



# ALPHA

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 2018

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST, TRANSFORMING OUR COMMUNITY  
ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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Greetings friends!

I hope you are enjoying the warm weather. I am curious...what your plans for this summer?

- Where are you planning to vacation or camp?
- What outdoor concerts or sporting events do you plan to attend?
- What home improvement projects do you plan to tackle?
- Who are you planning to visit with this summer that you haven't seen in a while?
- What tasty recipes are you planning to cook and share at your BBQs and picnics?
- What books will be on your summer reading/listening list?

I hope to have an inspiring mountain-top experience. No, sadly, I am not traveling to go see mountain vistas or go rock-climbing. I do plan to imagine what it was like to sit by a mountain near the sea of Galilee, and listen to the greatest sermon ever preached. Yes, our summer sermon series is from *The Sermon on the Mount* in Matthew 5-7. Have you heard these before?

- "Don't hide your light under a bushel."
- "Turn the other cheek."
- "Go the extra mile."
- "Give us this day our daily bread."
- "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."
- "The sun shines and the rain falls on the just and the unjust."
- "Don't worry...today's trouble is enough for today."
- "Judge not, lest ye shall be judged."
- "Do not cast your pearls before swine."
- "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." (The Golden Rule)

How many were familiar to you? Back in 2000, Reader's Digest conducted a "millennium of the bible" survey nationwide using samples of bible verses like these to find out which ones were most familiar to the average American. They discovered that the most recognizable bible verses in America at the turn of the millennium were from Matthew 5-7. I find this quite fascinating.

Indeed, the Sermon on the Mount was a revolutionary message for Jesus's disciples two millennia ago and remains relevant wisdom for the Church today. It's like an ethical roadmap for our daily walk with Jesus. Along the way, Jesus reveals the holy love and wisdom of God to help us know how we are to live by faith when life gets tough and our moral character is on the line.

So, since the Sermon on the Mount contains such familiar sayings and relevant lessons for life, now is an excellent time to invite your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to worship with you at church or online via Facebook Live (<http://www.facebook.com/alphaunitedmethodist>).

*"Christ transforms our lives so our community can thrive!"*

**Pastor Zack**

## Administrative Council 2018

**Chair:** Lindi Kernan

**Vice Chair:** Mary Nice

**Church Treasurer:** Dean Kernan

**Financial Secretary:** Linda Lanning

**Trustees:** Dave Lambin

**S/PPRC:** Eddie Bradshaw

**Outreach:** Linda Lambin

**Nurture:** Kelli Johnson

**Worship:** Roger Swanson

**Christian Ed Chair:** Cathy Jordan

**UMW Chair:** Mary Nice

**Men in Mission:** Dean Kernan

**Lay Leader:** Cathy Jordan

**Youth Rep.:** Delainey Bradshaw

**Recording Secretary:** Desirae Silvis



### Secretary's Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

**8:00am—Noon**

(309)629-5161

**alphaumc@gmail.com**

Pastor Zack will be on vacation from June 18-29.

Desirae will be on vacation from June 20-June 25.

*Thank You*

Thank you for sending me such and amazing care package! You will be glad to know your package was the very first to arrive! We do not get mail here very often, so the arrival of yours was such a blessing. Thank you again and I hope everyone has a blessed day!

Tyler Catey



Monday, June 25

*thank you*

Thank you church family for my finals college box! It was just the snacks and encouragement I needed to get through my tests and projects! Thank you for thinking of me and keeping me in your prayers!

Sam Althaus

*thank you*

Thank you to our church family and friends for surrounding us with love, prayers and support during our Countdown Days to Annie's Graduation. Thank you to Mama Angie's Prayer Warriors and ALL the prayer warriors that stand in the gap with us as we launch Annie into her new adventure, Sam to Chicago for the summer, and David's travel schedule.

We are so blessed, so thankful for you all.  
Angie, David, Sam, Annie, Grace & Lucas Althaus

## June Worship Volunteer Schedule

June Ushers: Bob & Jan Bateman

### June 3

Liturgist: Cathy Jordan  
Children's Moment: Dale Lanning  
Nursery Assistant: Need volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### June 10

Liturgist: Dale Lanning  
Children's Moment: Linda Lambin  
Nursery Assistant: Need volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### June 17

Liturgist: Dean Kernan  
Children's Moment: Angie Althaus  
Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### June 24

Liturgist: Angie Althaus  
Children's Moment: Emily Bradshaw  
Nursery Assistant: Need volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

## June Birthdays

01: Erica Thorstenson

7: Richard Coffey

Lindi Kernan

Leah Reed

09: Hilary (Schultz) Williams

13: Landon Willet

17: Edie Peden

18: Brittney Atchison

Judy Barton

19: Jett Nelson

20: Payton Anderson

Ann Enstrom

22: Angie Briggs

28: Emily Bradshaw

30: Wendy Swanson

# Happy Father's Day!

## June Anniversaries

03: Chris & Renee Young

04: Jason & Ronda Lambin

06: Lawrence & Phyllis Anthony

09: David & Angie Althaus

19: Dean & Lindi Kernan

27: Pete & Evelyn Barton

30: Dick & Doris Rutledge

Parris & Desirae Silvis



## June Coffee Hour Hosts

03: Outreach

10: Need volunteer

17: Need volunteer

24: Need volunteer



## June Sermon Schedule:

### Summer Sermon Series - *The Sermon on the Mount*

June 3 - Matthew 5:13-20 - Blessed by God: Salt & Light

June 10 - Matthew 5:21-26 - Raising the Bar: Against Anger

June 17 - Matthew 5:27:32 - Raising the Bar: Against Lust

June 24 - Matthew 5:33-37 - Raising the Bar: Against Swearing



## Outreach Update



**Another Child**  
FOUNDATION

### Shoes & Socks Drive, 15 May through 15 July.

Please donate youth sized shoes & socks for Another Child Foundation annual drive for Romania orphanages. You may also make a monetary donation to offset the cost of shipping

Please see Angie, Annie or Grace Althaus for information!



There will be no Mission Meals this summer. Mission Meals will resume in September.



### **AlWood Food Pantry Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction** **Saturday, June 9, 5-7pm** **Maranatha Chapel**

Come enjoy an evening of Whitey's ice cream, cake, pies, cobblers, a silent auction, and fun all while supporting the AlWood Food Pantry. Our local food pantry is serving more families and is operated solely on donations from our community.

If you would like to donate a basket for the silent auction, please contact Angie Briggs.



## Lay Leader's Corner

Annual Conference will be held June 7, 8, and 9th in Peoria, IL. This is a time that delegates and visitors from the IL Great Rivers Conference gather to do the work of the church. Please be in prayer for the work of the church during these three days and that God's amazing presence will be revealed during worship, communion, and prayer service during these three days.



VBS 2018  
Nazareth, Where Jesus was a kid  
June 11-15  
9:00am - Noon  
Maranatha Chapel, Alpha



REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN!

Get ready! It's almost time for this year's VBS! Online registration is open now. Just go to [www.alphaumc.org](http://www.alphaumc.org) and click on the link on our home page to register. You can also go to our Facebook page @alphaunitedmethodist to access the link. A paper registration form can be found on page 6 of this newsletter.



Buses will be available to transport children to and from Maranatha. Bus stops will be at Alpha UMC and Harvest Bible Chapel. Alpha UMC pick up time is 8:15AM. Harvest pick up is 8:40AM.



VBS is in need of volunteers. If you would be interested in helping out in any way, please contact Cathy Jordan or Emily Bradshaw.



The community VBS Bake Sale raised \$1,205 for the VBS ministry. Special THANK YOU to all who baked items, worked at the stand, as well as prayed. This ministry is vital to the children and families in our community.



SUMMER  
Sunday School

### Summer Sunday School - May 27 - September 1

Summer Sunday School will be learning about the 12 disciples and together reading the book *Jesus and the 12 Dudes Who Did* by Mindy MacDonald. We will have snacks, make crafts, and have a lot of fun together from May 27th until regular Sunday School resumes September 9th. Cathy Jordan will be leading the class along with help from the middle and high school students. Preschool through 4th grade are encouraged to come and participate.

### Special Offering for Father's Day

The Nurture Team will be holding a special offering on Father's Day. The offering will go to Humility of Mary Shelter.

**DAD**  
A son's  
first Hero.  
A daughter's  
first Love.



Vacation Bible School 2018  
06/11/2018 through 06/15/2018  
9am to 12noon daily  
AlWood Community Churches

**ONE FORM PER CHILD**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical information (allergies, medications, etc. Please list out, no abbreviations)

Food allergies/sensitivities (nuts, gluten, fruit, etc. Please list out, no abbreviations)

Does your family have a church home? \_\_\_\_\_ If so where? \_\_\_\_\_

Who has permission to pick up your child from VBS? \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby state that I am the parent and/or legal guardian of my child \_\_\_\_\_, a minor, age \_\_\_\_\_. I do hereby authorize adult volunteers with Vacation Bible School ministry at the Maranatha Chapel, Alpha, IL to administer appropriate first aid to my child when needed. I give consent to any examination, x-ray, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment and hospital care which is rendered under supervision of any physician or surgeon licensed under the provision of the Medical Practice Act on the medical staff of a licensed hospital, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at said hospital. Further, as parent or guardian of the minor named above, I do hereby expressly consent that my son/daughter may receive emergency medical treatment from any physician, hospital, or other medical center without the necessity of first notifying me, and do further agree to hold blameless any physician, hospital or other medical center for rendering such services.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



**Help the AlWood Student Council  
serve at  
Give Kids the World.**



Give Kids the World is “an 84 acre, nonprofit resort in central Florida that provides weeklong, cost-free vacations to children with life-threatening illnesses and their families.” GKTW is ran by a handful of full time employees, but relies heavily on volunteers to fulfill roles on a daily basis to serve their guests.

AHS's Student Council juniors and seniors will be in Central Florida of July 11-15 to volunteer their time to GKTW. Students will work in roles such as food service, attractions, and entertainment.

The Student Council is fundraising for the \$6,000 expense of the trip - including travel, lodging, and food. Help them by attending a fundraiser at:

**Pizza Ranch in Galesburg**

**Wednesday, June 6, from 5:00 - 8:00pm**

This event includes dine-in, carry-out, and delivery orders.

**\*\*IN ORDER FOR AHS TO RECEIVE 15% OF YOUR TOTAL CHECK AS A DONATION, YOU MUST PRESENT THE FLYER ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE WITH PAYMENT.\*\***

**Mark you calendars!**

**Grub at the Gazebo**

**Thursday, June 28th**

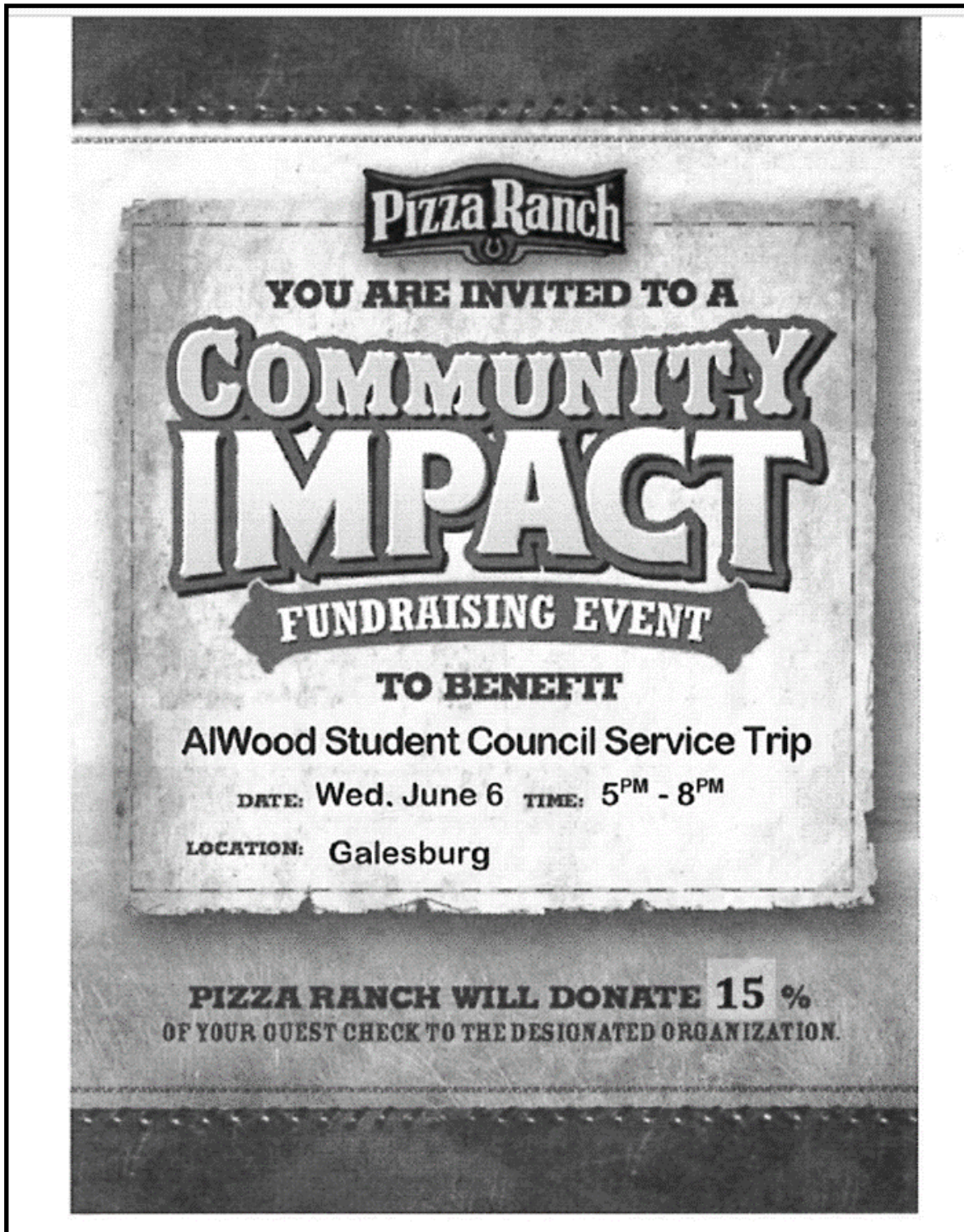


Council/Finance Team will be hosting this meal & proceeds will go to the kitchen remodeling project. We would appreciate donations of pasta salads (we will provide the recipe) and desserts (scotcheroos, cakes, or cookies).

We will also need volunteers to set up or serve or clean up that afternoon/evening. If you can help in any way, please let Linda Lanning know by June 17. 309-629-5809 or [DLKCL4@yahoo.com](mailto:DLKCL4@yahoo.com)

Thank you!





**FOR THE ALWOOD STUDENT COUNCIL TO RECEIVE 15% OF YOUR TOTAL CHECK AS A DONATION, YOU MUST PRESENT THIS FLYER WITH PAYMENT.**

**MORE FLYERS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ALWOOD HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE AND THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL.**





# June 2018



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Pastor's Sabbath	2
3	4 7:00pm Boy Scouts	5	6 5-8pm AlWood Student Council Fundraiser @ Pizza Ranch in Galesburg	7 Pastor at Annual Conference in Peoria	8 Pastor at Annual Conference in Peoria	9 5:00-7:00pm AlWood Food Pantry Silent Auction @ Maranatha Annual Conference in Peoria
10	11 9:00am-Noon VBS @ Maranatha  7:00pm Boy Scouts	12 9:00am-Noon VBS @ Maranatha	13 9:00am-Noon VBS @ Maranatha	14 9:00am-Noon VBS @ Maranatha	15 9:00am-Noon VBS @ Maranatha  Pastor's Sabbath	16
17   Special Offering	18 Pastor on vacation thru 6/22  7:00pm Boy Scouts	19	20 Desirae on vacation thru 6/25	21	22 Pastor's Sabbath	23
24 7:00am Men in Mission Breakfast Faith & Family Night @ River Bandits Game	25 Newsletter Deadline  7:00pm Boy Scouts	26	27	28 4:30-7:00pm Serving Grub @ the Gazebo	29 Pastor's Sabbath	30

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### Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. All Sunday School Classes Begin

9:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

10:00 A.M. Worship Service



Have you visited our website?  
Dean Kernan is the creator and manager of our website.  
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