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The Pastor's Pen

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I pray that as you are reading this Newsletter by hard copy or by electronic devices (conantumc.org) all is well with you and your loved ones and you are enjoying all the blessings that God has in store for you. We are entering into the month of April, a fourth of the way through this year. Seems like the winter would not just leave us alone. We are gearing up for our summer programs. Our summer program, Bright Lites, has been renamed to RUSH2WIN which will run 6 weeks: 4 weeks of arts and crafts and 2 weeks of bible study for Conant as well as for the Conant community youth and young adults. We are looking forward to another awesome program focusing on our young people. As we turn our focus on the summer program, we are also coming to the close of Conant's Friday Nite Arts and Crafts youth program. Our showcase for the projects of our youth will be on Friday April 12th where the work done in the program will be on display and we will have a repast dedicated to the students from the University of Michigan, who take time out on Friday nights to work with our youth. They did a great job with the youth again this year. The program is scheduled to resume in the fall. As pastor of Conant Avenue, I want to thank all of the members who have dedicated themselves to the mission and ministry here at Conant. I thank you for your time and talents. I thank you for your gifts, financial and the gift of your presence as you utilize the gifts that God has endowed you with. I pray that we come together as one and continue to support the programs that we do here at Conant. We can only succeed as a family if we come together and support the programs here at our church.

Blessings to you and yours.

Pastor Smith



April 21st

Men's Day @ Conant

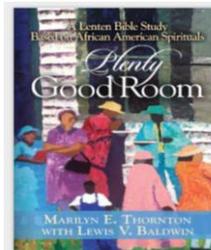
Sunday, April 7th
 At 11:00 a.m.

**Greater Detroit Conference UMC District
 Superintendent,
 Rev. Dr. Charles Boayue Jr.**

will be the honored guest & keynote speaker. We are looking forward to an awesome spirit filled Men's Day service, Tell family and friends to reserve that date and come out to worship with us.



CONANT BIBLE STUDY



This year's Lenten Multi – congregational Bible Study will be featuring –
 "Plenty Good Room"
 By Marilyn E. Thornton –
 A Lenten Bible Study based on African American Spirituals
Bridging Black History with Lenten Preparation.
Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.
& Wednesdays @ 5p.m.

Youth & Young Adult MINISTRY

Friday Night Art Showcase.
In Conant's Fellowship Hall -
Everyone is invited.
Friday April 12th 5 to 7 p.m.

Children's Easter Program -
Sunday April 21st @ 10:30

Upcoming Events

April 12th
Family of Faith Voices of Grace
Concert @ Second Grace UMC
5:00 p.m.



April 19th
Good Friday Service @ Conant
Seven Last Words from Christ on the Cross
12 Noon

May 11th
All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast
Sponsored by Conant's United Methodist Men.
9 – 11 a.m.

Jackie Johnson - Health Care Specialist
Date to be announced



Fish dinners will be on sale at Conant on
Friday, April 19, 2019 after our Good Friday
Worship Service.

Our Fish Fry will begin @ 1:00 p.m.
Cat fish and/or Tilapia fish dinners with 2
sides, and dessert will sell for \$12.00 each.
Beverage \$1.00 extra
PLACE YOUR ORDER EARLY
See Audrey Ramsey

Last Month's Highlights



Dr. Toni Booker &
Booker
Production Singers



Youth in Worship – During
Women's History Month



Craft Class Ministry Jacket Jubilee



Our Thursday morning Craft Class presented an outstanding Jazzy Jacket Fashion Show during one of the 11 a.m. Worship Services in celebration of Women in History Month. Eleven ladies from the congregation were fantastic, strutting down the center aisle of the sanctuary, modeling the jackets they hand crafted. The congregation was dazzled by the gorgeous and colorful jackets and were amazed by their beauty and quality of professional and detailed workmanship. A couple of the ladies asked if the designer creations were for sale. **Brenda Rudolph**, our instructor, was the commentator. Kudos to Certified Lay Minister, **Sharon Appling**, who facilitated this fashion show. Also, thanks to the Craft Class ladies who displayed six beautiful and colorful quilts on the altar during Women's History Month. We are especially proud of Conant member, **Cheryl Ellington**, who made the most beautiful green and white queen-size Star Quilt that was displayed.

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- Evelyn McDuffie - Editor in Chief-

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