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Our office hours are **Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9am-3pm.**

Directory Updates

If any of your information has changed (**phone, email, address**), please let the church office know. If you are interested in a printed copy, call or email the church office. Thank you!



THE VIEWS FROM THE HEIGHTS

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER:
FROM UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS UMC

October 2026 Views!

This Fall at University Heights UMC



Weekly Soul-Fuel Community

Engagement on Mondays

Soul Fuel by Pastor Tracey:

"Only once have I run out of gas. June, 1996, I was preparing for a new ministry appointment. My little congregation in Erie had grown four-fold during my two years there and we'd been awarded three grants. I felt the stress of "ending strong." That morning I looked anxiously at my gas gauge before I drove to my first appointment: E is for empty. But it was nearby and I wasn't concerned. I'd get gas after that. Except that meeting ran late and I would soon have someone waiting for me at my church office. So, I kept pushing through... until my engine sputtered and my car stopped. My car needed gas.

Likewise, our souls need fuel. That's the point of Soul Fuel. Each Monday at 4:30, join us for food and fellowship, followed by a light worship time. Better yet, bring someone with you: someone who may be hungry in body, mind or spirit. If you enjoy music, remain to sing with us. But, if music isn't your thing, it's fine to leave early.

Any Questions?

Contact Mike Costa at
music@uhumc.com



A PARISH NEWSLETTER

Church Updates

STAFFING UPDATE

The church has hired a new Administrative Assistant and Outreach Director, Shaun Fish, effective October 1. Shaun has a strong call to outreach ministry that has been well-informed by his education. He has worked with varying age groups: young people, adults, families, and teams in a variety of settings from Church Community Centers to Behavioral Health facilities to the Indiana Department of Child Services. He is also a Certified Coach. Shaun and his wife have a two-year old daughter.

Church office hours will remain the same (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00am-3pm). However, Shaun may need to leave the office from time to time for university or neighborhood meetings. So, if you need to meet with Shaun, call the office before driving to the church.

We're excited about the talents, knowledge and passion Shaun brings to our church.



Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be on **Monday, October 26th** from **6:30-8p.m.**, the governing board will be taking place in the Conference Room 204.

Monthly Shoutouts!

October Birthdays

3 Piper Kelly
6 Martha Bennington
13 Shae Kelly
17 Anna McWilliams
19 Resa Ramsey
22 Felicia Howells-Hilgert
24 Haley Wilson Ferise
25 Linda Hickman
27 Stephen Thomas
28 Peggy Richwine
30 Marylynne Winslow



October Anniversaries

10/2/2009 - Ray & Chris Roberts
10/17/1983 - Thomas & Karen Nieman
10/20/1973 - Bob & Cathy Smith



Donations for UHUMCC!!

During the month of **October**, the Children's Center is taking donations for **Unscented Baby Wipes & Paper Plates**. This helps offset the cost of supplies needed!
Thank you in advance! - *The Children's Center*

Monthly Prayers For UINDY Faculty:

Throughout the month of **October**, our UINDY prayers will be for **Dr. Ana Maria Ferreira**, Department Chair & Asspcoate Professor of Spanish, Graduate Certificate Director, Global Languages & Cross-Cultural Studies

Loose Coins:

October's Loose Coins will benefit **UMCOR!**

Community Engagement Update

Fall Festival Recap:



LITURGY: THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

Did you know that the word “liturgy” comes from a Greek compound word that means “the work of the people?” When I think about the work we all need to do (grocery shopping, cleaning, laundry, paperwork, etc.), I can’t think of much that is more fulfilling and meaningful than sharing God’s Word with others! Can you? (OK, maybe delivering a baby. But I’m not qualified to do that, so...)

I’d like to ask you to prayerfully consider becoming a liturgist at UHUMC. On **Tuesday evening, Oct. 20**, Pastor Tracey will host liturgy training via Zoom from **7:00-8:00pm**. This training will provide a quick overview of Christian worship and information that will equip you to be a liturgist. While attending the training doesn’t require you to become a liturgist, it will help you feel confident in doing so. When we share in the leadership of worship, it becomes a more meaningful experience for all of us and a more encompassing offering of our praise to God!

If you would like to be a liturgist and cannot attend via Zoom, let Pastor Tracey know and she can provide in-person training on a Sunday morning after worship. If you have limited mobility and are concerned about navigating the stairs to the chancel area that need not prevent your leadership. It is perfectly acceptable and doable to set up a microphone and stand at the front of the sanctuary at the foot of the stairs.

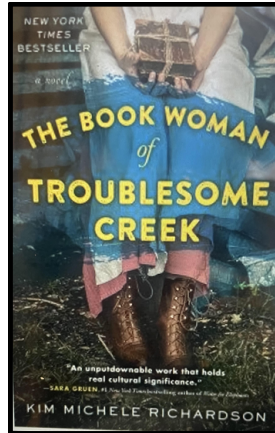
Here’s the link for the **Oct. 20, 7pm** Zoom training:
<https://inumc.zoom.us/j/87285341033>

Get Involved!

UHUMC Book Club

Join us on **October 15**, at 11:30 a.m. where the book club will be discussing "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek".

See **Robin Randolph-DeClue** for more information or to request a copy of the book. If interested in attending, contact her at rerandolph59@gmail.com. All are welcome!! Please plan to join us!!



October Community Luncheon!

Join us for the October Community Lunch on **Saturday, October 17th**, from **11:30 – 12:30**. If you would like to help at community lunch, contact **Marylynn Winslow** at southportmarylynn@gmail.com.

Drive-thru meals are available, but we hope you will join us and other good folks in Fellowship Hall. The lunch feeds the body, but the community feeds the soul. **All are welcome!!**

Volunteers are needed! Please prayerfully consider helping with the Community lunch. Volunteers may provide an entrée, side dish, or dessert; help in the kitchen or the carryout line; or serve as a dining room host or hostess.

Here is October's Menu:

- Chili
- Cornbread
- Veggy sticks
- Dessert



Young Adults Discussion

A discussion group for Young Adults (including UINDY students) is offered once a month on the 3rd Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Messenger Room, second fl, room 227. Grab a coffee and snack before the study begins. The next discussion will be on **Sunday, October 18th**! All are welcome and ALL are loved! Feel free to bring a friend with you!!



All Saints Sunday:

On **November 1st**, during morning worship, we will remember the University Heights saints that have received their heavenly reward over the past year. Their names will be read, a candle lit, and a bell tolled. A table will also be set up for anyone to light a tea light candle in remembrance of a loved one when they come forward for communion. Join us for this special time of worship and remembrance.

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." ~ Ephesians 4:3

Let's Build a Community of Unity!