

Heavenly Notes

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Sharing the journey to know, to love, and serve God.

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Sunday Worship

Service: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:20a.m.
Coffee Hour: 11:00 a.m.
Discussion Group - 11:20 a.m.

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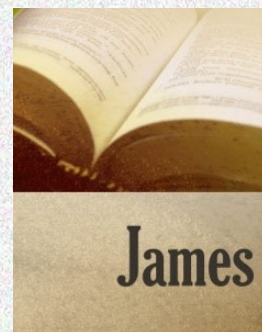
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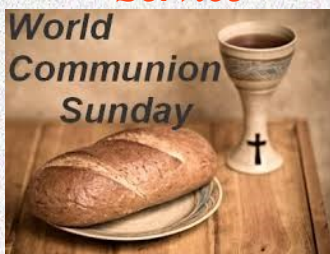
Bible Study

October 3
Wednesday
9:30 a.m.

Book of James



October 6th
10:00 a.m.
Service



World
Communion
Sunday

October 6th at 1:30 p.m.
1st. Presbyterian Church
323 W. Grand River
Howell, MI

October 6th
10:00 a.m. Service
Rededication of
Library Conference Room
Snack Reception



ENDING HUNGER
ONE STEP AT A TIME
CROP HUNGER WALK

Hayride and Hotdog Roast
October 27th at 3:00 p.m.

Church Membership
Beginning in October
(2 Sessions)
Open to Everyone
Renew, Review, Refresh



~Musings from the Pastor~

I came across a blog called “Thriving Home”, written by Polly. In it she reminded me of the impact we can have as parents, grandparents, or just as friends and neighbors. She writes:

As a child of the 80s, I grew up watching my dad get his newspapers out of those huge, metal dispensers. I loved putting the quarters in for him and the immediate ability to pull a previously-locked door open. One particular Sunday morning we were in front of the Casey’s gas station in our small town. I went with him to retrieve the paper and was beyond excited when I saw that the clunky door that kept the newspapers locked up had been left unlatched. Free newspapers for all!

Thinking my dad would be equally excited about my finding, I was dumbfounded when he didn’t reach for the newspaper but for the coin slot instead to put his quarters into.

Thinking he missed the great opportunity before him I exclaimed, “But Dad, it’s already open! We can just take one and not have to pay!” He continued to plop his quarters in and simply informed me, “That’d be stealing.”

After paying, he retrieved his paper, shut the door to the dispenser and back to the car we went. There was no lecture about my suggestion. No processing why it would be considered stealing. It was simply my dad living out a moment of integrity in front of me.

I’m sure my dad has long-forgotten this exchange but this quick, fleeting moment has stuck with me for over 20 years.

Now that I’m a parent, I realize it’s pretty much impossible to know what will make an impression on our kids. We don’t know what memories will be stashed away for decades or what ones will be forgotten the next week. We don’t know when they are watching us closely or when they are oblivious to what we are doing. We simply don’t know what small moments will impact their lives. **But we do know that these moments ARE happening.**

As I read this, I thought about memories I still have from growing up as well as the memories I hope my wife and I helped to create for our kids. But truth be told, we are all still a part of creating important moments in other’s lives, especially as it has to do with our faith in God.

So I encourage you to look for opportunities to talk about your faith with friends and loved ones. Remember to share how God has impacted your life in the past, as well as how God continues to grow your faith now. Remember, God is working on us all, so encourage one another in their walk with God!



Blessings on the journey to know, love, and serve God,

Pastor Paul

October Birthdays

6	Colette Voight	24	Shyrl Cone
12	Carolyn Lynch	25	Patrick Walker
	Noah Campbell	26	Keith Voight
14	Laura Walker	30	Mike Kenel
19	Sue LaRoy		Kim Odell
21	Marty Hansen	31	Leah Clark



October Anniversaries

5, 2002	Michael & Terri Clark
10, 1987	Michael & Terri Preiss
20, 2001	Jim & Mary Jo Malott
27, 1973	Mark & Cheryl Sorg

If you would like your birthday or you're an anniversary added to our church list please leave a note in the



October Servants

Greeters

October 6: Jerry Weaver
October 13: Volunteers Needed
October 20: Volunteers Needed
October 27: Volunteers Needed

Ushers

October 6: Sharon & Joey Infantino
October 13: Don & Marty Hansen
October 20: Bert & Leslie Honour
October 27: Don & Marty Hansen

Liturgist

October 6: Shelia Daniel
October 13: Ann Martin
October 20: Terri Preiss
October 27: Jim Cleveland

Multi Media Specialist

October 6: Charles Kirkpatrick
October 13: Jeff Jackson
October 20: Mary Jo Bell
October 27: Jo Campbell

Meetings in October 2019

- Wed. October 2: Design Works, 9:00 a.m.
Hartland Soup, 5:00 p.m.
- Mon. October 7: Trustees Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Wed. October 9: Worship Team Meeting, 12:30 p.m.
- Thurs. October 10: Financial / Ad. Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m.
- Sun. October 27: UMM Meeting & Breakfast 8:00 a.m.
Women's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m.



Weekly Events in October 2019

- Every Sunday: Service, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hour, 11:00 a.m.
Adult Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.
- Every Monday: Knit, Crochet, Pray, 12:00 p.m.
- Every Tuesday: Prayers and Squares Quilting, 9:00 a.m.
- Every Wednesday: Bible Study Book of James 9:30 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m.
- Every Thursday: Alcoholics Anonymous, 10:00 a.m.
- Every Saturday: Alcoholics Anonymous, 10:00 a.m.

Welcome 4 H

For almost two years, the Hartland 4-H group has been meeting here at Hartland UMC. **More** recently our leadership has asked the question if they would like to be sponsored by the church. We haven't sponsored a group since our Boy Scout Troup disbanded. The 4-H group loved the idea, and now Hartland UMC is their official sponsor. We **will** be looking to join in some fun activities together over the ensuing months. Again, Welcome 4-H members!

Mark Your Calendars

October	27:	Hayride and Hotdog Road	3:00 p.m.
October		All Church Fall Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
November	2:	Hartland UMC Turkey Dinner	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
November	24:	Thanksgiving Community Service	TBD
November	30:	Scrooge Movie Night	TBD
December	7:	Hartland UMC Cookie Walk	9:00 p.m.
December	22:	All Church Christmas Breakfast	8:00 a.m.
		Christmas Pageant	10:00 a.m.

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Perfect Pity Party

Our pity Party was held at Mackles on Monday September 30th. We began by giving our worries to God and then gave thanks and praise to God for our many blessings. The tiaras reminded us we are princesses of the King of Heaven. We enjoyed a delicious lunch with a lot of fellowship and laughter. We put all our "pity problems" into bubbles and blew them away. We left as privileged princesses of our God our King.



For Those Who Pray!

Each time you go before the Lord in prayer for the needs of others, you are doing important ministry! Our prayer ministry here at Hartland is not small. It includes people who are new to the church as well as those who have moved away from Hartland years and years ago. You may not know the person you pray for by name, but remember, your prayers are powerful in Jesus name!



When You Pray

Know that God is listening to you.

Take time to praise God for the beauty in life that surrounds you.

Take a moment to confess where you have fallen short with God and ask for forgiveness.

Remember to pray for others who need God's help or who need to know God.

Take time to thank God for the blessings (no matter how small) in your own life.

Remember to pause and listen as well, God is speaking to you too.

Finally remember, what you ask of God will put into motion real action in the spiritual realm that has eternal significances.

Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon their knees.

William Cowper

Intercessory prayer is the purifying bath into which the individual and the community must enter every day.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer



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When we put
GOD FIRST,
all other things
fall into their
proper places.