

STEVENSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE

9:55AM ON THE SUMC FACEBOOK PAGE

or click on the link on our website:

www.stevensville-umc.org

Welcome and Announcements
Kathy Sankey

Prelude

(take these moments to quiet your mind & heart as worship begins)

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn: #67

"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"

The Story For All Ages
Rev. Wade Panse

Scripture Reading: Psalm 37:1-6
Bob Hopkins

Message: "Just Another Psalm"
Rev. Wade Panse

Musical Praise: "Here I Am to Worship"
Sandy Krieg and Carson Rigler, Saxophone Duet
Allyson Rigler, piano

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offering

Doxology: #2026 "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" (2x)

Holy Communion

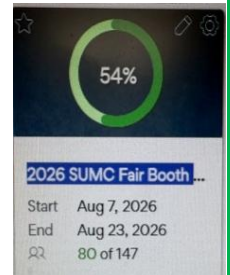
*Closing Hymn: #140 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"
Blessing/Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission Focus for July - World Central Kitchen

Welcome R. Wade Panse, Guest Preacher

Berrien County Youth Fair Sign-Up-Please check your summer calendars and sign-up to work a shift or 2 at the fair. We are at 54% with 80 out of 147 spots filled. It is a great time of fun and fellowship with our church family and our community. Thank You!



South Bend Chicago Cubs Game-See page 3 of today's update.

Mobile Food Pantry Update-Thank you to everyone Who came out to help volunteer for our pantry. We served: 64 households; 156 individuals; 32 children; 61 seniors; 14 veterans; 18 adult and 4 youth volunteers. Our next pantry will be here Wednesday, August 19.

Ringin In The Spirit Hand Bell Clinic— See page 3.

Serving in Worship Sunday, July 19

Kellie Meyer, Pianist

Bob Hopkins, Lector

Lona Vogie & Tommie Weber, Ushers

Wayne & Jan Koebel, Greeters

Brooklyn Stolk, Acolyte

Sharon Foxworthy, Bette Mallen, Kathy Sankey,

Rachel Wade, Communion Helpers

Sandy Hayes, Congregational Safety

Altar Flowers Given by Sharon Foxworthy
Happy Birthdays to My Grandsons

ZIMBABWE 2026



Awe and Gratitude

As I write this note to you, the Zimbabwe mission team is completing their final preparations for our journey to Arnoldine – packing suitcases, picking up last-minute items, making sure all the details and documents are ready to go. Lord willing, by the time you read this, we will have landed in Africa and will be setting out on the next leg of our journey.

Our partnership with Arnoldine United Methodist Mission extends back over 12 years, when Farai Rukunda gave us the opportunity to support the village he grew up in, and the United Methodist ministries that support the community. Now, after over a year of prayer, planning, and fundraising, you have made it possible for this team of nine to serve, learn, and build relationships that will foster continued mission and ministry. Please pray for our mission team members as they embark on this incredible journey. Pray for the people we get to meet, the relationships built, the projects we work on together, and for God's Spirit to guide us each step of the way.

Thank you, Church, for your generous support. Whether you've collected cans, donated baked goods, contributed to the pie-in-the-face fundraiser, chaperoned a Middle School Dance, supported a rummage sale, or simply given out of the goodness of your heart or lifted this team in prayer – you have made this journey possible. Thank you for your prayers and support as the journey continues!

With hope and joy,
Pastor Elise

Please pray for our Zimbabwe Mission Team, serving July 16-July 30

Joni Dubbert
Stan Dubbert
Mike Farrington
Ken Green
Elise Low Edwardson
Farai Rukunda
Tendi Rukunda
Tafadzwa Rukunda
David Stroud



Rev. Wade Panse will be available for pastoral emergencies from July 16 to July 30. Pastor Patti Harpole will be covering for pastoral emergencies from the evening of August 2 through the 7th. Please call the Church office at 429-5911 or Nancy Mead at 269-449-2213. Thank you.



WEEKLY CALENDAR AT SUMC

JULY 20-26

Monday, July 20

8:30am Soup Kitchen Lunches

Tuesday, July 21

7:00pm Pub Theology

Wednesday, July 22

10:00am Staff Mtg

Thursday, July 16

11:30am Covenant Journaling

6:15pm Cardio Drumming

Sunday, July 26

9:15am Summer Choir

10:00am Worship

11:15am Hand Bell Fun Clinic

PRAYERS AS OUR MISSION

TEAM SERVES IN

ZIMBABWE THIS WEEK!

CARDIO DRUMMING



**Thursdays at 6:15
in Faith Hall**

July 2, 16, 23 & 30

SUMC Fun Day at the Ballpark -- August 9



SUMC is planning a fun trip to catch the South Bend Cubs take on the Cedar Rapids Kernels on **August 9 at 2:05 pm.**

Tickets are **\$17** each and come with a free cap and program!



FREE South Bend Cubs cap ♦ Free Game Program ♦ Scoreboard recognition

- ♦ Hot Dog, Chips & Soda Voucher available for \$7
- ♦ Fun Zone Wristband available for \$7
- ♦ Parking Voucher available for \$10



Visit <https://bit.ly/SBCUBS26> or scan the QR code to sign up.



For more info: Contact Dick Lukey at (269) 470-8856 or SUMCCubsGame@gmail.com

Safe Gatherings Training

SUMC requires that everyone working with children, youth, and vulnerable adults complete a background check, as well as training to maintain a safe environment for all participants. This process is now available to complete online through a program called Safe Gatherings. If you have not yet completed Safe Gatherings training and plan to work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults, please email the Church Office at stevensvillechurch@gmail.com

"Ring in the Spirit" Handbell Get-Together, Sunday, July 26, 11:15-12:30pm

Come join Music Director, Kellie Meyer and Guest Handbell Clinician, Wendy Willis for a little snack, meeting time, music rehearsal and moving forward time together. Are you an advanced ringer, played some ringer, haven't played in years ringer or brand new ringer? All are welcome! If you know someone who might like to come try to play handbells, please invite them. This is the perfect time to give it a try.

Any questions, please email Kellie at stevensvilleummusicdirector@gmail.com

HEALTH CONCERNS:

Tery Bailey
Bruce Barclay
Gordie Barry
Christi Blunt
Adam Burnett
Missy Carroll
Dianne Collins
Sue Dock
Jack Hardy
Margie Hardy
Dianna Hartman
Jason Kik
Debbie Foley
Ken Foyder
Patrick Fowler
Shirley Hetfield

Dick Lukey
Sebastian Kurup
Mike Melcher
Gary & Lee Nelson
Schaeffer Ott
Bonnie & Tom Parrish
Gloria Pollack
Mike Rush
Amy Schaub
Fred Seifert
Chris Stolk
Amber Stolk
Jan Taylor
J.T. Thompson
William Thompson
Kathy Trejo
Brooke Trux

David Sunblad Jr.
Judy Vanderaue
Gary Wank
Dan Whitt

SHUT-INS:

Carol Momany
Grace Park
Sally Streick
Carol Svorec

MISSIONARIES IN THE FIELD:

Caleb Dormah-Liberia

IN ACTIVE SERVICE:

Taylor Allgood-Illinois
Lydia Sankey-Orsillo-USS
Bulkeley

DDG 84-
Rota

**PRAYER CONCERNS:**

- Prayers for Elaine's cousin Karen who is having surgery to remove a growth on her brain.
- Prayers for Chris Weber who is recovering from back surgery.
- Prayers for Vicky McDonald's granddaughter Katie who will be leaving for medical school in Arkansas.
- Prayers for the people of Venezuela and from the high magnitude earthquake.
- Prayers of comfort and healing for Melissa Rescoe who is recovering from hamstring surgery.
- Prayers for Linda Sprague's friend Ingrid who is hospitalized with an aneurysm.
- Prayers for Utah and all those displaced by the fires including the firefighters.
- Prayers of wisdom and recovery for Lisa Williams' mom Donna.
- Prayers for Barb Pries's sister Joanne who is struggling with recovery from a fall.
- Prayers for Lisa Williams' Mother-In-Law Frida who has 3 treatments done. Cancer throughout her body. Also prayers for her Uncle Norman who is halfway through treatments for esophageal cancer and in severe pain.
- Prayers for all our men & women in the armed forces, especially for Lydia Sankey-Orsillo who is on a destroyer ship in the Mediterranean Sea. May they all be safe and appreciated in their mission.
- Prayers for de-escalation in the air strikes taking place in the Middle East. Prayers for open dialogue and humility.
- Prayers of peace for our world.

PRAYER JOYS:

- Happy 3rd birthday to Bailey Nelson on Friday, July 17. She's brought so much joy and blessing to our family.
- Diane Koebel has a new great granddaughter, Amelia Ann Giran. Congratulations to Diane and her family



Faith Formation-JULY

As a new month begins, we gather with open hearts and expectant spirits. Faith Formation invites us to pause, reflect, and grow—together. Whether through study, conversation, journaling, or prayer, each gathering offers a chance to deepen our connection with God, discover fresh purpose, and share the journey with one another. Come explore, question, and be nourished by practices that awaken the soul and strengthen community.

 **Pub Theology** ⌚ Tuesdays at 7:00 PM • The Watermark

Pull up a chair and join the conversation. Each week we dive into moral, ethical, theological, and philosophical topics in a relaxed, open setting. Bring your thoughts, your doubts, and your curiosity—no question is too big or too small.

 **Covenant Journaling** – ⌚ Thursdays at 11:30 AM • Lounge

Enter a sacred space of quiet reflection. With gentle, meditative music surrounding us, we journal our prayers, thoughts, and spiritual insights—whether through Bible journaling, faith journaling, or prayer journaling. We close with shared prayer practices that refresh the spirit and nourish the soul.



The Faith Formation Coordinator serves as a member of the church staff and will direct/ manage all Educational/Formational Ministries of SUMC, 25-30 hours per week. Interested candidates should send a resume to Rev. Elise Low Edwardson,
reveliselowedwarson@gmail.com

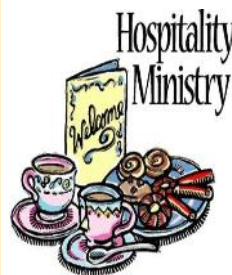


SIGN UP FOR

Altar Flowers Sign-Up For 2026

Altar Flowers are silk arrangements done By Robin Weingart. Cost is \$30.00 and goes towards missions. Sign-up on the clip Board in the hallway. If you are not able to get to church to Sign-up please call the church office at 429-5911. Thank you!

ALTAR FLOWERS



Hospitality Ministry Please consider signing up to help set-up, clean-up or make cookies for our Sunday Morning Hospitality. If you have questions please see Sandy Hayes or Lona Vogie. Sign-ups are at the Hospitality table. Thank you!

CARING MINISTRY

A few weeks ago, my niece who works in youth ministry asked if I would pray for one of her leaders who was leading a group of high schoolers at camp. I felt honored that she asked me. I felt connected to this leader and the work he was doing. I prayed that God would work powerfully in this leader's life and the lives of the students he was leading. After the week of camp, she sent me a thank you and shared some wonderful things that happened at camp that week.

What a gift we have in prayer. Prayer makes a difference.

We have so many opportunities brought before us each week to lift others in prayer.

Sunday, we commissioned our Zimbabwe Mission Team as they left for Zimbabwe, Africa yesterday. Pray for each of them this week as they put their faith in action helping the Living Beyond Hope – Arnoldine School. Safe travels. I can't wait to hear how God has worked in their lives.

Psalms 121:7-8 (Known as the Traveler's Prayer)

The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Nancy Mead, Caring Ministry

Your Caring Ministry team is here for you; please contact any of the members if you have a need: Nancy Mead, Lona Vogie, Karen Pallas, Sharon Foxworthy, Elaine Graves, Chris Weber, Lisa Williams, and Pastor Elise Low Edwardson



We're Back!

Believe it or not, we are just a little more than two months away from this year's version of our SUMC Berrien County Youth Fair Food Booth. This year's fair will run from August 17-22.

Last year was our most successful fair ever in terms of participation; 100% of the volunteer slots were filled by great SUMC supporters like you.

Sales of all the breakfast sandwiches, bacon, sausage, pancakes and muffins, as well as hot dogs, sloppy joes and our "exclusives": **SLOPPY DOGS and BROOKIES!** supported contributions of nearly **\$13,000** for the Feeding America food truck and new church HVAC units.

This year we'll again be supporting **Feeding America, The Samaritan Center** and maintenance and upkeep of the SUMC parking lot.

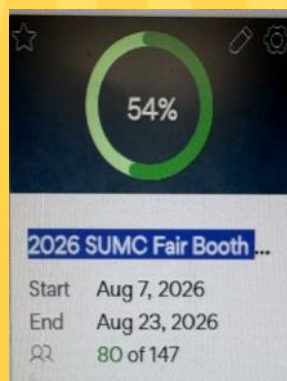
If you wish to let us know **what you like to do most** (e.g., count money, work the counter, fry bacon, flip pancakes, etc.), fill out this short survey: https://bit.ly/SUMC_FAIR_PREFS and we'll try to see your talents are put to best use.

This year we continue to improve booth operations with a simplified schedule, menu and pricing.

PLEASE SIGN-UP FOR A SHIFT BY CLICKING THE LINK OR SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW.

<https://bit.ly/2026SUMCFairBooth>.

Contact the church office MWTF 9:00 am - Noon at 269-429-5911, or Dick Lukey any time at 269-470-8856 or email SUMCFairBooth@gmail.com with any questions.



We look forward to working together to make 2026 **the best fair booth ever**.
 Blessings, Jonie Dubbert, Sandy Krieg, Dick Lukey and Rachel Wade
 2026 SUMC Fair Booth Team

FAIR BOOTH DONATIONS

We are kicking off the month of July with an expanded list of items you can donate for the fair. You may start bringing in any of the following items:

20 oz Bottles of Blue, Orange or Red
Gatorade



Cases of Ice Mountain Water



Cases of Coke, Diet Coke,
Mountain Dew, Sprite



We also need 6" round paper plates. (Microwaveable please)

BROOKIE INGRIDENTS HAVE BEEN COLLECTED.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY!**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

Mission of the Month for July-World Central Kitchen



Under the leadership of founder, Jose Andres, World Central Kitchen (WCK) has created a new model for disaster relief helping devastated communities recover.

World Central Kitchen is first to the frontlines, providing meals in response to humanitarian, climate, and community crises. Applying their model of quick action, leveraging local resources, and adapting in real time, WCK has served hundreds of millions of nourishing meals around the world. When disaster strikes, WCK's Relief Team mobilizes with the urgency of now to start cooking and serving meals to people in need efficiently and with dignity. By partnering with organizations on the ground and activating a network of local restaurants, food trucks, or emergency kitchens, WCK serves comforting meals to survivors of disasters quickly and effectively. To support regional economies, WCK prioritizes purchasing local ingredients to cook with or distribute directly to families in need. **We know that good food provides not only nourishment, but also comfort and hope, especially in times of crisis.**

During the month of July, members of SUMC will have the opportunity to support this global mission by donating to World Central Kitchen. See the Mission bulletin board