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# Conant Avenue United Methodist Church Newsletter



## The Pastor's Pen

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ:  
Praying as you read this issue of the newsletter by hard copy or on your electronic device, I hope all is well with you and your loved ones. What an awesome month of April we had here at Conant Avenue. From the closing showcase for our Friday Night Arts program to the blessing of motorcycles, we have had a full month at Conant. Our Seven Last Words Service was outstanding as the speakers all performed well. The Seder Meal was delicious and the lamb prepared by Brother Brady Chapman was excellent. The Fish Fry turned out great. All the April activities held here were excellent. It just goes to show what can be accomplished when you plan ahead and work together and trust in the almighty God. Things will work out well. Please go to our web page [www.conantumc.org](http://www.conantumc.org) and take a look at the music section to see the latest addition to our music ministry. I think you will be well pleased. On a different note, I have received good feedback from the morning prayers that were posted during the Lenten season. From time to time, you will receive different prayer posting, but not on a regular basis similar to the Lenten prayers. Thanks for your responses to the postings. They were very much appreciated. Feedback is always welcome, good or bad, for it helps growth and improvement. Finally, we are approaching the Michigan Annual Conference. There are some important issues to be discussed at this conference. Issues that are vital to the United Methodist Church in reference to the plan that the church will use to move forward. As I receive information on this critical area, I will forward it to you. Be blessed, my Brothers and Sisters in Christ. May the presence and the spirit of God rest, rule and abide in you.

Pastor Smith

May 12, 2019



## IFD POST-LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

**JESUS LIVES!**

Sundays 9:30 a.m. & Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.



Conant's  
United Methodist Men's  
ALL YOU CAN EAT

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>  
9 - 11 a.m.  
\$8.00 per person



# Praise Reports

Thank You to **Sister Pamela Phelps** for donating assorted Gift Bags and materials in April used for Conant's visitor welcome packets..

Thank You to **Nancy Kirby** for bringing Diabetes Prevention & Control Consultant, Jacqueline Johnson, to speak to Conant's Congregation in April.

Thank You to **Certified Lay Minister Sharon Appling, Shirley Bittings, Sidney Lee, Evelyn McDuffie & First Lady Dianne Smith** for their excellent presentations during Conant's Good Friday Worship Service in April.

Thank You to the Team that prepared the Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday in April

Thank You to Conant's Stewardship Committee lead by **Audrey Ramsey** for their outstanding, delicious, & sellout Good Friday Fish Fry Meals in April.

## Last Month's Highlights



Friday Nights Arts Program Closing Showcase



Blessing of the Motorcycles Sunday



Guest Speaker, Jacqueline Johnson



Youth Ministry



Easter Sunday Families



## More Upcoming Events @ Conant

May 5<sup>th</sup> - Ice Cream Social after Sunday Morning Worship

May 11<sup>th</sup> - UMM All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 9-11 am

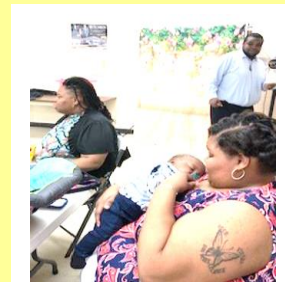
May 19<sup>th</sup> - **CHURCHWIDE AD BOARD MEETING** 1:00 p.m. after Sunday Morning Worship

May 26<sup>th</sup> - "CHANGE FOR CHILDREN" Coin Collection Please give generously to support Conant's Youth Ministry.

### ALL MONTH LONG

Book Donations for Youth Summer Program See **Nancy Kirby** for Details

October 20<sup>th</sup> - **Women's Day At Conant** - "Rock Your Glorious Crown" Isaiah 62:3



## CONANT'S 2019 SIX-WEEK #RUSH2WIN SUMMER PROGRAM



July 8 – August 18 8:00 – 2:00 M, T, W & F

See: LaKiesha Scott, Otiyah Chapman, Sharon Ellington, Evelyn McDuffie



Evelyn McDuffie - Newsletter Editor in Chief

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