



Pastor's Corner

May is a special month at the church. It is filled with celebrations – **Mother's Day, Christian Education Celebration** (Thank you to all who teach), Confirmation and Pentecost Sunday. It is a time of school year programming ending, college graduations and Memorial Day weekend. And of course there is warmer weather, late spring showers, and all the beautiful flowers. May is a delightful month and a transitional month for most from school year activities to summer.

Pentecost Sunday is an especially important transition celebration for the church. Often celebrated as the birthday of the church, it is actually the beginning of a radical love moment. The Holy Spirit descended on the Christian community in Jerusalem transforming them from a timid, uncertain people who were hiding behind closed doors into a group that organized themselves into a love focused missional group. They **began by proclaiming the word of God's grace that reaches out** to everyone, people of all kinds and creeds (Acts 2). The Pentecost spirit brought them into community with each other. They cared for each other, worshiped together, and made sure that all had enough to eat and a place to call home. They sent people out on missions to the ends of the earth, some giving their lives for the cause of love. The church was on fire spiritually.

What gets you on fire spiritually? When you realize that you are a forgiven person, does that heal you? When you see that God has given you some gifts to use for the care of others, are you empowered? When you see some matter of injustice does it burn in your soul until rectified? What makes you want to sing about God and get together with others who want to do the same? Pentecost is about getting in touch with that loving community spirit that embraces all life and people.

The ways of evil try to break down the community the church is trying to build. Evil seeks out ways of dividing people (often over small things). Evil cries out for power and profit over people. Evil says self indulgence is grand while the Christian community offers a love that seeks respect and integrity for the self and for others.

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8:00 a.m. Traditional
9:30 a.m. Contemporary
11:00 a.m. Traditional

Summer Worship Hours
Starting May 30 thru
September 5
8:00 a.m. Traditional
10:00 a.m. Blended

Services Available
Nursery Care
Elevator

Christian love offers encouragement and hope while the worldly discourages and says there is no God. Christian faith offers justice in the face of oppression and selfishness. Pentecost is a time for all persons to reflect on which side they stand. It is a time to open our lives from ones of selfish control to ones of Spirit lead passion and hope. Pentecost is about the unfolding of the Kingdom of God in our lives and the lives of all those around us. It is a happening thing – right now. Pray with me that this Pentecost will be a time of awakening for us as a congregation, bringing us into a deeper Jesus like hope and trust in God above.

Pastor Armstrong

Important Upcoming Dates

PENTECOST SUNDAY –MAY 23RD WEAR RED AND BRING A RED GERANIUM

May 23rd is Pentecost Sunday and you are invited to wear something red to church that day. If you would like, bring a red geranium as well. Those left at the church will be planted on the church grounds.

CONFIRMATION – MAY 23RD, 11 A.M. SERVICE

Come and celebrate with the following young people as they publically confirm their baptisms and profess their faith ON Pentecost Sunday: Casey , Mason , Jenna , Robert , David and Shannon . A special thanks goes to Clinton , Tony , and Pastor Armstrong as the teachers of this class.

COSTA RICAN MISSION TRIP

On May 29th a group brought together through our church will be leaving for Carillos, Costa Rica to assist in the construction of a church worship building. We will be staying in the modest education building next door to the construction site. The group has a young **adult emphasis with most being in their 20's. We ask for your prayers as we make our final preparations for the trip.** Those going are: Emily , Mallory , Kimberly , Jordan , Greg , Autumn , David , Ashley , Gina , Pastor Armstrong, Michael (a Michigan home builder), Lindsay and Dan of Illinois. We will be returning on June 8th with stories to tell of the experience of serving Christ and the church at Carillos. Special thanks goes to the Mission Committee for their assistance in helping this trip take place.

DISCIPLES BIBLE STUDY GRADUATES

Those completing year one of disciple's classes have attended 34 classes and read near all the Bible in the last school year. They have kept prayers and contemplated the meaning of Christian Discipleship and are making commitments for the use of their gifts and talents for the glory of God. Please pray for and celebrate with those completing the year of discipleship training: Lynn , Judy , Dorothy , Ryan , Hadassah , Ken , Joanne , Mary Ellen and Alicia . May God bless these people as they move forward in service to Christ.

From the desk of Pastor Ann...

I often get asked what the difference between a Licensed Local Pastor and an ordained pastor is. So I would like to share with all of you what the answer to this question is.

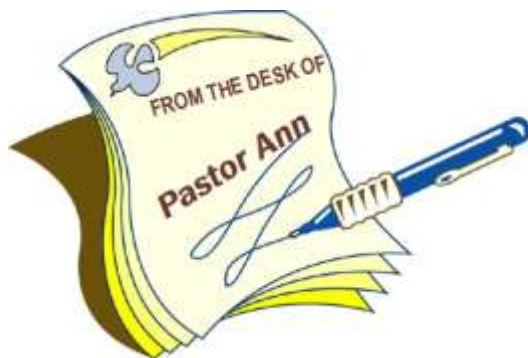
A licensed local pastor is not ordained in The United Methodist Church but is licensed for pastoral ministry. A local pastor performs all the duties of a pastor, including proclamation of the Word of God, leading in worship and liturgy, performing the sacraments of baptism and Holy Communion, the services of marriage, burial, confirmation and membership reception. A local pastor has the authority of a pastor within the setting and during the time of the appointment.

As a local licensed pastor, we need to attend one of the United Methodist Theological Licensing Schools to receive our licenses. I attended Dubuque Theological School to receive mine. Also as a Licensed Local Pastor, we continue to advance our theological knowledge through what is called Course of Study School. These are also held at the UM Theological schools. I attend Garrett Theological School each summer. This summer I will be gone for a time in July.

Here in Wisconsin there are many of us. Some are the pastors of large churches, some small, some with more than one church and some, like me, in Associate Pastor roles. We are not itinerant (ordained pastors must go where the Bishop asks unless there are valid reasons not too) but can apply for openings, although we are not guaranteed an appointment as an ordained pastor.

If you are feeling called by God to ministry, take the time to talk with me or Pastor Paul. We would love the chance to help you in your journey.

*Blessings,
Pastor Ann*



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Because We Care

We are reminding you that baby food, formula and diapers are needed more than ever at the Salvation Army. Please bring your donations and place them next to the basket for the layette items. I will pick them up from there. Any questions, please call Jean Jennings .

OCCUMC Men's Group

The Men's Group meets the 3rd Saturday morning of each month at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast at Perkins Restaurant on Ryan Rd. All men of the church are welcome to join us! Questions? Contact Larry or check out the Men's Group website at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OCC_UMC_Men/. Our next meeting will be held May 15 at 7:30 a.m. **Remember the Men's Group 3rd Sunday Food Drive! Every month we will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable items on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Items collected will help stock our own food pantry and enable OCCUMC to be more effective in our local community mission work.**

OCCUMC Co-Ed Softball

Believe it or not, the deadline is approaching for us to sign up for another softball season. We are looking for softball players of all ages and skill levels who would like to join us for some fun and fellowship. Games are played on Friday nights at LaFollette Park on 92nd St. just north of Greenfield Ave. Game times are typically 6 or 7 p.m. If you are interested in playing or would like more information, please email Mike



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All discussions take place at 9:00 a.m. on their respective Saturday mornings at the church.

May 22, 2010

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet *by Jamie Ford*

June 26, 2010

Hothouse Flower and the Nine Plants of Desire *by Margot Berwin*

For more information you may contact Mary Ann



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Parents with Young Children (The current age of children of the families who attend regularly range from birth to approximately 8 years old.)

Join us the *First Saturday of Each Month* for a potluck and playdate:

Some months we meet at members' homes or a park and other months we meet at church. When we meet at church, please come to the lower parking lot entrance as that is the only door we unlock during our gatherings. If you have questions, please contact Jane . These potlucks are a great way to connect with others, make friends and relax in a **supportive atmosphere. Think of it as YOUR 'support group' with parents in similar situations** as your own.

PWYC small group is more than monthly potlucks. We also provide time each week for parents to unload some stress, share in fellowship, and connect with other adults while their children attend Sunday School or are in the nursery. Join us every Sunday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. downstairs in room L 27. Generally, parents that attend have children that range in age from newborns up to 8 year olds, but all parents are welcome to share their stories about family, life, and what they are struggling with as parents.



Cares & Concerns

Have You Lost A Friend or Family Member?

Cares and Concerns Group want to help you with your grief. We have obtained a set of four short books called, "Journeying Through Grief". Book 1: A Time To Grieve is to be read 3 weeks after a death; Book 2: Experiencing Grief is to be read 3 months after a death; Book 3: Finding Hope and Healing is for 6 months after death and Book 4: Rebuilding and Remembering is for 11 months after death. These are practical books that present information in a loving, encouraging and helpful way. Would you like to read a book? Please contact Donna or any Cares & Concerns member and we will see that you receive these books.

Food Pantry

Let's care for each other, too. If you know of someone in the church family who would benefit from the kindness of our dedicated committees or may need a few groceries from our food pantry, please call the church office (762-4600).

United Methodist Women Events

Sarah Circle

Sarah Circle was able to put together and deliver eighteen layettes to St. Francis and Children's Hospitals. Each hospital to receive nine packaged layettes. We have been told how appreciative the nursery staff and new moms are to receive these gifts. A BIG THANK YOU to all who make or purchase the items we need to put the layettes together.

Please HELP us continue this project by bringing onesies, sleepers, hats, receiving blankets and regular blankets to church and putting them in the little bassinet on the table in the Friendship area. Sizes for clothing are 3 - 6 months.

The United Methodist Women are asking for donations of baby yarn, (for example, Bernat Softee Baby yarn) to be used for hats for our layette project. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Any questions, call Dona .

We Need Your Help!



UMW Salad Luncheon

The UMW's Salad Luncheon will be **Saturday, May 1 at noon.**

It is an enjoyable event open to all women. If you have not attended this event in the past we would like to issue you a special invitation to join us this year.

The delicious meal includes a variety of salads from fruit to main dish.

Goodwill will be bringing us their wonderful "Weddings of Yesterday" show.

Tickets are \$12 for the meal and show. Tickets will be sold at church after the services in the Friendship Room.

Sorry no phone calls or advance reservations allowed.

Plan to get your tickets early, they do go fast.

Proceeds will support Mission Projects in the Metro area and beyond.

For more information contact **Bonnie** .

UMW Salad Luncheon



CALENDAR

Community Page

National Day Of Prayer

The Christian Churches of Oak Creek, along with the citizens, will again join in prayer, observing the National Day of Prayer, which will be held on Thursday, May 6, 2010, from noon till 1:00 p.m. at the Oak Creek Community Center, 8580 S. Howell Avenue.

Interfaith News

Interfaith is hosting a Client Luncheon at South Milwaukee United Methodist Church on Thursday, May 6 at 11:30 a.m. We will need MANY hands to transport and serve our clients (inviting almost 100 people to the Spring Luncheon). We are looking for 1 time volunteers to help.

Contact Jan at 762-1998 for volunteer applications (can also be found at www.interfaithmilw.org) or for more information.

Driving Miss Daisy ... (or Lucille, or Ruth or Joe)

Do you like to drive? Do you have an hour or two you could share with a neighbor? South Milwaukee/Oak Creek Interfaith is looking for a few good people to provide transportation to medical appointments for our older friends who no longer drive.

Roll down the windows and soak up the sunshine behind the wheel ... we need your help!

Please call Jan at 762-1998 for more information!

Time to fertilize the neighborhood ...

Your tax deductible donations to the South Milwaukee/Oak Creek Interfaith program will enable us to plant a seed of happiness for that retired Sunday School teacher, or little league coach who helped you blossom into who you are today! Contributions (of any amount) can be mailed to the South Milwaukee/Oak Creek Interfaith office at 1327 Marshall Avenue South Milwaukee, WI 53172. Who helped you bloom where you were planted??

Lonely lawnmower looking for a little action ...

There are several older adults in your neighborhood whose lawnmowers are just waiting for you to give them a little push! If you like to putter in the yard, enjoy the sunshine and are willing to lend a helping hand, please call Jan at the South Milwaukee/Oak Creek Interfaith office (414-762-1998) or stop by our office at 1327 Marshall Avenue South Milwaukee, WI 53132

Let's Recycle!

God's Green Earth

Are you interested in the environment and being a good steward of God's creation? Do you want to help OCCUMC go green? Do you just want to do your part to make the world a better place for future generations? If so, why not help us get a new group going? **If this sounds like it's for you, please email Chris .**

Aluminum cans wanted !!

The Jr. & Sr. Hi Youth have an ongoing fundraiser collecting aluminum cans to help defray cost for their mission trips.

Please drop your cans off at the church office.

If you have any questions at all about this fundraiser please contact Michelle .

Thank you for your cans!

Bring in your
batteries!

Battery Recycle Program

Batteries that will not be accepted are:

- o Lead Acid (car, motorcycle, etc.)
- o Lithium (common in cell phones, digital cameras, watches, small electronic devices)



Batteries that can be recycled are:

- o Alkaline batteries (i.e. AA, AAA, C, D 9-volt, etc.)
- o NiCad (Nickel Cadmium)
- o Ni-MH (Nickel Metal Hydride)
- o Magnesium Carbon
- o Mercuric Oxide
- o Silver Oxide

Please make use of this program and help take care of God's Green Earth.

OCCUMC

Phone: 414-762-4600

Members are encouraged to bring in their used household batteries and place them in the 5-gallon pail outside of Doyle Hall (next to the ink cartridge recycling container).

Evangelism News

New Pictorial Directory

We are excited to announce that we are going to create a new pictorial directory of our church family.

The directory will help us connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool and will capture the history of our church.

Please participate! All we ask is that you have your picture taken by the professional photographer and meet with a Portrait Consultant at the church. For the next several weeks, we will be making appointments before and after services and meetings at the church. Please sign up as soon as possible to get the best appointment to fit your schedule.

Every participating family/household that Selects a pose for the directory will receive a free directory and a complimentary 8x10 Custom Natural Portrait.

You will come to the church only once for photography and for portrait viewing. The program is available at no cost to the church budget. You will have the opportunity to order additional portraits during your Scheduled appointment time.

If you wish to purchase extras, the portraits come with a 100% Satisfaction Guarantee. Whether you decide to dress formally or casually, you will want to make the most of this opportunity.

*The scheduled dates for Photography and
Portrait Viewing are:*

Wednesday, May 19 from 3:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 20 from 3:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Friday, May 21 from 3:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 22 from 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

If you have questions, please contact Jay . We look forward to seeing everyone in the directory. Our new pictorial **directory won't be complete without you!**



Greeters and Cookie Callers are needed!

Please consider serving in this special hospitality area of our church. Please see Heidi or email her at faithfellowship@occumc.org if you are interested in serving just ONCE to try it out or on a regular basis.

One person said it best in an email to me: *put me down on your list for postcards and cookie delivery. I need to step out of my comfort zone more.*

I'll tell you if it's too far out.

Step out of your comfort zone and just give it a shot. If you don't enjoy it, don't do it again!

Thanks.

Trustees Clean Up Day

Please Mark Your Calendars! *May 22* is the Spring Church Spruce up Day from 9:00 a.m. – Noon. Cookout and fellowship to follow (bring your own meat).



We need help with the following;

- 4 people to wash windows at ground level, inside and on short ladders.
- **2 people to repair a 3' x 3' concrete walk to include bust out, grade, mix and set concrete.**
- 4 people to edge beds with shovel or sod cutter.
- 4 people rake out of leaves around building.
- 4 people to clean out window wells around lower level of building.
- 1 person to clean out and patch holes at the bottom handrail supports with caulk.
- 2 people to pickup branches from winter.
- 4 people to repair the damaged drainage swale to the retention area north of the parking lot.

Look for sign up sheets soon or talk with a Trustee or church office to volunteer.

Mission News

Loose Change for Missions

The Sr. and Jr. High Youth are asking that you help support their upcoming mission trips by putting any loose change you have in a bucket out in the Friendship Room on Sundays.

Now through the month of July they will be raising loose pocket change.

A chart on the wall in the narthex will show our progress.

We are hoping to raise \$1,000. Every penny will make a difference for our youth and the lives of people they touch on their trips.

Cathedral Center

Our church is responsible for providing volunteers and food for two upcoming days at the Cathedral Center homeless shelter for women and families. The dates are April 29 and May 12. You will find sign-up sheets for volunteers as well as food needed for these dates in the Friendship Room. Please consider helping with this wonderful mission project. If you have any questions, please contact Maryl .

Education News

Family Camp!

The Wauwatosa Avenue UMC Family Camp week at Pine Lake is July 4 - 10 and OC-CUMC is invited. People can call Megan . There is flexible "booking" you can stay all week or just a couple of nights. It is a great week that includes family oriented activities such as a water carnival, a karaoke night, candy game night, a talent show, bible studies, cookouts, canoeing, fishing, tie dying and more!



Kitchen Update

The Kitchen Project is continuing to make great progress! Initially we broke the project into 8 phases. Thanks to 10 volunteers contributing 842 hours to date we have saved thousands of dollars in labor costs. To date our expenses on equipment and supplies have been \$ 9,613.83.

The first phase converted the former Hermie Bill education office, across from the kitchen, to a pantry with metal NSF (National Safety Foundation) metal shelving, washable walls and ceiling tiles per state health code requirements.

The second phase upgraded the kitchen doors and frames to a durable commercial type. The long counter was removed and replaced with two stainless tables with drawers. We have cleaned up the area above the kitchen ceiling preparing it for easier finish of the room mechanicals.

The third phase has moved the coffee making next to Doyle Hall including an area to better support dinner service. Look for a versatile batch coffee maker to be installed in the near future. Included in this will be portable insulated coffee shuttle containers with pouring spouts which will make it possible to serve in various locations. The old parsonage refrigerator has been installed. Please support the youth group specialty coffee machine included in this area.

The remaining phases are currently being reviewed based on City and State Health Code requirements for public food preparation. We must bring our kitchen up to health standards. Surfaces and equipment must be of a type that is easily cleaned. Look for **info in the newsletter series “Know Your Kitchen”**.

Based on city requirements the proposed installation order of items is as follows;

1. Cooking and dishwasher exhaust hood design by a contractor for city approval.
2. Plumbing design by an engineer or plumbing contractor for state & city approval.
3. Issue permits to complete hoods, plumbing & electrical rough in two year time frame.
4. Installation of new electrical panel and rough in of circuits by a contractor.
5. Installation of cooking exhaust hood with fire protection, dishwasher hood & make up Air unit.
6. Repair or replace the existing range on wheels placed under the cooking hood.
7. Install new water heater and rough plumbing by contractor based on approved design.
8. Finish wall surfaces by volunteers.
9. Purchase and install a used convection oven on wheels placed under the cooking hood.
10. Purchase a portable bun pan rack and pans. Storage in pantry.
11. Install durable epoxy no slip surface by contractor that can be easily cleaned to a floor drain.



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12. Purchase a dishwasher, disposer and dish washing sink installed by a contractor. Existing sinks will be removed at this time.
 13. Install stainless two compartment food prep sink with disposer. Not for dishwashing.
 14. Purchase two portable tables for center of kitchen.
 15. Purchase portable warmer/proofer to heat & prepare food. Moved upstairs for dinne Service.
 16. Purchase a commercial 20 quart mixer and portable stand. Storage in the pantry.
 17. Purchase two portable plate storage units. Storage in the pantry.
 18. Purchase cookware. Storage in the pantry.
 19. Purchase a steamer unit for cooking of noodles, rice, vegetables etc. Placed under the cooking hood.
 20. Replacement of freezer with a commercial type. Placed in the pantry.

We will be having some fund raising events to help move us forward in our Kitchen Project. Look for further announcements around the church and in the newsletter.

Thank you for the support!
Your kitchen committee



FOOD EMPLOYEES shall use the following cleaning procedure:

- (1) Vigorous friction on the surfaces of the lathered fingers, finger tips, areas between the fingers, hands and arms (or by vigorously rubbing the surrogate prosthetic devices for hands or arms) for at least 10 to 15 seconds followed by;
- (2) Thorough rinsing under clean, running warm water; and
- (3) Immediately follow the cleaning procedure with thorough drying of cleaned hands and arms (or surrogate prosthetic devices) using as specified under 6-301.12.

FOOD EMPLOYEES shall pay particular attention to the areas underneath the fingernails during the cleaning procedure.

Section 6-301.12 Hand Drying Provision

Each handsink or group of adjacent handsinks shall be provided with:
Individual, disposable towels; or A continuous towel system that supplies the use with a clean towel.

Know Your Kitchen

An informative series from the Kitchen Committee.

“Personal Cleanliness”

Our updated kitchen has a handsink to comply with chapter two of the Wisconsin Food Code.

The practice of washing hands must be used *before* serving or working with food per 2-301.15 (A).

This may *only* be used for hand washing per 5-205.11 (B).

The water temperature must be between 29°C (85°F) and 43.3°C (110°F) per 5-202.12



KITCHEN *Update*

Section 2-301.15 Where to Wash

FOOD EMPLOYEES shall clean their hands as specified in 2-301.12, in a handsink or APPROVED automatic handwashing facility as specified in 5-203.11(B), or an APPROVED pre-wash sink as specified in (B); and may not clean their hands in a sink used for FOOD PREPARATION or WAREWASHING, or in a service sink or in a curbed cleaning facility used for the disposal of mop water and similar liquid waste.

Section 2-301.14 When to Wash

Nine points describing situations such as after using the restroom and touching your underarms.

Section 2-301.12 Cleaning Procedure

(A) Except as specified in (D), FOOD EMPLOYEES shall clean their hands and exposed portions of their arms (or surrogate prosthetic devices for hands or arms) for at least 20 seconds, using a cleaning compound in a handsink that is equipped as specified under 5-202.12.

Show Off Your Magnetic Personality!

Sometimes it is hard to put a name to a face. Make it easy to meet other people and let others know who you are with our new magnetic name tags. These name tags are held in place with a magnetic backing. These stylish name tags are gold plated, oval shaped with the UMC logo. Cost is \$10. A non magnetic option is also available at the same price. For more information contact Eileen .

It costs about \$40.00 to mail the Reminder newsletter each month. We are looking for folks who are willing to help defray the cost of production. If you can sponsor the Reminder, please use the sign up sheet in the bulletin and someone from the office will contact you.

Thank you To Carl for sponsoring this months reminder.

Stephen Ministries Update May 2010

OCCUMC is a very blessed Church. Last March, Pastor Paul and I invited the congregation to Stephen Ministries, explaining what this ministry is and does. We also went on to ask for two woman co-leaders to come forward, and within a week I had two volunteers. Their names are Joan and Erica . **I also asked those in the congregation, who feel “called”** to this ministry, to let us know of your desire to be Stephen Ministers. The response has been just wonderful. Here are the names of those who have already come forward and want to become Stephen Ministers. MaryEllen , Sheri , Ginger , Judy , and Kris .

My hope and prayers continue for some of the men in the congregation to also come **forward. We always need men in this ministry as well. A special goal I’m striving for is to start class in September with at least 12 members.** The number 12 of course, is very symbolic of the 12 disciples of Jesus when he started out his ministry.

The next challenge is to have fundraisers and to ask the congregation for personal and or private donations to raise approximately \$3,300.00. I ask you to prayerful consider donating any amount that you can to this new ministry. Some money has already been received, but I have not got an official count yet at the time of this writing. I will update you **in next month’s newsletter for June.**

Here is the overall outline for our new Stephen Ministry start-up plan:

May

- ◆ Fundraiser(s) / donations to acquire additional needed funding of @ \$3,300.00
- ◆ Submit the Congregation's one time enrollment fee of \$1,675.00, to Stephen Ministries, St. Louis, Missouri

June 23

- ◆ Early registration deadline for Leadership Training Course (LTC) (3 co-leaders)

August 1 - 7

- ◆ Three co-leaders from OCCUMC attend one week Leadership Training Course (LTC) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Ken , Joan and Erica)

September 7

- ◆ Begin Stephen Minister training classes on Tuesday nights from 6:00 to 9pm (50 hour course / 3 hrs week / @ 17 weeks long)

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February

- ◆ Complete and graduate 1st **OCCUMC Stephen Minister’s class**

March

- ◆ OCCUMC Stephen Ministers go out in the field for care giving

Pastor Paul and I want to thank-you all so much who believe in and are willing to support this wonderful new ministry in any way that you can.

Blessings to all,

Ken

YOUTH CELL PHONE COLLECTION FUNDRAISER

Please Donate Your Used Cell Phones

Dear Members,

Our Sr. and Jr. High Youth are starting this fundraiser to help raise money for their upcoming mission trips. There is an easy way for you to participate and that is by donating your extra inactive cell phones to our drive. Most households have at least a couple extra phones sitting in drawers they no longer use. These phones will be put to good use. The phones will raise much needed funds and 100% of the proceeds will go directly to our youth.



This drive will benefit your family, our youth, and the environment by keeping the harmful materials the **phones contain out of our landfills (lead, arsenic, beryllium, etc...)**. Also below is a Tax Deductible Receipt for your donation.

Just bring your cell phones to church with their batteries. No chargers or accessories are needed. There is a box in the narthex. Please help make our fundraiser a success. Ask friends, family members, neighbors, and co-workers to donate their used cell phones. Every phone helps!

Cut Along Line

Thank you! Your donation of cell phones may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax preparer for information and to calculate value of your donation. Keep this receipt for your tax records. The following information is required by the IRS for tax deductions of \$250 or less.

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Donated To

of Items Donated

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Donor's Name

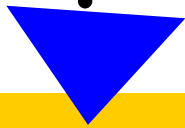
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Flood Recovery Program

The 2008 Flood Recovery Program (FRP), funded in late 2009 by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services with a \$6 million Federal Social Services Block Grant, can now provide the funds needed to help thousands of families who are still suffering from the damage caused by Mother Nature almost two years ago. The FRP can provide many types of assistance to homeowners, such as: repair of basements; mold remediation; replacement of carpeting and flooring; providing new appliances such as furnaces, washers, dryers, refrigerators and stoves; repairing septic tanks; and even providing temporary housing while homes are being repaired.

However, the program will end September 30, 2010. Homeowners who need assistance can call the FRP Call Center (either 2-1-1 or 1-877-947-2211). An operator will answer their initial questions and pre-qualify those who may be eligible to receive assistance. Homeowners can also visit the FRP Website at www.2008floodrecovery.org to learn more about the program and enroll.



Please note that the July newsletter will be mailed out at the end of June.



Kenna invited her whole class to her 6th Birthday Party.

Instead of gifts, she asked for donations for the church's food pantry.

The school families were very generous and Kenna's parents are pleased to make this donation in her honor to help the families of our congregation.

THANK YOU!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to Curves in Oak Creek for donating 168 lbs of food to our food pantry.

Thank you to Joe and everybody involved in donating, preparing, serving and cleaning up for Easter Son Rise Breakfast. It was delicious and great to have everyone participate.

Thank you to all who have prayed for several of my family members and a dear friend. Your care and concern is so much appreciated. Thank you for the cards.

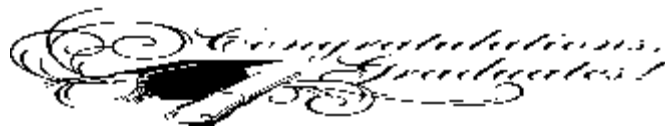
Toni

Thank you to Amy for helping prepare the folders for the New Member Class.

Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits and especially to the people who drove me to my physical therapy appointments. What a blessing to have a church family

Dolores

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Blood Drive a success. 25 People came to donate, 18 units and 2 dual red units were collected. We had a great group of volunteers to setup, help during the drive, and cleanup afterwards. And we had wonderful treats that were much appreciated by our donors. Mark your calendars for our next Blood Drive Monday, October 11 from 2:30 p.m.– 6:30 p.m.



Sara is graduating from Muskego High School and will attend the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the fall.

Rhett is graduating from Oak Creek High School and will be attending MATC exploring a career in Education.

Theresa will be graduating from Franklin High School. She will be studying English at UW Milwaukee.

Kyle is graduating from Muskego High School. He will be attending UW Waukesha studying to become a History Teacher.

Emily is graduating from Franklin High School in June and will be attending Mount Mary College, majoring in art.

Erin is graduating from Marquette University with a B.A. in Criminology and Law. She will be interning this summer and plans to apply to law school in the fall.

Ian will be graduating in May from UWMS Helen Bader School of Social Welfare with a BS in Criminal Justice.

Laura will be graduating in May from Alverno College with a BA in Professional Communication.



May 2010 Birthdays

Cal	5/1
Connie	5/1
Molly	5/2
Joe	5/3
Dan	5/3
Laura	5/4
Jason	5/4
Kari	5/4
Brooke	5/5
Kyle	5/5
Jacob	5/5
Nate	5/6
Drew	5/6
Danelle	5/6
John	5/7
Dana	5/8
Leslie	5/8
Robert	5/8
Joe	5/8
John	5/9
Drew	5/9
Mary Ellen	5/9
Ku Ku Hla	5/12
Joe	5/12
Natalee	5/13
Kurt	5/13
Jersey	5/14
Alyssa	5/14
Troy	5/14
Jenna	5/15
Josh	5/15
Norma	5/15
Amanda	5/16
Amy	5/17
Brody	5/17
Lauren	5/19
Jordyn	5/19
Dean	5/20
Mia	5/20
Molly	5/20
Jennifer	5/20
Kelly	5/21
Kaitlyn	5/21
Amanda	5/22
Alex	5/22
Dan	5/23
Lauryn	5/24
Eric	5/24
Stefanie	5/24
Nancy	5/26
Kira	5/26
Whitney	5/26
Theresa	5/26
Carter	5/26
Christopher	5/27
Kelley	5/28
Eileen	5/29
Earle	5/30
Lori	5/30
Tom	5/30
Elise	5/31

Address Change

Ryan & Hadassah
Michael & Amy
Norm & Joan Link



Baptisms

Congratulations to Troy & Joyce on the baptism of their daughter in the sanctuary on Sunday, April 25, 2010.

Congratulations to Dieter & Sarah on the baptism of their son, Austin in the sanctuary on Sunday, April 25, 2010. Big brother and sister is . Proud grandparents are Tom & Cherie .



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