

Reaching UP

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Alejandra Haddad Achieves Oblate Status

Our own Alejandra Spir-Haddad, an Elder of our congregation, former member of the UPC Session and an active member of the UPC Worship & Music Team, reached the point in her studies at St. Meinrad Seminary to achieve the status of Oblate which was made official during a traditional and inspiring ceremony in March.

Alejandra Spir-Haddad was invested with the Scapular of Saint Meinrad Archabbey on September 3, 2015 at St. Meinrad, Indiana. She made the Holy Act of Oblation on March 23, 2019 at St. Meinrad Seminary receiving the name Julian. Janis Dopp, Oblate Director, presided.



Her husband, UPC Deacon Souheil Haddad, attended the touching ceremony and provided Reaching U.P. with this photo taken at the historic St. Meinrad Archabbey shortly afterward. The Seminary is located on the Archabbey grounds near Jasper, Indiana.

Alejandra, a full time dentist with a practice in Bloomington is also a wife, mother of three and a very active, longtime member of UPC. In addition to achieving Oblate status while pursuing a Masters Degree in Theology at St. Meinrad, Alejandra has also graduated from the Commissioned Lay Pastor Program at Louisville Theological Seminary. She now works toward certification to provide spiritual guidance to members of the Presbyterian Church (USA) as well as members of the Roman Catholic Church.

Alejandra's husband is a neurosurgeon. Daughter Aida is an IU grad with a masters from Princeton Seminary and currently at IU School of Medicine. Son Sami is also an IU grad with a Masters from University of Wisconsin and works in the corporate world. Yasmina is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and returns this fall for a Masters after two years of working in various programs for children at risk. Congrats Alejandra!



From the Pastor's Pen ...



Greetings from the Sunshine State,

I hope you all have had a happy and safe Memorial Day holiday. I look forward to being back with you in early June. Sending some sunshine and hot weather your way.

Grace and Peace,

- Pastor John, Sarah, and Johnny

How to Get Involved



Reaching UP

If you are interested in contributing articles or helping to put together the Reaching UP newsletter, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

Nursery Attendant

We are needing volunteers to staff the nursery from 9a-11a immediately. Please let Melanie know if you are interested at susieq_msm@yahoo.com.

Volunteering with Sunday School

We are always looking for loving people willing to teach once a month in Sunday School or help in the nursery. Please contact Melanie Mathis-McBride at susieq_msm@yahoo.com

Utilize Scrip

UPC receives a percentage from the merchant for each gift card purchased. Place and purchase your order the first Sunday of the month & pick up the following Sunday.

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 sign up sheet is in the fellowship hall.

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.

Video and Sound Systems

If you are interested in learning how to operate the sound system or help in taping Sunday worship service please contact Don Root at rootd@msn.com.

Offering

If you are interested in helping collect the offering during the service or count it after the service please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

Monroe County History

Someone recently contacted UPC about their family's genealogy especially what records we might have concerning White Oak Cemetery burials since it was originally the UPC cemetery before sold to the city of Bloomington. I told the person I would write something for the UPC newsletter to remind you all of some sources about Monroe County history. She specifically mentioned Dr. Woodburn's book: The Scotch-Irish Presbyterians in Monroe county, Indiana: a paper read before the Monroe County Historical Society, November and December, 1908, by James Albert Woodburn. Dr. Woodburn was a professor at the University. The book is wonderful and part of the Indiana Historical Society's Publication series. It is available electronically (HathiTrust edition: <https://hdl.handle.net/2027/inu.30000055093771>).

You also might be interested in the History of Lawrence and Monroe counties, Indiana : their people, industries, and institutions <https://hdl.handle.net/2027/wu.89072944762> or Counties of Morgan, Monroe, and Brown, Indiana. Historical and biographical. Charles Blanchard, editor. <https://hdl.handle.net/2027/wu.89058502386>. Both give some biographical information.

Both White Oak and Rose Hill cemeteries can be searched at: <https://bloomington.in.gov/burials/>

Submitted by Lou Malcomb

June Birthdays and Anniversaries



Jun 3 Julie Hammel

Jun 4 Souheil & Alejandra
Haddad Anniversary

Jun 5 Fadi and Aline Haddad
Anniversary

Jun 6 Jane Hammel Priest

Jun 7 Aida Haddad

Jun 7 Pastor John & Sarah
Napoli Anniversary

Jun 12 Allen Pease

Jun 21 Bill and Stephanie
Worden Anniversary

Jun 22 Robert and Julie
Hammel Anniversary

Jun 23 Sami Haddad

Jun 23 Dania Parker

Jun 27 Thomas Tadao
Like

Jun 27 Andy Hill

Jun 29 Raja Hanania



Financial Report

Expenses exceeded income again in April. Income was \$12,538.81 and expenses were \$15,097.23 giving us a net cash flow of negative \$2,558.42 for the month, reducing our year-to date surplus to \$2,711.05. Giving to the One Great Hour of Sharing was generous at \$607.21.

We took in an additional \$480 towards our Per-Capita in April, but we are still quite a bit short of our obligation. We are asking members, who are able and have not paid, to pay their Per-Capita. The Per-Capita rate for 2019 is \$40 per member.

Don Root

Youth in Action (everyone is invited to join)

If you are interested in volunteering or getting involved with UPC youth contact Melanie Mathis-McBride (susieq_msm@yahoo.com).

Sunday School / Nursery Schedule

Date	Pre-K – 5th Grade	Teens	Nursery
June 2	No Class	No Class	Lance Like
June 9	Aline Haddad	Michelle Heitink	Sookyong Kim
June 16	Melanie Mathis-McBride	Bob Hammel	Sarah Napoli
June 23	Karen Like	Melanie Mathis-McBride	Sarah Napoli
June 30	Melanie Mathis-McBride	No Class	Colleen Swanson



CAMP UPDATE:

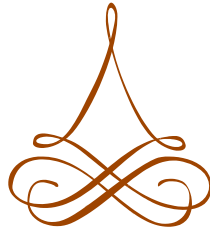
We have four UPC Youth heading to Camp PYOCA on Sunday, June 23 2019. Our campers are Logan, Caroline, Glenda and Nelda. We ask that you lift them up in prayer that week that they might have a wonderful camp experience.

BUCKHORN MISSION TRIP –

June 30 to July 5, 2019. If anyone is interested in joining us for this work camp in Buckhorn, KY area, contact Melanie or Darian McBride. It is a week of working around the church, and in the local area, we fellowship with Buckhorn Lake Area Presbyterian Church and have developed some wonderful friendships.

Congratulate our Graduates

We will enjoy a cake during fellowship hour on June 9, 2019 and a box will be downstairs for both of our graduates if anyone would like to drop them a note or card.



Stephanie Haddad

summa cum laude from George Washington University

Stephanie's plan will take her to work one year with AmeriCorps in Philadelphia, before heading back to get her Master's Degree in Public Health.

and

Matthew L. McBride

with Distinction from Indiana University Southeast

Matthew has been hired at UPS in Louisville, Kentucky, where he is using his degrees in finance and management. If you would like to drop a note to Matthew, his current address is:

Matthew McBride
2023 Depauw Ave
New Albany, IN 47150



ENJOY A MUSIC RELATED



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The goals set by the Worship Team for our Spring Concert were not met. We wound up at \$1,066.79 in the red. Since the Guest Artist Program was begun on the condition that no funds for the Program be taken from the UPC General Budget or Worship/Music Team Budget, it made sense to discontinue the Guest Artist Program and use what funds remain in it from past benefits to pay off the deficit. However, Pastor John came up with a better solution which the Worship Team has accepted and Session has approved.

To offset the deficit and continue the Guest Artist Program, the Worship Team will host simple music-related 'movie night' benefits in May, June and August along with the weekly July Movies with Meaning. As always there is no admission charge. Films will be screened and movie themed snacks and food will be served. A jar will be placed for attendees to make a donation to the Guest Artist Program.

Our first music-related movie night was Tuesday, May 14. We screened the 1992 comedy hit *Sister Act* starring Whoopi Goldberg. It wound up being a fun evening with great snacks including freshly popped popcorn and we raised \$70!

Join us in June!

June 11 — *Sister Act 2* (1993)

In this sequel, Las Vegas performer Deloris Van Cartier (Whoopi Goldberg) is surprised by a visit from her nun friends, including Sister Mary Patrick and Sister Mary Lazarus. It appears Deloris is needed in her nun guise as Sister Mary Clarence to help teach music to teens at a troubled school in hopes of keeping the facility from closing at the hands of Mr. Crisp, a callous administrator. Can Deloris shape the rowdy kids into a real choir? Rated PG – Some bad language

Then gear up for the **July Movies with Meaning.**

July schedule on following page

Help us wrap up in August!

August 13 — *Mr. Holland's Opus* (1995)

Composer Glenn Holland (Richard Dreyfuss) believes he'll eventually write a transcendent piece of music, but in the meantime, he's taken a job at an Oregon high school. Though at first the job frustrates him, and his unconventional methods often draw the ire of the straight-laced vice principal (W.H. Macy), Mr. Holland grows to love his students as the "temporary" position stretches into a decades-long career -- and in the end, they reveal just how much they love him back. Rated PG (Some bad language and tobacco use)



Lights! Camera! Action! **Movies with Meaning!**

Tuesdays in July! 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

July 9 — Won't You Be My Neighbor? (2018)



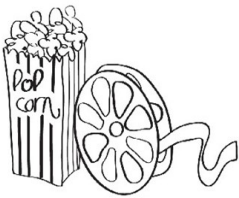
Filmmaker Morgan Neville examines the life and legacy of Fred Rogers, the beloved host of the popular children's television show Mister Rogers' Neighborhood. Rated PG-13 (Some bad language, footage of combat violence, discussions of difficult themes)

July 16 — Stand and Deliver (1988)

Los Angeles high school teacher Jaime Escalante (Edward James Olmos) is being hassled by tough students like Angel Guzman (Lou Diamond Phillips). But Jaime is also pressured by his bosses, who want him to control his raucous classroom. Caught in the middle, he opts to immerse his students in higher math. After intensive study, his students ace California's calculus test, only to learn that their scores are being questioned. They'll have to retake the exam in order to quiet the critics. Rated PG (Some bad language)

July 23 — O Brother, Where Art Thou? (2000)

Ulysses Everett McGill (George Clooney) is having difficulty adjusting to his hard-labor sentence in Mississippi. He scams his way off the chain gang with simple Delmar (Tim Blake Nelson) and mal-adjusted Pete (John Turturro), then the trio sets out to pursue freedom and the promise of a fortune in buried treasure. With nothing to lose and still in shackles, their hasty run takes them on an incredible journey of awesome experiences and colorful characters. PG-13 (Some bad language, violence)



July 30 — Hidden Figures (2016)

Three brilliant African-American women at NASA – Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe) — serve as the brains behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn (Glen Powell) into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the Space Race and galvanized the world. Rated PG (Some bad language)

Pastor will host and lead discussion on a deeper meaning that could be interpreted, relationships depicted, underlying story lines or what is going on that we are not seeing. These are not religious themed movies but every day hits that he finds meaningful. Fresh popcorn and snacks served.

United Presbyterian Church
Bob Hammel talk and book signing

An event to benefit UPC, foster fellowship and reach out to our Eastside neighbors.

The recipient of many honors and awards for sports writing,
Bob Hammel served as a sports editor and columnist on Indiana newspapers for 50 years. For 30 of those years he was sportswriter then sports editor and columnist for the Bloomington Herald-Times.

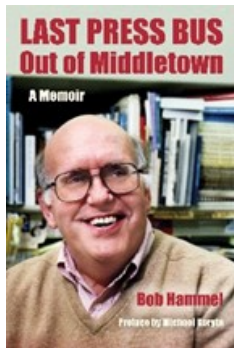
Last Press Bus Out of Middletown

from IU Press

In the book Bob chronicles his rise from small-town reporter to a nationally-celebrated figure in the world of sports. At the talk he'll discuss how he, as an Indiana sports journalist without a college degree, armed with talent, gumption and a whole lot of inspiration and advice from those he worked with, earned national attention while still working for his small-town newspaper.

Saturday, June 22
Fellowship Hall at United Presbyterian
Hot Dog grilling begins at Noon
Talk at 1 p.m.

Hot dogs, potato salad, chips, beverage & desserts – FREE!
The talk will be followed by a Q & A session and book signing.



Special Offer!

The book is listed at \$25.

By special arrangement with IU Press and Hammel, attendees have the opportunity to purchase at the

Special Discount of \$19

30% of that price will be donated to UPC Programs.

Bob will personally sign each book.

Bring your camera!
Invite friends, relatives, co-workers!

Volunteers needed to grill, make potato salad and desserts (cookies, brownies, etc.) and donate chips.

Sign up is in the Narthex.

Calendar

~ June 2019 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Deacons Sunday 10am Worship 11am Fellowship	3	4 12:15pm Bible Study 6pm Book Study	5 11:45am Men's Lunch	6	7	8
9 Communion 8:45am Pastor's Class 10am Pentacost Worship 11am Fellowship	10	11 12:15pm Bible Study 6pm Book Study	12 11:45am Men's Lunch	13	14	15
16 8:45am Pastor's Class 10am Father's Day-Worship 11am Fellowship	17	18 12:15pm Bible Study 6pm Book Study 7pm Session	19 11:45am Men's Lunch	20	21	22 12pm Hot Dogs and Book Signing
23 8:45am Pastor's Class 10am Worship 11am Fellowship	24	25 12:15pm Bible Study 6pm Book Study	26 11:45am Men's Lunch	27	28	29
30 8:45am Pastor's Class 10am Worship 11am Fellowship						

Weekly Community Uses of UPC Rooms

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6pm Overeaters Anonymous	5:15pm Kiwanis (2nd Monday)			5:30pm Self Realization	5:30pm – Women's Group	9am-1pm Biscuits and Gravy Boys
8pm Campus Group				8pm Campus Group		11am Overeaters Anonymous
				7pm SA (2nd and 4th Thursdays)		

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