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PASTOR MARY’S MESSAGE

Christian Conversation about Challenging Topics

Let the Word of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom.
—Colossians 3:16 (NJB)

Discernment in its fullness takes a practiced heart, fine-tuned to hear the word of God and the single-mindedness to follow that word in love. It is truly a gift from God, but not one dropped from the skies fully formed. It is a gift cultivated by a prayerful life and the search for self-knowledge. —Ernest Larkin

Ixpect the United Methodist Council of Bishops to release their recommendation for, “The Way Forward” any day now. We are at a critical moment in our denominational history. I ask everyone to be in prayer that **God’s Will, not our own be done**; and that **God’s Wisdom speak clearly to The United Methodist Church** as a whole in place of our own varied opinions.

In case you are unfamiliar with the challenge before us, let me fill you in.

The policies of the United Methodist Church are decided by a group called the General Conference that meets every four years. In 2016 the General Conference convened with 1000 legislative items to discuss. About 100 of those items were related to the topic of homosexuality; a topic we have had challenging discussions about since 1972.

As I understand it, the original 1968 *Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church*

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included a statement that “persons of homosexual orientation are persons of sacred worth.” In the 1972 General Conference, that statement was preserved, however another statement was added. The additional statement read, “We do not condone the practice of homosexuality, and consider it incompatible with Christian teaching.” These two statements have been at the center of the ongoing discussion ever since.

Over the last 46 years, many people have become polarized in their opinions, many have been wounded by the rhetoric of the discussion, and many have simply become tired of arguing. At the 2016 General Conference, the delegates came to the point of trying to end the debate

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by proposing to split The United Methodist Church based on our differing understandings. The Bishops were asked to step in and provide global leadership so that we could figure out how to go forward together in a more orderly manner. The Council of Bishops agreed to take the requested leadership role, and

decided to create a group called, “The Commission on the Way Forward” that was made up of people representing diverse opinions from around the worldwide connection of The United Methodist Church.

The Council of Bishops met in May, 2018 to review the proposals from the Commission, and decided to recommend a one church plan. This plan removes restrictive language from the current Book of Discipline and allows individual **annual conferences** to decide if they will ordain homosexual persons as clergy, individual **congregations** to decide if they will permit same gender marriages to take place in their church buildings, and individual **clergy** to decide if they will officiate same gender marriages (although not in the building of the congregation they are appointed to if the congregation does not permit them.)

Two other plans were also proposed by the Commission. As I understand it, without having been able to read any of the plans as of yet, one plan creates stronger methods of accountability and church discipline to more strictly enforce current policies of prohibiting clergy to be self-avowed, practicing homosexual persons, and prohibiting

the celebration of same gender marriages by clergy, or in United Methodist buildings. The other plan creates multiple branches of the Methodist church, meaning that each congregation and each clergyperson would likely need to decide which branch to associate with over time.

We need to remember that the proposals we will be able to read in July will almost certainly not be the proposals accepted by the General Conference. The General Conference will be able to change the proposals in an orderly manner by vote. Therefore we will not know how

We need to learn how to how to listen to one another, and to God.

The United Methodist Church will proceed until at least February 2019 and possibly later if the proposal adopted requires changes to the constitution of the denomination. However, it is time for us to learn how to talk about this topic amongst ourselves, so that if we do need to make decisions at a later date we will be better prepared. We need to learn how to how to listen to one another, and to God.

I will be facilitating a careful, caring conversation beginning **Wednesday, July 11, through Wednesday, August 29, meeting either from 4-5pm, or from 7-8pm.** In order to allow everyone to fully engage, I ask that you clear your schedules to be **able to attend essentially every session**; in other words if you know you can make it to 7 of the 8 sessions that is fine. In addition, **space will be limited to roughly 12 persons per discussion group.** Registration will be required in order to manage group size. We will be prayerfully exploring all four dimensions of our United Methodist understanding of discernment, which are Scripture, tradition, reason, and experience with Scripture being primary.

May God bless our time of conversation and discernment so that we may develop a deeper understanding, a greater capacity for conversation, and an openness to listening for God's Will to be done.

In Christ,
Pastor Mary

Blueprint for Discipleship Class

Come learn Wesley's General Rules For Christian Living. New Members are encouraged to take this class along with anyone who wants to learn more about Methodism. Books are available in the office for \$10. The class meets Tuesdays, July 17-August 21. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/BlueprintJuly2018>

Children & Family Ministries

BE KIND

My girls and I just survived an Alaskan adventure together. Alaska is special to us because I lived on Ft. Richardson for three years, Taya was born on Elmendorf Air Force Hospital and Teagan was baptized in Eagle River. Now both of my sisters live in Anchorage. We each had our own challenges to overcome on our holiday like sleeping with the midnight sun. Every day, we gained about six minutes of daylight and it became dusk when the sun went down. We drove for a few days, 8 hours at a time, with no elbow room on dirt and gravel roads during their construction season.

Some challenges took extra grace to overcome, but wherever we went, I know God was with us. A restaurant we ate at had a kid's menu coloring page with beautiful designs and flowers. The saying in the middle of the artwork was, "Be Kind." Another day, when I successfully put my 2-year-old nephew down for his nap, I celebrated by quietly reading a magazine. I found an article on, "Summer Acts of Kindness." I even saw a woman who had a tattoo on the back of her arm that said, "Be Kind." I learned my older sister's passion is listening to podcasts and one of the messages she played was entitled, "Find the beautiful in things." I laughed and shared with her a similar one I had, entitled, "Find the blessing."

Acts of kindness is now our family theme for our summer days. Do you have a family motto? Or does your family have a summer bucket list? I'm eager to hear how you will spend your summer days.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Sunday, July 1 & 29 | No Sunday School
- Sunday, July 8, 15 & 22 | 9am | One classroom Sunday School

THANK YOU'S!

- **VBS:** Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, supplies, creative talents, worked behind the scene, etc. Thank you! Mahalo! Gracias! Merci Beaucoup! The leadership from Courtney, Josh, Charlie, & Nora too! You all are the secret to having another successful VBS.
- **June Shepherds & Teachers:** Ginny Swiatek, Mandy Hale, Cheryl Freiberger, Greg Pratt, & John Clarke
- **Nursery:** Catherine Rosenquist, Eleanor Sams, Danielle Helland, Mitzi Babka, Gina Armstrong & Chrissy Farley

THIS MONTH'S FAMILY BIBLE VERSE

Be kind, compassionate, and forgiving to each other, in the same way God forgave you in Christ.

—Ephesians 4:32, Deep Blue Kid's Bible

Blessings and Joy,
Shelly Stienbarger
Director, Children & Family Ministry

VBS RECAP:

Our week was full on Shipwrecked Island VBS, with 70 kids & youth and over 30 volunteers...not to mention a whole lot of rain!

Each day focused on scripture and the simple, power message: Jesus Rescues!

Kids and youth were divided into crews of four kids and a crew leader. They then traveled to different stations: Games, KidVid, Tropical Treats, Imagination Station and more. Each activity bringing the kids closer to Jesus.

Our week also included supporting our missionary in Cambodia. Clara works with children living on the streets through providing food, clothing, medical supplies and best of all, HOPE in Jesus Christ. Together we raised \$501.83!

▶ Mark your calendars for next year's big event: June 17-21, 2019.



Youth Ministry

WHAT'S NEXT?

We're BACK and we want to get together again on July 27th for a brief road trip and August 19th for a youth led worship service. We want you and your young person/people to be there.

The 2018 Work Trip has come and now ended. Your young person has new friends, a recharged faith and severe sleep deprivation. My recommendation is deal with the sleep deprivation first. That's just me, but I think it is sound advice.

Once you get their circadian rhythm reestablished, a tremendous tool that accompanies each young person on their return is the Group Mission Trips journal. Inside, are the daily devotions, prayers and scriptures they went over during the trip. There are also about six pages that contain opportunities to reflect and build from the lessons of the work trip. This is where you come in.

The primary reason BakerYouth accepted an earlier trip this year, rather than one in July is because it gives us a chance to grow intentionally in our faith. Psalm 84 talks about growing in strength, and one of the ways this happens is by taking the momentum of our faith experiences into new heights. With an early summer work trip, we have time to meet at least once more as a group. Parents also have time to unpack their teens' work trip experiences. This last point is key.

As you prepare for summer vacation, clubs, camp and college visits this summer, seek out moments to speak with your teen about their faith and your faith. What your teen has lived out up to this point may be difficult for



Middle School VBS had a great week. They mixed it up with fun, faith and good works

them to put into words. It's difficult for adults to describe our own faith journey at times, and difficult things like faith are often the most important to consider and try to understand.

We are thankful for the opportunity to lead your teen(s) on a work trip far away from home and in faith. Let's use the momentum gained over the past few weeks to take them deeper and higher in their love of Christ and his church.

Blessings,
Carl King
Director of Youth Ministry



BakerYouth left for their work trip on June 24 with sunny skies and the cross above them—see the telephone pole in the background. They spent the week working in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Young Adult Ministry

NAVIGATING ADULTHOOD

Adulthood is difficult! There, I said it. Navigating through insurance premiums, internet service providers, mobile carriers, college tuition, career prospects and relationships is no easy matter. Doing all of these things alone is really trying. That is why church attendance is so important. I try not to harp on it, but going to church and being a part of a fellowship really matters.

I spoke with a young adult recently about a new program we're working on and we went over our busy schedules. The young adult in question is pretty regular with church attendance, and both of us upon looking at our calendars realized there was almost no free time—morning or evening. Now imagine being that busy and not taking time to connect with God and the church.

Let me give you a few recommendations that will not replace church attendance, but will help you to plug in, while navigating the busyness of adulthood:

- **Podcasts:** This relatively new medium allows you to listen to topics at your convenience. Did you know you can catch all the Baker Memorial UMC sermons in this way? If you're traveling a few weeks or caught up with commitments, you can go to: <http://www.bakermemorialchurch.org/sermons/> or search through your preferred podcast app.
- **Submit a Prayer Request:** Struggling with something and just need prayer? Put your needs on the prayer request list and get our church praying for you. Call or email the church office at info@bakermemorialchurch.org and let us know what you want us to pray about. We send out a weekly email that includes all of these requests. People really pray, and God really works in the lives of those requesting prayer.
- **Sign up for a Class or Small Group:** Some of us cannot make the Sunday service because of work or some other requirement, but we can make a class or meeting during the week. Baker Memorial offers a tremendous number of groups and classes for whatever stage you find yourself in life. From new Christian to seasoned saint, there is something for you. *A Blueprint for Discipleship* was one of the books that solidified my decision to become a Methodist and Pastor Mary will lead this class during the summer, Tuesdays July 17-August 21. Books are available in the office for \$10. Sign up at <http://bit.ly/BlueprintJuly2018>


- **Connect with other Young Adults online:** For all the grief many give facebook, twitter, snapchat and instagram, they have been amazing tools that have literally saved lives. They provide an easy way to connect with people and I recommend you friend, follow or snap folks you meet at Baker Memorial and keep the conversation going online.

I hope these suggestions help you navigate the waters of faith and young adulthood better. Send me a message with ways and tools that help you stay in touch with Christ and his church on a regular basis.

Peace,
Carl King
Director of Young Adult Ministry

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- **Sunday, July 22** | B.G. Gross Scholarship deadline
- **Friday, July 27** | Short-Term Mission Trip to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center



Join us on this adventure!

Baker
YOUNG
ADULTS

ROAD TRIP!
JULY 27

We're going to the Midwest Distribution Center in Pawnee, Illinois (four miles south of Springfield).
We're leaving Saturday, July 27th at 6am and returning around 8pm

For more information & to sign up, go to:
bit.do/shortterm

MISSIONS CORNER

Opportunities for Service

OUR CAMBODIA MISSIONARY, CLARA, IS COMING TO BAKER!



Join us for a celebration potluck on Wednesday, July 18 at 5:30pm as we welcome Clara Biswas to BMUMC! We are hoping for a huge turnout, so consider this a Wednesday night dinner in the summer with party favors!

After the meal, Clara will tell us more about her ministry that we have been supporting for two years!

Please bring a salad or main dish to share. Mission Outreach will provide the beverages and dessert. Help us know who is coming and sign up using this link:

<http://bit.ly/missionarypotluck>

WRITE A NOTE TO CLARA

Stop by the Cedar Avenue entrance to write a note to Clara and leave in the box provided. We will present the notes to her at the July 18 dinner. We hope to see you all there!

VBS INCORPORATED CAMBODIA INTO THEIR CURRICULUM

Our VBS children learned about food, clothing and customs in Cambodia and are donating their offering to the Cambodia ministry. \$501.83 was raised! They also signed a poster with the wording below...(showing English and Khmer).

We love you - ពួកយើងស្រឡាញ់អ្នក
God loves you - ព្រះស្រឡាញ់អ្នក
We pray for you - យើងអំណិតស្នូនសម្រាប់អ្នក
The children of - កូនរបស់
Baker Memorial United Methodist Church -
វិហារមេតូឌីស្ទថក្រភពអង់គ្លេស

LAZARUS MEALS...

Do you have some spare time this summer? The Lazarus dinner team is cooking Chicken Vesuvio in July. We cook on the second Tuesday of each month and would be happy to have you join us! Contact Chris at cstumpf0308@gmail.com to join the team, cook or donate.

SUMMER CAMP DONATION

Camp Riverwoods (Fox Valley Christian Action) received a check from Baker Missions to sponsor a child for camp this summer. This is the last of a generous donation several years ago from Mary Linebarger!

MEAL DELIVERY TO LOCAL SENIORS

Kane County Senior Council (senior meals) could use your help delivering on a regular basis or being a substitute. Drivers pick up the meals at the Geneva Methodist Church and deliver to St. Charles and Geneva seniors. If you are interested in helping in this way, contact Marge Meanger at marjorieme@att.net

BAKER CAFE IN OCTOBER??!!

You might remember years ago when we opened our doors during the Scarecrow Festival to serve food from our church kitchen! Missions plans to bring back that tradition as a fundraiser for our Rainbow Covenant giving for 2018. More details will follow, but if you are willing and able to help with this effort please email Chris at cstumpf0308@gmail.com

SUMMER MMDC TRIP!

Mark Friday, July 27th in your calendar. Once again, Baker has signed up to spend a day down in Chatham, Illinois at the Midwest Mission Distribution Center. This is something the whole family can do. Children must be 11 or older. We will leave from Baker at 6am, work for the day and get back to town around 7pm.

Get to know where all those flood buckets, bikes, school- health and baby kits go and how they are put together.

There is a new \$12 fee for each volunteer that the Center is requiring. For information contact Betty Erickson at (630)399-6183.

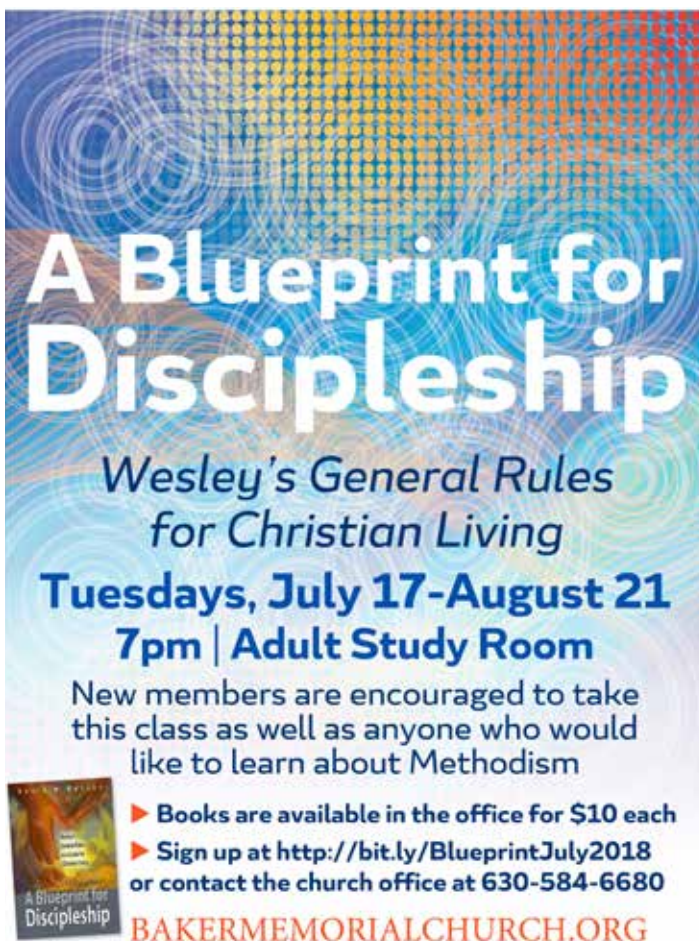


5th Sunday Special Offering

Since 1979, Northern Illinois congregations have provided over one million dollars to support United Voices for Children's affiliated agencies—ChildServ, MYSI and Rosecrance—through the Fifth Sunday Appeal. Congregations participate by inviting their members to give to a special offering on the fifth Sunday of any month. Through this collaborative giving effort dozens of United Methodist congregation of all sizes are able to make a real difference in the lives of children, youth and families in need. The next opportunity for giving is Sunday, July 29. You will find an envelope in your bulletin at both services for the United Voices for Children special offering.

Women's Retreat Registration is Open

The Women's retreat is October 12-13 at Camp Reynoldswood in Dixon, Illinois. Explore the mystery of God and your part in the family. Pastor Mary is our leader. Fliers with registration forms are available on the kiosk outside the office or at coffee hour. Or register online at: bit.ly/bakerwomensretreat A \$25 deposit is due when you sign up. The total cost \$65. After September 16, the fee is \$70.



A Blueprint for Discipleship

Wesley's General Rules
for Christian Living

Tuesdays, July 17-August 21
7pm | Adult Study Room

New members are encouraged to take this class as well as anyone who would like to learn about Methodism

- ▶ Books are available in the office for \$10 each
- ▶ Sign up at <http://bit.ly/BlueprintJuly2018> or contact the church office at 630-584-6680

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Credit Card & Paypal Donation Options

If you would like to donate to Baker Memorial UMC using a credit card or Paypal, go to BakerMemorialChurch.org and click on the donate button or you can scan our QR code, shown here, to give with your smartphone.



Caring Ministry Lunches Needed

Baker Memorial serves lunch on Tuesday and Thursday to the under-served in St. Charles. Approximately 12-15 adults join our staff for fellowship and community building over lunch. There are spots available to sign up to provide a simple lunch for our Day Guests. Details and sign ups can be found at <https://mealtrain.com/z9dyzd> or by calling Judy at (630)584-6680.

Volunteer Board

Look for our Volunteer Board hanging in Baker Hall to see a few of the ways you can use your gifts to serve here at Baker Memorial UMC. If you are looking for volunteers, contact the office to get your information posted.



women's retreat
connections

Led by Pastor Mary Zajac

October 12 & 13, 2018
bit.ly/bakerwomensretreat

register now!

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2018 Annual Conference

The 179th Annual Conference of the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church met at Pheasant Run June 3-5. Kim Starr, Betty Erickson, and I attended as lay delegates. Pastor Mary attended as a clergy delegate. This year we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the uniting of the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church to become the United Methodist Church. I want to take this opportunity to thank any of you that volunteered to help at this year's conference.

Annual Conference is an opportunity to learn more about what is going on throughout the NIC, act on pending legislation as well as reconnecting with friends...people such as the Eunbae Doh, Jim Best, Raney Good and Tom and Ellen Walker. These are names that many of you may remember from their time at Baker Memorial UMC.

Sunday was the gathering of those coming from across our conference. I have been asked a few times, recently, about just how big our conference is. Geographically we include all churches from the Iowa border to the Indiana border and from I80 north to the Wisconsin state line. There were about 900 people in attendance this year. The highlight of Sunday was the Ordination service where elders and deacons were ordained. This year's service also included the baptism of a couple of the children of pastors in the conference.

MONDAY, JUNE 4

On Monday morning, Bishop Sally Dyck called us to order. After the setting of daily procedures and some other organizational business the Bishop gave her address. The theme of this year's meeting was "Navigating Uncharted Waters." She used the example of white water rafting to illustrate her points. She noted that with white water rafting success equates to survival. She spoke about the ongoing discussion about inclusion of LGBTQ persons and noted that many are tired of this discussion. It is not the worst thing that has ever happened to the Church and she assured us that we will get through it. She went on to describe the process started by the General Conference in 2016 and the work of the Commission on the Way Forward. There are three proposals that have been brought forward and the one gaining the support of Bishops Council is called One Church. This would eliminate restrictive language

from The Book of Discipline and allow individual clergy and individual churches to make their own decisions on things such as same sex marriages. The actual report of the Commission is in the process of being translated into all needed languages and should be available in late July. Listening sessions will be held throughout the NIC in October and November so that our delegates to General Conference can better represent us at the special session of the General Conference in February 2019. This legislation is likely to be changed substantially at the special session.



Bishop Sally Dyck

There is no resolution on this topic until after the General Conference meets. More information can be found at nic.org.

Our Biblical reflection for the day was on refugees. John McCullough, President and CEO of Church World Services, used the great Sarengeti migration to illustrate his point. This is an annual migration for the survival of the wildebeests. Refugees, too, migrate from place to place in hope of survival. Worldwide there are 24,000,000 displaced refugees of all nationalities. Work continues to help these people find places where they feel safe and can lead a productive life.

The afternoon began with the Retirement Service for 18 of our retiring clergy. They were given four questions to choose from for their remarks. All were based on the Navigating Uncharted Waters theme. One memorable and humorous question was "What advice do you have for clergy who are in ministry in the midst of *uncharted waters*?" Some answers were: When you start in Ministry, put an electrician and plumber on retainer. When you wear your collar in public, people will confess. Always be prepared because you never know what is coming around the corner.

Mark Manzi from our Aurora District is one of three lay leaders that serve our Annual Conference—much like Joel Peck is our local church lay leader. Manzi gave the Laity Address. He spoke on Adaptive Leadership and how it relates to organizations such as the church.

The United Methodist Men shared their latest project called "Amending Through Faith." This addresses domestic violence. We were assured that we will be hearing more about this project in the coming year.

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE *continued from page 8.*

Everyone has a bit of a competitive nature and so is true with our Districts. This year's Bishop's Appeal offering for Global Migration brought this out. Churches came forward with monies that had been collected in their local churches as well as their own personal offerings and placed them in the offering basket held by their District Superintendent. The entire denomination had raised \$177,000 up to this point. We collected \$72,000! WOW! The winning district was the DeKalb District.

We heard a report from the Shepherding Team which was put together last year to coordinate and lead the work of the church. This past year has been spent organizing and learning. Next year they will present a five year vision plan. Pastor Mary was a member of the organizational task force that developed the Shepherding Team proposal.

Our first full day ended with the passing of a piece of legislation addressing our actions as an Annual Conference around the issue of gun violence. There was some very good discussion around this topic prior to the vote with comments being heard from ex-military, retired law enforcement and others.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

Tuesday morning opened with a report from our Board of Pensions. They stressed the importance of the local church paying for their portion of their pastor's pension benefit as well as health insurance to keep these programs healthy.

Our Biblical reflection for the day was on the history behind the merger of the Evangelical United Brethren and Methodist churches back in 1968. The Rev. Alfred Day from the General Commission on Archives and History spoke about things that were happening in 1968 and what has gone on over the past 50 years.

A memorial service to honor those in our Annual Conference who have entered into life eternal over the past year was very moving. The sermon was given by the Rev. Tim Casey who was paralyzed for the chest down in an accident back in 1998. He spoke about Hope and Faith. He stated that when his faith was insufficient, the faith of the people around him was sufficient. We were asked early in the service to take a piece of paper and write on it something we had learned from someone close to us who is now deceased and place it in a bottle that was on each table. At the end, we exchanged bottles with another table and each took a message from the bottle. We were encouraged to take this message with us and think about it in the year ahead. 34 clergy, spouses and lay members were



The mission trailer was filled to capacity at Annual Conference! Every district met or exceeded their goals.

remembered with the lighting of candles.

The afternoon started with the annual meeting for the United Methodist Foundation. The foundation is financially healthy as they continue to work to divest from fossil fuels.

On a sad note we received a report on Marcy Newberry. Many of you may remember this social service agency that was a part of Chicago from 1885 to 2013. Those that remain on the board continue to work to close the corporation and settle any outstanding financial issues. They hope to have this completed by next year at this time.

The final order of business for the day was to vote on a couple of things. We had to revote on a Constitutional amendment that due to a previous error did not pass. We voted to pass this amendment. All Annual Conferences will take the same vote and report back to the General Conference. And, finally we voted to add language to the Standing Rules that incorporates language for a resolution we approved last year to organize a strategic planning team.

The 179th session of the NIC Annual Conference adjourned at about 4:15pm.

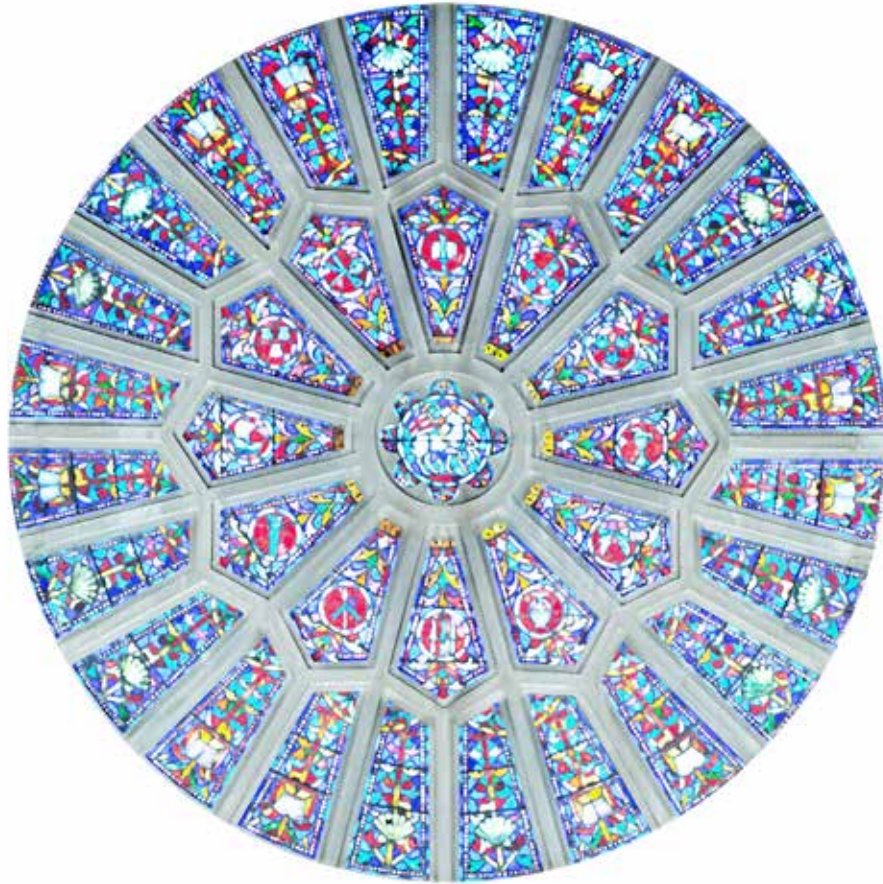
This may all seem like a lot to accomplish in two days, and it was. Interspersed were times of prayer, luncheons, dinners, a walk through displays and some shopping at Cokesbury. If you have questions about anything I have shared please feel free to talk to Kim, Betty, Pastor Mary or me. The Northern Illinois Conference website is also a good source of information.

We have been meeting at Pheasant Run for the past 15 years and it is time to move on. Next year's session will be held at the Renaissance in Schaumburg June 2-4, 2019.

Debbie Conterato
Chair of Church Council

JULY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9am Worship 9am Sunday School: Children 10:30am Jazz Worship	11:30am FaithFriends	11:30am Day Guest Lunch 11:30am Kiwanis 1:30pm Staff Meeting 8pm Alcoholics Anonymous	4pm & 7pm Careful, Caring Conversation Group	7:30am FaithFriends 11:30am Day Guest Lunch	NOTE: The first row of items occur every week and will not appear on daily listings (except in case of schedule change)	
1	2 1pm One O'Clock Book Club	3	4 Independence Day Office closed	5	6 9am Outdoor Farmer's Market 7 	
8 	9 9:30am SHIP Help for Seniors 7pm Trustees	10 3:30pm Lazarus House 7pm Children & Family Ministry 7pm Finance	11	12 8am Red Cross	13 9am Outdoor Farmer's Market	14
15 6pm Middle School Fellowship	16 9am NIL Food Bank 6pm Summer Reading Discussion 7pm Church Council	17 5pm Women's Emmaus, off site 7pm Blueprint for Discipleship	18	19 9am SING 1pm Women's Emmaus 7pm SING Concert	20 Carillon Articles Due 9am Outdoor Farmer's Market	21
22	23 11am Garden Club 7pm Worship/ Spiritual Growth	24 7pm Blueprint for Discipleship	25 	26	27 Midwest Distribution Work Trip 8am Red Cross 9am Outdoor Farmer's Market	28 8:30am Pre Marriage Class 9am Baptism Preparation Class
29 United Voices for Children Offering	30	31 7pm Blueprint for Discipleship				



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