



Staying Connected

June 9, 2021

Farmer City United Methodist Church

Staying Connected is a weekly guide to news, events, and announcements. Send your announcements to Diana Homann by email: diana.homann56@gmail.com.

Church Activities

- AA:** Mondays at 7:00 PM (FCUMC)
- Sunday Worship:** In House at 10:45 AM
- FOCUS:** Tuesday, 6/22 at 6:30
- Food Pantry Distribution:** 6/26
- The Summer Lunch Club:** 6/1-8/17 @10:30-11:30 AM
- Admin Council:** June 23 6:30 PM
- Tacos in Circle Park:** June 10 at 6 PM

In House Sunday School

- Pairs and Spares:** Wesley Room at 9:30 AM
- Path Finders:** Office at 9:30 AM
- 101 Kids:** Sanctuary at 9:30 AM

Online Worship Options

- YouTube:** Farmer City UMC Class Room
- Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/FarmerCityUMC/>
- Webpage:** <https://www.farmercityumc.org/sermons>

ATTENTION: To those struggling to find our Sunday worship videos on YouTube; they are no longer on Pastors Sandi's page but can be found by googling **FCUMC Class Room!**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/>

Farmer City UMC Class Room - YouTube

Farmer City United Methodist Church (UMC) Class Room is for video's related to Sunday School or Children's Time or Stories.

Sunday School 101 Kids (5-12 year olds)



On June 13, we will learn how Jesus healed the blind man. (John 9: 1-17, 27-39) The blind man learns that Jesus is God's Son, the one that came to fix things like

our sins. (John 3:16) **Attendance on June 6: 3**

In House Worship-For Your Safety



Welcome to In-House Worship!

For your safety and others, hand sanitizer is available at the doors. You may choose to wear a mask but will not be required to do so. We are a non-judgmental church and therefore, we encourage you to worship and social distance as you feel comfortable. Please remember, children under the age of 12, cannot be vaccinated at this time. So, some precautions will continue to be taken. We will not monitor or ask for vaccination status. **IGRC announces Phase 5 starts on June 11, 2021. See page 3 for article.**

101 Kids, June 6



To help us remember the story of Jesus walking on water, we ate Goldfish crackers in a paper boat.

Pick up your 8X10 Pictures in the Bell Room

You may order more copies at <https://622photography.pixieset.com/farmercitymethodistchurch/>

Text or Call Pastor Sandi at: 217-834-3165
Email: pastorsandihire@gmail.com

Tacos in Circle Park

Join us this **Thursday, June 10** at 6 PM in Circle Park "the Square" for tacos. Bring your family and your friends. All are welcome to this free event.



The Summer Lunch Club

We passed out 39 sack lunches our first week (Tuesday-Friday.) We think that this is GREAT! God is Good! Volunteers last week included Stephanie Drake, Anna Johnson, Sandi Hire, Diana Homann, and Teresa Drinkwater. If you would like to help, please let Teresa or Diana know.

Thank you!



Any Youth in grades Pre-K to High School may participate and pick up a free sack lunch from 10:30-11:30 AM daily at the church. We will provide sack lunches until school starts. August 17 will be our last day.



This is what 100 sack lunches looks like!



TO: (6/10) Jane Evans
(6/10) Shelby Whisman...(6/12) Randy Troyer
(6/15) Janis Maxwell...(6/17) Ashlyn Voyles
(6/17) Nathan Boyles...(6/17) Stan Drake
(6/18) Mary Lou Beggs...(6/18) Libbe Dawdy



Russ & Marilyn Hirschman on June 11

Dan & Kay Tomlin on June 11

Ron & Jeanne Vance on June 18

Heritage Days

The kids really enjoyed the Pirate Treasure Hunt on Thursday June 3, 2021. The parents loved the Community Flyer announcing the Vacation Bible School and/or other summer church activities!

Thank you to Diana Homann for organizing and this and Thank you to the following churches who helped make this happen! **Farmer City United Methodist Church, First Christian Church of Farmer City and Farmer City Trinity Church.**

The Explore Your Town Hunt was also successful.

We received donations for the purchase of children's bibles for 101 Kids at the event!

Giving away free bottles of water was a huge hit; especially, on Saturday during the Kids Zone. Scott Testory, mayor of Famer City, stopped by and complimented our church by saying, We are always doing something for the community!"



Pictured above is the Heritage Days Photographer reaching in the cooler for a ice cold water bottle. FOCUS wishes to thank Pastor Sandi, Stephanie Drake, and Diana Homann for volunteering their time!

God's Wonder Lab VBS



Vacation Bible School will be in Aug 2-6 from 5:30-7:30 PM each day. We are looking for adult volunteers to help supervise. Please let Teresa Drinkwater know if you can help. Text or call her at 309-212-2592.

Lord, Hear our Prayers

Health Issues: Robert Drake, (Nephew of Laura Enger), Judy & Mike Wallace, Roger Barlow, (Recovering after hospital), Mary Lou Beggs, (a recent fall), Ron Vance, Red Ullitsch, (Father of Michelle Cordes), Margaret St. Clair (Cousin to Laura Enger & Stephanie Drake), Ruth Nafziger, Kevin Barlow (Covid), Brian Butler (Brother-in-Law of Tim Green, recovering from heart attack), **Clarine Tipsord**, (recovering from hospital)

Cancer: Craig Brock, (Friend of Dan Pearl), Ken Brock, (Friend of Pearls and father of Craig Brock), Dave Harris, (Husband of Katie Copley Harris), John Homann, (recovering from surgery), brother of Diana Homann), Gary B (friend of Jane Evans), John Baker (Weldon), Lynn Davis (friend of Craig Brock & Dan Pearl), Julie Hubble (Aunt of Terri Green & youngest sister to Johanne Thompson)

Other: Stefanie Crownover (Nursing Home), David Watkins (Wheelchair Bound), Greg Mosgrove (Lung Transplant), Jerry McKinley, (recovering after hospital), **Bishop Beard** (eye surgery)

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

Praying That God Will Heal You And
Give You Peace From His Presence
As Well As The Comfort Of His Love.

Get Well Soon!

Clarine Tipsord has been in the hospital and now has a new address: Heritage Health, 620 E. First St, Gibson City, IL 60939

Children's
Message on
June 6, 2021



Paul E. Black

Admin · June 3 at 7:02 PM · 🌐

UPDATE ON BISHOP BEARD: We received the following message from Melissa Kay Beard:

"The surgery went well on both eyes. It will take up to six weeks before we know how successful it is. The procedures were very painful, but the Bishop is okay and resting. Follow up visit with the doctor is July 1. Hopefully we will know then whether further surgery is needed."



Illinois Great Rivers Conference -- The United Methodist Church



Curtis Brown

June 4 at 3:17 PM · 🌐

Entering Phase 5 on June 11

On this Friday afternoon, the Illinois Department of Public Health released its guidance on COVID-19 safety practices for Phase 5. The entire State of Illinois is on track to meet IDPH's safety metrics and will be entering Phase 5 on Jun 11, 2021. Here is what it means for our Illinois Great Rivers Conference churches:

1. We will enter Phase 5 on June 11. At that time, we will retract our Illinois Great Rivers Conference general health safety recommendations and guidance found at www.igrc.org/coronavirus ✓
2. Local churches should continue to be cautious and rely on their church health safety team to make determinations about safe practices in their ministries.
3. Local churches should continue to monitor and support recommendations from national, state, and local public health officials.
4. State safety guidance, including recommendations on when to wear masks and how to practice social distancing, can be found at: <http://dph.illinois.gov/.../Illinois%20Phase%205...> ✓
5. Some ministries, including day camps and preschools, will need to continue to follow additional safety practices as described by the IDPH licensing requirements.

