space available.

You may think of other kinds of "with" moments besides those named above, and if so, feel free to write about those as well! Thanks for your help!

Suited for Work

Our mission has been to provide interview clothing for those seeking jobs. We are still taking clothing, but not "dressy" clothing. Very few people are interviewing for dressy jobs. We need good black work pants, jeans, and work type shirts. Good white shirts are also needed. Many jobs are warehouse, construction and service. We need what works best for those jobs. If you have clothing please bring them to the 3rd floor of the Annex on Mondays 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., Thursdays from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m., or the 3rd Saturday of each month 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

We always need help filling our Monday hours. We have two people each day, so if you could help once or twice a month please call Carolyn Cornette at 292-4344 or email carolyncornette@msn.com. You would join a great crew! Carolyn Cornette

Prepare for Thanksgiving Ingathering! Oct 31st.

The 31st Thanksgiving Ingathering is Sunday morning, October 31.

All United Methodists churches in Iowa have one day each fall to concentrate on giving to Nigeria and to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

Possible gifts include:

- Kits of various kinds as sewing kits, birthing kits, etc.
- Checks for Heifer International
- Checks for PET (Personal Energy Transportation)
- Checks for Self Help
- Checks for Hope
- Quilts and other hand crafted items suitable for auction

Be thinking how you can support CUMC/ WF's efforts—checks or kits or hand crafted items!

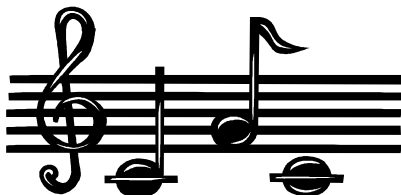
Idea #1 – In the Gathering Space are cards describing the contents of kits to be collected and given. Please pick up a card or cards. If questions contact Carolyn Cornette, Chair of Ingathering at 292-4344 or carolyncornette@msn.com.

Noon Book Group

This group meets every two weeks in Room 202 in the Annex. The next meeting is Wednesday, September 29, from 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.. The current book is *The Quickening*, by Michelle Hoover. The first half of the book will be discussed at this next meeting. Folks who like to read are invited to join us!

Janet Stephenson

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



**Consecration Sunday
Festival of Choirs
November 14, 2010**

**One Worship Service
@ 9:45 a.m. only**

**(No Sunday School
that day)**

Usher Needed

There is an immediate need for a full-time usher for the 8:30 service on Sunday mornings. Time commitment is approximately from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Steven Schroder at s.r.schroder@gmail.com or 515-520-1851.



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Personals

(Personal Announcements)

Rochelle and Roger Ginder are celebrating the arrival of their first grandchild, Vivien Helena. She was born September 4, to Leslie and Derek Ginder of Ames.

Prayers



Thank you for sharing your prayers of joy and concern on the blue prayer cards each Sunday. Here are some joys and concerns you shared with us since the last issue of *The Communicator*.

Prayers of Thanksgiving

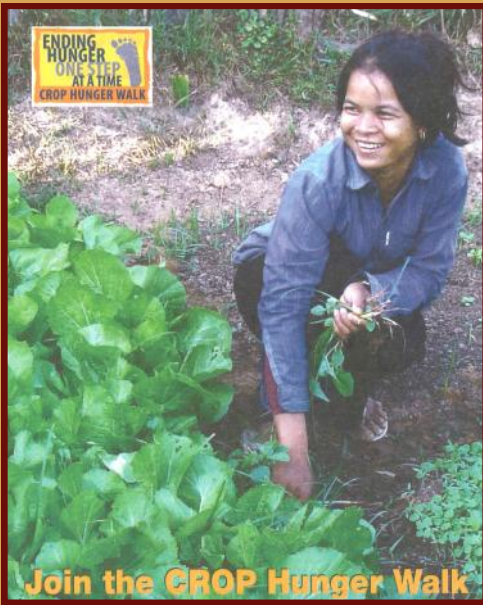
- Ken & Marjy Howe celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 9/1. They met here at CUMC/WF.
- The Prince of Peace UMC in Elk Grove Village, IL, will celebrate their 50th anniversary on 9/12. This is where Karen & Ted Huiatt were married and their children baptized.
- Janet & Dick Shoenhair are blessed that their daughter, Carol Talby from Texas was in service with them on 9/12. Carol attended church here at CUMC/WF when she was an ISU student.

- For Megan & Steven Schroeder on their first wedding anniversary on 9/19.
- For Stewart Jackson, who has found work.

Prayers of Concerns

- For strength & comfort for the Hubert family as the father is hospitalized in critical condition.
- Rev. Arley Ellingson, UMC pastor in Agency, IA, was burned in an accident and taken to Iowa City on 9/4. His spouse Peggy broke her ankle in the process of helping him.
- For Theresa Gibson, who is having some testing at the hospital.
- For the people of San Bruno, California who lost their homes in the gas explosion.
- For the miners trapped underground in Chile.
- For Sharon Blair of Cedar Rapids, who suffered a stroke and is hospitalized. Sharon is the mother of Kim Sheets, daughter-in-law of Marilyn & Jim Sheets
- For Mary Beth Oostenbrug on the death of her father.
- For Ruby Buck and Janet Stephenson, who were hospitalized and are now home.





Join the Crop Hunger Walk or donate to a Walker TODAY!!

This years **CROPWALK** is on Sunday, **10/10/10**. Walkers gather at 1:00 p.m. at Brookside Park in the Maple Shelter House and begin walking at 1:30 p.m. You can contact Frank Amos (268-5008), Rev. Jim Shirbroun (292-6936) and Rev. Kathy Harrington-Taber (292-6936) to get an envelope to walk. Join us or support one of the walkers we have so we can make this our biggest year **EVER!!**

Iowa has never had a \$10,000 **CROPWALK** church, but in recent years, C/W has come close (\$8,000+). We've made a goal of raising \$10K for Crop (the hunger arm of Church World Service) this year!



Lisa Larson, Campus Ministry Associate, racing against the clock at WF Minit 2 Winit on 9/6/



Carli Johnson-Scott participating in WF Minit 2 Winit on 9/6.

Please help us get pictures for the Communicator of the happenings here, i.e. Sunday School class, Koinonia Groups, whatever the event we would like a picture of it. Please email to natalie@cwames.org.

You are Welcome!

Collegiate United Methodist Church and Wesley Foundation welcomes and affirms all persons without regard to gender, ethnic background, sexual orientation, national origin, age, physical or mental ability, marital status, economic condition, or anything else which threatens to divide God's family.

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Discipleship In Focus: MS & HS Youth Group



HS & MS Youth Group at Adventureland on 9/18. The admission tickets helped support the Youth Service Fund of the United Methodist Church..