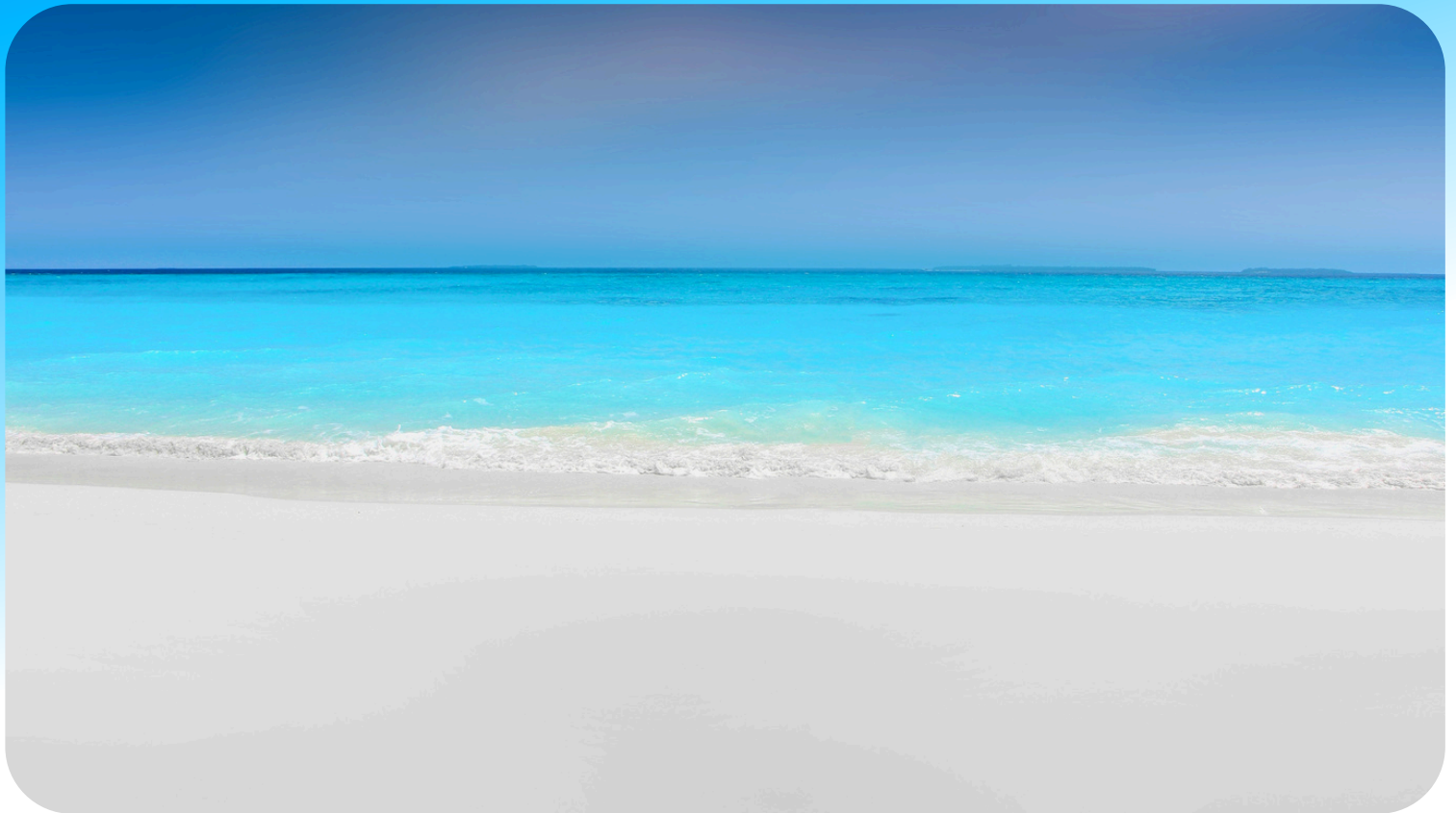


# Weekly Newsletter

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## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

### ***Romans 12:9-10 NIV***

**9** Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

**10** Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Greetings, siblings in Christ!

Thank you to all those who were here on Sunday, July 7th, for my first Sunday. It was an awesome day with excitement and energy all around. My family and I felt very welcomed and blessed by the Webster UM Community.

Now the work of walking together with each other in the ministry of Christ sets in; that means the hard work of holding one another accountable in love, for our words and actions, begins; the practice of extending grace in our faults, even when that may be hard and we really don't want to, starts. This is the hardest part of living in a community, but I hope you agree when I also say, it's the best part. Because it's the part that allows us to feel truly loved; where we come to know that we are more to our siblings than just an afterthought, or a practice in tolerance.

As we move forward together, stretching ourselves and each other in worship, in prayer, in ministry, and in life together, I ask you to keep in mind that I will strive to always be operating from a place of love, and I will always presume that you are doing the same. And if and when we get off course from that place of love, we will work to find our way back together.

Blessings on your week. See you all Sunday...and if you haven't done this in a while, bring a friend.

*Yours In Christ*

PASTOR GLEN

# PRAYER CONCERNS



Bev Mesey; Seira Stuart; Alta Kopetzky & Andrew Kennon (Marcia Kennon); Margo Petracek; ; Teri Samples & Phil Hall (Connie Kroenung); world leaders; our country; and the homeless population.

*Thank you!*

**"Dearest Church, From the bottom of my heart, thank you for the outpouring of love and support you gave to Chris, Sandra, Emmy and me during Derek's rapid decline and passing. It sustained and continues to sustain us."**

**Carolyn Redmore**

## Chapel at Bethesda Dilworth, Sunday, July 21

Every other month volunteers from WUM provide a thirty-minute worship service for the residents of skilled nursing facility Bethesda Dilworth (9645 Big Bend Road in Kirkwood). At 2:00pm volunteers gather in the chapel on the second floor to receive assignments from Chaplain Michael Tooley, and then disperse to floors 1, 2, & 3 to escort residents who use wheelchairs and wish to attend. The half-hour service begins at 2:30pm. At BD we have the reputation of singing a lot because we begin singing beforehand. By 3:30 pm we have finished returning residents to their rooms.

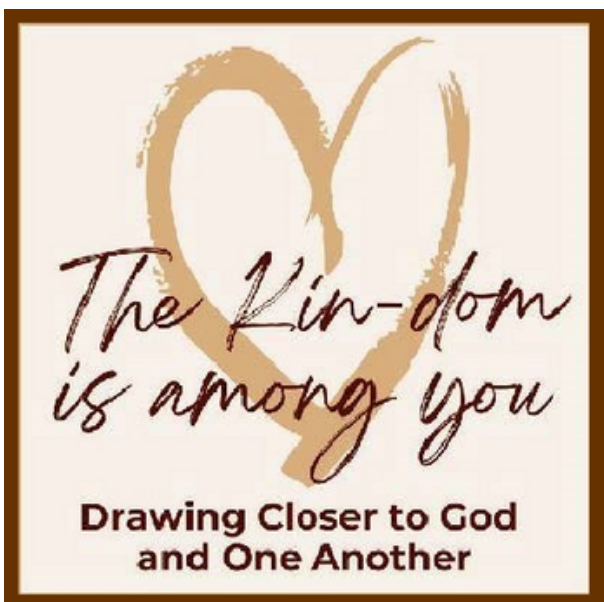
We're providing the chapel service on Sunday, July 21. If you would like to volunteer this month, have questions, or wish to be added to the e-list of volunteers for future dates, please contact Beth Anderson, [TrebleCross1980@gmail.com](mailto:TrebleCross1980@gmail.com), or #314-781-9923 (home, no texts).



# MEET WITH PASTOR GLEN

*We are off and running with our new pastor, Glen Connoley, and would like to keep the momentum going! In order to help Pastor Glen better know the congregation, their passions and concerns, we are setting up small group, in-home gatherings.*

*These informal receptions also will allow us to become better acquainted with Pastor Glen. If you would like to host a small group in your home or would like to join a group, please sign-up on the Connection Card or contact Joan Ballam at [jmballam@gmail.com](mailto:jmballam@gmail.com).*



Webster United Methodist is hosting the **United Women in Faith Northeast District Mini Mission u & Mai Gray Program** on **Saturday, August 10th**. The theme is The Kin-dom Is Among You: Drawing Closer to God and One Another and is based on **Welcome Home** by Neomi Fletcher.

Registration begins at 9:30 with the program from 10:00 AM--3:00 PM. The cost is \$15 (payable at the door), which includes lunch.

RSVP by August 5th to Sue Daniel, [danielsusan55@gmail.com](mailto:danielsusan55@gmail.com) or 314-322-8194

Cindy Andrews  
UWF Communications



## IMPORTANT HANDS IN MISSION OPPORTUNITY TO SPRUCE UP THE PARSONAGE

In order to prepare the church's parsonage for Pastor Glen and his family, the Tuesday Guys and Trustees are leading the project to repair and renovate the house. They are asking for help.


The Risk-Taking Missions Team is recruiting groups of people of varying ages and abilities to volunteer during July and August. We are hoping for 5-6 people working either a morning or afternoon shift. Please think about how you can help. The work **MUST** be completed by the first week in August so the pastor and his family can move in.

Scheduled work dates continue the week of July 15 with tasks that include cleaning, painting closet interiors, and painting outside shutters.

Shifts are 9 am-12 noon or 1-3 pm.

To sign up: Contact Jan McCurley at 314.378.5504, email [Janis.mccurley@gmail.com](mailto:Janis.mccurley@gmail.com), or sign up on the Connection Card on Sunday.

Watch for other opportunities and updates in upcoming newsletters and Connection Cards.



# **SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION**

## **Continues through JULY 28TH**




The new school year will soon be here and many families will be unable to afford the school supplies their children need for school. We are collecting school supplies here at Webster United Methodist through **July 28th**. All supplies collected will be divided and donated to LifeWise StL, Epworth Children & Family Services, and Webster Rock Hill Ministries. We will have collection buckets in the first-floor lobby and the three sanctuary entrances.


Below you will find a list of needed supplies. **Please purchase supplies equal to the same quality you would provide for your own children/grandchildren.** (Note from experienced teachers: Most supplies purchased at dollar stores do not last long because of the poor quality.)



If you have questions about this project, please contact Cindy Andrews, 314-277-9368, or via email: [cyndrews@gmail.com](mailto:cyndrews@gmail.com).



- 3-ring binders
- Highlighters
- #2 pencils, preferably Ticonderoga
- Pencil cases or pouches
- Pencil sharpeners (handheld)
- Pens—blue, black, & red ink
- Erasable pens
- Colored pencils
- Single subject notebooks, wide ruled
- Washable markers, primary colors
- Crayons, boxes of 16 or 24
- Computer mice (wired or wireless)



- School glue
- Glue sticks
- Scissors, blunt tip
- Scissors, pointed tip
- Folders, with & without prongs
- Rulers
- Composition notebooks
- Loose leaf paper, wide ruled
- Single subject notebooks, college ruled
- Scientific calculators
- Backpacks
- Expandable folders with zippers





## MERCY CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

**Care for the Caregiver** is a workshop at Mercy Conference and Retreat Center Saturday, August 3, 8:30-3:30. Cost \$30; lunch included. Register by July 26 at [mercycenterstl.org](http://mercycenterstl.org) The workshop will focus on exploring support for persons caring for those with dementia. Presenters will include a gerontologist and a licensed social worker, both with expertise in dementia; a mindfulness teacher certified in dementia care; and a representative of an organization that works with families of persons with dementia. Ample resources will be provided.

## NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

All articles and submissions must be sent to [secretary@websterum.org](mailto:secretary@websterum.org) by Monday at 5pm to be in that week's newsletter.