



The Centenary Sentinel

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Sharing God's Love at the Heart of Terre Haute
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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

The prophet Joel says that when God pours out God's spirit, that "your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions."

July begins my third year here at Centenary United Methodist Church. We have seen some awesome things happen in that two years. We sent 100 boxes to Operation Christmas Child. We have served many guests at our Sycamore Social. We have welcomed and fed the Habitat for Humanity bike riders. We have continued to support 14th and Chestnut Community Center and United Campus Ministries. We have started the 55:1 Community Lunch, which I consider a great success. That program was an idea that began with one of our congregants.

So as I read the passage from Joel, I ask myself and you, what are your dreams and visions? What is it that God is calling us to do, both as individuals and as a congregation? You may have a dream or vision that you think is too big. And it may very well be for us. But then I am reminded of the passage that says, "With God all things are possible." Do you believe that? Then what's your dream? What's your vision?

For The Only Cause That Matters,

Mel

ADULT FRIENDSHIP CLASS

July 2	Don Dodson
Lesson:	Moses and the Burning Bush
Scripture:	Exodus 3:1-12
July 9	Bill Dando
Lesson:	Isaiah in the Temple
Scripture:	Isaiah 6:1-8
July 16	Tom Barnett
Lesson:	Jeremiah's Call and Commission
Scripture:	Jeremiah 1:4-10
July 23	Brian Royer
Lesson:	Ezekiel's Call
Scripture:	Ezekiel 3:1-11
July 30	Don Dodson
Lesson:	Amos's Call
Scripture:	Amos 7:10-17

CENTENARY UMW

The next Circle Meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 19, at 10 a.m. at Elaine Krone's home.

PRAYER SHAWL & FIBER MINISTRY

There will be a work session to knit, crochet, quilt, weave, etc. on July 20 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. Bring your supplies and be ready to fellowship. For more information, talk to Donna VanSandt or Lea Ann Camp. We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month.

GRADUATE SUNDAY

Centenary graduates were recognized in our June 4 Worship Service. They are:

High School: Delaney Brown, Will Hayes, Abigail King, Laura Rogers, Crimson Tennis

College: Emily Bell, Morgan Brown, Kelli Buchanan

Masters: Elizabeth Camp

Congratulations to all!

REPORT FROM ANNUAL CONFERENCE

> About 700 clergy, 700 lay members and 200 guests attended the Indiana United Methodist Annual Conference June 8-10 in Indianapolis. The Centenary delegation included Pastor Mel Camp, the Rev. Deb Moore-Hardin, lay delegate Don Dodson and Steve Hardin, who transported people around the convention center on motorized carts. It was the first Indiana annual conference for new Bishop Julius Trimble.

> The Bishop's Miracle Offering for Global Health collected about \$400,000 to help stem the spread of malaria and HIV/AIDS. The conference also collected about 800 filled backpacks for the homeless from congregations throughout Indiana.

> Two backpacks were contributed on Centenary's behalf, each containing a washcloth, towel, soap, lip balm, toothpaste, toothbrush, rain poncho, razors and shaving cream. Centenary's contribution toward the Miracle Offering was at least the equivalent of \$1 per member.

> Former Centenary pastor Paul Wagner was highly visible during the conference. In his new position as assistant

director of connectional ministries for the conference, he was one of four people to sit alongside the bishop during the proceedings. His wife, Roberta (Johnston) Wagner, has been appointed administration/communications chair for THRIVE, a group that encourages and empowers clergy spouses.

> Former Centenary pastor Jimmy Moore was also active at the conference, speaking on behalf of a resolution from the Creation Care Alliance that would encourage congregations to form "green teams" and ask district superintendents to report on the church's progress toward environmentally responsible stewardship.

> The conference voted not to hold a special election for delegates to the 2019 special General Conference that will deal with the Commission on The Way Forward's recommendations for healing rifts over the church's positions involving homosexuality. Instead, Indiana's delegates to the 2016 General Conference will also be the delegates to the 2019 special General Conference.

> The conference also passed a resolution encouraging churches to educate and support all youth with the intent of preventing teen suicide and homelessness, with particular attention given to the special circumstances faced by gay teens.

> Speaking on behalf of the resolution was Alisa Isaacs Bailey, granddaughter of late Centenary member Ruth Bopp. Alisa, who is now a middle school teacher in Greencastle and representing Gobin Memorial United Methodist there, told me she has fond memories of Centenary as a girl. Reports were given on several new congregations that have been formed in Indiana, including Spanish-speaking congregations, Korean congregations and even a Haitian congregation in Washington, Ind. Tribute was given to 10 churches that closed their doors this past year.

> Pastors and spouses who died during the past year were remembered, including Bob McCracken, who had served First United Methodist in Terre Haute. The First Church building -- now the 14th and Chestnut Community Center -- was also shown in a conference video.

> Quaker pastor and writer Phil Gulley -- husband of former Centenary peer minister Joan Apple -- was the featured speaker at the Saturday prayer breakfast. He made both meaningful and humorous points about unity, which was a major theme of this year's conference in light of differences over homosexuality-related issues.

> Don Dodson made a few impromptu remarks about United Campus Ministries at a Friday night event celebrating campus ministry. The Wesley Foundation at Purdue University was honored for 100 years of service, and co-directors Glen and Lana Robyne said they would like to partner with other campus ministries around Indiana, including the one in Terre Haute.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Dodson, Centenary Lay Delegate



YOUTH GROUP NEWS FROM CONNOR

The youth group went on a Mission Trip to Cincinnati, Ohio from June 12 - 16. There will be more news about the trip in the next newsletter. Saturday, June 17 we had a pool party with swimming, playing games, and debriefing the mission trip.

COMMUNITY FREE LUNCH

Our next Free Lunch's are Monday, June 26 and Monday July 24 from 11:00 - 1:30. Come enjoy the fellowship, service and fun!

HOLYPALOOZA

Holypalooza is on Sunday, September 17 this year. The church service that day will be held at Central Presbyterian and Centenary will host the Barbecue after the service. We have been asked to provide desserts; if you are interested in helping, please contact Caroline Dando at 812-299-4943. The Barbecue is a fundraiser for United Campus Ministries - please mark your calendars!

EIGHT CHURCHES PARTICIPATE IN STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR

During the Stained Glass Window Tour of Terre Haute churches on Sunday, June 11, 2017, approximately 75 visitors toured Centenary United Methodist Church.

Assisting with welcoming the visitors were: Gerri Varner, organizer of Centenary's stop on the eight churches tour; Ann Bloxdorf, Chris Schellenberg, B.J. Carlson, Evelyn DiLamore, Donna VanSandt, Bill and Caroline Dando, and Pastor Mel and Lea Ann Camp, along with pianists Mary Lynn Siefert and Madonna Nally. Tribune-Star reporter Dave Taylor wrote an excellent account of the Stained Glass Sunday event, and it was published on the front page of the Tribune-Star, June 12 (see Bulletin Board). A special thank you to all who participated and/or provided cookies and refreshments for the reception that the visitors enjoyed.

WHO IS CALLING MY NAME?

***“Samuel, Samuel” came a voice
Or could it be a cry?
Samuel went to Eli’s side
And said, “Now here am I”.***

***“I did not call you Samuel
It must be something else instead
So go, sleep well tonite
Now go back to bed.”***

***A second time young Samuel
Heard someone call his name
Again he said, “Here am I”.
Eli answered just the same.***

***The third time Samuel heard his name
He went to Eli’s side
And Eli perceived it was the Lord
Who calls and does abide.***

***So Eli said to Samuel
If that voice again comes near
Say “Speak Lord to thy servant
For now dear Lord I hear.”***

***So Samuel did as Eli said
A vision came that night.
Judgement came for Eli’s house
But Samuel gained a prophet’s sight.***


Barbara Keller

OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, and Pam will be out of the office the last week of June.



JULY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4 	5	6 11:00 AM Prayer Group	7	8
9 11:00 Music & Worship Committee	10	11	12	13 11:00 AM Prayer Group	14	15
16	17 8:30 - 5:00 Music Symposium	18 8:30 - 5:00 Music Symposium	19 10:00 UMW at <u>Elaine Krone's</u> 8:30 - 5:00 Music Symposium	20 11:00 AM <u>Prayer Group</u> 8:30 - 5:00 Music <u>Symposium</u> 5:30 Prayer Shawl	21 8:30 - 5:00 Music Symposium	22
23 30	24 11 - 1:30 Free Lunch 31	25	26	27 11:00 AM Prayer Group	28	29

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Maxwell Nicoson
- 5 Will Buchanan
- 9 Abigail King
- 15 Corinne Cowden
Bill McKee
- 18 Don Rogers
- 21 Chris Schellenberg
Don Dodson



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



- 5 Phil & Evelyn DiLavore
- 16 Mark & Angela Frisz
- 19 Bill & Caroline Dando
- 23 Seibert & Dorothy Jean Thomas