

"God has planted greatness in you.
Let today be the beginning of a great adventure as you step
into the gifts He's given you."

~ Joyce Meyer



Circuit

Rider

Summer 2023

SUMMER WORSHIP AT FUMC



Beginning June 4 thru August 20
Worship at 10:00am Fellowship at 11:00am

Traditional with special music Praise Team several Sundays

fumcgj.org



Pastor Steve's Summer Break 7/3 thru 8/14






500-mile family bicycle and car tour up the Lake Michigan coast of Michigan

Renewal of body · mind & spirit



Worship & Sermon Planning





Important Staff Information – Some **NEW email addresses effective now!**

- ⇒ Jessica Mays, Program Ministry Director – programministry@fumcgj.org
- ⇒ Jeannie Lewis, Senior Adult Ministries Director – senioradults@fumcgj.org
- ⇒ Kathy Cherin, Caring Ministries Coordinator – caringministries@fumcgj.org
- ⇒ Pam Fults, Nursery Director – nursery@fumcgj.org

Senior Adult Ministries

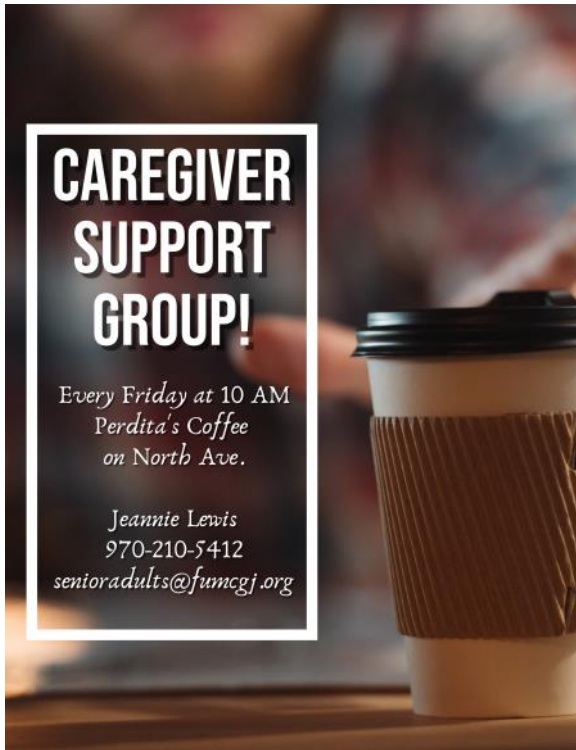
BeaconFest 2023 was a huge success for FUMC. We handed out church information to over 1,000 people in addition to New Testaments and devotionals. Our group of volunteers was deemed "Friendliest Booth" by many who visited us. We definitely made an impression with our "God Bless America" themed tables.



Thanks to EVERYONE who helped make our day a success. We had fun, spread a little cheer, and were able to connect with folks interested in our congregation.

We had lots of fun, fun, fun!


Senior Adult Opportunities



**CAREGIVER
SUPPORT
GROUP!**

Every Friday at 10 AM
*Perdita's Coffee
on North Ave.*

Jeannie Lewis
970-210-5412
senioradults@fumcgj.org



Senior Adult Ministries

BOOK CLUB

Every 4th Tuesday
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

We meet at
Main Street Bagels

Contact Jeannie Lewis
970-210-5412
senioradults@fumcgj.org

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES!



Do you have a
BRIGHT idea
for a class, event
or gathering?

Contact Jeannie Lewis
& share your thoughts.

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970-210-5412

Senior Adult
Ministries

BIKE CLUB

All bikes/trikes welcome,
electric and acoustic. We will travel
mostly the Riverfront and
paved bike trails in our area.

Contact Connie and Dennis Brady at
970.216.5400 if you are interested.

An early evening ride near
Edgewater Brewery is
currently being planned.



Senior Adult Ministries

We had a great time at Spoons! There were 17 of us (age 50 and BETTER!) that gathered for a lovely lunch. The weather was perfect and new friends were made. Thanks to all of you who joined us. More events are headed your way so stay tuned!



Mission & Outreach

What's been happening?

April 29th and 30th was Share Fest Week-end! Wayne Sallade organized volunteers from our church to work on five projects in our community. Missions committee provided lunch afterwards. Thank you to the volunteers that made this day a special one.



TerLouw's



leaf pickup



House project



Yard cleanup

Make A Change

This program is a monthly special collection for the benefit of local non-profit organizations and other areas of need such as hurricane/flood relief. In April our MAC collection supported "Coins for Lent" and over \$900.00 was donated to various ministries in our church. Upcoming MAC Sundays will be for *Kid's Aid* (An organization dedicated to providing for the needs of children, with a primary focus on supplying food to hungry kids) and *Hope of the Grand Valley* (An organization that provides support and a hand up to hardworking parents who struggle to make ends meet.)

We continue to support *The Madagascar Mission* - \$700.00 out of our \$1,000.00 donation last year was spent to help the Bemaraha church district's effort to support a pastor serving at the "frontline." His name is Hery Ratsara whose dedication is special. The other \$300.00 of our donation contributed to a food program serving underprivileged families. We also continue our support for *A Mission with a Vision* in Kenya for a safe house for girls. We will be supporting a new project at Nisley elementary school. They have started a "Student's Clothes Closet" to have clothes available in the school. We will support by having clothes drives and giving financially.

Save the date: September 10, 2023

This year we are expanding our chili cook-off fundraiser to include a dessert competition along with our corn hole tournament and activities for all ages.

We'll Take 'Em!



United
Women
in Faith

Crafting Angels and United Women in Faith are welcoming donations of quart-size canning jars, lids, and bands. We will be collecting throughout the summer and early fall in anticipation of packaging yummy Patton's Famous Soup right before the Holiday House Bazaar in early November.

New and gently used recycled jars are needed to fill our storage shelves. Donations may be dropped off at First United Methodist Church on Sundays in the Narthex by the UWF sign or on Wednesdays, from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM, downstairs in Room 3. Prices are lower, quantities are higher, and spring cleaning is easier earlier in the season!

All proceeds from the Holiday House Bazaar benefit local, regional, and global ministries of United Women in Faith. Questions may be directed to Pam Bersch (970) 260-2982 or mpbersch@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping us spread the love of Jesus to women and children in need!



Prayer Shawl Ministry
**YARN & DONATIONS
NEEDED**

This ministry is truly living out the meaning of the working hands of God! Last year in 2022, the prayer shawl blessed 69 people, and to date they have given 45 shawls in this 2023 year.

This ministry is needing:

Any color of Acrylic yarn only, no wool yarn please. Donation basket located in entryway (Narthex) of the Sanctuary. A monetary gift can be made out to United Women In Faith (UWF)

Note Prayer Shawl Ministry in Memo.

For more information
contact Pam Bersch: mpbersch@gmail.com



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In-Person & Live Stream via fumcgj.org
10 AM Summer Worship
Our nursery is fully open for both worship services