





We will be wrapping our summer series this month but will keep our handpainted umbrellas by Debby Schippel filling our sanctuary space. We will also continue to enjoy the handcrafted umbrellas and flowers created by Janice Tiemann decorating our church doors as we move to our new series "Get Back in the Rhythm" later in July.

Series Dance Card(aka Synopsis)

June 27th: From You Come My Praise: Guide My Steps

July 4th: Who Can Withhold? Break Forth!(Communion)

July 11th: A Return to Ascension Day- Gone Up With a

**Shout: Clap Your Hands!** 





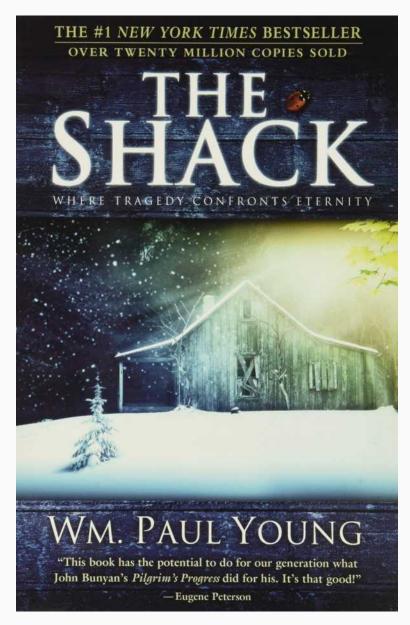
A little over a year ago, the echoes of "How long O, Lord?" were everywhere as we were all separated from worshipping in our beloved church building...together as a community...in-person. The time is now upon us, beloveds. It is time to get back into the rhythm of church but not "just" church. The rhythm of growing, practicing and nurturing our fruits of the spirit as we are taught in scripture. Jesus taught and modeled how to live out and into these life-giving rhythms so we can get into our own Godly groove. Come and see how you can be a part of the rhythm and harmony God wants for us!



Dare to Dance with us as we continue to explore the hidden secrets that we find in 'The Shack'!

Join Pastor Stacy and Pastor
Tarrah as we dare to dance
with God using the book to
help us name our
relationships/beliefs about
God, Jesus and Holy Spirit.

We meet on Tuesday
evenings at
church at 6pm AND
online via ZOOM
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# Movie night at the church will coming soon

# Confirmation Date Set Back

Confirmands continue to meet each Sunday after church, except for the third Sunday of each month, until December 5th which is our planned confirmation day.

The third Sunday of each month we will not meet after worship as a group. <u>Mentors: Please consider</u> <u>using this 3rd Sunday for scheduling time with</u> <u>your Confirmand.</u>





Dear Church Family,

My name is Dalton Norgaard and I am Pastor Tarrah's son. I have Autism and ADHD...and I wanted to let you know some things about me:

- 1- Sound, movement, colors, etc. can become overwhelming for me sometimes. That's why you might see me cover my ears, close my eyes, or leave the room.
- 2- I have a hard time understanding what is appropriate and not appropriate. This also means sometimes I stand too close or hang around too much.
- 3- I don't always say the right things. Sometimes...the things that I say really hurt people's feelings but I don't mean to. I am learning. Please be patient with me.
- 4- Sometimes I need a sensory break. That is another time where I may leave the room, breathe into my clothes, ask for squeezes or tight hugs.
- 5- I just turned 13 and I am trying to learn and understand all the changes in my body. It's really, really hard and weird and I don't like it very much.

Fitting in is hard for me and I learn more about the right and wrong ways to act/behave every day. If you ever have any questions, please ask my mom. She knows me pretty good.

Thank you, Dalton



## 6th (almost) Annual August 7, 2021 Rainbow Camp 9am-7pm



Rainbow Camp is a day of outdoor fun with water games, canoeing, fishing, horseback riding, archery, crafts, pontoon rides and more. We finish the day with a yummy dinner as the sun sets over the lake.

Rainbow Camp was started for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer singles, couples and families. Straight allies welcome, too.

This year, we extend a special invitation to neurodivergent kids (autism, Asperger's, ADHD, dyslexia, etc.) and their families to join Rainbow Camp to gauge interest in having a 2022 camp for kids who experience the world differently. Adults \$40 / \$45 Youth 4-17 \$35 / \$40 Children under 4 Free!

Includes: 2 meals, activities & supplies
Register 5/15 to 7/18 - Pay Early Bird Rate
Register 7/19 - 7/31, pay regular rate

#### **Optional Horseback Riding**

\$20 - 1 hr trail ride • \$10 - 30 min arena ride

Register at: www.DuBoisCenter.org

Info: 618-787-2202

dcinfo@DuBoisCenter.org

DuBois Center is the camp and retreat center of the Illinois South Conference of the United Church of Christ

#### Find DuBois Center on Facebook



DuBois Center is a place where everyone is welcomed as a whole child of God. Come experience camp in the beauty of God's creation and have a whole lot of fun.

Because we affirm the value of all God's people, the Illinois South Conference of the United Church of Christ does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, ability, national origin, religious background, sexual orientation, or gender identity. To the extent possible, we endeavor to accommodate those with a variety of physical, mental, emotional, medical, or dietary needs.

2651 Quarry Road, DuBois, Illinois USA 62831- Just 70 miles southeast of St. Louis, close to 1-64



Are you looking for an opportunity to become more involved with our worship experiences? Look no further!!

We are currently seeking volunteers to read scripture and/or prayers in July and August Please contact Pastor Stacy or Pastor Tarrah to sign-up. You can also sign-up on the sign-up sheet on Sunday mornings.

If this is something that you are interested in, and you feel that you may need guidance, training, assistance etc. to participate, please let us know as we are happy to help widen the circle to include YOUR voice during worship.







On Saturday, July 10th, there will be a carpool group trip to the St. Louis Zoo! Sign-up sheets are available on Sunday mornings. Reservations for Zoo entry are still required at this point so please don't delay in signing up to secure your spot! Please sign-up no later than Sunday, July 4th. ALL are welcome and transportation can be provided if needed. Contact Troy Horton for more information!





# DO YOU HAVE A CARING HEART FOR SOMEONE IN NEED?

If so, SSM Hospice of the Good Samaritan needs you. We are looking for volunteers to serve local residents and their families in Wayne and Hamilton Counties.

Volunteers are needed to assist with caring for the terminally ill in their homes with the following tasks:

- Caregiver relief
- Companionship
- Emotional support to families
- Assist with shopping and errands
- Assist with Veteran to Veteran program
- Phone contact with bereaved families
- Assist with meal preparation
- Computer skills for keepsake DVD's
- Fundraising Events
- Clerical/office work
- Provide outreach ministry through MUSIC

Please call Nikki Timberlake Volunteer Coordinator, at 618-899-1660 to request an application. Please consider volunteering today. It is a blessing to give to others!



### APPALLED AND CONFESSION

BY REV. STACY TATE

Morgan brought to my attention that I used the term "Indian giver" when I traded gifts with Leo and Tyson on graduation Sunday! I was appalled! This shows how ingrained some of the terms we learned as young people are and how easily they roll off the tongue without us even knowing it! James 3 teaches "The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. ... but no human can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With the tongue we praise our Lord and God, and with it we curse humans, who have been made in God's likeness.." While I did not curse our Indigenous brothers and sisters I insulted them and for that I apologize.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE ARE LIVING
ON THE LAND THAT ORIGIANLLY WAS
HOME TO THE KICKAPOO, OSAGE, OCHETHI
SAKOWIN, PEORIA, MAYAAMIA, SAUK
AND MESKWAKI, YUCKI (S'ATSOYAHA)
AND THE SHAWNEE PEOPLE.

#### Apartment News

COUNCIL HAS DECIDED TO USE APARTMENT 4 AS PASTORAL/YOUTH/MINISTRY SPACE SINC WE CURRENTLY DO NOT HAVE ANY MEMBERS IN NEED OF THE SPACE. WE BELIEVE IT WILL GIVE SOME ENERGY AND LIVELINESS TO THE APARTMENTS AND HELP RAISE MORAL OF TENANTS AS A MINISTRY OF PRESENCE. IF THE SPACE IS NEEDED FOR A MEMBER/TENANT AT A LATER TIME IT WILL BE RETURNED TO THAT USE.



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