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**Reverend Dr. Willie F. Smith
 Pastor**

Conant Avenue United Methodist Church Newsletter



The Pastor's Pen

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I pray that as you read this newsletter either by hard copy or electronically, all is well and you and your loved ones are enjoying all the blessings God has just for you. This has been a very unusual year. We have had a taste of the bitter and the sweet. For most of the year, we have not had services in our sanctuary. As of the first Sunday in July we have reopened our sanctuary. Our services are held at 11 am with social distancing, temperatures being taken and mask required. We continue to offer services by zoom and Facebook live. We also have a 7 p.m. service on 1st Sunday over zoom and Facebook Live. All services will be posted on our web page at conantumc.org. for viewing. Also, on the first Sunday in July, we welcomed our brothers and sisters in Christ from Mt Hope UMC into the fold here at Conant Avenue. Brother Gibson conducts a bible study on Wednesday evenings at 6 pm which runs until 7 p.m. This is in addition to our regularly scheduled IFD study with Minister Appling. It is also held over zoom. Please set aside this time to join this study and our regular study. Your hearts will be strangely warmed with the wealth of Christian information provided. Our Church Conference is quickly approaching. I urge committee leaders to start working on your reports now. Lay Servants and Lay Ministers need to start their reports also. Our conference will be held virtually because of the pandemic. There is also a very important election coming up this year. I urge you to exercise your right to vote. Also, here is a little word of wisdom I feel we need to pass along to our young men of color. It is from a basic physics lesson we learned in school. Every action produces a reaction. Be extremely careful about what you say and what you do.

Choose life over possible death in every situation.

Blessings to you.

Pastor Smith



The General Election will be held on Tuesday November 3, 2020.

Detroit District Virtual Conference

September 19, 2020 - 9:00 a.m.

“CONNECTING FOR THE NEXT REVIVAL”

Registration is open until

September 13, 2020

Every Conant member is encouraged to register

Virtual Memorial Service for members who lost their lives to COVID 19

Registration can be found on the Greater Detroit District Web Page

At

gdd.michiganumc.info/?2020Registration

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE TO VIEW THE SERVICE

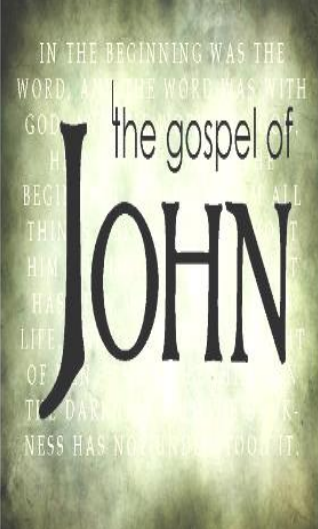
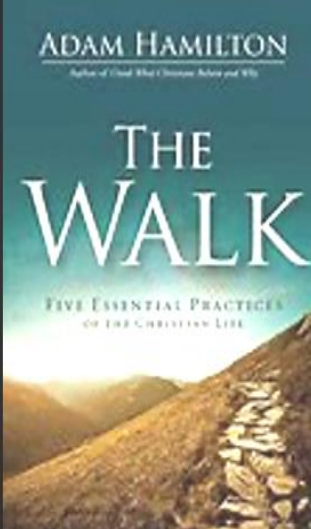
**Conant Avenue
 Church Charge Conference**
Thursday, 10/29/2020
SPRC 6:15 p.m. CC 7:00 p.m.
Connecting For The Next Revival
 Psalm 85:6-8a

Bible Study @ Conant

Wednesday Bible Study

6:00 p.m.
Brother
Ricky Gibson
John 1:19-51
884 2865 6727
Passcode: 091478

7:15 p.m.
THE WALK
Discover five spiritual practices to help you
WALK CLOSER with GOD
784-000-401





The Youth and Young Adult Ministry #MASKUP!



SEND YOUR CHILD'S MASKED PICTURE TO: sea0704@comcast.net

EVENING RESPONSE TO THE WORD
VIA ZOOM: 784-000-401
SUNDAYS 6:00 P.M.
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CONANT DEVOTIONAL FOLLOWS




UMW In Gathering
A virtual ingathering for Vista Maria Girls, 18 years old and transitioning out of the foster care program. Please specify your donations to "Shepherd Hall".
Donate: Checks or gift cards to: Vista Maria
Attn: Marketing & Fund Development
20651 West Warren Ave.
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
Or donate directly on Vista Maria's website:
<https://www.vistamaria.org/donate/>
Under "Designation," select "Other" and type "Shepherd Hall".
If possible, please purchase gift cards from Target, Amazon, or Walmart.
President Sharon Ellington and Director Micki Phelps Provide Details!!!



Thank You Conant Family for your continued support of the church. On Thursday, August 13, 2020. Den-Man Contractors, INC demolished the abandoned building owned by Conant located north of the church. Plans for use of the property will be made when the church resumes back to its normal operation, soon after the COVID19 Pandemic is over.

Stephanie Jones, Trustee Chairperson

Spotlight on Conant Members

Birthday List for September

Ellena Totty - 4th

Carolyn Hildred - 10th

Maurice Brown - 17th

Roxanne McDuffie - 8th

Wayne Grice - 11th

Diedre James - 25th

Avis Taylor - 10th

Donte Ellington - 15th

Orlin Jones - 27th

Marchelle Phelps - 28th

Shantinique Grissette - 29th

Krystal Butts - 16th

Olivia Chapman - 24th

Eliyahu Chapman - 27th

Layla Chapman - 27th

Chase Turner - 22nd



Honored: Collaborating Artist Mae Matthews!

Art @ The Max Virtual Experience Tuesday, August 18, 2020 for our re-imagined Art @ The Max exhibition featuring video interviews and works by Detroit artists including **Judy Bowman**, **Minnie Mae Matthews**, and **Sydney G. James!**



Congratulations to the Llorence and Grissette families on the birth of their newborn baby bundles of joy in August 2020.

Baby girl, Faith Elizabeth Llorence born to Christopher & Shawntay Llorence. And baby boy, Darius Grissette Jr. born to Shantnique Grissette.