

Cary United Methodist Church
500 First Street
Cary, IL 60013



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Return service requested



Sunday Worship: 9am
Child and Youth
Sunday School at 10:15am
Adult Sunday School 10:15am

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August 2021

THE OPEN DOOR

CARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Empowers believers, reaches the community and beyond.

Sunday Summer Schedule

Sunday Worship at 9:00am
Sunday School at 10:15 am
Hospitality Hour at 10:00 am

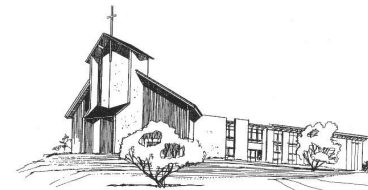
Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm

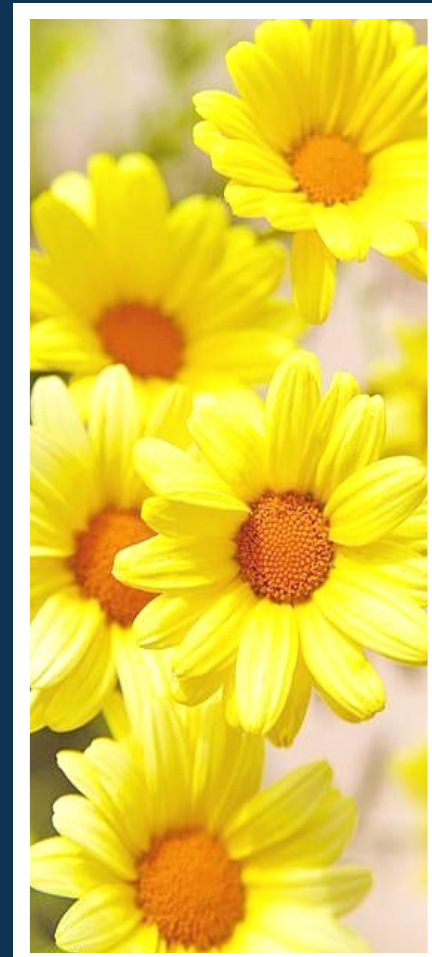
Staff

Rev. Dr. Norval I. Brown	Sr. Pastor
Dr. George E. David	Pastor
Sally Lorenzen	Director of Education
Holly Voss	Office Manager
Penny Libert	Organist/Accompanist
Dave DCamp, Kevin Scott	Music Staff
Katrina Zentefis	Nursery Coordinator
Jaime Arreola	Custodian

September Issue - Deadline August 20



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Walk
in the
light
of the
LORD
see John 5:19-21

Summer Sunday School Continues!

Please join us at 10:15 am for
Summer Sunday School.

- The Pre-K through 6th grade youth are meeting Sunday morning in Wesley Wing.
- The Adult Sunday School classes are meeting Sunday mornings as listed below;
Social Concerns class meets in Fellowship Hall
Home Builders class meets in the Choir Room.



- ~ Nurture Team Zoom Meeting on August 12 at 6:30 pm.
- ~ Fall Sunday School meeting August 22 in Fellowship Hall at noon.
- ~ Fall Sunday School will begin on September 12.

Mission Outreach Sunday, August 29



CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by religious groups, businesses, schools, and others to raise funds to end hunger in the U.S. and around the world.



**CROP Walk is
Sunday,
September 26**

August Birthdays

8/2 Scott Flesher	8/12 Sara Kelly	8/23 Deb Meyer	8/28 Bob Bennett
8/3 Kelvin Levels	8/13 Rob Guay	8/25 Mark Wilcox	8/31 Linc Myers
8/5 Axel Mularski	8/14 Bethany Flesher	8/27 Stephanie Brashear	Jennifer Voss
8/7 Barbara Dixon	Cindy Wiles	Bill Zentefis	
Mary Koenig	8/15 Maddie Crick		
8/9 Patty Andress	8/19 Sandy Wilford		
Dave DCamp	8/20 Cassandra Booker		
Jim Wilford	Wendy Danley		
8/10 Alex Luloff	8/22 Kathy Kadlec		
8/11 Dana Floor			



August Wedding Anniversaries

Vance & Debbie Nelson	8/3
Tom & Joan Prather	8/10
David & Sheila DCamp	8/11
Mark & Cheri Wilcox	8/20
John & Debbie Lazarski	8/31



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

Grace, mercy, and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I began working in May with a couple who are to be married next year. As a part of our premarital conversation, I asked them to write a mission statement for their marriage. This statement will not only be a point for discussion but will be incorporated into the liturgy for their wedding. Afterward, I will encourage them to place it prominently somewhere in their home as a reminder of how they want to live as a married couple.

At some point, each of us has been moved to consider what the purpose of our life is and to ponder whether our life has any meaning at all. I cannot count the number of times that I have sat with someone who felt as if their life was futile, devoid of meaning or purpose. Let me assure you that every life has purpose, every life has meaning. Our God has not called you or me or any one of us into a meaningless existence, but rather God has created each of us to play an important role in God's unfolding plan of creation.

“For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth”, are words that Jesus spoke to Pilate during his trial and are a perfect mission statement. Jesus was singularly focused and was certain that every thought, word, and deed was grounded in that mission. And what of you? Do you have a mission statement for your life? For those who experience life as a futile existence, it might be because they have no mission statement guiding their life. *In Man's Search for Meaning*, Victor Frankl, a Holocaust survivor, wrote that a person with a *why* to live can survive almost any *how*.

Try finishing this sentence: My purpose for being on this earth is...

After completing it in your mind, write it on a piece of paper or express it artistically – a poem, a painting, etc. Look at it from time to time, and pray that God leads you to fulfill what God has equipped you to do.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Norval



Financial Status of Cary United Methodist Church

Following is the financial status of CUMC January through June 2021. I want to thank everyone for keeping up with their pledges and the additional funds that have been placed in the basket or mailed into the office. With your help, we remain on the positive side of the funds that CUMC needs to support God's house.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Christ,
Tom Swider
Chair, Finance Committee
Email address: swidertc@comcast.net

Current Receipts for Jan.– June 2021	Budget for Jan.– June 2021	Difference
\$164,417.04	\$163,608.02	+ \$809.02



Cary Methodist Preschool is Enrolling!

Classes begin on Tuesday, September 7! We are enrolling children who are age 2 (when school starts) through age 5. Please email cmp.preschool@gmail.com to schedule a tour.

Additionally, we are looking for teacher, aides and substitutes. Please email if you are interested.

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500 First Street
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Like Us On Facebook!

Cary United Methodist Women has a closed Facebook Group. It's a great way to keep up on the latest activities. Be sure to like us on Facebook.

Help Us Save Money and Trees: Get Your UMW Newsletter by Email

The Cary UMW quarterly publication, "Woman to Woman," is delivered via email and USPS. If you would like to help UMW save some money and the environment, please contact Carolyn Downs to have your newsletter delivered via email only. Also, if you haven't been receiving the newsletter, please contact Carolyn Downs to update your information.

UMW Pledges

Your pledges fund UMW mission locally and abroad. Thank you for your financial support! To contribute, please make out your checks to United Methodist Women. Checks can be mailed to our unit treasurer Amy Peterson at Cary UMC, 500, N. First St., Cary IL 60013, Attn: Amy Peterson.

Small Groups - August Calendar

UMW Small Groups have returned to the church for socially-distanced meetings. Masks are encouraged.

Books N Bagels – Books N Bagels meets in-person, with a Zoom option, in Cary UMC at 7pm, first Friday of the month. The next meeting will be Friday, August 6, and the book is *The Only Woman In The Room* by Marie Benedict. Due to Labor Day, the September Books N Bagels will meet August 27; the book will be *News of the World* by Paulette Jile. For Zoom login information, contact Dawn Ferree or Bethany Decker.

Morning Craft Group – meets from 9am-12noon, every Wednesday, in Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Pat Jacobson.

Dorcas Circle – meets at 12noon, the second Wednesday of the month in Fellowship Hall. Dorcas Circle will not meet again until September 8, 2021. For more information, contact Penny Libert.

Evening Craft Group – Next meeting will be 7-9pm, Wednesday, August 25, in Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Vicki Oberlies.



Cary UMW August Update



Fall UMW Celebrations

Please note that dates, places and formats are tentative and may be subject to change. Please watch for updates and thank you for understanding.

September 18 – Elgin District UMW Annual Celebration, Roselle UMC (details TBA)

September 26 – Cary UMW Fall Annual Celebration & Potluck – 12-2pm, Fellowship Hall (details TBA)

October 23 – Northern Illinois Conference UMW Annual Celebration (details TBA)

Leadership Positions Open at District and Unit Levels

Looking for connection, purpose, service, fun? Consider serving on the Leadership Team of Cary UMW. It's a wonderful way to serve women, youth and children in the community and worldwide. Our Cary UMW Unit has the following positions open: Vice President of Programming, Membership Chair and Nominations Chair. The Elgin District Leadership Team has the following positions open: Secretary, Membership Coordinator, Spiritual Growth Coordinator, and two Nominations Committee Members. For more information, contact Glenda Arnold or Lois Voss.

Help Us Grow! Invite a Friend to Join UMW!

United Methodist Women is a supportive, inclusive Christian membership organization where women like you grow spiritually, develop as leaders and serve and work to create a world in which all women, children and youth thrive. United Methodist Women is celebrated as the women's ministry of The United Methodist Church.

Who can join UMW? Any woman who commits herself to the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women and to engage in mission, study, personal growth and social action can join. You don't have to be United Methodist or meet an age requirement to be a member.

CUMC members,

We are excited to announce the CUMC All Church Dinner / Auction and Golf Outing is back this year. See details below:

Saturday, August 21 at Cary Country Club
Golf starts at 12:00 noon and dinner starts at 6:00pm

Golf and dinner will cost \$100.00. Dinner only is \$35.00

As in past years, we will have a silent auction open dinner. We will have registration tables available after church on Sunday, August 1, 8 and 15.

We welcome anyone interested in joining us for golf and/or just dinner. Please invite your relatives and friends. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Peterson.

Thank you, CUMC Dinner/Golf Committee



Laity Session of NIC Annual Conference

 by Lois Voss

The virtual Laity Session of our recent NIC Annual Conference was led by our three Conference Co-Leaders: Mark Manzi, Connie Augsburg, and Eugene Williams.

We are all laity if we are not clergy, and all of us work in ministry together. We learned about five churches who are developing new ministries: Our Saviour's UMC in Schaumburg, Minooka UMC, Franklin Park UMC, DeKalb UMC, and Urban Village Church (five sites).

We were reminded to use umcnic.org for information we need. Especially useful is the tab for [Shepherding Team](#) > [Congregational Life](#) > [Laity](#) > [Resources](#)

[Shepherding Team](#) > [Connectional Resources](#) > [UM Foundation](#) > [Grants](#)

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The second part of the session was divided into five breakout rooms for our five new conference districts. Our church has changed from Elgin District to Prairie Central, which now includes many UMC's from Aurora District. Our new superintendent is Rev. Jeffrey Bross. There were many introductions to begin this new time in our church life.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Worship 10:00 Gift Card Sales 10:00 Golf Registration 10:15 All Sunday School 5:00 Women's Emmaus	2 7:00 Men's Emmaus	3 7:00 Trustee Meeting	4 9:00 Craft Group 6:10 20 Minutes with God 7:00 AA Meeting 7:00 P457 Com. Mtg.	5 7:00 Worship Committee	6 9:00 Reception Setup 7:00 Books n Bagels	7 11:30 Wedding Renewal and Reception
8 9:00 Backpack Sunday Worship Service 10:00 Gift Card Sales 10:00 Golf Registration 10:15 All Sunday School 5:00 Women's Emmaus	9 7:00 Men's Emmaus	10 7:00 Finance Committee 7:30 P557 Com. Mtg.	11 9:00 Craft Group 6:10 20 Minutes with God 7:00 AA Meeting 7:00 Nominations Comm.	12 6:30 Nurture Team 7:00 Witness Team	13	14 8:00 Men's Breakfast 9:00 Stamp Camp
15 9:00 Worship 10:00 Gift Card Sales 10:00 Golf Registration 10:15 All Sunday School 5:00 Women's Emmaus	16 6:00 T160 PLC Mtg. 7:00 T160 Meeting 7:00 Men's Emmaus	17 7:30 Digital Comm. 7:30 CMP Board Mtg.	18 9:00 Craft Group 6:10 20 Minutes with God 7:00 T160 Committee Mtg 7:00 AA Meeting	19 4:30 Mission Outreach 7:00 CMP Board Mtg.	20 Newsletter Deadline	21 12:00 Golf Outing 6:00 Golf Outing Dinner and Auction
22 9:00 Worship 10:00 Gift Card Sales 10:15 All Sunday School 5:00 Women's Emmaus	23 6:00 Handbells 7:00 T160 Meeting 7:00 Men's Emmaus 7:30 Chicagoland Voices	24 7:00 Church Council	25 9:00 Craft Group 6:10 20 Minutes with God 7:00 AA Meeting 7:00 Craft Night	26	27 7:00 Books n Bagels 7:00 Pack 557	28 8:00 All Church Workday Indoors & Outdoors
29 9:00 Worship 10:00 Gift Card Sales 10:15 All Sunday School 5:00 Women's Emmaus	30 6:00 Handbells 6:00 T160 PLC 7:00 T160 Meeting 7:00 Men's Emmaus 7:30 Chicagoland Voices	31 7:00 7th Rule of Christ Trng				