

# AT THE PARK



To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

September 2018

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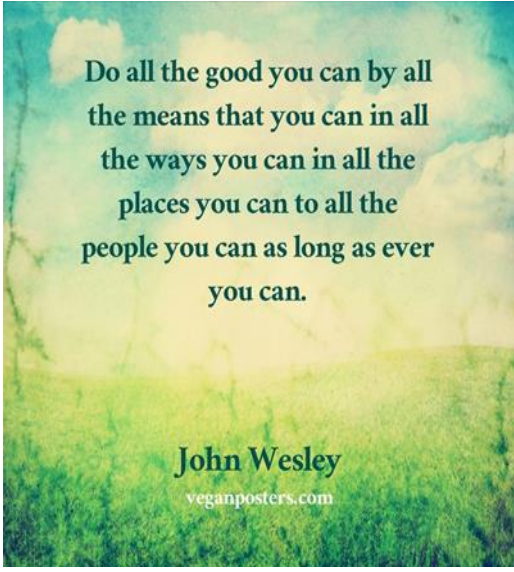
Doing Good. It is the theme for the first part of the Fall worship services at Nardin Park. During September and October we will be exploring John Wesley's famous quote about doing good and finding ways to do all the good we can so that we can make a difference in our church, our community and in our world.

Our kickoff of this new worship series will begin with *Party at the Park Sunday* on September 9th. Plan to attend worship and get back into your fall routine. We will bless children's backpacks that day as they begin a new school year, we will pray with our teachers and administrators and learn about how Jesus invites us to do good for God's Kingdom. It is going to be a great day of worship and then we will celebrate with a picnic party in the back 40 of Nardin Park. Hot dogs, popcorn, watermelon and beverages will be provided and you are welcomed and encouraged to join us for *Party at the Park* as we kick off the fall season.

We have so much to celebrate, most especially God's love and grace. God is calling us as individuals and the church to do all the good we can, for all the people we can, as long as ever we can.

Come and join us and help us make a difference in our church, our community and our world by doing good in Jesus' name!

*Pastor Melanie*



Do all the good you can by all  
the means that you can in all  
the ways you can in all the  
places you can to all the  
people you can as long as ever  
you can.

John Wesley  
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# WORSHIP AT THE PARK

## **Sunday, September 2nd - Labor Day Sunday and Holy Communion**

Pastor Melanie Carey will be preaching, Rev. Dr. Wes Brun will serve as liturgist and Yalan Piao will be providing beautiful piano music.

## **Sunday, September 9th - Party At the Park Sunday, Fall Kick Off - FAMILY SUNDAY**

(All children are welcomed to attend this interactive worship with their families - nursery care will still be provided during worship.)

Pastor Melanie Carey will be preaching on Matthew 25:14-30, as we kick off our new fall worship series on **Doing Good**. The Chancel Choir and Kyle Webber will provide beautiful music. We will bless backpacks and celebrate after worship with a picnic party in the Back 40.



## **Sunday, September 16th - Do All the Good You Can - BIBLE SUNDAY**

Pastor Melanie Carey will be preaching. The Chancel Choir and Kyle Webber will provide beautiful music and we will celebrate with our children by blessing and giving them new Bibles.

## **Sunday, September 23rd - Do Good ... By All the Means You Can - Acolyte Dedication Sunday**

Rev Beth Titus will be preaching. The Chancel Choir and Kyle Webber will provide beautiful music and we will dedicate our wonderful acolytes who help out in each worship service in the fall, winter and spring.

## **Sunday, September 30th - Do Good ... In All the Ways You Can**

Pastor Melanie will be preaching. The Chancel Choir and Kyle Webber will provide beautiful music and after worship Staff Parish will host a special thank you reception for the ministry of Wes Brun.

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## **NARDIN PARK IS THE PLACE TO BE ON TUESDAY NIGHTS!**

Night @ The Park resumes on Tuesday, September 18th

Childcare and children's classes starting at 5 p.m. Music rehearsals starting at 5:00 p.m. ( See schedule for each music group) Delicious Dinner served from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.!

**Adult Study Classes:** 1 hour each/ Same class just come at the time that works best for you! Take just one session or take them all! Study Books available in the church office, after worship on Sundays at the adult education table or at the time of the class.

- **First Session: 3 Week Class (Sept. 18th & 25th and Oct. 2nd) 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

### **Three Simple Rules for Living with Pastor Melanie**

Three Simple Rules with Pastor Melanie - come explore John Wesley's Three Simple Rules for Living: Do no harm, Do Good and Stay in love with God. We will read the Three Simple Rules book by Bishop Rueben P. Job.

- **Second Session: Five Week Class (Oct. 16th, 23rd, and 30th and Nov. 6th and 13th) 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

### **The Inconvenient Indian with Pastor George**

Pastor George will lead this class which will explore Native American history and challenges.

- **Third session: 4 Week Class (Nov. 27th and Dec. 4th, 11th & 18th) 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

### **Advent Study with Rev. Dr. Wes Brun**

Our Advent Study this year will be a four week study by Adam Hamilton on the person of Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus. The course will deal with being faithful even when life presents us with circumstances that we did not choose or anticipate. I hope you will join us!

**Bible Study Class every night of Night at the Park at 7 p.m. with Pastor John Burns of First AME Church ( FAME)**

# IN THE LIFE AT NARDIN PARK

## OCTOBER 9TH, 10TH AND 11TH

Rummage sale items can be dropped off at the church anytime after Labor Day. If you need to bring items in before then, please call Tina Jensen at 248-478-7017 to make arrangements. Jewelry can be dropped off at the office anytime.



Setup and pizza will be on Sunday, October 7th after church. The Rummage Sale Schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, October 9th from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Wednesday, October 10th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Thursday, October 11th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm



cass community social services  
fighting poverty, creating opportunity

**CASS COMMUNITY'S 13th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF SCRAMBLE is Monday, September 10th. Shotgun start is at noon at Plum Hollow Country Club. Nardin Park has several sponsorship opportunities available. Support for this event helps CCSS raise funds to provide food, housing, health services and jobs to Detroit's most vulnerable and at-risk citizens. Contact Robbie Hayes for information on how to register.**



*Thank you so much for hosting S.O.S. this week. Your kindness and hospitality were very much appreciated! God Bless you all and thank you also for the prayers!*

*Sincerely  
Merrilynn P*

Thank you so very much to Pastor Melanie and George and so many friends and members of Nardin Park. The delicious meals have been so appreciated by our family. Cards, drivers, calls, kind wishes, support and prayers have helped us beyond measure. My new hip is great and Rich is moving forward to better health day by day. May God continue to bless our Nardin Park family.

Love,  
Tina and Rich Jensen



The Missions committee would like to thank Bob Davis, Jeff Rucker & Ty Hogan, Mike Marks, Marcia Ventura and Lisa, Jon Carey & Mrs. Susanne Carey for their help on the August 11th Focus Hope Food deliveries.

The Next Focus Hope food delivery is on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Five drivers are needed to help deliver food to seniors in the Pontiac area, so if you or your group have a vehicle large or small and have 2 hours on a Saturday morning, please contact Robert Davis at 248-320-7147.

Thanks  
Bob Davis

# MUSIC AND ARTS MINISTRIES



## A Choral Invitation:

### The Chancel Choir Needs You!

**Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 6**

**POSITIONS OPEN:** Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass.

Special signing bonuses for Tenors!

**EXPERIENCE:** Applications will NOT be accepted from persons who have not sung, hummed, or whistled in their bathrobe, shower or car at some time. (Hopefully you were not in your bathrobe while in the car!)

**BEGINNING WAGE:** Increased satisfaction and joy in the service of God. Triple the joy and satisfaction for Tenors!

**FRINGE BENEFITS:** Social Security. We promise you the security of social fellowship with other choir members. 401K plans available for Tenors! Oh, and did I mention signing bonuses?

**UNIFORM:** Provided. Just roll right out of bed and snuggle up in one of our finest green choir robes. Think of all the time you'll save by not having to stare into your closet figuring out what to wear!

**HOURS:** Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:45 pm and Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 11 am.

**RETIREMENT:** Generally determined by the printed notes getting too small, the hymnal too heavy, the notes too high, the sanctuary too hot or too cold, or the organist/pianist unable to play the notes you sing.

Rumor has it that the director likes to have fun and dances a lot!

## Youth Handbells!

We will be adding a youth handbell ensemble to the Tuesday Night at the Park schedule this fall.

Bells will rehearse from 5—5:30 pm.

The group is open to youth in

5th—12th grade.

Pre-registration is required. The group is open to the entire community—not just those that regularly attend Nardin Park.

Please spread the word!



## It's time to make music!

### Rehearsal start dates

### and times for all ensembles:

Chancel Choir: Sept. 6—7:30 pm

Nardin Ringers: Sept. 16—11:30 am

Dance Choir: Sept. 16—5 pm

Youth Bells (5-12): Sept. 18—5 to 5:30 pm

Gracers Ignite Youth Choir (6-12):

Sept. 18-5:30 to 6:00 pm

Wesley Choir (3-5): Sept. 18-6:00-6:35 pm

Cherub Choir (K-2): Sept. 18-6:35-7:05 pm



# SAMARITAN COUNSELING CENTER



SAMARITAN COUNSELING CENTER  
of Southeastern Michigan

SCC would like to wish a fond farewell to **Dr. Seth Roseman**, who has accepted a Fellowship out of state beginning in September. Seth was a staff clinician and also interned with SCC while working on his Doctorate. He will be missed by colleagues and clients alike.

## SEPTEMBER 2018 UPCOMING EVENTS:

### PREPARATION FOR MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

This workshop, led by experienced leaders, provides opportunities for couples to identify and explore both strengths and areas of potential difficulties in their relationship. Couples will consider the complexity of marriage, recognize what each individual brings to this relationship, and clarify the expectations both have as they enter into this commitment. For further information or to register for this workshop, please contact the main office at (248) 474-4701, or visit our website, [www.sccmich.org](http://www.sccmich.org).

**DATE:** September 22, 2018

**TIME:** 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**LOCATION:** First UMC of Birmingham, 1589 W. Maple Road, Birmingham

**FEE:** \$225 per couple. A \$125 deposit is required at registration.

## STEPHEN MINISTRIES

*Stephen Ministers provide care in life's crises. Stephen Ministers are congregation members who have been trained to offer Christian support to people struggling through a difficult time. If you want to talk, they'll listen. If you want prayer, they'll pray. If you just want to sit there and cry, that's fine too.*

*If you are experiencing a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally—you don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained confidential caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Men are matched with male Stephen Ministers, and women are matched with female Stephen Ministers. It's free. It's confidential. And it will make a difference in your life!*

*To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, talk with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders (Dr. Wes Brun, Melanie Allbery or Dorothy Moore).*

### **CALLING ALL TRAINED STEPHEN MINISTERS AND LEADERS AND CURRENT CONGREGATION TEAM MEMBERS:**

*All trained active and inactive Stephen Ministers and Leaders and current Congregational Care Team members are invited to the Stephen Ministry and Congregational Care Team Annual Dinner. It takes place on Wed. Oct. 24th at 6PM. After dinner we will have a round table discussion on "Bed Side Talks"- sharing tips and experiences on how to minister to our congregation as they spend time in hospitals, rehabs, nursing homes or homebound. Please RSVP to Dorothy Moore at [dorothy.moore@yahoo.com](mailto:dorothy.moore@yahoo.com) call or text 248-376-7511.*



# Nardin Park Kids



*"...Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Mark 10:14*

10:00 a. m. - Sundays

## Children's Spiritual Guidance

*All children start in their "Godly Play" Rooms beginning Sunday, September 16.*

### First Floor

*Nursery - Infant Care  
Toddler Two Year Old Room  
Nursery / Toddler Coordinator  
Lauren Sundquist*



### First Floor

*3 - 5 year old Room*

### Second Floor

*Kindergarten Room  
1st - 2nd Grade Room  
3rd - 5th Grade Room*



## September Sundays

**September 2** - Children ages 4 and older begin in worship. They then move to the summer "Godly Play" room on the second floor following the Children's Message.

### **September 9 - Family Worship Sunday**

All children ages 4 and older attend worship with their families.  
*"Blessing of the Back Packs" - for school age children*  
*Three year olds can attend worship or go to the Toddler Room for this Sunday.*  
**Following worship is "Party at the Park" on this Kick off Sunday.**

### **September 16 - Bible Sunday**

All children begin in their rooms. (See above listings)  
Three year olds through 5th graders then come into worship to receive their Bibles (older children assist the 3rd graders).

### **September 23 - September 30th**

Regular "Godly Play" classes

### **Acolyte Dedication - Sunday, September 23**

*4th Graders - Senior High Youth are trained and guided by Andy Wayne for this ministry.*





## Night @ The Park

**Begins... Tuesday  
September 18  
5:00 P.M.**

***Happenings for Kindergarten - 5th graders***  
*See other pages for youth and Adult opportunities*

### **Snack 'n Fun**



**5 - 5:28 p.m.** / "The Avenue"

**Dinner 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.**



### **Choirs**

**6:00 - 6:35 p.m.** WESLEY Choir (3rd - 5th gr.)

**6:35 - 7:05 p.m.** CHERUB Choir (K - 2nd gr.)

### **Study**

**6 - 6:35 p.m.**

BIBLE 101 (K - 2nd)

*"Bible Black Belts"*

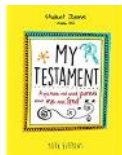


**6:35 - 7:15 p.m.**

BIBLE 235 (3rd-5th)

*"My Testament"*

*Guiding Kids through Creative Journaling  
and Holy Conversation*



**Childcare** for Ages 0 - 4 yrs. is available  
throughout the evening in the Toddler Room.  
Children are expected  
to be with their families during dinner time.

**4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, September 30**  
***Talent Showcase !***

## **Back-to-School Blessing**

by the Rev. Marilyn E. Thornton

Bless my paper and my pen.  
Guide my spirit deep within.  
Help me think and help me play,  
This whole school year, day by day.

As I move from class to class,  
Guide my footsteps; clear my path.  
Keep my tongue to speak your words.  
Let your will for me be heard.

In every subject high or low,  
May God's excellence be shown!  
Keep me strong to reach the prize,  
To grow in grace, becoming wise.

Whether far from home or near,  
May I hold God's precepts dear.  
To do my best at every task;  
For this blessing, I do ask.

Help my family be a part  
As I lift my mind and heart.  
As I study, work, and pray,  
Be with them throughout the day.

Of whom much is given,  
much is required.  
May learning be your greatest desire!





## **Nardin Park Talent Showcase**

**And**

## **Fundraising Dinner**

### **Supporting Nardin Park Church Ministries Sunday, September 30th**

**Free Concert at 4:00 pm**

**Dinner at 5:15 pm**

*featuring*

*Chinese Cuisine by Mi*

*Grand Celebrations/German Cuisine by Cliff*

*Latin American Cuisine by members of Centro Familiar UMC*

*Italian Kids Cuisine*

*Italian and Greek Desserts*

*Rolled Ice Cream*

*Gluten Free Options Available*



### **Dinner Ticket Prices**

\$20/adult

\$10/student - Middle and High School students

\$5/child - ages 10 and under

Tickets sold on Sundays following worship beginning August 19th and the Church Office

*Unable to attend? Donations graciously accepted!*



## Common Ground

Sundays 6-8pm

All youth grades 6 - 12 are invited to join us !

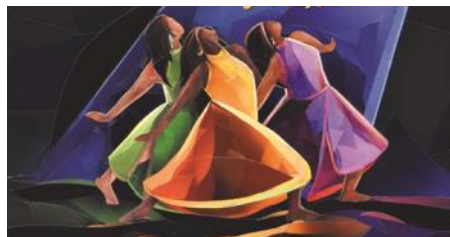
*This is a relaxed time to enjoy each other's company, share a meal, build relationships, explore our faith, and have fun!*



### CONFIRMATION

We will be having Confirmation on Tuesday evenings during Night@ the Park. It is included in the Youth Study .

If you are in 7th or 8th grade you should have received an invitation from Pastor Beth, If not, please let her know ASAP.



### Dance Choir

Rehearsals are Sundays 5-6. All Students in grades 5 - 12 are invited to join us.

Dance experience or training is not required. This is a fun way to be part of worship.

*Pastor Beth is a certified dance teacher by Dance Masters of America.*



### THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO!



**YOUTH AND PARENT MEETING**  
SEPTEMBER 9 - 11:45

**COMMON GROUND STARTS SEPTEMBER 16**

**DANCE CHOIR STARTS SEPTEMBER 16**

**NIGHT @ THE PARK STARTS SEPTEMBER 18**

**NARDIN PARK TALENT SHOWCASE**  
SEPTEMBER 30

**HANDS FOR DETROIT**  
OCTOBER 6

**ORCHARD TRIP**  
OCTOBER 10

**TRUNK OF TREAT**  
OCTOBER 28

**FALL LOCK-IN**  
NOVEMBER 3

**THANKSGIVING MEAL**  
NOVEMBER 18

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
DECEMBER 16

**WINTER RETREAT**  
JAN 25 - 27

**YOUTH 2019**  
JULY 10-14

**It's going to be a great year!!**



# NEWS FROM STAFF PARISH

*Dear Nardin Park family,*

*On behalf of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee, I am pleased to inform you that a seminary intern will be joining our staff for the coming school year. Beatrice Alghali is a second-year student at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio and a candidate for ordained ministry as an elder in the Michigan Annual Conference. Starting September 1, she will be serving 10 hours per week at Nardin Park in fulfillment of the field education component of her Master of Divinity degree. Her responsibilities will include service as a liturgist; preaching once each semester; assisting our clergy at weddings, funerals, and administrative meetings; as well as other involvement in the work of the ministry. She will be leading a 12-week class on health and nutrition (that will meet on Thursdays during the day), and she will be organizing a public health fair that will be held in March or April 2019.*

*Our senior pastor, Rev. Melanie Carey, will be meeting weekly with Bea in her capacity as Bea's field education supervisor. A feedback team will also meet with Bea every two months to discuss her work.*

*Bea is a registered dietician with a bachelor's degree in Nutrition and Food Science and an M.B.A. in Health Care from Wayne State University. She worked as an independent senior sales director with Mary Kay Cosmetics for 13 years before deciding to enter the ministry. She is originally from Kenya and came to the U.S. in 1988 in pursuit of further education. She resides in Southfield with her husband, Hamid, and their teenage children, Rashid and Lenah. She and her family are members of Second Grace United Methodist Church in Detroit, where she serves as lay leader. She is also active in the Greater Detroit District lay servant ministries program, serving on the board and teaching classes.*

*We are privileged to have Bea adding her gifts and experience to our talented clergy staff for the coming school year. And we are also fortunate to be able to help train the future clergy of our annual conference.*

*Bea's email is [Sierraintl@peoplepc.com](mailto:Sierraintl@peoplepc.com). Bea's cell phone # is: 313-530-9659*

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Also on behalf of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee, I wish to inform you that our director of Stephen Ministry, the Reverend Dr. Wesley Brun, will be retiring from our staff at the end of September. Dr. Brun came to Nardin Park in 1986, when he was appointed executive director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of Southeastern Michigan, whose main office is in our building. He formally retired – from that position and from the appointive ministry – in 2006, and since that time has led the Stephen Ministry program here at Nardin Park. While he is stepping down from his formal leadership roles here at Nardin Park and as a trustee of the United Methodist Union of Greater Detroit, he will still be an active part of our congregation and will continue his service on the conference Board of Ordained Ministry.

After worship on September 30 there will be a reception in Dr. Brun's honor. If you wish to contribute to a love gift, please contact the church office or place your contribution in the offering plate, marked as such on the envelope.

Starting October 1, our Stephen Ministry program will be overseen by two very knowledgeable and capable lay volunteers – Dorothy Moore and Melanie Allbery.

By His grace,  
Andy Wayne  
Chairman, Staff-Parish Relations Committee

# The VCI Express

A bi monthly update on what is happening with the Vital Church Initiative at Nardin Park Church



**August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 HEADLINE**

VCI Process is chugging along. We are currently on track with all our deadlines!

## **What has happened ?**

- 8 task force teams have formed to implement the prescriptions adopted April 22nd
- Teams have begun meeting
- All required books have been ordered and distributed to teams ( extra copies in church library if you would like to read them)
- Visioning workshop held on 6/20/2018

## **What is coming up next?**

**Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 to 12:30 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall- Vision Feedback Session. Especially for those who attended the June 20<sup>th</sup> vision workshop. At this session the vision team will bring the latest draft of the new vision/mission frame for your review and feedback. After this review, the new vision/mission frame will go to church council on September 19<sup>th</sup> for adoption. No pre-registration is needed just show up if you are interested.

**Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> after worship in Fellowship Hall until 1 p.m.**—All Church Town Hall meeting on VCI—Come to hear the latest updates from each of the teams. Food and childcare provided. Sign up online, during coffee hour or by contacting the church office, starting in September.

### **A Nugget of Wisdom for Growing Churches**

Nearly everyone wants Nardin Park to grow numerically and spiritually. We must be the change we wish to see. Thus, as we grow, **we need to think like a larger church.** While smaller churches tend to focus on controlling each and every decision, larger churches trust the leadership they elect to accomplish the tasks which have been entrusted to them. Let us think big and trust those who are leading us into the future, especially God.

# CHURCH AND SOCIETY

## Crucial Conversations on Critical Concerns

First United Methodist Church of Northville (777 W Eight Mile Rd) invites you to join us this Fall for a series of discussion topics dealing with the future of the United Methodist Church

**CLERGY GATHERING** for Clergy only

**Thursday, September 20th** **Sharing and Support Around Issues and Outcomes of The Way Forward**  
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS** for everyone interested in attending

**Sunday, October 7th** **Theory and Practice of Listening and Speaking Respectfully and Faithfully to One Another** *Led by Rev. Paul Perez, Michigan Conference Director of Mission and Justice Engagement*  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, October 14th** **Viewing and Discussion of the “Truth and Reconciliation” Video** *Led by Rev. Ed Rowe, Retired Pastor, UMC and Jerry Peterson, Director of Ruth Ellis Center in Detroit*  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, October 21st** **The Way Forward: Where are We? Prospects and Possibilities** *Led by Michigan Area Bishop David A Bard.*  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

*Come to all of them or just one or two. Come when you can!*

*Refreshments will be served and childcare is available upon request. To request childcare please call 248-349-1144  
Questions? Contact Rev. Doug Vernon at [dvernon@fumcnorthville.org](mailto:dvernon@fumcnorthville.org)*

## **Next Fair Trade - Sunday, September 16th**



**COFEEPODS (equal to Keurig pods)**

**FLAVORED COFFEES**

**Hazelnut Crème**

**French Vanilla**

**Toffee Carmel**

**“Don’t Forget About Our Other Products”**



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Over the top campaign where \$100 can make a world of difference.

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When everyone helps a little,  
a lot can be accomplished.

Here at Nardin Park Church we are blessed by the generosity of our church members and friends. When you know of a need, you respond and through your responses many are blessed, fed, clothed, housed and helped. Thank you for your extravagant generosity and all that it enables us to do in the name of Jesus.

As we have in year's past, we are in need of some extra financial help to fully fund our programs and outreach ministries for 2018. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 and here is how we propose to do this:

If 200 people in our congregation would each give \$100 we can reach our goal of \$20,000. We would like to reach this goal by no later than September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

So we are asking you to help us go over the top and reach our goal by giving an extra \$100 toward the 2018 ministries and programs of our church. While we are asking for each one to give \$100, we will gratefully receive what you can give at this time. Every dollar given helps us to get closer to our goal. So while the goal is for 200 people to give \$100, give what you can and together we can make a difference, reach our goal and go over the top.

Make your check out to Nardin Park and put Over the Top Campaign in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity.

# CONGREGATIONAL CARE

## Prayers for the families of:



**Charlie McLachlan**, who died on May 28th. His wife Carmen will be moving to Grand Haven.

**Lorene Juhnke**, who died on July 15th. The funeral service was held on July 19th at Nardin Park.

**Fred Nader**, who died on July 18th. His funeral service was held at Heeney-Sundquist on July 23rd.

**Bill Robb**, brother of Carol Robb, who died on July 30th. An out of town funeral is planned.

**Joyce Green**, who died on August 10th. Her funeral service was held on August 27th at Nardin Park.

**Susan Albee**, who died on August 20th. Funeral arrangements are being planned.

## Steeple Lighting for the week of:

September 9th, in memory of **Clora and Orby Morris**, with love from Patricia Lange.

September 10th, in memory of **Bill and Margaret Walsh**, with love from your children, Alison, Kate and Peter.

September 12th, in memory of **Karl and Grace Whitson's** wedding anniversary, with love from Sue Whitston.

September 23rd, in honor of **Vickie Schuler's** birthday, with love from Dad.



Correction from July/August Newsletter:

**July 22nd** - In memory of **Leon Avedisian**,  
With love from his wife, Alice.

# WE PRAY FOR ...



Gary Sharp  
Richard Campbell  
Amy Langdon  
Todd Webb  
Ella Dowell  
Sue Ann Clark  
Paul Chastney

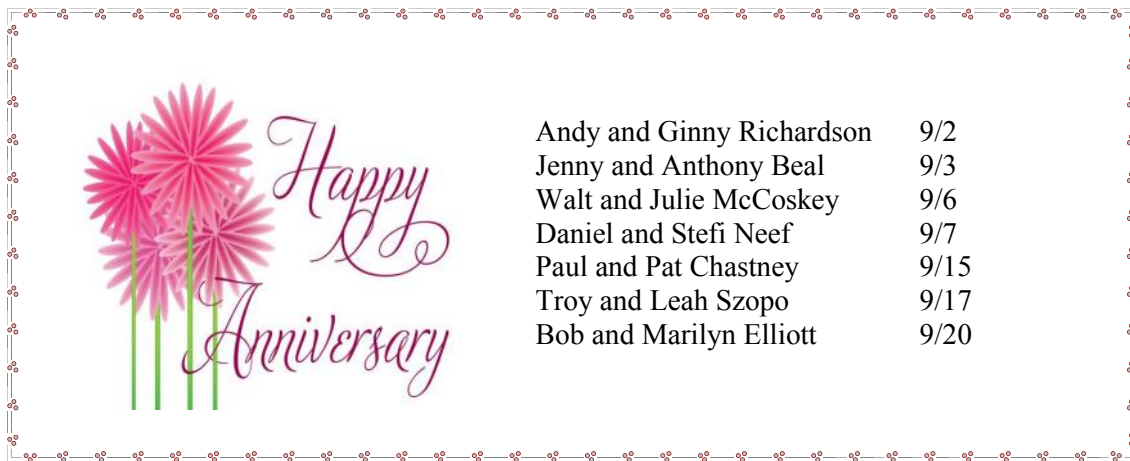
Eva Ashton	Mel Rookus
Betty and John Barclay	Wendy Morlewski
Marion Barringer	Ann Shell
Carrol Belott	Margaret Shell
Jane Black	Bonnie Rudolph
Bob Bough	Jeannine Webber
Joyce Campbell	Bev Notestine
Earl Hendrickson	Diane Sherman
Ricky Moore	Carol Howell
Bev Mumbulo	Vicki Webster
Gar Laity	Angela Vettorica
Ruthe Peterson	Nan McCabe
Glenn Schlott	Kevin McLaughlin
	Janet Simpson



Remember our  
Homebound

# SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Brian Davis	9/1	Teresa Worpell	9/7	Rena Mamidi	9/14	LeeAnn Riffe	9/18	Avishay Mamidi	9/24
Mark Dixon	9/1	Dave Sanders	9/8	Collin Morrison	9/14	Jacob Abela	9/19	Judy Avie	9/25
Dana Jarvis Foster	9/1	Gar Laity	9/9	Edwin Moses	9/14	Wendy Foss	9/19	Steven Marowski	9/25
Zachary Simkow	9/1	Patricia Lange	9/9	Garrett Shea	9/14	Vera Phillips	9/19	Debbie Maxwell	9/25
Carolyn Slade	9/1	Alexandra Diebel	9/10	Chelsea Swanderski	9/14	Nancy Gingrich	9/20	RJ Ingram	9/26
Sue Ward	9/1	Douglas Irey	9/10	Jan Tobe	9/14	Jim Meyers	9/22	Sharon Martin	9/26
Amy Duntley	9/2	Monica McCoskey	9/10	Joe Dobbs Jr.	9/15	Wayne Perry	9/22	Lilliana Sturgis	9/26
Brett Lee	9/3	George Walker	9/11	Megan Ventura	9/15	Karen Poole	9/22	Susanna Brennan	9/27
Felicity Leftwich	9/4	Jamie Christie	9/12	Jacqueline Brown	9/16	Bernadet Edwards	9/23	Shellie Brewart	9/28
Bill Ritter	9/4	Jessica Christie	9/12	Christian Carroll	9/16	Todd Pokryfky	9/23	Walt McCoskey	9/28
Donna Roemer	9/4	Bev Fletcher	9/12	Lindsay Cieslak	9/16	Laura Woodruff	9/23	Tina Sturgis	9/28
Jane Black	9/5	Jon Carey	9/13	Adrienne Sundquist	9/16	Daniel Ziemba	9/23	Peggy Aranowski	9/30
Janet Fischer Baessler	9/5	Cindi Helisek	9/13	Larry Baggerly	9/18	Jacob Adkins	9/24	Elizabeth Babcock	9/30
Emily Scobel	9/5	Lisa Ventura	9/13	Karen Bolsen	9/18	Anna Gladwell	9/24	Ed Spala	9/30
Ivar Anderson	9/7	Kristin Armistead	9/14	Tom Davis	9/18	Michael Mackie	9/24		



## ***NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR SENIORS NARDIN PARK***

*A new program for Seniors will be starting on September 12th. The group is planning to meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 11am-1pm in Mercer Hall. The meeting will include a program followed by lunch. Although the program content can vary, the consistent elements will be hymn(s), sharing concerns, devotions, and prayer. The group will decide their own name. There will be a signup sheet in Mercer Hall on Sunday, August 19th and Sunday, August 26th for those interested in attending. You may also call the church office to sign up. Anyone interested in becoming part of the support team for this group by helping with set up, lunch preparation, clean up, or transportation, please contact Mary Glenn at (248) 380-9837. If you need transportation, please call Tom Tobe at (248) 719-3080.*



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