

# PanoramaExpress

April 21, 2022

Des Moines United Methodist Church  
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Des Moines, Washington  
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To my dear friends and family at Des Moines UMC,



whom I have served and been served by, I believe God is showing me that now is the time to take a new path in my life. In doing so, I will be retiring from employment effective May 2. Words cannot adequately express what working here has meant to me in so many ways. 20 years ago, I said “yes” to leading the Youth group and had no idea it would lead to such fulfillment in my life. I cannot express my gratitude to the congregation enough for your support in every way possible, to levels unimaginable, that made the roles I’ve had here so easy and blessed to do.

I will carry that heart and Spirit filled support, love, and the memories and experiences, with me for the rest of my life. It has been such a joy and blessing beyond my dreams to be able to serve the congregation, our community and the world through these roles and I want to shout THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! with everything within me.

All Glory to God,

Terry Stephenson



## **Celebration of Terry (and Jane) Ministry with Us**

### **May 1, 2022**

#### **Fellowship Time & Crop Walk**

It is only appropriate, with Terry’s heart for mission and youth, that his celebration be on Crop Walk Sunday. We will host a fellowship time (after church) to thank Terry and Jane, followed by the youth and Terry participating in the Crop walk. As a way to thank Terry, we encourage donations to this year’s Crop Walk (see below).

If you wish to write Terry a note, please mail or email to the church office OR to send a video message, please contact the church office via: [office@desmoinesumc.org](mailto:office@desmoinesumc.org) and we will make connections.

It's time to dust off your walking shoes and mark your calendar to



participate in the **32nd** annual Des Moines CROP Hunger Walk on **Sunday, May 1st**. You may register online at

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/seattlewa>

Please participate by sponsoring a walker. Or being a walker.

Donations can be given online for our Crop Walk Team OR a check to the church marked CROP Walk.



## Memorial Service for Melvin Finkbeiner

Friday, April 22, 2022 at 2 pm

Des Moines United Methodist Church

Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/eSmQXQinH6E>

There will be buses from Wesley Homes for this service.

SPECIAL Thank you to everyone who helped make our Easter Service a joyful day. To our handbell choir, to our choir, to Mark and Scott, to Bev, Barb and Janalie for our fellowship time, to our ushers, to our Wesley Bus drivers, to our greeters and to our Av Tech team.

*Thank You*



### ESSENTIALS BANK UPDATE

Children's Clothing and Household Essentials

**Greatest need this month are pots/pans, baking dishes, and mixing bowls.**

Donations can be dropped off into the bin outside Room 110 (lower level)

Mon – Fri from 9:00 – 4:00

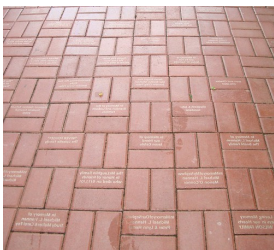
Or Sundays in our box by the church library

This mission cannot succeed without all of you in the Des Moines UMC congregation spreading the word.

## Reminder on Covid Protocols

The numbers are going up so we continue to follow these protocols. Masks are encouraged.

- We are singing during worship. **Masks are mandatory for any one who wishes to sing.**  
**Please ask others** if they are comfortable with you not wearing a mask.
- Masks will be required for working in the lower level of the church, to support the Food Bank staff.
- Unvaccinated individuals should continue to wear mask.



This is the time of the year when we collect orders for bricks to be added to the pathway in the Memorial Garden.  
Would you like to purchase a brick in memory of a loved one, or to honor someone special?  
Order forms are on the bulletin board in the Narthex,  
or contact the Church office to have one emailed to you.

**Please have your order turned in to the Church by April 30<sup>th</sup>.**

### Current Emails for the staff:

Pastor Pam: [pastor@desmoinesumc.org](mailto:pastor@desmoinesumc.org)

Office: [office@desmoinesumc.org](mailto:office@desmoinesumc.org)

Terry: [foursteps4@comcast.net](mailto:foursteps4@comcast.net)

Karen: [av@desmoinesumc.org](mailto:av@desmoinesumc.org)

### Church Office News:

**Our front doors are open. Please remember to sign in at the table just inside the front doors.**

**Office Hours:** Tuesday— Thursday, 10:00 to 2: pm;  
Monday & Friday: closed