



# ALPHA

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
211 N. SCANDIA ST., PO BOX 607, ALPHA, IL 61413

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### Welcome Pastor Karna Peterson!

Alpha UMC welcomes Pastor Karna Peterson, who begins her appointment at our church on  
January 1st.



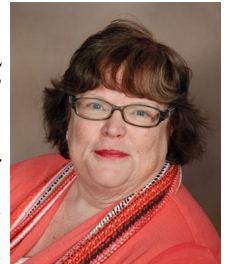
The Worship Team is holding a Meet & Greet at 9:15AM on  
Sunday, January 5th during the coffee hour. Come to church a  
little early to welcome Pastor Karna and enjoy coffee and snacks.



Below is a little information about Pastor Karna Peterson:

From Pastor Karna Peterson:

I grew up in Rio, IL and graduated from ROVA High School. I went to Carl Sandburg college for two years. I worked at J and J Dog Supplies for 28 years. When I moved to Galesburg, I joined Faith United Methodist Church. I taught Sunday School for several years. I was also lay leader and lay representative to annual conference for several years. In 2008 I helped start a youth group at Faith for the younger kids (kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade); it was very successful and is still a program at Faith today. In 2009 I became a lay speaker and in 2010 I became a certified lay minister and started preaching at Faith one Sunday a month. In January 2014 I was assigned to Providence Chapel and Norris UMC for six months. In July of 2014 I went to Licensing School and was appointed to Stronghurst/Carmen UM Churches for three years. In July of 2017 I was appointed to Altona/Oneida UM Churches. In July of 2018 I was appointed to Decatur Christ UMC in Decatur, IL; I am currently serving there.



My parents still live in Rio, LaVerne and Marilyn Peterson. I have two brothers, Gerry (and Sharon) Peterson live in Woodhull and they have one daughter, Jennifer. My brother Dwight (and Maureen) Peterson live in Milton, MA and they have four daughters, Erin (and Karl) Banty, Brittany (and Nick) Kortis; Morgan and Jessica Peterson. They also have 3 granddaughters; Lorelai and Scarlett Banty and Claire Kortis. I do not have any children, but have 2 god-daughters. I am very close to one of them and refer to her children as my grandchildren; Stacy has three children, Kourtnie (21), Kolton (19), and Kynleigh (4). I am very close to these kids and Kynleigh stays with me often and goes to Sunday School and church. I love the ministry, meeting new people and trying new ideas! My hobbies are watching Kynleigh, reading, knitting, and embroidering.

## Administrative Council 2020

**Chair:** Lindi Kernan

**Vice Chair:** Mary Nice

**Treasurer:** Dean Kernan

**Financial Secretary:** Linda Lanning

**Trustees:** Dave Lambin

**S/PPRC:** Dale Lanning

**Outreach:** Linda Lambin

**Nurture:** Kelli Johnson

**Worship:** Roger Swanson

**Christian Ed Chair:** TBD

**Men in Mission:** Dean Kernan

**Lay Leader:** TBD

**Youth Rep.:** TBD

**Lay Rep. to Ann. Conf.:** Joe Shepherd

**Recording Secretary:** Desirae Silvis

## Secretary's Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

9:00am - 1:00pm

(309)629-5161

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A BIG thank you to my Alpha UMC church family for the generous Christmas gift. Our family is blessed to be a part of this church and wish everyone a very happy 2020!



**MEN IN MISSION BREAKFAST**

**7:00AM SUNDAY, JAN. 27**

**ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!**



*Thank You* I'd like to thank each of the Sunshiners who cam to my home Dec. 8th and sang. It was so nice to see and hear all of you. My Merry Christmas wishes to you and yours.

Betty Willett



TUESDAY,  
JAN. 22ND



No Sunshiners meeting  
in January.

See you Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>!

*Thank You*

Thank you to the carolers who came and sang. It was awesome! God bless and Merry Christmas to all!

Edie Peden

## January Worship Volunteer Schedule

January Ushers: Marvin Enstrom & Dave Lambin



### January 5

Liturgist: Angie Althaus  
Children's Moment: Dale Lanning  
Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### January 12

Liturgist: Dale Lanning  
Children's Moment: Angie Althaus  
Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### January 19

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

### January 26

Liturgist: Roger Swanson  
Children's Moment: Roger Swanson  
Nursery Assistant: Need Volunteer  
Multimedia: Joseph Shepherd

### January Birthdays

05: Ella Bradshaw  
08: Pyper Swanson  
11: Penny Adams  
13: Jack Silvis  
22: Ron Buban  
23: Dawson Medley  
26: Eddie Bradshaw  
Joella Holdsworth  
27: Mark Atchison  
28: Gary Barton



### January Anniversaries

16: Dave & Julie Cole



### January Coffee Hour Hosts



05: Worship Team  
12: Medley's  
19: Brooks'  
26: P.J. & Ali



The annual financial statements are available.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Lanning.



## Taking Down Decorations

Not as fun, but just as necessary. We will be taking down the Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 5th following worship. All help is much appreciated!



## Baby Bottles for Life

Alpha UMC will again be participating in Pregnancy Resources' Baby Bottles for Life campaign. Baby bottles will be handed out in January. Please fill your bottle with change, cash, or a check and return to the church.

Pregnancy Resources provides :

- \* Free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds
- \* Adoption Education & Referrals
- \* Material assistance such as diapers, clothing , car seats, etc.
- \* Dad's programs
- \* Education



The Worship Team will meet  
Wednesday, January 8th at 6:30pm





# January 2020



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Happy New Year!	2 6:30pm Prayer Group	3	4
5 9:15am Meet & Greet with Pastor Karna  Take down decorations following worship	6	7	8 6:30pm Worship Team  6:30pm Cub Scouts	9 6:30pm Prayer Group	10	11
12	13 7:00pm Boy Scouts	14	15 6:30pm Cub Scouts	16 6:30pm Prayer Group	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Day	21	22 6:30pm Cub Scouts	23 6:30pm Prayer Group	24	25
26 7:00am Men in Mission Breakfast	27 7:00pm Boy Scouts	28	29 6:30pm Cub Scouts	30 6:30pm Prayer Group	31	

## ALPHA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Sunday Schedule:

9:00 A.M. Adult Sunday School

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.  
Our Web address is [alphaumc.org](http://alphaumc.org)



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