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The Pastor's Pen

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I pray as you are reading this edition of the Conant's Newsletter in your bulletin or as you look at Conant's web page that all is well and you and your loved ones are receiving all that God has for you. April is almost gone and winter lingers on. I wonder what May has in store for us. Better weather, I hope and pray. Even though the weather was bad April proved to be an exciting month here at Conant. We had a praise fest when **Family of Faith** and **Voices of Praise** had a concert here in our sanctuary. We were reminded that God did not create us to fear but to worship him daily. Our Arts and Crafts program led by **Lakeshia, Scott** and **Otiyah Ross – Chapman**, was a resounding success. The youth seemed to want to stay all night long. **Seven Mile Arts/ University of Michigan** students provided our youth with wonderful learning opportunities. We look forward to working with them again in the near future. Thanks also to the parents, grandparents, aunts and other relatives that brought their youth to participate in the program. It was a pleasure to see **Brother Alexander Jefferson, Sis Betty Keys, Sis Lorene Gray** and **Sis Rosa Wynn** at different functions over the past months. Let us continue to pray for all of our members that God continues to place a hedge of protection around all of us. To the **Conant family**, I thank you for your commitment and dedication to the mission and ministry here at Conant Avenue. We can become the beacon of light in this community that God calls us to be. I ask for your continued support through your time, service and your tithes and offerings, so that we can continue to do the work that God has tasked us to do. Make disciples in Jesus our risen savior name.

Blessing to you and all you do.

In His service ---- Pastor Smith



May 13, 2018

WOMEN'S DAY COMMITTEE REPORT



PRAYER BREAKFAST
RASHONDA PLANT,
SPEAKER

MAY 12, 2018 9:00 A.M.

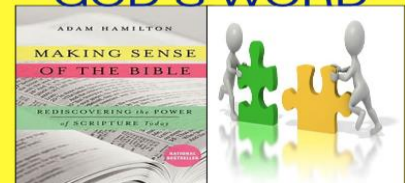
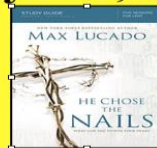
Tickets: \$10.00

Bible Study at Conant

**Wednesday,
 May 2-9, 2018**

May 13th to August 5th

GOD'S WORD



MAKES SENSE!

COME TO THE STUDY TABLE

Every Wednesday @ 5 p.m. and Every Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

Praise Report



Our very own **Jason Phelps**, son of **Marchelle and the Late Walter Phelps II**, will be graduating this May from Madonna University in Michigan with a Master's Degree in Business Administration. His future plans are to open "**Jason's Bar & Grill on Lake St. Clair**".

This newsletter editor believes that Jason's Degree in Culinary Arts from Schoolcraft College in Michigan and his Degree in Hospitality Management from Madonna University along with his Master's Degree in Business Administration, will serve him well to make his future plans come true. **CONGRATULATIONS JASON**



Conant Member **Marchelle Phelps** and current President of the Detroit Conference United Methodist Women, was elected to serve on the newly named Greater Detroit District's Visioning Team which begins on July 1, 2018. **Marchelle** wishes to thank everyone for their support. **CONGRATULATIONS MARCHELLE**



Conant Stewardship Chairperson, **Audrey Ramsey**, was honored by the Detroit Police Commissioners on April 12th for her outstanding Community Service in Detroit for the last 20 years. Audrey wishes to thank everyone at Conant for their support. **CONGRATULATIONS AUDREY**

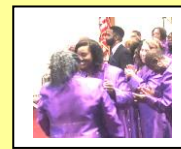


HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY Jewel Cochran!

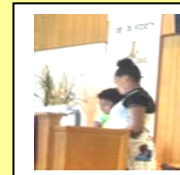
Special thanks to the Christian Ed team, Volunteers, Conant Family and Friends for supporting our youth during the Month of April, We appreciate you all. **Lakiesha & Otiyah**

Last Month's Highlights

Friends, Family of Faith & Voices of Grace Spring Concert



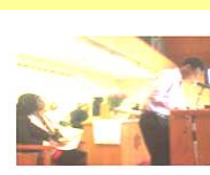
Certified Lay Speakers, Youth Speakers & Worship Leaders



Layla Chapman & Minyae Powell



Willie Grissetti



Roxanne & David McDuffie

Youth and Young Adult Ministry



Mr. Cyrill Weems



Zion Neely & Carolyn Hildred



Children's Easter Program



Friday Night at the Museum Closing Exhibit and Awards



Community Outreach



Conant is collecting disposable diapers for both babies and adults as well as creating personal hygiene kits for Conant's local community and other communities outside of Conant's general neighborhood. See **Leslie Denard** for details. Due by May 27th. This is a Detroit Renaissance District United Methodist Women In-Gathering Project. **Leslie Denard** - Chairperson of Church and Society

More Upcoming Events @ Conant

- May 6th **Administrative Board Reports due in writing to AD Board Chairperson, Carolyn Hildred**
- May 13th **Mother's Day Tribute** – Sponsored by Christian Education
- May 20th **Open Administrative Board Meeting**
Immediately after Sunday Morning Worship Service
- May 20th **Heritage Sunday – The History of the United Methodist Church** will be celebrated by Cheryl Ellington and Conant's Worship Committee.
- Every Thursday in May – **Craft Class and Adult Bible Study**
10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Evelyn McDuffie – Newsletter Editor In Chief

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