

## COMMITTEES AT A GLANCE

**September 24**  
**UMW Executive Board**  
 9:30am, Wesley Library

**September 25**  
**Building Committee**  
 7:00pm, ULCC

**October 2**  
**Building Committee**  
 7:00pm, ULCC

## Worship Notes

Due to the strong response to the 9:45a "Two Songs and a Sermon" service, this service has moved from the Chapel to the Sanctuary. Come to our Wednesday 6:30 PM service in the chapel. Good music, the sermon from the previous Sunday and communion every Wednesday evening.

## All Together Day and Ministry Fair

**Sunday, October 26th**  
 One Service at 9:30am  
 Marion High School

## New Member Class

Our next New Member Class will be in October, with new members joining our congregation at All Together Day on Sunday, Oct. 26.

### Class Schedule:

**Thursday, Oct. 2** – 7:00-9:00pm  
 Level of the Carnegie Center

**Sunday, Oct. 5** – 9:45-10:45am  
 in the Chapel

**Sunday, Oct. 12** – 9:45-10:45am  
 in the Chapel

**Sunday, Oct. 19** – 9:45-10:45am  
 in the Chapel

If you have questions or want to sign up for the class, contact Karen at 377-4856 or Karen@marionfumc.org.

## All Church Picnic

**Sunday, Sept. 28, noon – 3:00**  
**Marion City Square Park**

The United Methodist Men will provide burgers and hot dogs. Please bring a salad or side dish. Beverages will be provided. This is for the entire family. Bring your lawn chairs and games. Come and join in on the food, fun, and fellowship.

## Fall Clean Up Day

**Saturday, Sept 27 8am-Noon**

Cleaning • Painting

Reorganizing

Landscaping



## First United Methodist Church of Marion

**12th Street & 8th Avenue**

Sunday Worship –

**7:45am**

Early Worship – Chapel

**8:30am**

Spirited Traditional – Sanctuary

**9:45am**

Two Songs & A Sermon – Sanctuary  
 Church School for children and adults

**11:00am**

Blended Praise – Sanctuary

Wednesday Worship –

**6:30 pm** - Chapel



# The Marion Methodist

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PASTOR MIKE MORGAN

## Faces to the (right) coal

At age 32, his record as a football coach was nearly without peer, losing only a handful of games, widely known as an offensive "genius," winning a couple of state championships, being inducted into the coaching hall of fame, all while being outstanding in the classroom. There were few men in more demand than Carl Rice; large high schools and colleges desired to lure him into coaching for them.

He would often give his linemen (who powered an offense that averaged over 350 rushing yards per game) the same pre game talk. He would remind them of Churchill's post war meeting with the coal miners of his nation. These men had a function, it was not to fly planes or fight in the desert of Africa, it was to power the nation and her effort by chipping from the earth the coal needed to keep England's effort powered. In a meeting with these men following the victory, Churchill called out to them: "And where were you when we stormed the beaches, battled in the desert, fought in the air?" To which 10,000 men in one voice responded "Faces to the coal sir! Faces to the coal, sir!"

The point of the story, of course, is that everyone on the team had a job and responsibility that was necessary

if victory was to be obtained. Obviously some jobs receive more press and acclaim than others, but each needed to claim their job whether it be blocking, tackling or simply making a pile as important and do it well for the sake of the team effort.

When Carl turned down a job at the University of Colorado to continue his career at a little 1A school, it made little sense to the Denver media when he, in turning down Coach McCartney, simply said, "I know the coal I am to keep my face to." He was not afraid of the bright lights or the challenge; he simply had clarity of his life mission and work and it was in small town classrooms and football fields.

Carl's clarity reminds me that First United Methodist Church believes that every person has a life and mission that is to be lived out for the sake

of our loving God. Some of these jobs will have "bright lights" others will be "covered with coal dust" and all must be accomplished for our witness to be effective in our community.

During September and October we will be experiencing in worship a Big Idea entitled "training for the team" which will emphasize the opportunity each friend and member of the church has to serve God in ways that are appropriate to them in their prayers, presence, gifts and service. My dream is that each of you will find that ministry inside or outside of the walls of this community that you can claim as the "right coal" for you to face. I can say without hesitation that when you do, while the work might be costly, you will rejoice in the opportunity to spend your life on God's mission.

Peace, Love, Joy - Mike

### THE BIG IDEA SERIES:

## Training for the Team

**September 21** Mark 10:17-31 Commitment to the team  
 Stewardship communicates tithing "commitment"

**September 28** Mark 10:35-45 Serving for the Team  
 Stewardship communicates tithing "service"

## FUMC Building Committee Report

August 18, 2008 - Committee members are: Brad A'Hearn, Al Beach, Gene Gerber, Suzanne Haehlen, Linda Jenkins (secretary), Linda Kelly, Doug Martin, Kay McGuire, Mike Morgan, Dana Mortensen, Lauren Noble, Tom Padley, Sean Posten, and Jerry Van Dyke (chair).

The Building Committee met on the following dates: 6/23/08, 7/17/08, 7/24/08, 7/31/08, 8/14/08 and 8/21/08.

The following is a listing of activities, discussion points and consensus items to date:

- Time has been spent reviewing the facilities discussions of the past, work by former FUMC facilities study committees, and most recently, the findings presented by the Exploration Committee.

- Based upon the Exploration Committee's recommendations, the Church Council's approval in October, and vote at the February Charge Conference, the FUMC Building Committee approved (7/24/08) the four part mission to... a.) research funding opportunities, b.) hire a design/build firm, c.) purchase land, d.) build a new church ...within the framework of the church's established three supporting missions of worship, fellowship, and growth.

- Communication will be an important function of the committee and strategies are being developed to communicate Building Committee activities to the greater church on a regular and ongoing basis.

- A proposal to the Finance Committee has been developed by the Building Committee (8/14/08) to access church capital campaign dollars for the purpose of consultation and communication. This will require Charge Conference approval.

- The Building Committee met with a real estate professional on 7/31/08 to learn about available properties, costs, and processes required to purchase land for a new church.

- The Building Committee approved a recommendation (8/14/08) to secure the services of a real estate professional to assist in developing a list of available properties within an area to be determined by the Building Committee, subject to approval of the East Central Committee on Church Building and Location, and then ultimately the approval of the greater congregation. No fee will be required to start this process. A realtor's fee is generally negotiated with seller upon purchase of property.

- Information is being reviewed related to fundraising strategies employed by other churches in the Marion/Cedar Rapids area.

- The Building Committee met with Tom Treharne of the City of Marion (8/14/08). He shared information related to plans for development and streets in Marion's northeast quadrant.

- The Building Committee met on 8/28/08. Sub-committee assignments for property acquisition, funding raising/finance, and communication were established. Fundraising strategies were discussed.

- The sub-committee on property acquisition met with a real estate representative to discuss the Exploration Committee's findings regarding the addresses of the FUMC congregation (80%+) live in the northeast Marion quadrant. Properties were identified as locations of interest. The real estate representative will gather information for the committee regarding utilities, price, and general property conditions prior to the September 11 meeting.

- The Building Committee will meet with the East Central Committee on Church Building and Location on September 25.

## POWER-UP for Powerhouse



**Family Friendly Power Meal –  
5:30 – 6:15**

*(Free will offering for the meal)*

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches  
always

### September 24

Beef Noodle, Vegetable Soup  
Crackers  
Mandarin Oranges  
Ice Cream Sandwiches

### October 1

Tacos w/ground beef  
Chopped onions, Peppers,  
Tomatoes, Lettuce  
Salsa & Tortilla Chips  
Sour Cream, Shredded Cheese  
Tropical Fruit Cocktail  
Cupcakes

### Preschool classes

6:30-7:30pm – Rm 208

### Elementary Classes

6:30-7:30pm – 3rd Floor

## Powerhouse classes

Adult Classes 6:15 and 6:30pm.  
Contact Jon Moss, Director of Adult  
Christian Education and Discipleship,  
JonMoss@fumcmarion.org, for a list  
of current classes.

## Televised Services

Mediacom is televising our church  
services on Monday evenings at  
7:00pm on Mediacom Channel 18.

## Children's News:

Join us on Sundays at 9:45 am

**Sonshine Kids:** 2 years – 5 years

2 years      rm 207

3 years      rm 208

4 & 5 years    rm 205

**Journeyland:** Kdg–5th Grade (3rd Flr)

### 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders



**Sunday, September 21  
5:30-7:00pm**

Black light room, 3rd Floor  
Join us for a time of fun, food and  
fellowship. Contact Val Lawrence for  
more information.

# Opportunities to Grow in Christ for our Youth

## Sunday Mornings at 9:45 am

- **6th Grade Sunday School** Stories of the Bible Taught by Brad Peyton gathers in the Office Building Lower Level Carnegie Corner Room.
- **7th Grade Confirmation** meet in small groups.
- **8th Grade** continues with confirmation classes through Sept 21, then will meet together starting Sept 28 in LLCC.
- **Senior High** (Freshman-Senior) meets in the youth couch room for discussion of how current events shape our faith and church.

## Wednesday Night Ministries

- **Junior High Wednesday Ministry** begins at 6:15 with games in the alley followed by announcements, worship, and prayer. The youth are released into small groups until 7:30 pm. Youth are welcome to come and hang out starting at 5:30 pm, but need to be picked up by 8:00 pm.
- **Senior High Wednesday Ministry** begins at 7:30 pm on the third floor of the office building for worship, and prayer, then go into small groups until 9:00 pm.

## It Is Puppet Time

All interested youth in Grades 4th through High School are invited to participate in the Puppet Ministry of Marion United Methodist Church. It is great fun and a great way to tell others of God's Love and his son Jesus.

We will meet on Sunday afternoons from 1:00-2:00.

4th – 6th Grade – Room 305

7th – 8th Grade – Black Light Room

9th – 12th Grade – Choir Room

Our schedule for September and October looks like this:

September 14, October 5, 12, and 19

We are still in the planning stages for the Puppet Musical, so come with energy to learn puppetry, song ideas, and creative minds. If you have any questions, please give me a call. Debbie Liscum, 378-6423

## Flood Update

**On June 13, 2008 Cedar Rapids went under water. The people of the United Methodist church gathered to provide three core ministries. Our efforts began** by organizing local clergy to station themselves at checkpoints throughout the city for residents as they entered their homes for the first time. To date, this is the hardest ministry. Please do not forget to daily pray for these residents as they live in conditions outside their comfort zone and have to make tough decisions.

**Our second ministry** focused on supply depots and quickly partnered with the Iowa United Methodist Conference for 3 Trailer Depots. For 10 weeks, a team of 30-40 volunteers staffed these trailers and shifted supplies from one to another. Approximately 2000 flood buckets and lots of supplies were distributed. Now, instead of sitting with empty helpless trailers we are transitioning them for the next step. The plan for each depot is to remove the flood supply signs and place new signage on the trailer doors stating each trailers purpose.

- Saint James Trailer will be utilized for storing tools, supplies, and materials for volunteer teams coordinated through the Regional United Methodist Recovery Office.
- Salem Trailer will be used for storing donated items for rebuilds including appliances and furniture coordinated through the Regional United Methodist Recovery Office.
- Czech Village will be used for storing grant supported or donated supplies specifically needed for rebuild of case managed homes, drywall, screws, cabinets, etc coordinated through the Regional United Methodist Recovery Office.
- First UMC Marion will continue to be a restocking and volunteer team supply trailer coordinated through the Regional United Methodist Recovery Office.

**The third ministry** began when Volunteer Teams began arriving on June 22. As of September 6, these 118 out of area teams, from 21 states, totaling 1028 people have worked in 264 homes. Seven churches have offered their building to house volunteers. We have had weeks with as many as 165 volunteers and weeks with no one as they pulled away from Cedar Rapids to serve Jesus with one of many hurricanes. We have had 21 teams cancel due to the lack of interest or approaching hurricanes.

Did we muck and gut out homes that might be demolished by the city? A couple homes do fit this category. However, we are working under the guidance of standard UMCOR policies. They counseled our team to gut homes, because the true answer of which homes will stay or go will not be answered for some time to come. If a home is gutted, it has had the opportunity to dry and the homeowner will have the freedom to decide what they might do next. If a house was not gutted and will not be demolished, the likelihood that a home will be salvageable after winter is slim. However, we will not winterize or rebuild any home in danger of being bought out by the city.

This fall the volunteer teams will continue gutting homes, winterizing, and rebuilding. We must winterize as many houses as possible to enable the teams arriving mid-January the opportunity to serve by doing skilled interior labor. Winterization includes securing a home from the outside elements, laying sub floor, and assisting with electrical and furnace installation.

The City of Cedar Rapids, United Way, and the Linn Area Long Term Recovery Coalition are working to ensure that we have credible procedures in place for Case Management and Fundraising. However, at this time they simply have not had the time or financial resources, three months from the flood, to organize or hire the correct people.

Therefore, we are on our own for now. The homes selected to winterize or rebuild will be homes we have already helped to muck out, gut, and power wash. They will be individuals who have the resources to purchase the materials, but not the labor to gain access to occupy their homes. We need to have work for the volunteers in order to keep them coming. As the Case Management from the Long Term Recovery Committee comes online, we will partner with the Volunteer Reception Center to rebuild homes for those that are high on the vulnerability scale.

**A question often asked** has been "Where is UMCOR?" or "What has UMCOR done?" UMCOR, at the request of Bishop Palmer, provided flood buckets and \$20,000. UMCOR drafted proposals for action to the Iowa Annual Conference. On July 5, Gregg Forrester, NE Jurisdiction VIM Coordinator, came to offer training and Tom Hazelwood, UMCOR Assistant General Secretary, provided next step procedures. Michele Scott, UMCOR Communications Director, filmed Volunteer Teams in Action. Rick Hill, UMCOR Consultant, assisted the Waterloo recovery and Church World Service Training Opportunities. However, due to the massiveness of Upper Midwest Flooding, there is only \$90,000 for six states of Flood Recovery. There will be no large amount given to the Iowa Flood Recovery. At least two other consultants were here, Rev. Mary Hughes Gaudreau worked with pastoral care a couple times. Another frequently asked question "What has the Iowa Annual Conference done?" A simple paragraph can not describe the scope of the recovery efforts, but here is a start.

- Convinced Dan and Jean Houston to come out of volunteer retirement to assist with the coordination of the volunteer efforts.
- Purchased four tool trailers to ensure teams have the right tools.
- Funded the plumbing and electrical installation of the shower trailer delivered by the Louisiana Conference Katrina Recovery.
- Funded a part time administrative assistant for the Regional Flood Recovery Office.
- Assisted with the cost of cell phones for the three main UM Volunteer coordination offices.
- Provided discretionary funding for several churches in the affected area.

Want to know more? Information and Discussion on the Flood Recovery on Sunday, October 5 at 9:45 am in Fellowship Hall



# Stewardship Corner

## September 21

**Greeters:** 8:30 8th Ave Bob Shireman  
12th St Harold & Mary Cramer  
11:00 8th Ave Melissa Nissen  
12th St Walt, Shelby, Courtney Roth

**Ushers:** 8:30 Ron & Ruth Jahnke, Don & Joyce Haugen, Henry Schmoll 9:45 Casey Cram, Carissa Goemaat  
11:00 Bill & Billie Werner, Kay McGuire, Kim Tchon, Susanne Haehlen

**Acolytes:** 8:30 Confirmation Students  
11:00 Confirmation Students

## September 28

**Greeters:** 8:30 8th Ave Jim & Debbie Fuller  
12th St Ned & Connie Albert  
11:00 8th Ave Wanda Campbell  
12th St Kirk & Carol McNeil

**Ushers:** 8:30 Ron & Ruth Jahnke, Don & Joyce Haugen, Henry Schmoll  
9:45 Nathaniel McFarland, Alex Ditzenberger  
11:00 Bill & Billie Werner, Kay McGuire, Kim Tchon, Susanne Haehlen

**Acolytes:** 8:30 Jakob Kehoe, Brooke McMorran  
11:00 A J Bernauer, Lydia Hamilton



## UMM

**THE REGULAR UNITED METHODIST MEN'S MEETING**

will be **Saturday, September 20** at 8:30am in the Chapel

**The entire Church is welcome to hear a presentation from Marty and Kathy Labs on their Mozambique mission trip.**

The Kiwanis will be serving breakfast in Fellowship Hall that morning so everyone is invited to come early or stay after to enjoy breakfast.

## Monday, September 22

7:00 at the McNeil household Fellowship, Christian talk, food (and maybe some football) All men are invited to either or both meetings.



## UMW

**Executive Board**

**September 24**

**9:30am, Wesley Library**

## Circles

### September 23

Martha at 1:15pm, Mr Beans

### September 25

**Sowers** at 9:15am, Fellowship Hall  
Demonstration: Fabric microwave potato bags. Questions? Call Elaine Coppock, 395-9532. Visitors and new members welcome.

**Agape** 7:00pm at Melvina Bruce's, 1050 5th St, 373-7445

### October 1

**Sarah** at 9:15am, LLCC. Speaker is Joan Hackbarth from Tanager Place. Everyone is welcome to come hear Joan speak.

**Miriam** at 1:00pm, Marian Wheeler's, 2750 Lynn Dr, 377-3005

### October 2

**Rebekah** at 1:15pm, Fellowship Hall. Each bring a snack, work on bazaar projects

**The Bookends** at 7:00pm, Java Creek Café

**Agape** at 7:00pm at Melvina Bruce's, 1050 5th St, 373-7445 (Work on Bazaar projects)

## Women's Friendship Group

The Women's Friendship Group meets on the third Monday of each month at the Pizza Ranch in Marion at 11:00am. All single women of FUMC who are interested in a time of good fellowship and good food are invited to attend at any time. Call Idella Hogan, 377-1382, for more information or with questions.

## Caregiver Support Groups

Caregiver Support Groups are open to anyone who is a Caregiver or soon to become a caregiver.

**The Thursday Caregivers Support Group Meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays at 1:30pm at Summit Pointe Senior Living**, just off of 29th Avenue in Marion. The group will meet in their private dining room. Meetings begin at 1:30 and end at 3:00pm. Respite care will be offering for loved ones. Join us for support, prayer, information, and free respite. If you have a question, call Marj Reth at 373-4544.

## Health Insurance Information/Help

The state of Iowa has important free information to help you with your health insurance purchases beyond Medicare Part B and help for you in choosing your prescription Drug Plan.

The state of Iowa has a program called SHIIP- Senior Health Insurance Information Program. St Luke's Hospital has 11 volunteers trained as SHIIP counselors. You can call St Luke's at the SHIIP office at 369-7475 and set up an appointment to visit with a SHIIP counselor to help you decide what insurance to purchase or answer questions about your insurance.

### Some Questions that they can help you answer are:

- I'm retiring. What kind of health insurance do I need?
- Do I need a Medicare supplement policy to pay for my health expenses not paid by Medicare part B. Part B will only pay 80%.
- Help you decide what Drug plan is best for you.
- I can't make sense of my Medicare statements and medical bills. What do I do next? Is the medical bill correct?
- I've been considering long-term care insurance, but is it a good option for me?
- How can I help my parents with health insurance issues?

This is a free service that you should consider when you have health insurance questions or concerns. One of the 11 counselors at St Luke's is John Slusher. He is a member of your church, First United Methodist in Marion. Please contact the St Luke's SHIIP office at 369-7475 for help with your insurance questions. This free service is available to you.

## UMW Holiday Bazaar is October 25

Fresh baked rolls and coffee, four rooms to shop in and a wonderful luncheon.

### Granny's Nook

One of our bazaar features is Granny's Nook. This room will contain gently loved items such as knick knacks, costume jewelry, home decorative items, old hats, pretty china serving bowls and tea cups, vintage linens and many other great treasures. Because we have limited space, we cannot accept furniture. Also we prefer no dish sets, drinking glasses, pots, pans and no clothing. Do think of Granny's Nook before you have your fall yard sale. Please remember that all the profits made on October 25th will go to support local and world wide mission projects.

Contact Ruth Jahnke, 393-8690 or Billie Werner, 462-6773, with questions or for details on how to donate.

## Lost a Dish?

A collection of "lost dishes" has accumulated in the corner of the counter in Fellowship Hall. If you brought food for a funeral, mission team meal, etc, please check to see if one of the dishes wants to go home with you. Thanks!

## Quilts Needed

Do you have a quilt top ready to be quilted? The Methodist Church Quilters have time available while waiting for other quilt tops on their list to be finished. Contact Olive Port, 377-8098, for more information.

## Thank You

A big thank you to our church family for all the cards and words of concern since the loss of my mother. Both were very comforting.

— Mary and Bruce Taylor

Pastor Mike, Susan (Shaffer) Hemstad's family and I thank you for offering to officiate at her graveside service on September 9 in Cedar Rapids. It was a very meaningful service. I really appreciate all you did for her family from out of state, her brother, Jerry Shaffer, from Independence, IA, and me.

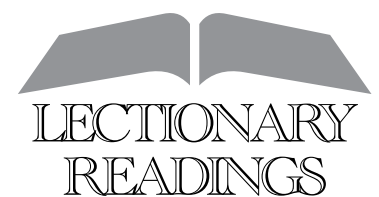
— God bless you, Marilyn Rech

Thank you for all your prayers, cards and thoughts during the discovery and treatment of my blood disease. I am now in remission and will only have to test my blood every three months. During this scary time and recent move, it's great to be surrounded by people who care.

—Thanks again, Sarah Bracht-Wagner



**Congratulations to Darrel and Barbara Charlier** who will celebrate their **50th wedding anniversary** on September 21.



### September 21

Exodus 16:2-15

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45 or Psalm 78

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

### September 28

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>September 21</b> 7:45a Worship (Chapel) 8:30a Confirmation Sunday 8:30a Worship (Sanctuary) 9:45a Church School for All Ages 9:45a Worship-1 Songs & A Sermon (Sanc) 9:45a Praise Team Pract (Choir Rm) 11:00a Worship (Sanctuary) 1:00p Majesty Puppets (Sanctuary) 1:00p Majesty Puppets (Black Light Rm) 1:00p Majesty Puppets (Room 303) 2:00p Joyful Noise Chimers (Rm 310) 2:00p Girl Scouts (Adult Library) 3:00p Jubilation Handbells (Rm 310) 4:00p Bell Canto Handbells (Rm 310) 5:00p Friendship Mini. (Carnegie - UL) 5:00p Friendship Mini. (Carnegie - LL) 5:30p Jam (Black Light Rm)	<b>September 22</b> 6:00p Parent Advisory Comm (Room 205) 7:00p Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)	<b>September 23</b> 9:00a Carnegie Corner (Carnegie - LL) 1:30p Bible Study (Adult Library) 7:00p Touch of Brass (Room 310)	<b>September 24</b> 8:00a Quilters (Rm 104) 9:30a UMW Exec Board (Adult Library) 11:00a UMW-Funeral Callers Mtg (Carnegie - LL) 5:00p Adult Praise Tea Practice (Sanctuary) 5:30p Powerhouse Meal (Fellowship Hall) 6:15p Jr Hi Youth Group (Carnegie - Youth) 6:30p Powerhouse Classes 6:30p Worship Service (Chapel) 6:30p Adult Classes 6:30p Chancel Choir (Choir Room) 7:30p Senior High 8:00p AA Support Group (Adult Library)	<b>September 25</b> 6:00a Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 9:15a Sowers Circle (Fellowship Hall) 10:00a Grief Share (Carnegie - UL) 7:00p Building Committee (Carnegie - UL)	<b>September 26</b>	<b>September 27</b> 8:00a Fall Clean-up Day
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CC=Carnegie Corner;  
YRCC=Youth Room  
Carnegie Center

## Church Information

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**Fellowship Hall**  
377-4252

**Caring Corner**  
377-8490

## Our Congregation Shares Its Concern & Christian Love...

**DEATHS:** May 19, **Susan Hemstad**, Prior Lake, MN, cousin of Marilyn Rech. Services were held on Sept 6 in Cedar Rapids.

August 31, **Naomi Meek**, mother of Colette (Don) Glueck. Services were held on September 4.

You're invited to join us at  
**"Carnegie Corner"**  
any Tuesday morning  
from 9:00-11:00am.

*We play cards & games:*  
500, Bridge (some weeks)  
Dominoes & Table Games

*Coffee  
Refreshments  
Devotions*

Contact Myrna Carter or  
Sherry Murray for more  
information.

*Using the Computer to  
search for:*

- Christian websites
- Hearing the Bible
- Reading Large print scriptures
- Finding & Playing hymns
- FUMC website
- How to use free clipart
- Making greeting cards
- And more!

While this group is geared toward our Senior Citizens, anyone is welcome to attend at anytime. We occasionally have potlucks and take short trips also.

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