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# The Southlawn Beacon

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## Notes from the Pastor

Dear Friends and Family,

As Fall has officially begun we are sure getting the changing weather that comes with it. Where oh where has the summer gone? Much like life it goes by quickly so we need to make as much of life as we can. We have finished the Sermon series for the month, "Earn, Save and Give as much as you can." I hope that is was enlightening and helpful to each of us with our life and money management. Please turn in your commitment letter to the office or put it in the offering plate as this helps us evaluate the income to the church. As good stewards of the church we then adjust the budget based on this information which only the financial secretary sees.

I am pleased and excited to have had three baptisms this month, the Lawwill children, Leia, Lexi and Dylan. Please make sure to introduce yourself and welcome them when you see them in the church.

Our yearly Charge Conference is going to be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Clay Church. That means we are in the process of scheduling and having all committee meetings between now and October 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will allow us to have all of the reports submitted to the conference by October 4<sup>th</sup>.

From my daily devotional: "Walk with me in the freedom of forgiveness. The path we follow together is sometimes steep and slippery. If you carry burden of guilt on your back, you are more likely to stumble and fall. At your request, I will remove the heavy load from you and bury it at the foot of the cross. When I unburden you, you are undeniably free! Stand up straight and tall in My Presence, so that no one can place more burdens on your back. Look into My Face and feel the warmth of My Love-Light shining upon you. It is this unconditional Love that frees you from both fears and sins. Spend time basking in the Light of My Presence. As you come to know Me more and more intimately, you grow increasingly free." [Jesus Calling]

There is not fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. 1 John 4:18

Grace is a freely given gift, just let it live within us with joy and love.

Blessings,

Pastor Darrel Weaver dandjsite@sbcglobal.net



## **Sunday Scripture Readings for October**

## October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Lamentations 1:1-6 Psalm 137 (UMH 852) 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

## October 9<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 Psalm 66:1-12 (UMH 790) 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19

## October 16<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104 or Psalm 19 (UMH 750) 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

## **District Connection Day**

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 3 PM At Clay Church (52866 Ironwood RD, South Bend IN 46635) All are welcomed to attend

## **Ladies Fellowship**

Leaves are turning colors and signs of Fall are all around us. It was a fast, hot Summer! These cooler temperatures feel pretty good. We will be meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the Parlor to share our autumnal thoughts and fellowship with one another.

See you there!

## Southlawn Singers

If you would like to contribute to the Worship experience please join us October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM for only an hour long choir practice. We will then sing on October 23<sup>rd</sup> during the worship service. The only requirement is a love of music. Also we are still in need of special music for other services. If you or know of someone who would like to sing with or for us (Or play for us), please let Karen or Kathy know.

## October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Joel 2:23-32 Psalm 65 (UMH 789) 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

## October 30<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144 (UMH 840) 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

## Men's Lunch Group

Doesn't seem possible but autumn is here. The leaves are turning and we've had a few chilly mornings. So why don't we take a break from the outdoor fall chores and have lunch. We'll meet at Leo's on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM, meeting at the church 11:10 AM to carpool down.

Hope to see you there. Please let me know if you plan on attending, Roger Riddle

## Thank You

I would personally like to thank our little green thumbed angel for tending the flower beds in front of the office windows and bringing the hummingbirds back to the windows.

> Sincerely, Karen Nokes



Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

#### **Chancel Flowers** The 2016 flower calendar is up in the usual place by the nursery. Please prayerfully consider giving flowers for the altar to honor a loved one or a special occasion.

Thank you, The Worship Committee

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#### Southlawn Shut-ins Nancy Wolf

Woodland Terrace: Treva Frick Nonie Hertel

Marge Kinner

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Prayer Concerns Bob & Virginia (In-Laws of Nancy Stajkowski's son) Billy Berry (Nephew of Cheryl Stratton) Stephanie Czarnecki (Friend of Debbie Kopetski) Jim Eaton Ginger Edwards (Friend of Cheryl Stratton) Abby Frick (Friend of Betty Foust) Lillian Greenlee Ethan Kanzinger (Cousin of Deanie Kopec) Rick Kronwitter, (Friend of Wanda Nemes) Dick Liechty (Brother of Vangie Gleason) Nancy Looper (Friend of Betty Quiggle) Janet Menting (Friend of Deanie Kopec) Art Mikel Patricia Mitschelen (Family of Shirley Kling)

Sue Munger (Friend of Betty Foust) Lucy Overmyer Leslie Phillips (Sister of Cheryl Stratton) Carol Riddle Jennifer Riddle Dana Rohde (Cousin of Kathy Andert) Family of Sarah Schwab (Teacher of Madison Kopec) Heather Smith (Friend of Deanie Kopec) Angela Stajkowski (Sister-in-law of Nancy Stajkowski) Edna Steinbach (Sister of Debbie Steinbach) Carter Ward (Friend of Axelberg Family) Jean Weaver (Mother of Pastor Darrel Weaver) Sandy Weaver (Friend of Wanda Nemes) Mike & Ines Welsh (family of Lashell Stevens)

## Joys & Blessings

We try to keep the list as current as possible. If you know of anyone who can be removed from the list, please contact the church office at 291-3070 or southlawnumc@gmail. Thank you.



Saturday, November 5th, 2016 9 AM – 2 PM

Threads of Hope by Carolyn's Sisters (formerly known as the Southlawn Crochet Group) will be sponsoring a rummage sale here at Southlawn on November 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM until 2 PM. We are asking for donations of items that we will tag and sell during this sale, and for baked goods to sell as well. All monies raised will be put towards the mission projects of the Church, such as: Broadway Lunch, First UMC Soup Kitchen, Youth Camp Fund and others. If you have items that you wish to donate, you may drop them off during the week (Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM) or on Sunday mornings.

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# Do the Right Thing!

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. Luke 16:10 (NIV)

Based on Luke 16:1-13



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Birthdays
<b>2</b> Communion World Communion Day (Offering)	3	4	<b>5</b> 6 PM Crochet	6	7	1 8	<ol> <li>Nicholas Sickmiller</li> <li>Maria Chamberlin</li> <li>Gary Bango</li> <li>Barb Dixon</li> <li>Fran Ritter</li> <li>Brian O'Rourke</li> <li>Tom Lapkiewicz</li> <li>Ralph Kifowit</li> <li>Betty Bowers</li> <li>Gracie Dudeck</li> <li>Nancy Stajkowski</li> <li>Courtney Cannoot</li> </ol>
9 Noisy Bucket	10	11	<b>12</b> 9:30 AM Ladies Fellowship 6 PM Crochet	13	14	15	<ul> <li>28 Mary Beth Kifowit</li> <li>Anniversaries</li> <li>15 Dan &amp; Linda Walkey</li> <li>16 Sonny &amp; Cheryl Stratton</li> <li>25 Chris &amp; Kristen Wright</li> <li>26 Eugene &amp; Kim Dudeck</li> </ul>
16 Broadway Lunch	Columbus Day	<b>18</b> 7 PM Choir	<b>19</b> 6 PM Crochet	<b>20</b> 11:30 AM Men's Lunch Group @ Leo's	21 *Beacon Articles Due*	22	Nursery2Deanie Kopec9Dorothy Axelberg16Madison Kopec23Nicole Sickmiller30Barb Dixon
23 3 PM District Connection Day @ Clay UMC – ALL are Welcome!	24	25	26 6 PM Crochet	27	28	29	Acolytes Shirley Milcherska Greeters Shirley Kling & Dee Perkins
30	31 Reformation Day						Liturgist Cheryl Stratton