



Our Mission Is To Be Committed Christians Inviting Others To Join Us.



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[MONDAY thru FRIDAY FROM 9-12](#)

PASTOR'S Pen

Dear Savanna First United Methodist Church Family,

This is Pastor Dave Yim. I am your new minister from July 1st, 2020. It's my honor and privilege to serve Savanna First UMC as your new pastor. Savanna FUMC has had a long and proud Christian history, warm hospitality and servant hearts, and strong faith and bond in CHRIST. I am very proud of each and every one of you and excited to serve God and serve the local community with YOU, wonderful and hospitable congregation. I feel very blessed that I am here as your pastor.

For the month of July, I will be trying to visit each and every church member with a couple of church leaders. You don't need to worry and prepare anything about the visiting. We will be following certain rules; social distancing and masks. It would be a very short visiting, too. (Actually, it depends on how much we chat) We will try to meet you outside of your homes. But, please make sure that I am ready to listen from you and learn from you regarding your God, your memories with FUMC, your life, your faith journey, etc. We can always grow together and move forward on our faith journey in Christ by listening to each other, praying for each other, and loving each other. I look forward to seeing you all. May God bless us and be with us in our conversations through the Spirit of God!

Here are small tips for our smooth conversations. I would hardly understand when someone speaks so fast. Also, I have my own unique accent in my speaking because English is my second language (I am still learning English and culture). If you feel like I didn't get what you said, please say that one more time with your patience and tolerance. Also, if you didn't get what I said to you, please don't hesitate to ask me once again. It would be very helpful for me and for my ministry here. You can correct me anytime when I make mistakes with my English. You are all my teachers.

Our church leaders have decided to have outdoor worship service from this month. I would like to give thanks and praise to God for our church leaders; their great leadership, thoughtfulness, and faithfulness. We are still in the pandemic situation. That means the virus has not gone yet. The corona-virus is still with us. First UMC has put our first priority on your health and safety. We will absolutely go back to in-person worship services some day, (Hopefully soon), but not now yet. Please, avoid big crowds in public as much as you can, keep social distancing from each other, and take care of yourselves and each other. If you feel sick or fever, please stay home.

During this uncertain and challenging time, it's very important for us to stay connected with God and with each other by God's love and care. Please, do no harm! Please avoid doing anything against each other, but do good and stay connected with each other. God has put us together to serve, first, Savanna First UMC, and then to serve the local community together. We are a member of each other. We belong to each other. We belong to Christ. Christ belongs to God. Stay tuned in God's love, mercy, grace, goodness, and kindness even in this uncertain and challenging time, please! May God keep us from any harms, hurts, and diseases! Blessings to you all,

"If it is possible, live peaceably with all!" (Romans 12:18, NRSV)

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dave



TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020 7PM VIA ZOOM

Chairperson John LeComte called the meeting to order with 12 members participating, 1 via phone. Pastor Joey Garcea opened the meeting with prayer.

Molly Andersen read the minutes from the previous meeting and the 2 special meetings in May. Susan Michelle Jepsen moved, seconded by Pam Darrow, that all the minutes be approved and the motion passed.

Vivian Eaton presented the financial reports. We received the Payroll Protection Program money and the transfer from our UMC Foundation account. Mary Irons moved, seconded by Bob Davidson, that the reports be accepted and the motion carried. A question about the high utilities at the church was raised and the Trustees will check into it. LaVona Grissinger ordered the new flooring for the parsonage today.

Boy Scout Troop 45, sponsored by the church, has not paid their dues in 3 years and have lost their charter. We will ask for our trailer back. Our other trailer is for sale now that the door lock is fixed and the Trustees will set the price to sell it. It is worth \$10,000-\$12,000.

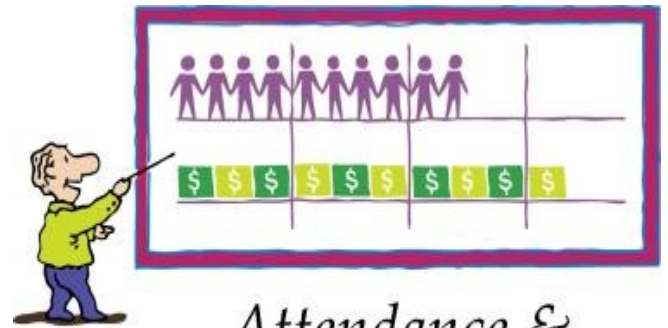
Members received an email from the Northern Illinois Conference regarding the return to church. Tom Michels moved, seconded by LaVona, that the administrative council serve as the Health Team, and the motion passed. LaVona recommended Linda Jachino serve on this committee also.

Kris Yingling has not received any answer from Interchurch Council about VBS. The meeting ended from Zoom at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Andersen

Date	Income
May 24	\$ 1555.00
June 7	\$ 940.00
June 14	\$11780.00
June 21	\$ 2765.00
Total Income	\$ 17040.00



Attendance & Financials



Prayer Concerns

Glen Brunner, Suzie Berg, John Hamm,
Cindy, Don Hughes, Emilee Deerer, Libby Thulen,
Paul Brunner, Harper Christian, Austin Wilkins,
Matthew Foltz, Mara Sutton-Roche,
Jodi Bausman, Owen Davies,
Military Personnel and their families



JULY

- 5 Jeff Doran, Wendy Reitemeier,
Sarah Neumiller-Jackson,
Rhonda & Jeff Law
- 6 Molly Andersen
- 7 Noah Johnson
- 10 Ancil Guilinger, Erik Torrison
- 12 Eric Purchis, Grant Mangler
Hannah Guilinger,
Gary & Melinda Dykema
- 14 Chris Howard
- 15 Melissa Darrow, Todd Darrow
- 17 Nathaniel Law
- 18 Ronda Rathje
- 25 Bruce Badtke
- 31 Deeann Kramer

JULY Worship will be held outdoors in front of the church.

We are hoping this will be a successful way to worship and receive our message!

The Worship Committee will meet near the end of July to reevaluate. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us! We are here for you!



First United Methodist Church of Savanna, Illinois

July 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 Happy Independence Day
5 9am-Outdoor Worship	6	7 6:30pm UMW Meet at Old Mill Park rear pavilion	8	9 1:30pm- ICC @ St John s Catholic Church	10	11
12 9am-Outdoor Worship	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 9am-Outdoor Worship	20 TELSTAR DEADLINE	21	22	23 3:30pm Worship Committee Meeting at Church	24	25
26 9am-Outdoor Worship	27	28	29	30	31	



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