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pastor's column



From the Pastor's Desk

I recently returned from a week at Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary. I was finishing the required week of face to face classes with the professors who oversaw the two classes I was taking. The discussions were both challenging and stimulating as we dug into the Bible to expand our understanding of the Old and New Testaments. Learning as an older adult is much more fun!

Part of the experience at seminary includes mid-day chapel services. They are always very moving and extremely spirit filled. In the midweek service we were asked to remember baptisms. We were invited to come to the Baptismal font, pour water into it, publicly state where we see God working in our lives and the lives of our congregations. My mind began to race as I recalled how we have come to know and relate to each other in the first year that I have served you. I recalled the number of hands that scraped carrots, baked pies roasted pork loins or whole turkeys for the monthly dinners at Howarth. remembered the smiles on the faces of the residents at the Lake Orion Nursing Center when many of you gathered to bring them an afternoon worship service. I thought of the excitement on the faces of the children at both churches who serve as acolytes, Bible carriers and bell ringers in Sunday service. I think of them when I remember their presentations on Christmas Eve. I see God working in each of you who visits an ill church member or prays for a loved one who is ill. God's presence is never far from us, especially when we actively loving our neighbors.

At the end of this service we were invited to come to the fount and select a stone to

take with us to remember our baptisms. The one I chose happened to be a rough black stone. I return to my seat and held it in my hand. As it dried the color changed from deep black to grey. It reminded me that when we accept God's love and share it with our neighbors we are changed. No longer do we live just for ourselves. We become true disciples of Jesus Christ. We reflect his compassion and bring others to Him. We change the world one act of love at a time.

Where do you see God working in your life?

Peace and Blessings!

Rev. Carolyn Jones

NEWSLETTER **ARTICLE DEADLINE:** October 15th.

We are in the process of updating our directory. If you have any changes that need to be made, please contact the church office.

HOPE WARMING SHELTER

August 19th we will be serving a meal at the shelter. Sign-up sheets are in the fellowship halls.

Basic Lay Servant Class

Sept. 10, 17, 24 & Oct. 1, 8

1:30-3:30 p.m. at Paint Creek UMC

"God calls you to a life of servanthood as a disciple of Jesus Christ. ...Lay Servant Ministries is the first step for many laypersons toward their faith journey as they strive for a closer relationship with the Lord," the authors write in the introduction.

The Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course is a foundational course designed to equip new church leaders and renew current leaders in The United Methodist Church. It explores

- personal spiritual gifts
- servant leadership
- each leader's role in developing future leaders
- the importance of consistent spiritual practices
- the core ministries of Leading, Caring, and Communicating
- and much more.

The Basic Course can be used for both adults and youth. Consisting of five two-hour sessions, it may serve as a short-term study for small groups, Sunday school classes, and new member classes.

For questions & registration, contact Heidi Paterson 248-240-6450 or at: info@thetoffeestore.com

PERSON OF FAITH LAURA MOGGIO

Laura Moggio is a life long resident of the Rochester community. In her family there were 3 children (2 girls and a boy) with Laura being the youngest. Her father, Cal Devitt, was an elementary school teacher while her mother, LennaVay, was

a stay-at-home mom. When LennaVay's children were older, she returned to work. Prior to her marriage and family, she worked as an elementary school teacher but she resumed work as a para pro in Rochester.

Laura was educated in the Rochester school district, graduating from Adams high school. After graduation she studied at Oakland University earning a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology.

Her job experiences have consisted of working with young children in the Goodison day care program for 4 years and then for eleven years at the Rochester school Wings program for adult special education students. Laura's final assignment was at Hugger elementary school as a para pro for 4 years working with special needs children. While Laura was at Hugger it is there where her mother began to again work as a para pro. Laura states: "This was a special time in my life being able to work at the same school with my mother."

Laura now works a couple of days a month cleaning both Howarth and Paint Creek churches.

Anthony Moggio and Laura were married August 16, 2008 at Paint Creek church. Their two delightful children, William 7 and Violet 6 brighten their parent's day.

Being able to be a stay-at-home mom allows Laura time to volunteer at McGregor elementary school where her the children attend. She works in the library assisting children and then in the classrooms of William and Violet for one day each.

Her major interest is reading the classics she never had a chance to

enjoy in the past. Laura likes Charles Dickens and Jane Austin books. She also enjoys baking.

Daring and adventuresome, Laura learned how to downhill ski on the big slopes of the Rocky Mountains - no bunny hill for her. She will also climb on the trampoline with her children at grandpa's house.

Travel for Laura includes the east coast, Florida, Colorado and Utah. Fall of 2016 Germany was the destination with her father and sister, Amy. This was a memorable family adventure.

Laura states: "I have achieved 3 great accomplishments so far in my life. They are: having my son, having my daughter and along with my brother caring for my very ill mom for fifteen years." Doctors had said her mother would only live a few months but with the tremendous love and good care given by Laura and Steve proved the medical doctors to be wrong.

What does Laura like about Paint Creek church? She feels the church is warm and inviting- just like home. She also comments: "The church has maintained its' friendliness over the years." Laura has attended Paint Creek church the age of 3. At this time, she wants her children to have the same wonderful experiences in church as she had as a young child. Laura also admits to tearing up when the old hymns are sung. They remind her of her mom singing favorite hymns while working around the house.

As time has progressed, Laura has become more involved in the church service assisting with communion and reading scripture. She does cards for members celebrating special *cont. pg 3*

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occasions or going through difficult times. On Sundays when there are lots of children for Sunday school she will go out and help the teachers.

Paint Creek church is blessed to have Laura Moggio as a member of our church. She demonstrates great love, compassion and a concern for others which are important qualities for an outstanding Christian.

DEVOTIONAL GROUP STUDY Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. Meeting at Nicks Country Oven at the corners of Silverbell and Adams

Come gather with other spiritual family members to share a longer devotional time (about one hour). Did you know that *The Upper Room* was originally developed as a small group study? Share the daily Wednesday devotional together with prayer, scripture, probing questions, and reflection.

I want to thank members of

friends of Paint Creek and Howarth churches for prayers and concerns for me during my surgery and recovery! Pastor Carolyn was with me on the day of surgery and called several times, much appreciated. I am on the mend slow, but sure. Thank you, Treva Redman

AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

Movies will resume in the fall. Watch bulletins for dates. Free will offering. Free popcorn. Beverages for sale. Monies raised from these afternoons will be used for Sunday School programs, trips and for summer camps.

EVERYONE INVITED

PAINT CREEK NEWS:



Birthdays & Anniversaries:

August

Treva Redman	Aug 3
Rob Mair	Aug 11
Stanley Summers	Aug 23
Tim Tapner	Aug 25
Becky Weger	Aug 26

Anniversaries

Shawn & Cindy Jacklin Aug 14 Anthony & Laura Moggio Aug 16 Mike & Nancy Nawrocki Aug 27

September

Benjamin Barkham	Sept 22
Michael Nawrocki	Sept 23

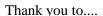
Anniversaries

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Andy & Sandy Knaack Sept 3 Steve & Gail Stoner Sept 18

October

Julia Jackiin	Oct 2
Barb Smith	Oct 5
Jan McCall	Oct 13
Donald Paterson	Oct 17
Pastor Carolyn	Oct 21
Gail Stoner	Oct 22
Anniversaries	
Rob & Judy Mair	Oct 3



Steffi Glygoroff and Dick Bourez for their music during offertory time on both the flute and organ. Gail Stoner for organizing fellowship each Sunday.

The cooks for bringing in delicious food dishes each week.

All who do clean-up after fellowship.

Colleen and Sandy for cleaning and organizing pastor's office and the kitchen cupboards.

Mission Report

Our July mission, Heifer International Project, raised \$300.00 to purchase animals for families in poverty areas around the world. August will be spent raising money for St. Andrew Society, an organization where volunteers salvage produce from the fields for families experiencing poverty condition in the U.S.A. and for the potato project sponsored by this organization. Only 2 of the 6 Sunday collections remain for this year. They are: World Communion Sunday with the collection in October and United Methodist Student Day at the end of November.

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HOWARTH NEWS:

In Memory of Paul Louis Hamman May 19, 1948 - June 23, 2017 Obituary

HAMMAN, Paul Louis, 69, of Rochester Hills, passed away June 23, 2017 surrounded by his family. He graduated from Birmingham Groves HS in 1966, later receiving his Bachelor's Degree from Adrian College in 1970. Paul married Kaye Cheryl Reeves on June 12, 1970. Early in his career, he was employed by MR Products and General Polymers; then, with the help of Paul Spadafore, they cofounded Pyramid Products which grew into Pyramid Finishing, Eagle Distributing and Rio Grande. Loving husband of Kaye; beloved father of Laurie (Patrick) Fenchak, Lisa (Michael) Damitio and Amy (Ernie) Young: grandfather of Nicholas, Alexa, Lucas, Molly, Thomas, Anthony and Lilah; brother of Rodney (Barbara) Hamman and Son inlaw of Shirley (the late Alfred) Reeves. Funeral Service was held Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 620 Romeo Rd, Rochester. Memorial contributions may be made to Howarth United Methodist Church or the MI Salvation Army.

All of us here at Howarth miss you Paul. You were a faithful servant for many years. Time to rest now.

Howarth has a new lawn tractor, purchased with funds from the Memorial Fund, Dennis, Ray and Rick certainly do appreciate it. Everyone is thankful to them for taking care of the lawn.

New acolyte robes have been ordered, also funded by the Memorial Fund.



Birthdays & Anniversaries: August

Erica Vangeisen	Aug	9
Ruth Ferrell	Aug	9
Megan Key	Aug	12
Scott Howden	Aug	14
Leroy Thatcher	Aug	29
Anniversaries (none)		

September

Paul Sandstrom Sept 30

Anniversaries

Dennis & Pamala WaiteSept	8
Ernie & Amy Young Sept	23
Eric & Cheryl EverhartSept	30

October

Rita Sauls	Oct 12
Sharon Rowden	Oct 17
Pastor Carolyn	Oct 21
Lilah Kaye Young	Oct 26

Anniversaries (none)



Steve Ferrell for fixing the faucets/sinks around the church.

All who help out with the dinners. It's quite the undertaking,

especially when we serve over 200!

Cheryl Everhart for getting the refreshments for the movie afternoons.

Marilyn Foster for all the behind the scenes things she does for the dinners and our worship service.

Ferrell's and Staley's for keeping the landscaping looking great.

Pat Pollitt for having communion elements ready each month.

HOWARTH UMW NEWS:

Marilyn Foster

Our remaining dinner schedule:

Aug. 23rd: Roast Beef Sept. 27th: Swiss Steak Oct. 25th: Pork

Nov. 11th: Turkey

The July dinner made a profit of \$2,000! Served over 200 people.

Repeating last month's request: **Attention pie makers:** We truly need to know how many pies you will be bringing for the dinners. The kind of pie would be great to know also. Thank you in advance for everyone's hard work and dedication to our dinners.

CANDY SALE:

Hunter Lamas is selling candy bars \$1. Proceeds from this sale will help pay for his school trip to Washington D.C. in Feb. 2018.

Thank you for your support.

NEW PIANIST:

Hopefully everyone has had the opportunity to welcome Mackenna to our worship service. You're doing a great job Mackenna!



A 10 year old little girl was asked by another classmate, "what is it like to be a Christian?" The girl replied, "it's like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off you. Then he cuts open the top and scoops out all of the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc., and then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see."



Halloween Oct. 31st

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