

Reaching UP

United
Presbyterian
Church

UPC Needs You

Now is the time to get involved with UPC! It's the start of a new school year, and this means we will be seeing new faces at our church. UPC has heard multiple times over that we have a welcoming spirit and open hearts. This is wonderful news. Did you know part of our welcoming atmosphere is our involvement in the church? We need you to help continue that involvement!

Throughout this newsletter you are going to see multiple ways you can help out at the church and with the congregation. Remember you do not have to be a member to show your support.

Sundays Only: On Sunday there are many positions available: handing out bulletins, working with fellowship hour, or helping out the Sunday School programs—to name a few

One-on-One: If you are more comfortable working one-on-one with individuals, you could be interested in working on conversational English skills with a non-native English speaker on a weekly basis. If you want more flexibility, you could mentor a college student.

Groups: If you have limited time but like working with multiple individuals, the Sunday school class is always looking for additional help. You could also help with the Ethnic Food Fair by taking tickets, greeting newcomers, and cooking.

Financially: If you have an interest in a group but are not interested in participating, you can always donate specifically to that program to help in development!

Independent: If you like working on your own with little structure, Reaching UP would love articles submissions or aid in editing.

Laborer: Maybe you'd like to get a short workout. Every week the fellowship committee needs help setting up and tearing down the fellowship hall. Of course the Ethnic Food Fair needs help with decorations, setting up tables, tearing down tables, and cleaning the room as the event goes on. You could also help with doing maintenance on the church building!

Transportation: Do you like to drive? Many of our attendees would love a ride to church and UPC events. UKirk has students that would like to attend Wednesday evening meetings but need help with transportation.

Interested in putting your talents towards welcoming new faces? Please contact the church at upcbloomington@gmail.com today, and we will help get you to

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UPC Theater Outing & Book Study



There's a great deal of buzz about the upcoming production of the controversial play "Lord of the Flies" and UPC has tickets! The UPC theater outing is at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11. The Cardinal Stage Company is producing the show at the Buskirk Chumley Theater.

Cardinal founder and award winning producer Randy White is directing a cast of professional and age appropriate actors. Because of the play's intensity, it will only run for five performances. Cardinal gave UPC an excellent discount. We'll be in the first six rows, center section, for \$18.50 per ticket instead of the usual \$23.50.

The novel *Lord of the Flies* tells the highly controversial story of stranded schoolboys who rule an island paradise. Nobel Prize-winning William Golding's acclaimed book is now a shocking dramatization of the good and evil within us all.

UPC's Tuesday Evening Book & Bible Study has been studying *Lord of the Flies* each Tuesday evening since July 30th to prepare for attending the play. The study will continue through Tuesday September 10.

To reserve and pay for tickets to attend the show, see UPC event coordinator Allen Pease during fellowship hour or in the church office during office hours. You do not have to attend the book study to go to the show. Though, if you want to participate in the book study, simply attend the Tuesday evening sessions at 6 p.m. The group meets in Fellowship Hall. Paperback copies of *Lord of the Flies* are available at Barnes & Noble.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

1 Angie & Andy
Notebaert Anniversary
2 Phyllis Watt
3 Don Root
3 Carl Watt
3 Ruth Young
7 Judie Iverson
8 Nicholas Linton
11 Erin Bremer Johnson

11 Logan Notebaert
15 Betty Chipman
15 Alexander Like
17 Yasmina Haddad
20 Bud and Lucinda
Wyman Anniversary
27 Billy Rhoades
29 Vera and Gerrit
Heitink Anniversary

If you would like to make additions to the birthday and anniversary calendar please email: upcbloomington@gmail.com.



September Pulpit Schedule

September 1st – Reverend Mihee Kim Kort
September 8th – Reverend Mihee Kim Kort
September 15th – Don Root, Clerk of Session
September 22th – Reverend Sarah Cochran
September 29th – Reverend Sarah Cochran



Pulpit Supply Introduction

Reaching U.P. will be providing the monthly schedule for the individuals that will be leading the worship service and providing the sermon. Each month, there will also be a highlight of one or two of these individuals. This month Reaching U.P. highlights Reverend Sarah Cochran.

Introduction to Reverend Sarah Cochran

Sarah is not a stranger to UPC. Her mother, Ruth was a long time member at UPC and Sarah became a member in 2001. She has been active since that time, serving as a ruling elder, as a communicant class teacher, and has occasionally preached. She was absent for approximately 6 years while she served a congregation both before and after her ordination in 2009.

Sarah Cochran was born into a Presbyterian family in Brooklyn, NY in 1946. She went to Hanover College and McCormick Theological Seminary. She received her Master of Divinity from McCormick in 1972, 20 years after starting kindergarten in Bismarck, North Dakota.

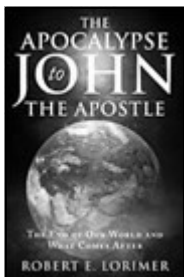
Unable to find employment in the church, she primarily worked in social services, as well as many “regular” jobs such as McDonalds, in the Purdue Student Union as a maid and at Noble Romans as a server. In 2001, she became a member of UPC and once again formally pursued ordination. UPC was the congregation who sponsored her in the Presbytery of Ohio Valley. 37 years after graduating from seminary, on August 16, 2009, she was ordained to the ministry of Word and Sacrament in the UPUSA. That service took place at UPC and the place ROCKED.

Prior to her ordination for 2 1/2 years and following for about 4 years she served the congregation in Vernon, Indiana. She currently is looking for another position in which to serve the church as a teaching elder. Until that happens she is happy to once again be active in the UPC fellowship.

Photo Identification Help Needed

"Dr. Bremer left some older photographs with me. I am hoping people will take a few minutes to look at them on the bulletin board in fellowship hall. If you know any of them, please write the name on the back of the photo."
- Many thanks, Lou Malcomb

The Apocalypse to John the Apostle, by Rev. Robert Lorimer



The Publisher says this of Mr. Lorimer's book: "Educate yourself on the Old and New Testament prophecies and what the end will hold as visions of John are discussed in easy-to-grasp language. The Apocalypse to John the Apostle will inspire you to live with purpose and focus, evaluate your priorities and discover what truly matters in light of the future coming of the Lord. This insightful book will nurture your relationship with Christ and kindle your desire to be ready for that day." More information on Reverend Lorimer can be found at robertlorimer.tateauthor.com.

UKirk

UKirk is endeavoring to provide a venue for First Presbyterian Church and United Presbyterian Church to reach out to IU students.

Wright on Wednesdays:

Please join us at the Wright Education building on Wednesdays from 8 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. in room 2277. This is a time for fellowship, learning, and spiritual growth.

Student Lunches:

FPC continues with student lunches on Sundays at FPC after the 11 A.M. service. If you would like to help with this ministry, they are always looking for donations of paper goods (plates, utensils, cups, and napkins).

Dates to Remember

3 - Student Organization Fair @ Dunn Meadow
4 - Wednesday at Wright (Education Building) at 7 P.M. The earlier time is just for this week!



Montreat College
Conference
January 2-5, 2014.

Ethnic Food Fair

You have been hearing about the Ethnic Food Fair for over a month, and now it is just around the corner. The Fair will be on Saturday, September 7th from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. It is an opportunity for friends and members of UPC to prepare and share food from their native countries. For a successful event the committee needs volunteers for: staffing the event, decorating, setting up, cleaning up, and most importantly to cook. Everyone is needed to sell tickets!

Anyone is welcome to join in the fun by helping. The Ethnic Food Fair is successful each year because of the quality of the volunteers. If you're interested in helping in any way, please contact one of the co-chairs— Vera Heitink, Rachel Loop, Lou Malcomb, or Allen Pease.

Goals of the Ethnic Food Fair

- *To illustrate our diversity and inclusiveness by celebrating the Language Partner Program
- *To raise funds for UPC

UPC Language Partner Program needs a Coordinator

UPC Language Partners is in need of a Program Coordinator. Last month in Reaching U.P. discussion was on the revitalizing of the UPC Language Partner Program. This program was vital with many UPCers partnering with international non-native English speakers to help them with their English language skills.

Duties for the Program Coordinator would be to coordinate the match-ups between international non-native English speakers and UPC Language Partners and to facilitate the Wednesday evening service (these services will include music and Bible study customized for those with English as a second language.) If you are not interested in being the coordinator, but are interested in being a part of this program, please contact church secretary Allen Pease.

Individuals that are a UPC Language Partner (this can be individuals or couples) are partnered with an international non-native English speaker. You would meet with this individual for at least one hour per week. Ideas include: taking them to lunch, meeting at the library, going shopping, touring Bloomington's museums, attending UPC events. Any activity is a good activity, as long as it centers upon improving English skills. The UPC Language Partners are not required to attend the Wednesday evening service. Again, if interested please contact Allen Pease.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held this year on Sunday September 29th at the Mathis Farm. We will car-pool out to the farm immediately following the service. The quicker everyone gets out there the earlier we can start activities.

If you are interested please sign up in the narthex.

Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Letter of Gratitude

Dear UPC Congregation,

Thank you all for the gift cards but, more importantly, for the memories. You have been my family since the day I was born - literally! The support and love I have felt is endless. UPC is a part of me and I am honored to be a part of it. I can only hope I find another church with the same sense of unity and acceptance in Nashville. However, I'm not worried because I know that I will always have this church to come back to. You all mean the world to me and I absolutely cannot wait to be able to worship with you all again.

With lots of love,

Mina Haddad

Editor's Note::

Yasmina (Mina) Haddad is now a Freshman at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. We wish her well.

Financial Report

We had a down month in July. We took in a total of \$10,507.16 for the month and our expenses were \$17,550.43, giving us a negative cash flow of \$7,043.27 for July and a total positive cash flow of \$6,551.90 for the year to date.

INCOME					EXPENSES	GAIN/LOSS
	OFFERING	MISSION	FUND R.	TOTAL		
JULY	9036.50	100.00	1,370.66	10,507.16	17,550.43	-7,043.27
TO DATE	92,698.16	1,786.04	6,364.25	100,848.45	94,296.55	6,551.90

Donations were down and expenses were up, due to some unusual seasonal bills in July. Hopefully, we'll be back to normal when vacation season is over.

On a positive note, more than 560 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed to needy families in Monroe County. We can be proud of our part in this. When I delivered the two large boxes on Monday morning, they were pleasantly surprised that a church as small as ours had donated so much.

Don Root, Stewardship Chairman

Calendar of Events

~ September 2013 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Deacon's Sunday 9am Bible Study 10am Worship and Communion w/ Rev Mihee Kim-Kort 11am Fellowship	2	3 12:15 Bible Study 6pm Book Study	4 8pm Overeaters Anonymous	5 8pm AA Campus Group	6 11:45 Men's Lunch 7pm Temple Shir Tikvah	7 11am Overeaters Anonymous 5-7pm Ethnic Food Fair
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22 9am Bible Study 10am Worship w/ Rev. Sarah Cochran 11am Fellowship	23	24 12:15 Bible Study 6pm Book Study	25 8pm Overeaters Anonymous	26 8pm AA Campus Group	27 11:45 Men's Lunch 7pm Temple Shir Tikvah	28 11am Overeaters Anonymous
29 9am Bible Study 10am Worship w/ Rev. Sarah Cochran 11am Fellowship VBS after Service	30					Sunday Evenings— 5:30 Gamblers Anonymous, 6pm Overeaters Anonymous, 8pm AA Campus Group



September 7th (from 5-7) is the date for UPC's annual Ethnic Food Fair. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact Vera Heitink, Rachel Loop, Lou Malcomb or Allen Pease. Volunteers to prepare for or staff the event are needed!

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How to Get Involved

Guest performers:

Throughout the year we have many special guest performances to enhance our worship experience. If you have a musical talent and are interested in sharing it with the congregation, please contact Jeeyoon Kim!

Fellowship Hour

Fellowship Hour is a time to share with one another over coffee and snacks. Everyone is invited to attend. It is held immediately following the Sunday worship service. Fellowship hours can be hosted by groups, families, or individuals. If you feel led to serve in this way, a signup sheet is in the fellowship hall.

UKirk:

UKirk is in need of assistance with transportation, food donations, speakers, and mentors. If you are interested, please contact Elaine at NPlane01@aol.com.

Flowers:

Sanctuary flowers can be donated in honor or in memory of someone special, a birthday, an anniversary, a special event, or just to the Glory of God. To place sanctuary flowers for a special occasion or to honor a loved one, see the sign-up sheet posted opposite the church office. If you would like the Worship Committee to order, the cost is \$23 with delivery included.

Volunteering with Sunday School:

Do you love children? Are you excited about crafts? The Sunday School teachers would love to have you assist them. Please contact Karen Like for more information!

Utilize Scrip:

When Scrip cards are purchased UPC receives a percentage from the merchant. The Scrip table will only be set up on the last Sunday of the month to accept order forms and payments. The purchased cards will be available to be picked up the following Sunday!

Bible Studies:

The church offers three gatherings to explore faith and knowledge outside of the worship service. Please know these are not always bible classes, each is an interactive time to learn and share.

Little Red Wagon:

The little red wagon is waiting to be filled with canned goods and hygiene products for Monroe County United Ministries. For more information ask one of our Deacons..



The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Served by the Moderator and the Elders the first Sunday of each month & certain other special occasions. Holy Communion will be served on September 1st by: Sarah Cochran, John Swanson, Bob Hammel, and Judie



Sunday School Teaching Schedule

Sunday School classrooms are being staffed for both classes. The following is September teaching schedule for Pre K—2nd grade: 1st – Aline Haddad; 8th – Stephanie Worden; 15th – Melanie Mathis-McBride; 22nd – Angie Notebaert; 29th Aline Haddad. September teaching schedule for 3rd– 6th grad: 1st – Leina Joseph; 8th – Karen Like; 15th – Michelle Heitink; 22nd – Linda Coggin; 29th Leina Joseph.

Additions to Reaching U.P.

Do you have something the congregation should know about? Is there something you would like to share? Please email any submission for Reaching U.P. to upcbloomington@gmail.com, before the 15th of each month.

September Reaching U.P.

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Spiritual Growth Opportunities

For Children

Youth Sunday School (Pre-school through sixth grade)
Following dismissal from worship

College Students and Young Adults

UKirk – Various activities check out www.iukirk.com

Adults and College Students

People of the New Testament at 9 A.M. on Sundays in Anderson Parlor
Bible Study with Reverend Bremer and Reverend Lorimer, 12:15 P.M. on Tuesdays
in Fellowship Hall
Book study, participant lead, 6 P.M. on Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall

