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Words from the Pastor...

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. — Lamentations 3:22-23

Good day to all! To all family, friends and the Centennial United Methodist Church members.

It is with great joy that I unite to the Centennial United Methodist Church family to serve and to do ministry together in the mission field that God has placed the church and now myself with you. I have received such a warm and friendly welcome from you and I thank you for that. I hope to run with the baton that Pastor Uziel passed on to me and to do it well just as he and the former pastors did.

As we proceed in our faith journey together during this Pentecost season may we continue to see the Spirit of God at work in our lives, in our homes, in our church and in the communities we will serve. May God continue to move freely among us and through us as we journey together into a new season. We must continue in hope, in faith and in love. That unconditional love that God has so generously poured out on us all! This is a new season in the life of Centennial UMC and in myself and together we will move as the Spirit of God leads us. May the God that loves and cares for all of His creation guide us, lead us and empower us to do His work here on earth as we labor together.

The pandemic changed a lot of things for everyone, even in the church, but it also opened avenues to do more ministry in creative ways that maybe we would not have thought to do before. To name one of them is the ability to do church gatherings online. While it is important and necessary to gather in person it is exciting that this opportunity opened up the ability to have people join in worship from any part of the world despite whatever situation they may have that does not allow them to be at church physically. This is just one but there are many others.

So I believe there is a lot of good ministry to do in Rockford and I am so happy to be part of it with you. This verse found in Acts 20 where Paul speaks to the Ephesian elders is very encouraging to me and I want to share it with you. Verse 24: "If only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

While we will miss Pastor Uziel and all the good work he has done here at Centennial United Methodist Church we will honor his hard work by continuing to respond to the call that God has placed on us which is to continue to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world in the mission field where we are at.

Peace be with you!

Sincerely,

Pastor Audrey Rochet

Important Links / Enlaces
Importantes

Rockford Urban Ministry
United Women in Faith
United Methodist Men
Prayer Network
Saturday Kids Club

1503 Broadway - Rockford, IL - 815 397 2771 - www.centennialumcrockford.org

Worship Services Servicios de Adoracion

Save the Date

Please join us this coming Sunday in person or in our live stream experience on Facebook Live. You will receive another email with the information you need later this week.

Date: July 31, 2021
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost -
Year C
Time: 10:00 am

Guarde la Fecha

Por favor acompáñenos este proximo domingo en persona o a travez de nuestra trasmisión en vivo por Facebook Live. Recibirá mas información esta semana.

Fecha: 31 de julio de 2021
Octavo Domingo despues de
Pentecostes - Año C
Hora: 11:30 am

*¡Más vale estar un día en tus atrios,
que mil fuera de ellos!
Prefiero ser portero del templo de mi
Dios, que vivir en lugares de maldad.
Salmos 84:10 DHH*



Better is one day in your courts
than a thousand elsewhere; would
rather be a doorkeeper in the house
of my God than dwell in the tents of
the wicked. Psalm 84:10 NIV

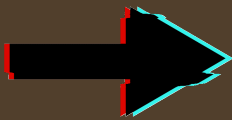
Upcoming Meetings Proximas Reuniones

Staff Meeting

Date/Fecha: Tuesday August 2, 2022

Time/Hora: 11:00

By Zoom / Por Zoom



Bible Study Estudios Biblicos

**Please join us this coming
Wednesday in our bible
study**

- **With Pastor Judith in
English at 12:00pm
by Zoom**
- **With Pastor Audrey
in Spanish at 6:00pm
in the church
building**

**Por favor, únase a nosotros
el próximo miércoles en
nuestro estudio bíblico**

- **Con la Pastora Judith en
Inglés a las 12:00pm por
Zoom**
- **Con la Pastora Audrey
en español a las 6:00pm
en la iglesia**



Northern Illinois Conference announcements

Anuncios en la conferencia general del norte de Illinois

SAFE SANCTUARIES Training Events

Safe Sanctuaries is an overt expression in making congregations safe places where children, youth, and elders may experience the abiding love of God and fellowship within the community of faith.

The Northern Illinois Conference is offering 6 training options to help meet our goal of ensuring safe spaces in our churches. This free training is an alternate for those who cannot participate in other training options and does not include a background check.

6 Training Options 90 minutes each **Online via Zoom or in-person**

- **Thursday, June 23 - 6:30 pm**
 ▶ Plainfield UMC, 15114 S. Illinois St., Plainfield, IL
- **Wednesday, June 29 - 6:30 pm**
 ▶ Plainfield UMC, 15114 S. Illinois St., Plainfield, IL
- **Saturday, July 16 - 1:00 pm**
 ▶ Des Plaines: First UMC, 668 Graceland Ave., Des Plaines, IL
- **Saturday, July 30 - 10:00 am**
 ▶ Rockford: Christ UMC, 4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford, IL
- **Saturday, August 6 - 10:00 am**
 ▶ Rockford: Christ UMC, 4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford, IL
- **Saturday, August 10 - 1:00 pm**
 ▶ Des Plaines: First UMC, 668 Graceland Ave., Des Plaines, IL

Certificates will be handed out after completion. Participants via zoom must have their camera on and utilize a working microphone to fully participate and receive a certificate of completion. Background checks not included and need to be coordinated with your local church leadership.

Find out more and register at www.umcnic.org/calendar/safe-sanctuaries-training
 Learn more about Safe Sanctuaries at www.umcnic.org/safesantuaries



RENEWABLE ENERGY SUMMIT

Saturday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
September 10, 2022

HOSTED BY NIC ECO-SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE
 CO-SPONSORED BY WESPATH AND GLOBAL MINISTRIES
Online Via Zoom and In Person

Euclid Avenue UMC
 405 S Euclid Ave, Oak Park, IL

- Free Event** includes Lunch and
- Presentations by Rev. Jenny Phillips, Senior Technical Advisor for Environmental Sustainability at Global Ministries, and Jake Barnett, Wespah Benefits and Investments
 - Greetings from Bishop John L. Hopkins
 - Solar and Geothermal tours
 - Resource Tables

Find out more and register at umcnic.org/calendar/renewable-energy-summit
 Questions? Rev. Nancy Blade, harvestlove2day@gmail.com or Richard Alton, Richard.alton@gmail.com



PRAIRIE SOUTH SUMMER 2022 LAY ACADEMY

2 Dates • To get credit for taking each course, you must complete all ten hours of the course.
Saturdays, July 23 & July 30
8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Dixon Grace UMC 921 Chamberlin Street, Dixon, IL 61011
Cost: \$40

- 2 Course Options:**
- Lay Servant Ministries - Basic Course**
 This course is fundamental for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries and is a required course for those who wish to become Certified Lay Servant Ministers. Textbook: Lay Servant Ministries - Basic Course, by Sandy Zeller
 - Called to Preach**
 This course is designed for those who have not completed formal preaching training, for pastors seeking a basic refresher course, and for others who are called upon to preach in a pastor's absence. This is a required course for those who wish to become Certified Lay Speaker or Certified Lay Minister. Textbook: From Pew to Pulpit, by Clifton F. Gultveit

Online registration: (starting June 30)
umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-south-summer-lay-academy
 Questions? Please contact Marcia Peddicord, (815) 872-2821
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Who Can We Be Together?

Building Communities of Hope and Joy

Great news—COMMUNITY is God's desire for us! Please join us at Mission U 2022 as we reflect on the community that Jesus is calling us to be!

This year, as we study Luke 13, we find ourselves in a period of disruption and uncertainty, in the midst of a devastating pandemic, divisive political climate, unaddressed systemic racism, ecological crises and economic turmoil, we turn to the stories of Jesus that have anchored Christian communities for two millennia.

Our hope is that we will leave Mission U with a bigger and broader vision of the community Christ is calling us to be in times of loss, grief and massive disruption. What would be possible if we tend to the needs of our communities in small yet radical ways, as Jesus did in Luke 13?

Our newly designed Mission U 2022 is more flexible and intergenerational than ever—with curricula for youth, children and adults focused on the 13th chapter of the Gospel of Luke.

Here is the curricula we will be using that is available on our [e-store](https://www.missionu.org).

Who Can We Be Together? (Adult)

Community in the Midst of Challenging Times (Youth)

Our Growing Tree

From Self-Love to the Beloved Community and All of God's Creation (Children)

Will you join us?

Join us:

August 19-20 in another hybrid event across Northern Illinois Conference

Further details:
 Watch for further details on our website (<https://www.missionu.org>) and in our upcoming newsletters. Not on our email list, sign-up on the website or contact us at nicumw@gmail.com.

fresh EXPRESSIONS



Explore the wave of new Christian churches emerging to reach unchurched and disenchanted people living in a culture that is increasingly non-religious and multi-religious.

Sunday Fresh Expressions Event

Sunday, September 18
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Schaumburg: Our Saviour's
 701 E. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg, IL

Sunday Worship Experience with Rev. Dr. Beck
 Sunday, September 18 at 9:30 am
 Schaumburg: Our Saviour's

5 Teaching Offerings

- Monday, September 19 - 9:00 am to Noon
 - Prairie North - Freeport: Harmony
- Monday, September 19 - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 - Prairie South - Dixon: First
- Tuesday, September 20 - 9:00 am to Noon
 - Lake South - Oak Lawn: First
- Tuesday, September 20 - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 - Prairie Central - Naperville: Grace
- Wednesday, September 21 - 9:00 am to Noon
 - Lake North - Park Ridge: First

Questions? Contact Martin Lee mlee@umcnic.org

Register and find out more:
umcnic.org/calendar/fresh-expressions-2022



Calendar Link
Enlace al calendario