



# The Southlawn Beacon

A lighthouse of love & concern for all people

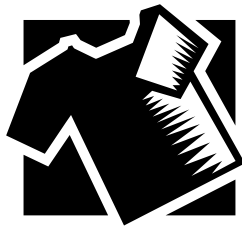
## Notes from the Pastor

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
I love this statement about attitudes from Charles Swindoll.

“The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company ... a church ... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change the past ... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude ... I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so, it is with you ... we are in charge of our Attitudes.”

We can't always control the things life throws at us, but we can control our reaction with our attitude in response to life's challenges. Ask God to help focus your attitude on the positive and not the negative. You will love life even more.

In Christ,  
Pastor Larry



**Tee Shirt Sunday is September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### Ladies Fellowship

Ladies Fellowship will be on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in the church parlor. Come and help us celebrate the end of Summer. Join us in fellowship and sharing in God's many blessings.



By all these lovely tokens September days are here, With summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer.

-Helen Hunt Jackson



September 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM

See Fran Ritter for more information

### Keep Those Cans Rollin' In!

Many opportunities will be coming up for friends and families to gather and fellowship together. Keep your eyes open for aluminum cans so you can get them to me. Remember- I'm collecting cans and recycling them... with the money going into the general church fund.

Thanks,  
Fran

# Sunday Scripture Readings for September

September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Song of Solomon 2:8-13  
 Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 or Ps 72 (UMH 795)  
 James 1:17-27  
 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Proverbs 31:10-31  
 Psalm 1 (UMH 738)  
 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a  
 Mark 9:30-37

September 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23  
 Psalm 125 or 124 (UMH 846)  
 James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17  
 Mark 7:24-37

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22  
 Psalm 124 (UMH 846)  
 James 5:13-20  
 Mark 9:38-50

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
 Proverbs 1:20-33  
 Psalm 19 (UMH 750)  
 James 3:1-12  
 Mark 8:27-38

## Prayer Concerns

- Jon Baney
- Thomas Decatur (Son-in-law of Kay Beyer)
- Janet Kling (Daughter-in-law of Shirley Kling)
- Mitchell Kois (Friend of Kopec Family)
- Matthew Lefever (Friend of Axelberg Family)
- Art Mikel
- Jean Murdock (Mother of Dorothy Axelberg)
- Jennifer Rex (Daughter of Fran Lapkiewicz)
- James Riddle (Grandson of Roger & Carol Riddle)
- Jennifer Riddle
- Scot Shearer (Friend of Debbie Kopetski)
- Cheryl & Sonny Stratton

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.com.

Thank you.

## District Connection Day

Charge Conference votes will be ratified at the District Connection Day events, but this is not a business meeting. Churches will not be assigned an event to attend. Please choose from the 2 options. More information on District Connection Days and Charge Conference Reports will be available soon.

Sunday, 11/4 – Chesterton UMC at 3 pm Central  
 Sunday, 11/18 – South Bend Clay at 3 pm Eastern

## Men's Lunch Group

Labor Day has come and gone, and we should have time to rest and reflect on your summer activities and your plans for fall. Let's meet down at Angelo's to relax and enjoy fellowship and have lunch. We will meet at Angelo's on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM, please let me know if you'd like to join us.

Look forward to seeing you there!

## Chancel Flowers

The 2018 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

Marge Kinner

Nancy Wolf

Primrose Retirement  
 Community:  
 Jon Baney

Woodland Terrace:  
 Treva Frick

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# September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion Tee Shirt Sunday	3	4	5 6 PM Crochet Group	6	7	8
9 Noisy Bucket	10 6 PM SPRC Meeting	11	12 9:30 AM Ladies Fellowship 6 PM Crochet Group	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 6 PM Crochet Group	20 11:30 AM Men's Lunch Group	21 Beacon Articles Due in the office	22
23	24	25	26 6 PM Crochet Group	27	28	29
30 2 PM CROP Walk						



- 8 Sharon Kline
- 10 Elvis Balentine
- 18 Trish O'Rourke
- 19 Don Carpenter
- 23 Betty Hamilton
- 23 Diana Phillips
- 24 Art Kopec
- 25 Delores Wilmoski
- 25 Donovan Sickmiller
- 30 Joann Balentine



- 2 Sonny & Ruthann  
Walters
- 24 Norm & Shirley  
Milcherska

## Liturgist

Mary Carol Ringler