



## Understanding a bit more about the United Methodist Church...

Annually the Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church makes new appointments and retires pastors. This all takes effect July 1. For Carmel UMC this year, Pastor Mike Collins will make his move about that time to his new appointment.

As Pastor Mike moves, we ask the question...who is the Associate Pastor that we will receive? Having an Associate Pastor is not the only kind of appointment that can be made for this type of position within a church. An alternative approach is to receive a [Licensed Local Pastor](#). This is not a new concept, many churches are served by Local Licensed Pastors. According to the [UMC General Board of Higher Education and Ministry](#), "today more than one-third of United Methodist churches are served by [licensed] local pastors". This is just new to Carmel UMC.

A Licensed Local Pastor's functions in the church look very similar to an appointed or ordained elder. The LLP leads ministries, they preach, they baptize, they consecrate communion, they do weddings and funerals, etc. Their process for preparation is what differs from an elder's. An elder has a seminary degree and has completed the ordination process of the UMC. This describes both Pastor Mike and Pastor Patti. The Licensed Local Pastor is licensed and certified via training which the UMC provides on an ongoing basis.



	Ordained elder	Licensed Local Pastor
Called by God	x	x
Completed seminary	x	
Completed ordination process	x	
Appointed by conference	x	x
Continues in ongoing education		
Courses provided by UMC		x
Preach, teach, lead ministries	x	x
Baptize, consecrate communion	x	x
Perform weddings and funerals	x	x

We are pleased to share with you that Scott McDermid has already begun this process for Licensed Local Pastor. As many of you know, Scott already preaches weekly and leads ministry. His functions will expand as he will have sacramental privileges to which he feels called and which will serve Carmel UMC well. Scott will complete training in July which will make this transition official for his new role at Carmel UMC serving similarly to the associate pastor. The Governing Council and myself look forward to this transition which will serve Carmel UMC well.

Please feel free if you have any questions to contact myself or any of the Governing Council members.

Blessings, Pastor Patti

**At CUMC we are CONNECTING with God and others, GROWING in faith and love through Biblical learning, and SERVING our community and world, as followers of Jesus Christ.**

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Scott McDermid

Director of Youth Ministries:

Scott McDermid

Minister of Children & Families:

Rev. Aj Mildenberg

Minister of Adult Discipleship:

TBA

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Kevin Andrews

Minister of Local Outreach:

Mike Podgorski

Minister of Shepherding & New Members:

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### Church Governing Council

The Church Governing Council meets each month. If you have any questions regarding these meetings please contact Pat Morrison.



## Congratulations....

### Births....

- **Franklin Dean Moos-Gause**, born April 2, 2017 to Alli Moos & John Gause.
- **Arthea Charlotte Coggeshall**, born April 12, 2017 to Paula Ziegler & Wade Coggeshall. Proud grandparents are Pat & Jim Shirey.

### Baptism...

- **Dresden Owen Hart**, son of Kevin & Mary Hart was baptized April 9, 2017.

### With Sympathy To...

- **Chris Larson & family** on the death of her father, Ed Marshall, who passed away March 31, 2017.
- **Stephanie Collins & family** on the death of her father, Doug Barclay, who passed away April 1, 2017.



### Wanted: drivers for our bus ministry

We are in serious need for men and women to drive one Sunday every two months to transport our retired members that need a ride to church. We currently stop at Carmel Senior Living and The Barrington, but we are consistently getting requests from other retired communities. It is such an amazing outreach to invite visitors to accompany our own members to worship with us at the 9:30 services. Please give it prayerful consideration.

Contact Jim Shirey at [jshirey@carmelumc.org](mailto:jshirey@carmelumc.org) or call 317-217-0172



In conjunction with **Commencement Sunday, Sunday, May 21** has been designated *Scholar Dollar Day*. Carmel United Methodist Church established a scholarship fund in 1987 to assist deserving church members who are pursuing advanced education at accredited colleges or universities.

In 2016, you responded to our request for contributions to the Scholarship Fund. We were able to award scholarships to all applicants!

You may want your tax-deductible donation in honor of someone or as a memorial gift. Help us make a difference for these college students. Make your checks payable to Carmel United Methodist Church and in the memo line, put the words Scholar Dollars. The college students we assist thank you. And, we sincerely thank you!



**WANTED**

**MEN & WOMEN IN NEED  
OF CHRISTIAN CARE**

Are you going through a life crisis?  
Do you want to talk about it, but don't want to be judged?  
Do you need someone to talk with  
who is not involved in your situation?  
Do you want your conversations to be confidential?  
Do you want someone to *really* listen?

**CALL TODAY**  
**DEBBIE CARRIGER,**  
**STEPHEN MINISTRY REFERRAL COORDINATOR**  
**(317) 431-3234**

**In Crisis?**  
**We Can Help.**  **stephen**  
MINISTRY

# Stephen Ministry

A distinctively Christian care giving ministry.

God never intended for us to go through trials alone. That's why God has brought us together as a congregation-and why we have Stephen Ministry. If you'd like to learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone else (inside or outside our congregation), contact a Stephen Minister Coordinator: Debbie Carriger, Referral Coordinator (317)431-3234 [dcarriger@richardcarriger.com](mailto:dcarriger@richardcarriger.com) or Wayne Lerner, Leadership Coordinator (317)490-9850 [waynew15456@gmail.com](mailto:waynew15456@gmail.com) or Mike Collins, Associate Pastor (317)844-7275 [mcollins@carmelumc.org](mailto:mcollins@carmelumc.org)

**CHILD HUNGER  
DOESN'T TAKE  
A VACATION.**

You can help today:  
**SERVE  
FEED**

**Carmel UMC is helping feed students in the Carmel School District this Summer!** Students who receive free and reduced lunch during the school year are at risk of not having lunches during the Summer too. This very important project needs many hands to work.

For 11 Sunday's this summer, a team from Carmel UMC will go to Orchard Park Presbyterian Church to pack items and/or handout sack lunches to families in need. Each of these Sundays the team will volunteer from 12:30- 2:00pm.

**This project is from May 28th through August 6th. To volunteer for this project, please email: Mike Podgorski: [mpodgorski@carmelumc.org](mailto:mpodgorski@carmelumc.org)**

**Hunger is NOT an option.**



**JOIN US: International Mission Focus:  
Taama Enterprise Academy Info Mtg  
Thursday, May, 18 at 6:30 p.m.  
CUMC Sanctuary**

Carmel United Methodist Church has been an active supporter of Operation Classroom Inc. (OCI), which is a United Methodist Church-affiliated mission, and its mission work in support of secondary schools in the school systems of the United Methodist Conferences in Sierra Leone and Liberia in West Africa for thirty years. Secondary students must pay a fee to be able to attend school, and a secondary education is a privilege. Indiana United Methodists have helped build schools, provided scholarships, and donated supplies and materials to enable more young people in both countries to attain a secondary education. Operation Classroom provided support during the civil wars in both countries and when Ebola was prevalent in both countries. Now, Bishop Yambasu of Sierra Leone has asked for help in getting the young people

equipped for jobs and to be able to create jobs in a country with an enormous level of employment for young people.

Operation Classroom is engaging in a \$1.1 million campaign to raise funds to establish the first African Enterprise Academy in Taama, Sierra Leone. The Taama Enterprise Academy (TEA) will be a boarding school for 140 young men and women who seek to not only learn skills in mechanics, agriculture, and construction, but also entrepreneurial skills in a culture of Christian ethics. The students will engage in academic preparation and technical skill-building during their time at the academy. The TEA project is a co-mission, with a strong collaboration between Operation Classroom Inc. and the Sierra Leone United Methodist Conference.

OCI's President/CEO Bob Coolman will share information about this mission opportunity with us on **Thursday, May 18 at 6:30pm** in the Carmel UMC sanctuary. Bob, a residential community developer by trade, has worked closely with collaborators in Sierra Leone and Liberia for many years. Dr. Karen Jackson Gould, Chair of Operation Classroom and a member of Carmel United Methodist Church, is an educator by training and has met with stakeholders in Sierra Leone with Bob to help develop the enterprise academy concept. Explore how you and CUMC can engage in this exciting ministry.



**Henderson Settlement Family Mission Trip – 2017**

Since 2001, CUMC has been sending mission teams to Appalachia to do the Lord's work. Teams are composed of men, women and youth (age 13 and above recommended) working at moderate to light construction, cleaning and painting. We are currently recruiting for this year's trip, June 11 to 17. If you have attended previous trips you are invited back. If you have not been on this trip before, or have never been on a mission trip, you are in for an experience like none other.

The cost to you is a week of your time and \$250 per person (family maximum is \$500). Your "tuition" includes three scrumptious meals per day, free evening programs and entertainment, group devotion time, air conditioned dormitories, spacious private shower and restroom facilities, free Wi-Fi, a free T-shirt, and the privilege of working with fellow Christians on projects that help people in need.

Beginning now, you may register your "intent" to attend this trip on the church website ([carmelumc.org/serve/outreach/Henderson Settlement](http://carmelumc.org/serve/outreach/Henderson%20Settlement)). Your "firm" commitment and money will be requested this month. If you have questions please contact Bob Phillips (317/844-5636 or [rdphillips13@gmail.com](mailto:rdphillips13@gmail.com)).



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND SPECIAL DATES:

Family Fun Day - VBS .....	5/6, 9-12noon
Movie Night - VBS .....	5/19, 5:30-8pm
VBS Family decorating .....	every Monday night, anytime from 4-8pm, downstairs room 10. Just come on down, craft, organizing, building projects for adults and kids!
Henderson Mission trip for Families .....	6/11-6/14 or 6/14-6/17 or whole week
Robot and Rocket making .....	6/3, 9-12noon
VBS.....	6/25-6/29

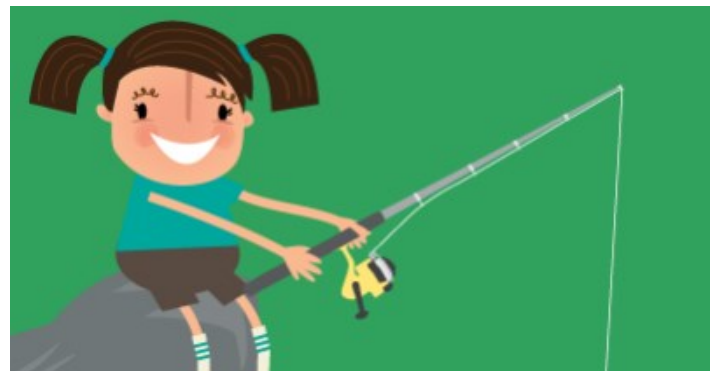
## 2017 Kids of Integrity Character Trait Calendar

This month from the Kids of Integrity website, I am highlighting Patience. I do not know about you but I could use a dose of this too. I thought with summer fast approaching and kids being home this might be just the study for you and your family. You might study the patience of a bird on its nest, or grow crystal candy, measure the progress of something on a paper chain? There are many activities that you can explore with your child to help them wait calmly for an event, trust God's timing and/or be more tolerant of others' shortcomings. Hopefully this lesson will help curb a quick temper, a demanding attitude and empathize with the feelings of others.



Tools for growing Godly character

May.....Patience



## JULY SUMMER CAMPS

**Cooking, science, art, Star Wars, sewing, cheer, show choir, Disney, STEM & more**

**REGISTER HERE**



# VBS: June 25-29

## Maker Fun Factory!

Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God. Spark creativity with interactive decorations and experiences.



**“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord.”**

*(Jeremiah 29:11)*

**GOD MADE YOU FOR A REASON.**

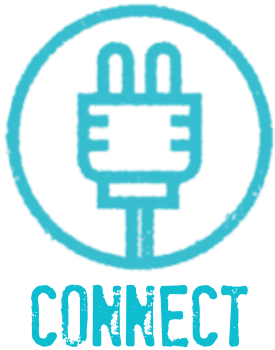
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**REGISTER AS  
A VOLUNTEER**

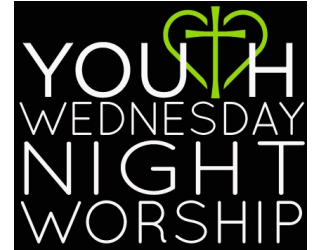
VBS work nights are Monday nights beginning in March and Saturday, May 6, 20 all from 9am to 12noon, and Friday night May 19 is movie night. We will be making robots, ant farms and building with gears, Legos and all kinds of fun things. Please come help and bring your kids kindergarten on up!

# YOUTH

—ministries—



**Wednesday Night Worship** is a great chance each week to meet with friends, worship God and be challenged to apply His Word. We meet at the church Wednesdays @ 7pm starting June 14. Students can be picked up anytime between 8:30 and 9pm.



## **Summer Bible Study- Thursdays at 2pm**

Join Scott and Kevin at SOHO weekly starting June 15 as we dig into Scripture on a deeper level. You don't even have to get up early to participate!



## **Mission Trip Opportunity**

Register Now for Nashville Mission trip. Cost is \$325 and includes lodging, transportation, food, and project supplies! Set aside one week of your summer to make an impact and allow God to shape you into a lifelong servant. Deadline is May 15.



[Click here to Register](#)



# summer CHOIR

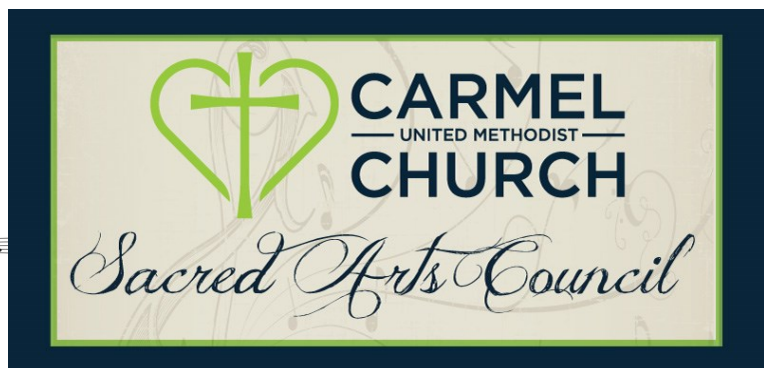
June 11, July 9, & August 13

All are invited to join,  
arrive 9am to practice for the  
9:30 & 11:00 traditional services.  
No weekly rehearsals.

## PETER ROGAHN IN CONCERT!



Peter Rogahn, a native of Austin, Texas, enjoys an active career as an organist, and pianist. Peter holds a Performer Diploma and a Master of Music degree from Indiana University and is currently a doctoral candidate in organ performance at Indiana University. Audiences will be amazed with the power and dexterity of musicianship in this organ recital like no other.



# Carmel UMC Preschool

*"...the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith." 1 Timothy 1:5*

It is difficult to believe that we are in the last weeks of the 2016-2017 preschool year at CUMC. It has been such a joy and blessing to be able to spend this year watching your children grow, learn, and glorify God!

We certainly have taken, and will continue to take, full advantage of these last few weeks. The carnival, petting zoo, portraits, and various field trips have been very successful over the past few weeks. As we continue on, we look forward to welcoming you in for many classroom events and celebrations. If you have a child in our 4s or pre-k classes, we hope you will be able to join us for our promotion ceremony the last week of school. Please don't forget that our food pantry boys vs girls challenge continues as well.

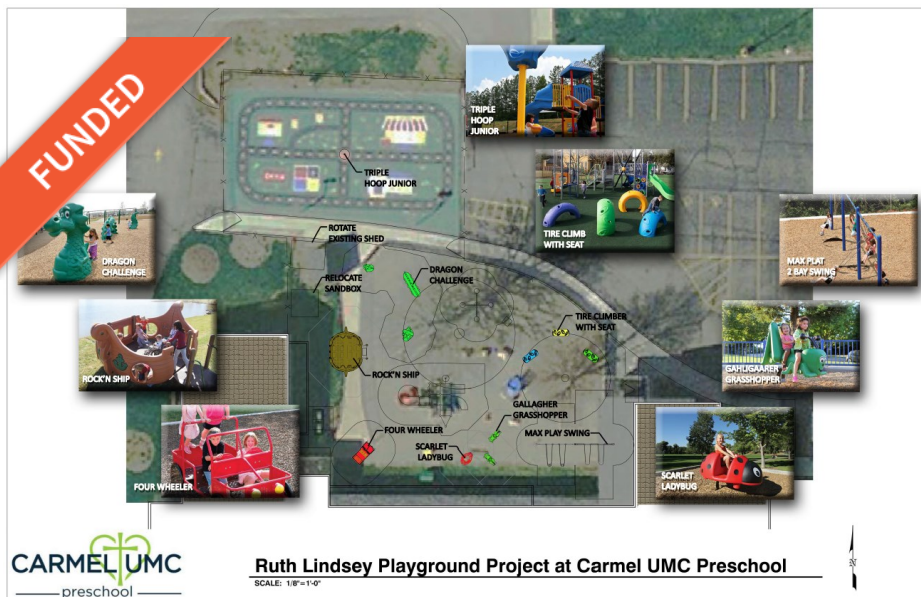
I wish each of you a joyful summer break. I look forward to seeing those of you who will be returning at the end of August. For our CUMC alumni, I pray that you will be blessed as you move on. Please come back to visit us anytime. We will miss you dearly and will be praying for you often!

Tiffany Lehman  
CUMC Preschool Director



## The Ruth Lindsey Memorial Playground

Made possible by the Mike Miller Family Donation



# MAY



### Important Dates:

- May 2018 payment due
- May 15th-19th: Last week of preschool. Have a great summer!!
- May 17th and 18th: 4's graduation
- May 15th-19th: Last week of preschool

**CLICK HERE FOR  
MORE INFO ABOUT  
THE PRESCHOOL!**

**317-844-1958**

**Tiffany Lehman, Director**  
**[tlehman@carmelumc.org](mailto:tlehman@carmelumc.org)**





## IN THE SPOTLIGHT: Forrest "Woody" Hurst

**By: Jim Shirey, Minister of Visitation**

*This is the second in a monthly series for the Contact entitled "In The Spotlight," where I interview members of our church that helped bring us to where we are today. You might say they are the bedrock upon which we have continually built our programming, outreach, missions, etc. As Minister of Visitation, I have felt the need to share with the congregation many of the memories our senior members have shared with me.*

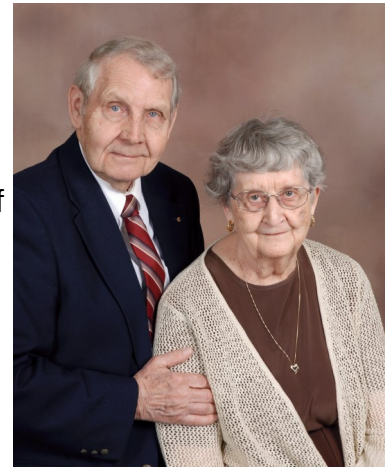
Woody was born May 28, 1930 in Muncie, Indiana where he attended Muncie Public Schools and graduated from Muncie Central High School in 1948.

Upon graduating from high school, Woody went to Purdue University, majoring in electrical engineering where he graduated in 1952 with a Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering. In his junior year at Purdue he enrolled in the Air Force ROTC program, and after his senior year at Purdue, he served two years active duty, achieving the rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant.

On July 6, 1952 he married the love of his life, Martha "Marty" Hurst. They had known each other since elementary school, and while attending Madison Street Methodist Church in Muncie they both were involved in Sunday School and MYF (Methodist Youth Fellowship). This year they will be celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. They have two children, Timothy and Annie; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Woody's employment spanned 35 years at Indiana Bell Telephone, retiring in November, 1989. His employment took him to Bell Laboratories in New Jersey for two years, returning to Indianapolis for the remainder of his 35 years. Upon retirement, Woody started volunteering at Ronald McDonald House in Indianapolis, starting in 1990, and is still volunteering there today once a week, doing maintenance and whatever needs repairing on the McDonald House.

In 1959, he and Marty moved to Carmel and joined Carmel United Methodist Church. Over the many years, he served on the Trustees off and on, Chairman once; Mission Commission; Finance Committee, and sang in the choir. Always a member of a Sunday School class.



He and Marty enjoyed serving on 12 different mission trips with the church, beginning in 1982 where they built churches in South Texas; went to South Carolina with the youth mission; served at Montserrat and Eustatia Islands in the British Virgin Islands where a member of our congregation was serving as a missionary; Operation Classroom in 1989 in Liberia right before the civil war.

Woody recalled that in approximately 1965, he and three other men from the church, built all the classrooms in the basement of the newly added north addition. This was a natural for Woody, as woodworking was his hobby, where he built furniture for the church; painted walls and window casings, etc.

Beginning in 1968 he helped his wife, Marty, teach Jr. High MYF for six years.

They presently reside at The Barrington and take part in many of the activities there, in addition to attending church and Sunday School here at CUMC.

I extend a sincere appreciation to Woody for sharing his memories of CUMC beginning in 1959 in service to God, CUMC and our community.





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**MAY 2017**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- ♦ *VBS Registration is OPEN!!*
- ♦ *Kid's Summer Camps*