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The Pastor's Pen

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Praying that all is well with you and your loved ones and you all are enjoying all the blessings God has in store for you. A few weeks back prior to Bro Rick Gibson bringing his message, he blessed us with a beautiful singing of a song entitled "Everything Must Change." Little did he realize that change was on the horizon here at Conant Avenue In order to grow sometimes you need to change. Sometimes change doesn't work out and then sometimes change can propel you to better and greater heights. Only God knows the plans he has for Conant Avenue UMC, so we need to buckle up, enjoy the ride and soar on to the destination God has in store for us.

Hopefully, you have read by email or postal letter, and you are aware of the new Zoom number and Facebook page we have started utilizing as we livestream our 11a.m. Sunday worship service,

Our New Zoom I.D.is:

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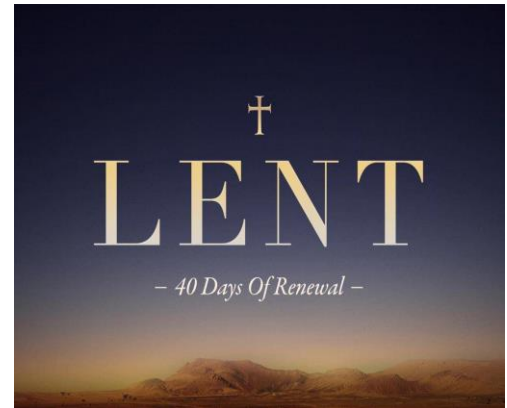
And for our 6 p.m. bible study on Wednesday evenings led by Bro. Gibson:

Our Zoom ID is:

884 2865 6727 passcode 091478.

Hopefully you will be able to join us as we continue to give honor and praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for Christ is truly worthy of all our praise. Finally, take the shot. Get the vaccine as soon as possible. This pandemic has forced many of us into isolation. We are social creatures. We were made to interact with each other. Take the shot. This is not like the Tuskegee Study, for all ethnicities are getting vaccinated. Take the shot to protect yourself and all those you come into contact with. It is always better to be safe than sorry. Be safe, wear your mask, practice social distancing and be blessed.

Pastor Smith



Wednesday February 17th to Saturday April 3rd

**WOMEN'S HISTORY
MONTH 2021**

**Let's empower
one another**

And continue to honor the dynamic
history making women of Conant

Wednesday Bible Study



**Brother Rick Gibson, Instructor
6:00 p.m.**

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Last Month's Highlights



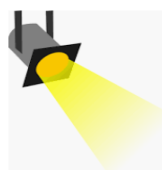
Youth Ministry Friday Night's Virtual Art Program



Black History Month Observance

United Methodist Church Lay Servant Classes Graduation Day

UMC History Class: **Avis Taylor, Micki Phelps, and Jason Phelps**
Lead Public Worship Class: **Rick Gibson and Rashonda Plant**
Polity Class: **Diane Borum and Willie Grissette**



Spotlight on Conant Member: Rick Gibson



Hello, my name is **Rick Gibson**. I joined Conant Ave. UMC when Mount Hope UMC merged with Conant Ave. UMC, July 2021. I'm married to Renette Gibson and we have one adult daughter Dr. Norriec Gibson, M.D. I am a Certified Lay Servant working on becoming a Certified Lay Speaker, and Certified Lay Servant. I currently teach the 6 p.m. bible study at Conant, and truly enjoy studying the Word of God. In addition to my duties here at Conant, I am part of the Oakland County Jail Chaplain Ministry thru Hope UMC, and part of the Nursing Home Ministry with Hope UMC Lay Servant Ministry. I work at Epitex Consulting, where I am on site at Ford Motor Company as part of their Marketing and Sales Campaign Analytics Department. I would like to truly thank my Conant family for the warm welcome that I have received. God Bless you all.



Artist, **Judy Bowman's**, daughter of **Mae Matthews**, art work is featured on the virtual cover of Michigan's Flint Art Gallery and she will have her first virtual art show at the International Art Gallery In the United Kingdom
Entitled #Shape of the New – March 10 - May 9, 2021
CONGRATULATIONS JUDY

March Birthdays

Valerie Tyler - March 2nd
Barbara Pettis - March 8th
Stephanie Jones - March 11th
Miracle Grissette - March 12th
Evelyn McDuffie - March 24th