IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY
JULY 1 & 8, 2018
8:15 and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Sermon:  “This is the Good News”
          Tom Byford
Scripture: I Peter 1:13-25
Anthem:
          8:15 My Country ‘Tis of Thee
          Brass quintet
          10:45 This Is My Song
          Sanctuary Choir, brass & percussion
Hymns:
          696 America, the Beautiful
          584 Lord, You Give the Great Commission
          698 God of the Ages

Altar flowers this week (7/1) are given by Vern & Bud Koch in honor of their 57th anniversary.
Altar flowers this week (7/8)

Indoor Greeters:
        (7/1) Helen Deniston and Mary Lou Goodman
        (7/8) Karen, Shadi, Lexi, and Logan Frick
Acolytes:
        10:45 (7/1) John and Madison Voss
        (7/8) Lexi Frick & Reese Matzenbacher
Sound System Operators:
        (7/1) 8:15 Joe Swindell; 10:45 Keven Mitchell
        (7/8) 8:15 Joe Swindell; 10:45 Mike Hanes
Liturgists:
        (7/1) 8:15 Ron Diel; 10:45 Claudia Broom
        (7/8) 8:15 Kathy Hollister; 10:45 Debbie Asaturian

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Grace and Peace,
Tom Byford

Pastor: The Rev. Alan R. Rhein
Dir. of Christian Education: Necia Jannings
Prayer Chain:
   Email: Sara Hinde at sjhinde04@gmail.com
Broadcast:
   10:45 service is heard live on WCIL-AM (1020)
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Email: fumc@fumc-cdale.org
Website: www.fumc-cdale.org
Facebook:
   www.facebook.com/FirstUnitedMethodistCdale
Twitter: @FUMCCarbondale

Our Mission Statement: “Called together by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim God’s presence and love in the world through prayer, worship, education and service. We invite children, youth and adults to become disciples of Jesus Christ, live fully in the Holy Spirit, and embrace God’s love.”

Newsletter of:
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214 W. Main St.
Carbondale, IL 62901

Indoor Desk
From Tom’s

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27 Wednesday
9:00 - 3 Healing Touch (by appt. only), Rm. 308

28 Thursday
11:30 Prime Timers Luncheon & Program, Speaker Craig Hinde, Fellowship Hall, $8 lunch
5:30 Gentle Toning, Stretch, Yoga, Room 404
7:00 Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

29 Friday
9:30 Golden Yoga, Room 404

30 Saturday

JULY

1 Sunday Independence Sunday
8:30 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship Service

2 Monday
6:00 Building & Board of Trustees Meeting, Heritage Room

3 Tuesday
9:00 CANCELED Daniel Plan Essentials
10:15 Golden Yoga, Room 404

4 Wednesday Independence Day Holiday 
Office Closed

5 Thursday
1:00 Priscilla Circle, Room 210
7:00 Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

6 Friday
9:30 Golden Yoga, Room 404

7 Saturday
8:30 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship Service

9 Monday
6:00 Finance Committee, Room 308
7:00 Church Council, Heritage Room

10 Tuesday
9:00 Daniel Plan, Room 403
10:15 Golden Yoga, Room 404

11 Wednesday
6:00 Scout Committee, Room 410

12 Thursday
5:30 Gentle Toning, Stretch, Yoga, Room 404
7:00 Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

13 Friday
9:30 Golden Yoga, Room 404

14 Saturday
8:15 Dan Anderson III, Doug Bedient, Steve Mitchell, Scott Wright
10:45 Dan Anderson III, Don & Donna Bryant, Gary Hill, Gene Morgan

Outside Greeters:
(7/1) Shelby Seegers; (7/8) Jan & Gary Austin

Van Drivers:
(7/1) Dan Anderson III, Don Bryant, Jr.; (7/8) John Graig, Brian Gorecki

Welcome Center:
(7/1) 8:15 Reveta Black and Sue Stucky; 10:45 Sue & Ed Tresnak, Shadi, Karen, Lexi and Logan Frick

15 Sunday
8:30 Worship Service
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship Service

2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL • JULY 22 - 26 
REGISTER SOON !!
Forms are available in the Atrium or online at www.fumc-cdale.org • resources • forms

In Sympathy: Sympathy to Alison Funk, family and friends, on the death of her father, Kenny Gentry, who passed away June 18, 2018 in Herrin, IL.

Health Concerns:
Betty Crippen is at Bounce Back
Bob Reid is in Carbondale Memorial Hospital
David & Beverly Conrad are at Parkway Manor in Marion, IL.

Altar Flowers for July 8: Can you help beautify the Sanctuary on July 8 with altar flowers? If you can help, please contact the Church office at 457-2416. Altar flowers are only $49.00. Thank you.

Join Us For Saturday Night Live July 14, 2018 • 5:30 p.m.
At the Lake of Egypt home of Debbie and Armen Asaturian
This is a Pot Luck (meat will be provided)
Maps to the Asaturians are available in the Church office.

Disciples for Sunday, July 1 & 8, 2018
July Ushers: Dan Anderson III, Captain; Michael Koch, Co-Captain
8:15 Dan Anderson III, Doug Bedient, Steve Mitchell, Scott Wright
10:45 Dan Anderson III, Don & Donna Bryant, Gary Hill, Gene Morgan

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Welcome Center: (7/1) 8:15 Susan & Don Frey; 10:45 Matt & Laura Bishop
(7/8) 8:15 Barb Bedient; 10:45 Pam Yarbrough

Coffee Hosts: (7/1) 8:15 & 10:45 Reception hostesses: Susan Frey and Kathy Swindell
(7/8) 8:15 Jan & Gary Austin; 10:45 Evelyn & Ervin Legendre, Betty Hamilton

July Nametags: Barb Swinburne
July Communion Ushers (7/1) (10:45) Karl Bartelsmeyer, Captain; George Everingham, Jan Waggoner

Communion Committees: (7/1) 8:15 Revela Black and Sue Stucky; 10:45 Sue & Ed Tresnak, Shadi, Karen, Lexi and Logan Frick
COME HANG OUT WITH US!

Join our team of “Castaways” at Vacation Bible School
July 22-26 • 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
4 Years through 6th Grade (2018-2019)

Volunteer to Help Today!
JOIN OUR CREW...teachers, escorts, musicians, crafters...there is a place for everyone at the SHIPWRECKED adventure.
Contact Necia to be a part of the VBS Crew!!!!

DANIEL PLAN ESSENTIALS

“In this four-session video-based Bible study, The Daniel Plan team explores both the spiritual and the health benefits of following a healthy lifestyle by focusing on the first essential of The Daniel Plan: Faith.
We invite anyone who is interested in learning more about the Daniel Plan and living a healthy life to join us
Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in Room 403
Contact Necia for more information

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children’s Opportunities
Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School - (K - 5th grade) uses Deep Blue from Cokesbury. The morning begins with music at 9:30 a.m. in Room 415.
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.

July Sunday School – Main Topic: “Stories Jesus Told”
July 1 Sunday School - “The Two Houses”
July 8 Sunday School - “The Two Debtors”

Youth Opportunities, 9:30 a.m.
Faith development through Bible lessons, emphasizing a relationship with God through Jesus.

Middle School meets in Room 410 and uses On the Go.

High School Class meets in Room 409 and uses a variety of materials connecting the lessons of the Bible with issues relevant to today’s youth.

Adult Opportunities, 9:30 a.m.
Renew - Renew is a group of women seeking deeper meaning in their lives through Bible study, reflection, and prayer. They meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 402. Women of all ages are welcome.

The Investors Class - Investors is an intergenerational class for all adults. They are studying “Anxious for Nothing, Finding Calm in a Chaotic World,” by Max Lucado. They meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 404 (the Chapel). Everyone welcome!

The Electives Class - Scripture studies are led by John Sims. They meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Heritage Room. All are welcome!

Small Group Opportunities

The Daniel Plan meets in Room 402 at 9:00 a.m. on most Tuesdays. Check the church calendar. Everyone welcome.

Grateful Hearts has recessed for the summer and will resume in Fall, 2018.
Youth Group has recessed for the summer and will resume for the 2018-19 school year.