

+ HIGH NOTES +

Everyone Is Welcome



IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER

ALL SAINTS DAY NOV 1ST

NATIONAL BISHOP DAY NOV 4TH

DAY LIGHT SAVINGS NOV 5TH

SANCTUARY SERIES NOV 12TH

GENERAL ELECTION DAY NOV 7TH

VETERAN'S DAY NOV 11TH

CHARGE CONFERENCE NOV 12TH

THANKSGIVING NOV 23RD



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WE LOVE OUR YOUTH



THE NURSERY IS OPEN

To keep our Nursery open we need:

- ◆ 2 people each Sunday to volunteer to be in the nursery
- ◆ These volunteers need to be current on their COVID vaccinations willing to arrive at church at least 15 minutes before the Worship Service begins to welcome parents and children as they arrive, if no one needs care by 10:15 the volunteers can go to the Sanctuary for the rest of the service.
- ◆ There is a television in the nursery for live feed of the worship service. Please contact Ellen (937-631-5727) or Edith (937-925-6631) if you are willing to help care for the youngest of our congregation. Sign-up sheets can be found in the back of the narthex.
- ◆ Please be in prayer for the families that will use the nursery and for the volunteers who will lovingly provide for their needs.



Children's Choir

CHILDRENS CHOIR

After our summer break, the Children's Choir has resumed practice every Sunday after the Sunday School hour: from 11:00 to 11:30. The children will be working on preparing their contributions to our congregation's worship. The group practices singing as well as bell-ringing every week. We hope that parents and grandparents will support all of our kids in returning and participating. We also hope that the congregation will enjoy and support them with your words of encouragement and appreciation. If you have any questions, please call Ellen Stickney @937-631-5727.



MISSIONS

Missions News: Immigrant help! With Deanna Brougher's permission, here is a quote from her recent email to Missions Team regarding "the impact our church has made on the lives of 21 Venezuelan, Mexican, and other Latin American immigrants. Our church members have provided these families with clothing, pots/pans, dishes, towels, bedding, coats and furniture. All of the families have applied and received work permits. Most have passed their drivers license test and have secured jobs. The two couples that are in their late 50's/early 60's seem to be having the most difficult time. The lack of English is a serious impediment for all of the immigrants. The lack of tutors and the cost is a huge issue. Many times these folks secure a job but tutoring is only available during their work time. Our church is blessed with many retired teachers and educated folks and offering tutoring and/or homework assistance at our church would be an incredible outreach. It could also be accomplished by pairing a church volunteer with an immigrant family so it would be easier to match available times. Socialization is a huge need."

What good work we, as a church community, have done for these families. But as Deanna says, the need for language acquisition and socialization so that these families can truly be a part of their new homes continues. Please be in prayer about how we can keep on helping. If you have suggestions or would like to help, please contact the church office or any member of Missions.

Food Collection: Open Hands Free Pantry needs our food donations! Currently, their supply of nonperishable food items can not keep up with the need. Missions will again be collecting the following items for distribution at Open Hands: peanut butter and jelly, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, canned soups, pancake mix (the "just add water" variety), macaroni and cheese, boxes of individually wrapped granola bars. These items can be left on the rolling cart (with the sign reading "Food Donations") in the Commons Hallway. Thank you for your generosity!



HSUMC NEWS

TABS (TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY):

The Tuesday afternoon bible study (formerly TAL) is now TABS (Tuesday afternoon Bible Study). We meet at 1:30 every Tuesday in the Commons. We would love to have you join us. If you are interested, please call the church office (937) 322-2527.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY: Would you be interested in helping us reach out to members of our church family who are not able to attend church? There are several ways in which we can pass on our love: Pray for these members, send cards, make phone calls, visit our friends, and provide transportation for our members who cannot drive to our Sunday services. If you feel called to serve in any of these ways, please contact the church office (937) 322-2527 or Sharon Crews (937) 462-8499.

KNITTERS AND OTHERS: Knitters and Others will continue to meet in the library corner of the Commons. All are welcome to stitch and to fellowship with us! To accommodate busy summer schedules, meeting dates will be on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. No meetings are scheduled in August. We will resume our regular first and third Wednesday schedule of meetings in September.

HOW CAN I SERVE MY CHURCH? If you are wanting to be more involved at High Street UMC, we have several opportunities available. We are currently looking for individuals to fill leadership positions. The openings are for: Fellowship Chair, Assistant Choir Director, and Development Chair. We also need Bell Choir Members, and musicians. For more information on these positions, call the Church Office or contact Cathy Tuckerman via email at ctuckerman6@gmail.com. If you would like more information on group formations, committees, or how to serve, call the Church Office at (937) 322-2527.

HIGH NOTES ANNOUNCEMENT: Our newsletter, High Notes, is scheduled each month to be published, posted, and sent to our members by the first day of the month. In order to meet this deadline and keep everyone informed of what is going on at High Street UMC it is imperative that any information, articles, picture, etc. be submitted to the church office by the 15th of the current month. Anything received after the 15th will be saved and placed in the next edition of High Notes.

SUNDAY'S AFTER SERVICE: You are invited to the Commons after each Sunday worship service to enjoy conversation and yummy treats



SAVE THE DATES

You are invited to a
BIRTHDAY PARTY for JESUS

Who: Our Intergenerational Church Family
 When: December 3, 2023 Following Worship
 Where: The Commons

Bring: A Birthday Present (value \$5.00- \$10.00) that Jesus would give to a person in need. This could be for a child or an adult. Gifts will be donated to appropriate local agencies in the Springfield area. Use your "Thinking Cap" to select a gift to share Jesus' love. Hide your gift in a grocery bag. At the party we will reveal the thoughtful choices.

WHAT WOULD JESUS BRING?



CAROLS, CASSEROLES, & CONVERSATIONS

December 6, 13, & 20
 6:00-7:30 in The Commons
 Main Dish Provided
 Bring a Side or Dessert to Share

SAVE THE DATES



- ◆ **Lunch in The Commons December 10th Following Worship Service than Caroling at several Nursing Homes**
- ◆ **Morning Worship December 24th Christmas Eve Service**



HSUMC NEWS



175th Anniversary of High Street UMC

On Sunday April 7, 2024, High Street will celebrate our DemiSemiSeptCentennial, in other words our 175th year as a continuous congregation. So mark the date!

As members share ideas as to how to best mark this event, it is clear that excitement is building. One idea that is picking up steam is to recreate some aspects of a worship service in the way it was celebrated in 1850. This will involve considerable planning, not only for the service itself but for the food and fellowship to follow. A committee is forming and will hold an exploratory meeting in the Fall. That said, we need help as well as ideas, and all are welcome to participate.

As we proceed I am in the process of rewriting the 2016 history. The Second or 175th Anniversary Edition will be printed in a smaller, more user-friendly format - shelf size. Photos are being edited and more appropriately arranged - and new ones have been discovered. Once the rewrite is completed, probably by September, I'll need help documenting events, missions, special occasions, etc. to complete the years 2016 - present. For now please consider specific items pertinent to the pastorate of Rev. Steven Fewell, June, 2016 - July 2019.

So join in and catch the spirit as we plan this special celebration of High Street UMC!

Dan Walter,
Church Historian



Worship Highlights



- ⇒ Nov. 5: Communion; Ryan Roosen will be our worship leader
- ⇒ Nov. 12: Chancel Choir will sing, "As Water To the Thirsty" by John Carter
- ⇒ Nov. 12 Charge Conference @ North Ridge UMC 4610 Derr Rd.
- ⇒ Nov. 19: Chancel Choir will sing, "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come." Words were written by Henry Alford in 1844, 179 years ago!
- ⇒ Nov. 26: To celebrate Christ the King Sunday, the choir will sing "Christ Is the Rock" by Lloyd Larson.



Sanctuary Series Concerts

Sanctuary Series Concert November 12

Please join us for the third concert of our 15th Season of the Sanctuary Series on November 12 at 3 pm. The violin/piano duo Carlos Elias and Andrea Arese-Elias will perform pieces from the standard repertoire as well as delight us with their Latin American and tango music.

In addition to their outstanding solo careers, together the Elias' have played in numerous countries and are praised for their highly expressive performances. Their CD "Let's Tango" was named "Best of the Best" in the International category on eMusic in the US and the United Kingdom. Ms. Arese-Elias is a member of the piano faculty at the University of Dayton, and Mr. Elias is the Director of Strings and Orchestra at Cedarville University.

The universal language of music unifies diverse community members, enriches lives, increases inspiration to get involved, and builds connections between the individuals, churches, institutions, and businesses in Springfield and our neighboring communities. Please build those connections by inviting your friends to join you.

A reception will follow where you can meet the performers and enjoy some delicious treats. Fifteen years of live music is quite an accomplishment - come celebrate!



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"Building a Community that Celebrates, Nurtures, and Serves in the Love of Jesus Christ."

Sanctuary Series 2023-2024

JOIN US FOR THE 15th SEASON OF THE SANCTUARY SERIES!

Programs are admission-free (a free will offering will be received).

All performances begin at 3 PM and a meet-the-artists reception follows.

September 10, 2023 - John Mortensen (Pianist and Improviser)

October 15, 2023 - World House Choir

November 12, 2023 - Carlos Elias and Andrea Arese-Elias (Violin/Piano Duo)

December 17, 2023 - Joey & Jessica (Vocal/Guitar Duo)

January 14, 2024 - Eric Tyler Barga (Bassoon)

February 11, 2024 - Champion City Trio (Jazz Band)

March 10, 2024 - Springfield Arts Council

Youth Arts Ambassadors (Musical)

April 14, 2024 - LiveWire ensembles

of the Springfield Youth Symphony

May 19, 2024 - The Collective (Jazz Band)



News & Notes

Community Outreach News



**CENTRAL
COMMUNITY CENTER**
Faith. Culture. Community.

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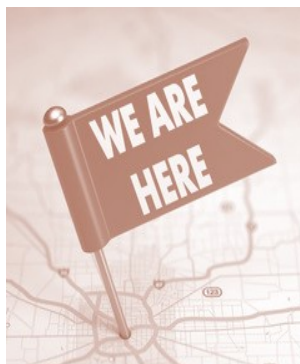
Central Community Center is now renting space inside High Street UMC and since the relocation we have been busy.

- ◆ **Central Community Kitchen:** The Tuesday night meal is still being served at 5:30 pm. This meal is either sit down or to- go. Many individuals look forward to these meals due to food insecurities in Springfield. We have a volunteer base who are amazing and are working together to help feed the community and make this mission a success.



- ◆ **RSVP:** Another working partnership with United Senior Services, RSVP is a volunteer program for seniors. Central Community Center will provide volunteer opportunities to our community which can be filled by the volunteers from USS.

- ◆ **Living Waters Ministry (LWM):** Living Waters Ministry, LWM, launched October 13th! LWM takes place every Wednesday afternoon from 1:30-3:30pm. Participants sign up for 30 minute time slots during the soup kitchen on Tuesday evenings. We have been blessed to offer this opportunity to those in need living within our community. LWM provides individuals with a bath pack that includes hygiene items, towel, wash cloth, clean underwear, socks, and a t-shirt. LWM is currently accepting donations, the needs are: hygiene items, razors, small towels, washcloths, and socks. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Cynthia. Free wash and dry of one load per person is also offered on Wednesday during shower time .
- ◆ **Central Community Center** is looking for a weekly volunteer and or volunteers who is able to spend 4-6 hours on Wednesdays to assist with shower time as well as laundry for the individuals in need. Please reach out to Pastor Cynthia for further information.



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OPEN HANDS PANTRY:

The Open Hands Pantry is located at Covenant United Methodist Church and is open Tuesday 10-12 and Thursday 2-4. Families can receive a food box each day the pantry is open and a hygiene bag and a five-dollar voucher for Goodwill once a week.

If you would like to volunteer, call the church office for information @ 937-322-2527.



175 BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: We are forming a committee to plan our 175 birthday celebration, which will be celebrated on April 7, 2024. Anyone interested in serving on the committee or has ideas for the celebration please contact Dan Walter—Church Historian Email: walter@woh.rr.com Cell: 937 408-8400



CELEBRATE WITH US!



What is "The Walk to Emmaus?"

The Walk to Emmaus is an experience of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a 3-day short course in Christianity based on the scripture from Luke 24:13-35. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers. The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with the prayerful discernment and invitation from a sponsor. After one accepts this invitation they complete and submit an application. The person is then contacted and invited to attend a three-day experience of New Testament Christianity as a lifestyle. The Walk to Emmaus is held in Springfield in the High Street United Methodist Church. The first walk was held in this church in 1990.

If you would like more information and an application please contact Libby Hammond at ebshamm@aol.com or 937-238-9883.



NOVEMBER TRIVIA

1. Of the 12 months, which month is November in the order?
2. How many days are in November?
3. November always ends on the same day of the week as what other month of the year?
4. In the Northern Hemisphere, November is a month in what season?
5. In the Southern Hemisphere, what season is November in?
6. November always starts on the same day of the week as what other month?

Answer Key
The 11th month
30
August
Fall
Spring
March



Congregation News & Notes

Happy Birthday

Catherine Bonerigo 11/01

Ellen Stickney 11/11

Cathy Tuckerman 11/21

Edith Green 11/24

Roger Baker 11/29

Our Home Worship Families

Peggy Shelton	Art Derr
Lois Wittke	Mari Pearl Kitchen
Barbara Hilton	Doug Parsons
Peggy Hockman	Stanley Everingham
Roger Baker	Bob Chapman

Calendar of Events

To access the Calendar of Events please visit our website at <https://www.highstreetunited.org/calendar-of-events.html> for up to date information on events and changes to our schedule.

Stay Connected:

Website: <https://www.highstreetunited.org/>.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/highstreetunited

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=hsumc

Thank you for your continued support!

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Go check it out!



Michael and Pamela Morris

Timothy and Deborah Voss



Monthly Meetings

Monday 13th @7pm—Trustees

Monday 13th @ 12:30pm—SPRC

Sunday 19th @ 11am —Leadership

Finance meeting TBA contact Bill Brougher

2023 Ministry Leaders

High Street Ministry Team Leaders :

Pastor	Cynthia Atwater		
Worship	Ryan Roosen	Church Treasurer	Tom Sherwood
Leadership Chair	Suzanne Binz	Finance Chair	Bill Brougher
Lay Leadership	Dan Walter, Suzanne Binz, Ryan Roosen, Ellen Stickney, Lisa Fultz	UWF President	Cathy Tuckerman
Trustee Chair	Harold Crews	Lay Member AC	Bob Chapman
SPRC Chair		Missions	Becky Bonerigo
Communications	Open	Fellowship / Hospitality	Open
Family Life	Edith Green/ Ellen	Congregational Care	Sharon Crews
Membership	Sandra Steinberger	Church Historian	Dan Walter

High Street Staff:

Senior Pastor	Cynthia Atwater	Assistant Choir Director	Open
Administrative Assistant	Mary Cox	Church Bookkeeper	Brimming Bookkeeping
Custodian	Larry Lytle	Nursery Caregiver	
Music Director	Lia Ferrell	Production Assistant	George West
Sound Technician	Paden Frank		



For a full list of teams or team members, please contact the office at (937) 322-2527. Thank you!