



## From Dave's Desk...

Soon it will be Easter! However, we must first experience Holy Week. These eight days are the most powerful and moving in all of the Christian Year. This week has changed the course of history and even realigned our system of dates: B.C. and A.D. Many people including some Christians have never experienced the full impact of our Lord's passion. Each year we have the chance to remember what happened that fateful week. We will be offering 4 different services over these eight days. Plan to attend and make this year a year to remember Christ's suffering, death and resurrection.

*Services we are offering:*

**Palm/passion Sunday-April 5th**-Sharing the scriptures of Jesus riding triumphantly into Jerusalem then the people turn against him a few days later.

**Traditional Service-8:45a.m.** Choir anthems

**Blue Jean Service-11:00 a.m.** Praise Team and children carry in the palm branches.

The Next Three Service are seen as a continuation of each other.

### Part I

**Maundy Thursday Service-April 9th**- "Maundy" comes from the Latin for "mandate" or "command", referring to Jesus' command that we love one another. This was vividly taught by Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. We remember the institution of Communion on this night as well as Jesus preparing for his arrest, beatings and crucifixion.

**One Service 7:30 p.m.**

### Part II

**Good Friday Service-April 10th**-A Tenebrae Service.

"Tenebrae" is French for "darkness." This service consists of the seven last words of Christ from the cross, dramatic readings, choir anthems, congregational hymns and a solo. During the readings, choir anthems, congregational hymns and a solo.

During the readings of the seven 1st words the lights are dimmed and each candle is extinguished until we are left in darkness, for the light of the world has died. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church will join with us for this special service. **One Service 7:30 p.m.**

**Easter Breakfast-April 12th 8:30-10 a.m.** The Mission Committee is sponsoring this to raise funds for their mission trip to Henderson Settlement, Kentucky. Come and eat and celebrate the Day of Resurrection. Your fasting will be complete; enjoy all that God gives us.

### Part III

**Easter Celebration Service-April 12th**-A joyous worship service with Easter Hymns and Praise songs to celebrate Jesus' resurrection. All things are made new; we are people of the resurrection. Alleluia! Amen!

**One Service 10:00 a.m.**

*Come join in these life-changing services; a renewal of our spirits.*

5th: Communion  
Mark 11:1-11 & Mark 14:1-11  
"Counting the Cost"

12th: Easter  
Mark 16:1-8  
"The End?"

19th:  
Acts 4:32-35  
I John 1:1-10  
"Uncommonly Common"

26th:  
Acts 3:12-19  
Luke 24:36b-48  
"Freeing a Murderer/Murdering an Innocent"

## Annual Mission Conference Luncheon

Theme: A Past Remember A Future to Pursue

Stockwell United Methodist Church  
6941 Church Street, Stockwell, IN 47983

All are invited to attend April 21, 2009, 11:30 a.m. Please bring a dish to share. Drinks, rolls and table service provided. Please contact Pastor Dave or Deb Schutz by April 11th to make reservations for attendance.

### Carry In Dinner April 26th

#### Revealing our Prayer Pals

Bring covered dish to share. You will have an opportunity to select a new prayer pal!

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN!!!

Please make this addition to your "Ladies of the Church" list



Nancy  
Neidigh 296-8177



Greetings from Wee Blessings! Let me begin by saying how much we wish Mrs. Finnerty a speedy recovery!! We miss you and can't wait for your to return!!!

Spring has arrived in our classroom!

We are excited about our new praying Manthis habitat that we have in our room! The children are excited about seeing the nest hatch in the near future.

The three's have been very busy learning to write their manes using upper and lower case letters. They have also started doing listening and following directions activities and they are doing so well. The children continue to work on their colors, shapes and Bible verses and stories.

The four's have been working very hard on learning their addresses! We are so proud that each of the children has learned their phone numbers...way to go! WE continue to work on positional words, rhyming words, opposites, letters, and numbers. We are also continuing to learn new Bible verses every month.

Please stop by the classroom and enjoy the art the children have created. Some of their art will be at the library starting March 21st! We are so blessed to have these very talented children in our preschool!

God Bless,

*Patty, Donna and Mary Kay*



## Mulberry United Methodist Women

The Mulberry United Methodist Women met for the first time this year on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. "There was a nice turn-out with Mary Alys Hummel hosting the meeting at the Church parsonage. We had a business meeting where we discussed the events, fund raisers, and the budget for the year. It was decided that we need a policy concerning funeral dinners, Barb Seager is working on putting the groups ideas into a policy to be voted on at the next meeting. Our next meeting is April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 at Abba's Place. Rita Cornell will be hosting the meeting and our special guest will be a speaker from The Bashor Home. Please come! All ladies of the church are welcome!

**A big shout out to United Methodist Men for painting the room inside the wheelchair ramp door. It looks great! Another shout out to Jerry Fultz for taking care of the chair railing in that room to protect the new paint job. Thanks for all that you do.**



### **Tales from the Trustees-Continued**

Do you know what the main ingredient of WD-40 is?

18. use wd-40 to clean bug guts from your car (they will eat the finish)
19. use wd-40 on play ground slide for a shine and super fast slide.
20. lubricates gear shift and mower deck lever for ease of handling on riding mowers.
21. rids rocking chairs and swings of squeaky noises.
22. lubricates tracks in sticking home windows and makes them easier to open.
23. spraying an umbrella stem makes it easier to open and close.
24. restores and cleans padded leather dashboards in vehicles as well as vinyl bumpers.
25. restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles.
26. lubricates and stops squeaks in electric fans.
27. lubricates wheel sprockets on tricycles, wagons, bicycles for easy handling.
28. lubricates fan belts on washers and dryers, keeps them running smooth.
29. keeps rust from forming on saws, saw blades, and other tools.
30. removes splattered grease on stove.



### **Kids Under Construction**

4th, 5th, & 6th grade Kids Under Construction at Abba's Place have been having a great time learning the art of puppetry! Lu Whitaker (Mimi the Clown) has generously loaned us the beautiful puppets, the stages and scripts and has made beautiful stage curtains. She is a trained puppeteer and is now instructing us to be also. The kids each have taken one of the 12 disciples and are using their puppets to tell a story about what it was like to follow Jesus. Hopefully we will be ready to share these stories and our puppetry skills at next month's family night. We can't wait!

On Wednesday, March 3rd, both KUC groups got together in the church sanctuary for our special entertainment evening. We were amazed by Tom McCormick and his "Miracle Man Show". Tom used his magician skills to entertain and amaze us, but the best part was that he presented the gospel and talked about Jesus at the same time! We invited all children in the community to join us so we had a full house. A lot of them heard the gospel message for the first time ever! The show was truly enjoyed by children and adults alike.

A very special thanks goes to the Missions Committee, the Triple F class and the Hope class for helping to fund the show. We would also like to thank Roger Lewis for the advertising he did for us.

Cathy Harden

### **Cell Phones for Soldiers**

This recycling program is to help our troops call home. Cell phones can be in any condition. The office has the special envelopes if you have an old cell phone drop it off in the office.

Thank you.



## Dinner and the Theater

We are inviting you, your spouse, and your neighbor to join us for an evening of fun!

We will begin with eating dinner in Frankfort and then attending a Civic Theater play at the library. The play is a comedy, "Senior Follies", a story that takes place in a nursing home ☺ Tickets for the play are \$10 and dinner is on your own. Please contact Ronnette Peden (296-7022) or Barb Seager (296-3883) if you are interested in going. The date is THURSDAY, APRIL 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Sponsored by UMW*

## Mulberry Ministerial Association

Due to the current economic situation the Ministers of the community have decided to use their funds to assist those in need with their utilities. This is to not only to help people of the community but to assist a local business as well.

If you wish to donate to this cause please do not take away from your usual donations to MUMC Benevolence or General Fund. Make checks payable to MUMC but in the memo put MMA.

## We appreciate your support!

Thank you to everyone for your support of the Youth Chili Lunch. For more information please see the Youth Newsletter for a complete article.

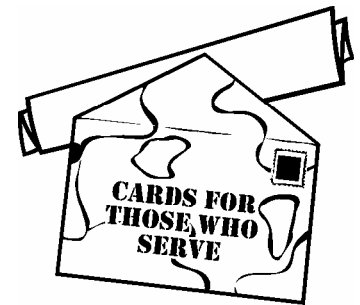
Again, thank you.

## Greeting Cards

In the hallway you can't miss the Craft Ladies' greetings cards. Even though we all are having to cut back on the little things we can still send cards if we buy from the UMW. The money is used for many mission causes. **Would you believe January & February card sales were \$103.**

**As always the cards are 4 cards \$1 or \$0.30 each. Stop by and check them out.**

**For ideas of who would enjoy getting a card from a friend or loved one we have some suggestions...**



**REVEREND FUN** [WWW.REVERENDFUN.COM](http://WWW.REVERENDFUN.COM)



HEY, I THOUGHT THAT I WAS IN CHARGE HERE ... WHO DIED AND MADE YOU BOSS?

## Worship Assistants

Communion Steward: Claudia Timmons

### Traditional Service 8:45 a.m.

\*If you are unavailable on your date, please call the office at 296-3399.

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Prayer w/ Pastor</u>
4/5	Matt & Wendy Simon	Matt Simon	TBA	Linda Bennett
<b>4/12</b>	<b>Larry &amp; Marlene Boyd</b>	<b>**Combined Service</b>		<b>Wayne Walker</b>
4/19	Pat Simon & Kids			TBA
4/26	Dan & Dania Remaly			TBA

### Blue Jean Service 11:00 a.m.

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Children's Church</u>
4/5	Steve & Julie Percy	Waugh Family	No Children's church/communion
<b>4/12</b>	<b>Tom &amp; Elaine Simon</b>	<b>**Combined Service</b>	<b>Kathy Townsley</b>
4/19	John & Cathy Harden		
4/26	Mark & Beth Newhart		

### Attendance & Offering

<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>	<u>Sun. School</u>	<u>Gen. Fund Offering</u>
2/1	123	65	\$3,160
2/8	139	62	\$2,971
2/15	142	70	\$4,019
2/22	133	65	\$2,495

\*General Fund Offering does not include money designated to specific funds, groups or activities.

### April Birthdays

4/1	Jan Dyer	4/10	Tess Wilson
4/2	Beth Newhart	4/11	Hattie Cullom
4/5	Dave Kelsey	4/15	Ryan Walker
4/7	Coriden Schilling	4/15	Sandy Waninger
4/9	Brianne Thayer	4/24	Mark Newhart
4/9	Emily Waugh	4/24	Savanah Ragains
4/10	Jerry Kemmerer		

If your birthday is not listed,  
please call the church office at 296-3399

### April Wedding Anniversaries

4/19 Kathy & John Townsley

Deadline to submit  
articles is the **15th**  
each month.



Pastor: David Hummel  
 Choir Director: Mary Lou Clendenning  
 Pianist: Esther Creamer  
 Organist: Angie Schilling  
 Nursery: Sherry Gouvan  
 Custodian: Jerry Fultz  
 Admin. Asst: Wendy Simon  
 Traditional Worship: 8:45 am Sun  
 Sunday School: 10:00 am Sun  
 Blue Jean Service: 11:00 am Sun

Bible Study: Tues. 7 pm & Wed. 10 am  
 Women's Bible Study:  
 Tue at 6 am at the Church  
 Men's Bible Study 8 am 2nd & 4th Sat.  
 Wee Blessings Preschool:  
 Director & Teacher: Patty Wright  
 Teacher: Donna Kirkpatrick  
 Assistant Teacher: Mary Kay Finnerty

**Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-1:30**  
**Church Office: (765) 296-3399**  
 Pastor's Home: (765) 296-3390  
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 Web-site: [www.mumc-in.org](http://www.mumc-in.org)  
 Food Pantry: By Appointment  
 Call Church Office

## Mulberry United Methodist Church Administrative Council—February 9, 2009

In attendance: Pastor Dave, Ryan Turner, Wendy Simon, Rita Cornell, Barb Seager, Patty Wright, Deb Schutz, Betty Campbell, Sandy Reddix, Becki Farley, Carol Nagy, John Harden, Steve Pearcy, Nancy Doyle

- Ryan Turner opened the meeting by lighting a candle and reading a comic.
- We reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. Barb Seager made a motion that the minutes be accepted. Rita Cornell seconded. The council approved the minutes as written.
- Treasurer's report – Wendy Simon. The new treasurer is upstairs learning how to do payroll tax. Due to the insurance payments, we didn't take in as much money in January as we spent.
- Finance/Stewardship - John Harden. We had a meeting as part of the church wide goal setting meeting. Jim Cullom will be taking charge of the planning for Consecration Sunday and is excited to be heading up that task.
- Memorials - The balance for the memorial's fund as of 12/31/08 is \$3,808.76. Wilma Fultz will be taking Amy Thayer's place on this committee as Amy will now be the treasurer.
- Trustees – Wendy Simon reporting. We have received word that the 4<sup>th</sup> and final property has been sold in Texas.
- Membership – Nancy Doyle. Nothing to report.
- PPRC – Steve Pearcy. We have not met this year and do not have anything to report.
- Bridge Builders - Barb Seager. – In January we sent out 34 cards. Budgeted money spent was \$27.05. End of year totals: Cards sent 438. Budgeted \$\$ spent \$308+(actual \$210+) \$\$ donated by committee \$117+ Acknowledged UMM and the Missions committee @ both services. 11 college kids received goodie boxes during spring finals. Upper room sent to 78 college kids for UMW. Advent books were sent/delivered to the college kids. 15 valentine cookie trays were made/delivered to shut-ins
- Education ministries - Patty Wright. We set goals for the year and our next meeting will be in April.
- Wee Blessings – Barb Seager. We are getting ready for round-up registration. Things are going well and we are ready for spring.
- Ryan Turner reading Fellowship and Worship reports – The music group The Eternals will be performing on March 29<sup>th</sup> for the 10 a.m. combined service. The next meeting will be March 1<sup>st</sup> during Sunday School. We will be discussing the Easter season. The Ash Wednesday service will be on February 25th at 7pm.
- Evangelism – Rita Cornell. The committee has met a couple of times now and put several dates on the calendar. We will be challenging the congregation with bring a friend to church the Sunday after Easter. Gifts will be given to guests that attend. We are planning another family fun day at the park in July. We will be giving away school supplies at this event. We have scheduled another prayer walk. Family movie night will start on February 21<sup>st</sup> at Abba's and it will be the movie Fireproof. The committee will meet again March 11.
- Missions - Deb Schutz. We will be meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month. The committee came up with a lot of goals at goal setting meeting. Nothing but Nets for Africa will be our next mission project. We are still looking into a flood relief project. We have planned a trip to Henderson Settlement in May. We might go back in the fall to harvest and build. Coat and shoe drives are also being planned. The committee will be serving an Easter breakfast before the Easter service.
- Stone Soup – the pantry is full. CP held another food drive which filled the pantry.
- UMM - Steve Pearcy. We have been averaging about 14-16 men. The food is always good and we have started a video DVD series on Israel.
- UMW – Carol Nagy. The officer's met last week and we shored up the calendar. A concern was raised that UMW needs to have a budget. We have setup a tentative budget and the budget will be discussed at the 1<sup>st</sup> UMW meeting of the year.
- Pastor Dave – Youth call out is this Sunday. The youth are going to Xscape this Sunday? The following Sunday we will have a game competition at Abba's. A decision was made on Acquire the Fire for those who attend church the church will pay \$10 for the youth to go. We will be having a chili supper fund raiser in March. If the youth works at the chili supper they will earn another \$10 to go to ATF. ATF tickets are \$40. We are looking for volunteers to make meals for the youth when they meet at Abba's. The Youth group meets from 6-7:30 Sunday evenings.
- Pastor Dave - Enjoys having the goal setting sessions. Lately we have had visitors at church. Keep inviting folks to church! The Chicken Noodle Dinner went well. We will be having a new membership class start after Easter. Concern was expressed about the gentleman who lost consciousness at the Chicken Noodle Dinner. The identity of the gentlemen is in question. We are going to try and have combined services again. Bible study starts tomorrow.
- Wendy took the Ad Council meeting minutes to the bank to add and remove folks from accounts. John Harden made a motion to add Wilma Fultz on the Memorials fund account and to remove Amy Thayer from same account. Rita Cornell seconded the motion. The motion passed. Wilma Fultz will now be a member of Ad Council.
- Deb turned in the missions goals for 2009.
- Betty Campbell has been attending planning meetings of the district UMW.
- John Harden thanked all the treasurer's from all the committees for getting their books turned in to him on-time. The only books to yet to do are the CYOP books.
- Steve Pearcy – We are looking for folks who would like to attend the Lay Speakers training class. The class will be held 4-5 Sunday in March. We will have a new district superintendent starting in July. MUMC will be clustering with the Lafayette area.
- Our next meeting will be March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

Pastor Dave closed us in prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Becki Farley.


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<b>Sunday Worship Services</b>	<b>Traditional</b>	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>		<b>10 a.m.</b>
<b>Blue Jean/Contemporary</b>		<b>11 a.m.</b>



**April 2009**