

**First UMC  
Chambersburg**

# Mustard Seed

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Summer 2019

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## Special points of interest:

- Lunch with the Zimmermans - July 14 noon
- Paint an Angel Family Night - August 7
- Parents Night Out
- Backpack Blessings (for Hungry Hearts) Aug 13
- Blessing of Backpacks (prayer for our year at school) August 19

**“What I wrote thirty years ago on first entering Patan Hospital still applies today: ‘This work is a wonderful chance for Jesus’ love to flow through me to others.’”**

**Dr. Mark Zimmerman**

## Shine Your Light This Summer!

I love fireflies. Growing up in the city of Chicago we rarely saw them. But each summer when we returned to the wooded lot of my grandparents, we loved to watch their lights shining in the dark.

Fireflies are amazing things. While a fluorescent light produces 90% heat and only 10% light, fireflies produce all light. And that light isn't just for show. Species that illuminate make those who eat them very ill, and so the light warns birds and other predators, that they do not want to eat this little bug! The light also communicates with other fireflies. And while it is true that one little firefly is not able to light up the sky, there are 3 species who actually synchronize their “lightshow.” in Malay-

sia boatmen on a deserted, jungle covered river can travel safely by night, because of these little fireflies.

In Matthew's gospel, Jesus tells us that we are to be light and salt. Jesus said it because the world without God is a dark place. We know the power of salt, salt heals wounds, preserves meats, melts ice and makes things rise! And we know the power of light, to show us things as they really are, to push back the shadows that we fear, and guide us on our paths.

Jesus' words to his disciples and to us are clear, light is not meant to be put under a bushel. Salt is of not

destined to live in a salt shaker. His disciples need to be out and about, interfacing with the world beyond the walls of the church, witnessing, serving, helping, and pointing all the way to Jesus. We are not the light, just little fireflies, but when we will allow ourselves to reflect God's light, others will find their way as well. How will you shine God's light this summer?

Matthew 5:14

“Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. “

-Jesus (The Message)

## United Methodist Missionaries Here July 14th

On Sunday, July 14th, Dr. Mark and Deidre Zimmerman will be with us in worship at First UMC in all 3 services.

A medical doctor specializing in internal medicine, Mark Zimmerman has worked in Nepal since 1986. He began

his ministry as a clinical doctor and later became Medical Director of Patan Hospital. He now works as a professor and senior consultant at the same hospital.

Deidre Zimmerman is also a missionary for the Global Board, and serves as a dieti-

cian and nutritionist. A potluck lunch will be served at noon. The church will supply meat, a vegetarian entrée, and rolls. The congregation is asked to bring side dish, salad, or dessert. Please RSVP ahead at the Welcome Desk.

## Shine! ...Parkapalooza

During the month of July, First UMC will be at Mike Waters Park each Tuesday at 10 am, offering fun activities for children, youth and a bible study for adults (Hearing God, with Pastor Cathy).

Come on out one or all weeks and connect with our neighbors!

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Backpack Blessing (for community) will be August 13th. See the list in the bulletin for

what school supplies we need and place in the school bus in

the lobby! Want to help? Sign up at Welcome Desk!



Upcoming Events:

CCYM And First Lights Parents Night Out  
August 2nd. See Brianna or Collin for details.

Blessing of the Backpacks

## Get Connected.....

Want to be baptized? We are baptizing Sunday, July 21 in worship services, and Sunday, August 11th (immersion).

Contact Pastor Cathy

Family Paint Night - Wed August 7th at Family Life Center. Painting "Angels Watching Over Me." Pizza, paint and fun... 6 to 8 p.m. Watch bulletin for details.

Men ...Don't miss a chance to connect with other men:

Wednesdays - 630 am at FUMC. Men's bible study.

2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Connections Café. Contact: John Hostetler.

## Field Trip! To Mission Central

Ever heard about our wonderful, amazing Mission Central, but wondered what that was? Want to see tons of relief supplies deployed to save lives around the globe? Want to see one significant way that FUMC helps shine God's love around the world? Friday, August 30th we

will be leaving First UMC at 8:45 a.m. and headed to Mission Central in Mechanicsburg where we have the opportunity to see firsthand the miracle of Mission Central. Following our tour, we will stop for lunch at a local diner and head on home for Chambersburg. In the mean



time, watch for the list of items that Mission Central is currently collecting in your weekly bulletin. You can drop off those items at our welcome desk



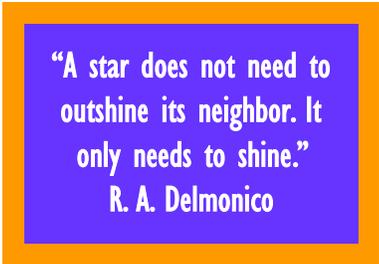
Women's Retreat  
 November 8th-10th, 2019  
 Mount Asbury Retreat Center  
 Cost: \$110  
 Watch bulletins for further details...

Women's Connect - an informal time for all women!  
 Third Saturday of each month  
 This month July 20th:  
 Meet at 925 E. McKinley  
 (the Parsonage)  
 Breakfast and fellowship starts 8:30 am  
 Join in worship and sharing at 9 15 am  
 Bring your favorite flower of the season!

**CCYM Youth News - IMPACT and Fall KickOFF!**

Impact is coming up!

Every year, we ask the congregation for food donations for our meals, and everyone always comes through in a great way



for us! The list of items needed is posted in the lobby. Please keep an eye out for that, and plan to have those items to Collin by July 21.

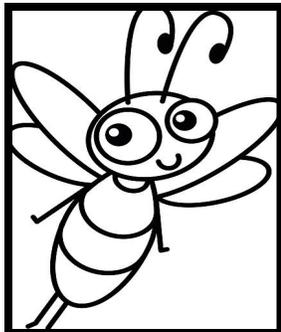
On September 4, ccym will host their annual Fall Kick-Off

event from 6:30-8:30pm. We rent out huge inflatables, provide lots of good food, and most importantly, offer a time to connect with other students and small group leaders so we can invite them back for other things we do throughout the school year. Students are encouraged to invite someone new, and connect with someone they don't know. If you would like to help with set up or clean up, or food prep for this

**Lightbearers Needed....**

Looking for a place to shine? Check out these opportunities:

Wednesday morning desk help (back up) (see Dan)



Newsletter Typist and Editor (see Pastor Cathy)

Friends for Hungry Hearts - People to host tables during HH dinner, simply to be a friend. (see Dan)

See other openings upcoming in our Shine and Serve Sheet! And shine!

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**First UMC**

Welcome!

Welcome to Bill Holland, our newest member of our Leadership Team. Bill and his wife Rosemary attend the 930 am service. Thanks for your willingness to serve!

If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven.

-Jesus

(Matthew 5:15-16, The Message)

## Update: Campus Improvement Fund

*In the fall of 2015, First UMC leadership initiated the Campus Improvement Fund. This fund, as part of the "Rebuild the Walls Campaign", was created to fund multiple improvements to the First UMC campus. The generous gifts of many have helped to fund the screens in the sanctuary, updates to sound in both FLC and sanctuary, renovations to the lobby and creation of our new Connections Café, renovations to the Children and Youth ministry area, lights in the parking lot, revitalized space for our Minister of Music, purchase of the former Black property, and demolition of two properties, repaving of the parking lot, and upgrades to security. On behalf of the Leadership Team and Trustees, we wish to thank you for your amazing generosity. Thanks to you, we are able to complete the list thus far without any need to take on debt. Let's celebrate! Watch in your bulletin for our upcoming celebration this fall to give thanks to God and dedicate our newly revitalized spaces.*

*The Leadership Team has voted to continue the Campus Improvement Fund as a permanent fund. As of July 1, 2019, all future gifts to the fund will be used for ongoing campus improvements as determined by Trustees and Leadership Team. The Trustee fund will continue to fund routine maintenance and repairs, the Campus Improvement Fund will be used to fund large projects as well as continued improvement of our facilities. Thanks so much!*