Dear friends,

This coming Sunday, June 9, is Pentecost Sunday which means that we all need to wear something RED!!!! Many of you have purchased red geraniums for the service which you will need to pick up after Sunday’s worship. Pentecost is the day we remember as the birth of the church. The Holy Spirit, which Jesus had promised would come, came down and anointed the disciples and other believers with “tongues of fire.” Those anointed spoke in languages that all of the different nationalities could understand in their native tongue. Pentecost is the day that begins the spread of Christianity throughout the world. The followers of Jesus were so empowered that from this moment on, nothing was going to deter them from spreading the message of Christ. The Early Church just exploded and thousands became followers and believers in the risen Christ.

Just think about it. These ordinary people, whom Jesus chose to become his disciples, would change the world. But it is the Holy Spirit that became their source of power and strength to the point that not even the fear of death would cause them to stop believing and stop obediently following the command of Christ. His command to them was to go into all the world and make disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We experience the Holy Spirit each time we come to worship, or pray, or do what we know God would have us do, as well as many other experiences in life. “Come Holy Spirit come” is the call the early church gave and it is our call as well.

Last Sunday we had the privilege of welcoming four persons into the Carbondale First family. Our new members are: Mary Beth Aguilar, Luan Neal, and William and Gail Shanks. We welcome these new members with open arms and look forward to working with them to continue the work of the kingdom of God here in Carbondale. When you see any of them make sure and offer them a warm welcome.

Finally, this week—Thursday, June 6 through Saturday, June 8, is our Illinois Great Rivers Annual Conference in Peoria. This is the time when United Methodists, from Interstate 80 to Cairo (about 1200) come together annually to worship, fellowship, and do the business of our conference to take us through another year. Those representing this congregation are Carol Cain, Joan Hart, as well as Connie and I. Be in prayer for this gathering and the ministry we do as United Methodists in Illinois.

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See You Sunday,

Alan
In Church This Week

**PARISH**

As of June 5, 2019

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**Sympathy to** Paul Scolari & family & friends on the passing of his wife, Jacqueline Scolari, who died on May 26, 2019.

**Sympathy to** Chuck & Natalie Walker & family & friends on the passing of Chuck’s stepfather, Gary Moon, who died on May 21, 2019.

**SUMMER CHURCH CAMP** is just around the corner! Camps are available for Kindergarten — Adults. Check it out at www.igrc.org/camping. Carbondale First UMC will pay half of the registration cost for students from our church who wish to attend an IGRC camp and half for one friend who attends with them. Please, register through the church office. Camping brochures, camping information, and registration information are available from Yiwen Bi.

**Call for Volunteers:** We need volunteers to be Usher Captains for May/November 2019. Regular Ushers needed at 8:15 a.m. for August and June/December. Please call the Church Office to volunteer.

**Thank You:** The Sanctuary Choir has returned from a wonderful trip to New York City and an exciting performance with other church choirs in Carnegie Hall, under the direction of composer Pepper Choplin. "Thank you" to the congregation for your support of this trip. We expect to receive a single, archival copy DVD of the performance sometime in the next few weeks. This cannot be broadcast or copied, but we can show it at the church and will schedule opportunities for people to see it. 

**Bob Weiss**

**Thank You:** Thank you all for the yarn donations. At this time we DO NOT need donations of yarn.

**Claudia Broom**

**Thank You:** Our ASP group is so grateful for all the donors and bidders in the silent auction this year. Your generous donations largely supported us! We also very much appreciate everyone who joined the ASP Sending Team. Without your partnership we couldn’t make the trip happen. The connections between youths and sponsors will be announced soon. Finally, our youth group wants to thank all youths’ participations in our activities this year and parents’ great help!

**Bob Weiss**

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**Disciples for Sunday, June 9, 2019**

**Coffee Hosts:** 8:15 Kathy Hollister; 10:45 Pam & Steve Yarbrough  
**Outside Greeters:** Koch Family  
**Van Driver:** John Graig  
**June Nametags:** Barb Bedient  
**Welcome Center:** 8:15 Jean Boehne; 10:45 Angie Voss  
**Children’s Church:** Sam Indorante/Carolyn Gibson  
**Children’s Church Registration:** George & Shirley Everingham  
**Youth Helpers:** Katie & Guy Indorante  
**Parish Nurse:** 11:45 Sharon Meyer

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**CONCERNS**

In order to have space to add names to the concerns, we need your help in keeping the list updated. If it’s time for yourself or a family member to be removed from or placed on the Concerns List, please notify the office (457-2416) or e-mail Sharon at fumc@fumc-cdale.org. The information on this sheet is printed on Thursday mornings.

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If you have not already done so, this is a reminder to please come in to the church office and add your June to December 2019 activities and events to the office wall calendar.
**Southern Illinois Music Festival Concerts**

The Southern Illinois Music Festival is coming to FUMC. The 15th annual Southern Illinois Music Festival begins soon and includes four concerts here at FUMC. The complete schedule can be found at sifest.com.

**Concerts at FUMC include:**

- **Tues., June 4, 7:30 pm** – Chamber Music of Women Composers ($15/$5)
- **Thurs., June 6, 5:00 pm** – Benyas Family Recital (Donation)

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Last Chance!!!**

1. Pick an item card(s) from the bulletin board in the atrium
2. Purchase the item(s)
3. Bring the purchased item(s) to the church by June 9

**FAREWELL SUNDAY**

June 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
Church Sanctuary

There is no Sunday School and this is the only service

**FAREWELL BRUNCH**

June 30, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.
Civic Center

There is no charge for the brunch but sign-up is requested. Please use the form below and place in offering plate or return to the Church office by June 25.

Please register me and my guests for the Farewell Brunch on June 30 at the Civic Center at 11:30 a.m.

Print Name ____________________________________________

Number Attending Adults _______ Children ________

__________ I/we cannot attend

Thank You!
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**Children's Opportunities, Sundays**

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School (K-5th grade) uses the *Deep Blue* from Cokesbury. Main Topic: “Church Family” - June 9 Sunday School—“Pentecost”

Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Children's Church (K-5th grade). All children are invited to Children's Church following the Children’s Time at the 10:45 a.m. worship service.

**Youth Opportunities, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.**

9:30 a.m. Junior/Senior High Class meets in Room 414 and uses a variety of materials connecting the lessons of the Bible with issues relevant to today’s youth.

**Adult Opportunities, Sundays at 9:30 a.m.**

*Renew Class* - Renew is a group of women seeking deeper meaning in their lives through Bible study, reflection and prayer. They meet in the Chapel. Women of all ages are welcome.

*The Electives Class* - Scripture studies following the lectionary led by Rev. John Sims. They meet in the Heritage Room. All are welcome!

**Small Group Opportunities**

*The Daniel Plan Essentials* meets in Room 403 at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. They are studying the series The Science of Natural Healing. Everyone welcome.

*Grateful Hearts* meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in Room 308. They are studying *Bad Girls of the Bible* by Liz Curtis Higgs.

*Youth Group* meets on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Chapel.

**Men’s Group** All men of the church are invited to coffee and refreshments on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. in the Heritage Room. We discuss anything and everything from the perspective of our relationship with God.

*Gentle Toning, Stretch, and Yoga Techniques* meets on Thursdays at 5:45 p.m., Rm 404, the Chapel.

*Golden Yoga* meets on Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. and on Fridays at 9:30 a.m., Rm 404, the Chapel.

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*SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION*

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Please help us help others in the campaign against hunger. Thanks.