



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



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Last month, the strong storm took many trees and power lines down. We unwillingly experienced that again living without power is very inconvenient and annoyed. Electric power has become an essential component of our lives. Likewise, we have to make sure that we can't live without the power of the Holy Spirit. Living without the power of the Holy Spirit should be inconvenient and annoyed in our spiritual lives as well. As spiritual beings, we should be connected to the power of the Holy Spirit all the time. If not, our lives would be captured by darkness, brokenness, a feeling of helplessness, and fear. According to the Bible, Luke 11:13, the power of the Holy Spirit will be given to us whenever we ask, "If you who are evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" Therefore, now, I ask God to send the Holy Spirit upon each one of us who is reading this September Newsletter, so that we can live our daily lives by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Savanna First UMC has decided to share our church building with School Food Pantry to support and help our local families who are in need. The School Food Pantry will be serving our local community, especially who have students in their families, from late August; twice a month. You can check their open dates in our newsletter, too. They will be using the side door to deliver the food to each car in the midst of COVID-19. If you would like to support the food pantry and contribute your time and resources to the pantry, please don't hesitate to contact us. Since they are using our church building, we should be able to come up with more effective ways to support their ministry. Jesus also fed his disciples and big crowds during his ministries on earth.

Carroll County has gotten 54 new cases of COVID-19 just between August 1st and 20th. The confirmed number is growing rapidly in our county. Please, use facial coverings in public places with social distancing. If you feel sick or feel uncomfortable to use masks during church on Sundays, we highly recommend you to worship with us through the pre-recorded services. You can find it on our church website. We want everyone feel safe and healthy during this pandemic situation. Please, take care of yourself and each other!

No matter what circumstances we have been, Savanna First UMC has been trying to worship God, love others, and make disciples of Jesus Christ. Church should be a place where people can experience God and encounter God. Do you still feel the presence of God here at FUMC? In other words, do you feel the presence of God in your personal lives every day? This pandemic reminds us that it's very important for us to meet God in our daily and personal lives. God will be with us and guide us every day in our lives!

"Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong! Let all that you do be done in love." (1 Corinthians 16:13-14) Let all that we do be done in God's love! Happy Fall!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dave



# Soul sisters

On Thursday, August 20th, the Soul Sisters  
went on an outing to Chestnut Mountain

Resort near Galena.

The ladies enjoyed fellowship, the fabulous  
views and each others smiles behind masks.

Consider joining them sometime!

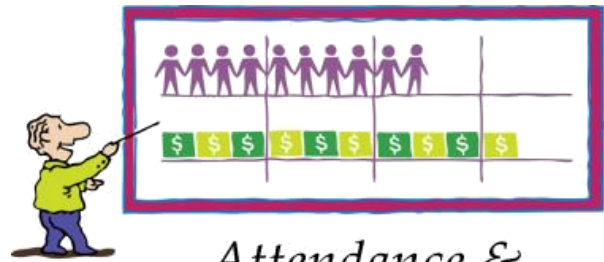
Picture below includes (L to R):

Jean Treter, Cindie Bulik, Molly Andersen,

Linda Jachino and Bonnie Davies.



| Date                | Income             |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| July 26             | \$ 2,186.00        |
| August 2            | \$ 4,468.00        |
| August 9            | \$ 1,691.00        |
| August 16           | \$ 1,884.00        |
| <b>Total Income</b> | <b>\$10,229.00</b> |



## *Attendance & Financials*

# Attendance



| Week      | Sun.        |
|-----------|-------------|
| July 26   | 62          |
| August 2  | 71          |
| August 9  | 68          |
| August 16 | 65          |
| Avg.      | <b>66.5</b> |

## In Our Prayers

Suzie Berg, Judy Dunn, Cindy, Emilee Deerer, Sherri Miller,  
 Harper Christian, Burt Dauphin, Beth Wickes, Vanessa, Betty Speck,  
 Mara Sutton-Roche, Suzanne Atherton, Susan Meyer,  
 Don Brooks family, Letty Weidmans family (her sister passed),  
 Ruth Morfey, Charlie White, Big Meadows nursing home.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, John Hamm, Dorothy Taylor, Frank Grove,  
 Paul Brunner, Sylvia Reuterfors, Bill & Letty Weidman.

All students, staff and teachers returning to school.

Military Personnel and their families

## KIDS KARDS

Kids Kards continues to send cards to our church members and friends. We were very blessed to receive a memorial from the Don Hughes family, and a large box of envelopes from the sewing ladies. Thank you for thinking of this ministry!

The “sewing girls” are alive and well!  
We’re gathering in our new room on Mondays at 1 o’clock. We make lots of items for missions and always welcome willing hands. Please consider joining us.  
We always have a good time.





United Methodist Women Sunday will be celebrated September 27th. We will present our special recognition pin and certificate during worship service. We will be sharing a “goody” bag with everyone as and appreciation of your support of UMW.

Our annual bazaar, craft, bake sale, resale items & Christmas items will not be able to happen this year. To make a little money to pay our pledge to missions, we will be selling take home box lunches after worship on October 18 & 25. We can have wrapped backed goods available to sell. No money can be handled, so we ask for a donation, cash or check, only. Please support us in this effort to raise funds.

Thanks to Mark Cook for installing outlets in our new sewing room! We have organized material & yarn, so stop in and see our new place! We invite anyone to join us on Mondays at 1pm. Bring a project– quilting, crafting, knitting, crocheting or sewing and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship.

Next meeting of UMW will be September 1 at 6:30pm in the church library. All ladies are invited. If you have any questions, call Mary Irons at 815-541-8487.

Our October meeting will be on the 6th at 6:30pm in the church library.

Our sympathies to Letty and Bill Weidman in the passing of Letty's sister.



We have opened our doors to the West Carroll Food Pantry. The pantry moved from the high school building to the last room of the education wing. Thanks go to the sewing room ladies who moved to the neighboring room, Mark Cook for installing needed outlets for both rooms, Bob Davidson, Pastor Dave and all the volunteers who helped move. The pantry will be open the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 12 noon until 5pm. This food pantry serves any family that has a child enrolled in the West Carroll School District, including Right Steps. Food and monetary donations are always accepted. Thank you Savanna FUMC for opening your doors, minds, and hearts to this important mission!

Molly Andersen





- Sep 1 Kim Bundy, Caleb Thornton
- 2 Nicholas Law, Ramona Green
- 4 Sandy Wurster
- 5 Kenny Clemens
- 7 Julie Brigham
- 8 Ethan Mangler, Heather Morris,  
Matthew Dauphin
- 11 Bryan Purchis, Madison Haynes
- 12 Lori Law
- 13 Frank Grove, Deb Ketzel
- 14 Sherri Miller
- 15 John Dauphin
- 16 Scott Mills, Boyd Law
- 18 Johnna McDonnell
- 20 Brandon Prins, Jason Moore,  
Kristin Prins
- 21 Dorothy Taylor
- 22 Emily Sisson
- 24 Janis Wilt, Cassidy Reitemeier,  
*Frank & Lois Grove 1955*  
*Rod & Christy Clemens 2005*
- 25 Anita Stott, Michael Raymond
- 26 Jessica Lowry, Jillian Green-Gilman,  
*Tim & Kay Cavanagh 1986*
- 27 Bill Ingersoll



### Blessing of the Backpacks

Bring your backpack to  
be blessed on Sunday,  
September 13th  
during worship!

## Sunday School is Cool



Sunday School Kickoff will be  
Sunday, September 13th at  
9am!!

We are looking for teacher  
volunteers to help out as well.

If there is a week you can aide  
us , let us know!!

We will get you all the tools to  
make an impact!!

# First United Methodist Church of Savanna, Illinois

## September 2020

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY   | TUESDAY                           | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|-----------|--|--------|----------|
|  |  | 1<br>6:30pm-UMW<br>Mtg in library | 2         | 3<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga   | 4      | 5        |
| 6<br>9am- Outdoor Worship  | 7<br>Office Closed<br><br><b>Labor Day</b>   | 8                                 | 9         | 10<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga<br>9am-Bible Study                                     | 11     | 12       |
| 13<br>9am-Outdoor Worship<br><br><b>Blessing of the Back-<br/>packs &amp; Sunday<br/>School Kickoff!</b> | 14<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga<br>12-5 WC Food<br>Pantry<br>1pm- Sewing La-<br>dies | 15                                | 16        | 17<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga<br>9am-Bible Study<br>3:30pm-Worship<br>Committee Mtg. | 18     | 19       |
| 20<br>9am-Outdoor Worship<br>10am- Ad Council Mtg  | 21<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga<br>12-5 WC Food<br>Pantry<br>1pm- Sewing<br>Ladies   | 22                                | 23        | 24<br>9am-Body & Soul<br>Yoga<br>9am-Bible Study                                     | 25     | 26       |
| 27<br>9am-Outdoor Worship<br><br><b>UMW Sunday</b>   | 28<br>9am- Body &<br>Soul Yoga<br>1pm- Sewing<br>Ladies                            | 29                                | 30        |  |        |          |