



From Dave's Desk...

"And God said to Noah, 'I want you to build an ark-for it will rain for forty days and forty nights.'" This story of Noah has home to my mind this spring. We have had so many days of rain and not just light showers. It seems like the heavens have opened, and we have had a deluge. Just the other day someone walked into the office and asked, "Have you started building the ark yet?"

Water has a story to tell the church. When nothing existed but chaos, God's Spirit swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. After the great flood, God set a rainbow in the sky, a rainbow made from the light shining through rain. When Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt he brought them on dry ground through the Red Sea. By water we are baptized: God claims us as His own.

Water can be constructive or destructive. Forceful and powerful water formed the Grand Canyon, one of the great wonders of the world. Slow moving water eroded into the earth and formed tunnels and created Mammoth Cave, the largest cave in the world! The water of the Nile River floods its banks in the spring and brings fertile soil to the farmers to plant their crops. Yet water can bring devastating floods to other areas of the world. In July, we have a mission trip to Martinsville, Indiana. People there are still recovering from the floods of 2008; two hundred people are still homeless because of the flood damage to their homes. Our mission group along with others want to help clean and fix up the homes so they can be lived in

again.

There is another concern I have this year, that is for the farmers. Only 10% of the corn crop has been planted because the ground is too wet to work. From what I have heard, corn needs to be planted by May 10 and yet 90 % has not been planted as of May 14th. We need to keep the farmers in our prayer and pray for favorable weather conditions to plant and grow their crops. Their income for the year is based upon what they can plant this spring. If they can only get 50% planted that cuts their income in half. Then there is the consideration of feeding people and animals by farm crops. If the farmers can't plant them, there is less food for consumption. Let us join in prayer together to seek God's help to make the land ready for planting and to give a good harvest.

Pastor Dave



7th: Worship in the Park
Isaiah 6:1-8
"Get off the Bench"

21st: Father's Day
Mark 4:35-41
I Samuel 17:32-49
"Believe"

14th: Communion
I Samuel 16:1-13
"Expect Anything"

28th:
To Be Announced



All Were Entertained

The United Methodist Women and their guests enjoyed an evening out for a special event. We met at Ponderosa for a buffet dinner and then attended the Clinton County Civic Theater which featured the play "Senior Follies." Those attending were: Sarah Coffman, Judy Gascho, Sue Golden, Mike & Phyllis Huffer, Rebecca and Jim Humrickhouse, Roger Lewis, Nancy Neidigh, Barb Seager, and Jean Sutton. Jerry Seager joined us for dinner and Betty Campbell joined us at the theater. The evening was full of sharing and laughter ☺



Memories...butterflies, letters, pilgrims, program at the Mulberry Retirement Home, numbers, Bible verses, learning to write our names, Easter egg hunt, playing in a band and so many more. Our year has been so full of memories and we have been blessed to have had these amazing children in our classes.

Our thanks go out to the Steering Committee who supported us all year long! We are blessed to have Barb Seager, Nancy Doyle, Crysta Kas, Ronnette Peden, and Liz Stewart. We were also blessed to have two former members who worked equally as hard, Coralee Judge and Deb Turner. Wee Blessings would not be what it is without these dedicated women and we "Thank" them!!!! We would also like to thank each of you and all of our wonderful parents!

Finally, we wish each of the children much happiness and success. May God Bless you and keep you!!!

Patty, Donny & Mary Kay



UMW Served Dinner

Our Church was host to the *Mulberry Community Club* for a dinner in April when we served 54 guests. Those preparing the meal were: Betty (P.) Skiles, Sarah Coffman and Sue Golden. Many thanks to Wilma Howe for the preparation of the slaw. Servers were: Ed & Janet Fisher, Ken & Barb Synesael, Dick Howe, Perry Skiles and Jerry & Rene Kemmerer. Eldon & Betty Skiles and Barb and Jerry Seager decorated the tables in a "race" theme. Those furnishing cookies were: Suzie Kelsey, Nancy Doyle, Marlene Boyd and Linda Marshall. The guests were most appreciative of the delicious meal ☺ Thanks to all who helped!

Mulberry United Methodist Women

The UMW annual salad supper was May 7th with a total attendance of 73 women! There were 27 women from our church and guests from Jefferson UMC, Gloria Dei Lutheran, Trinity Church of Mulberry, Hope UMC of Frankfort, Dayton UMC and Kilmore UMC. Door prizes of potted flowers were given to those having birthdays closest to that evening. Betty Campbell gave a wonderful presentation on quilt-making ☺ She shared some of the many quilts she has made for her family and how she came to be interested in making them. Many thanks to all who brought food, helped with the set-up, and to the men who came and cleaned up afterwards. The evening wouldn't have been a success without all of you!

Picnic at the Park!

Thursday, June 4th 6:30 p.m.

Bring table service and a covered dish, meat and drinks furnished. (Sponsored by the United Methodist Women)

Everyone invited ☺

NOMADS Convention 2009

Interested in a mission in an RV?
Come learn more about these roving
Methodist missionaries who volunteer
in camps and churches throughout the
U.S. Sept. 21-25 at Cereland (Cummins
Employee Recreational Area) at
Columbus, IN. For more info:
www.nomadsumc.org

Tales From the Trustee's

1. Use newspaper to control weeds-instead of purchasing expensive landscape cloth, herbicides or getting on your knees to pull weeds, just use newspapers. Use several sheets of newspapers as you would landscape cloth, mulch or stones. The thicker the layer or paper the longer it will last, eventually the paper composts into soil.
2. Vinegar
 - A. kill grass, pour full strength white distilled vinegar on grass.
 - B. coffee maker fill with white distilled vinegar and run through cycle then rinse well.
 - C. wash no wax floor-1/2 cup white distilled vinegar into 1/2 gallon water.
 - D. relieve sunburn-lightly rub white or apple cider vinegar on skin, reapply as needed.
 - E. bug spray-equal amounts of water, white distilled vinegar and liquid dish soap, put into spray bottle and spray on skin, as needed.



Super Sunday Class

In the past few months our Sunday School (ages 4-4th grade) class has been studying from the curriculum "Our Big Picture." Some of the lessons we have learned are: God wants us to do good work and to show our love for Him; God's word helps us to be strong and obey Him; God will always give us what we NEED; the things we say and do every day helps other people learn about us; God's word helps us learn to live in the very best way; the Bible tells us that when we trust in God, He will always help us with our problems; God wants us to share the talents we have by helping others; although God made each one of us different, we are alike in that He wants us to learn about Him. One Sunday we drew and colored pictures of how we see God in Nature. Be sure to check out the bulletin board in the dining area to see our work ☺ Come join us on Sundays at 10 a.m.!

Thanks to Betty Skiles for also teaching the class!



Thank you for all of your prayers and concern in Kristen's time of need...She's on the mend and doing well.
Denise Smith, Kristen Gould's mom

Because of your generosity we have sent in 7 cell phones for soldiers. We are still collecting your old unused phones. It doesn't matter the condition or if they even work. Just drop any cell phone you wish to donate by the church office.
Thank you!!

Worship Assistants

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

Traditional Service 8:45 a.m.

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Prayer w/ Pastor</u>
6/7	Park Service			Linda Bennett
6/14	Mark & Beth Newhart	Mark Newhart	Ian Newhart	Wayne Walker
6/21	Brett & Ronnette Peden	Mark Newhart	Ian Newhart	Coralee Judge
6/28	Wilma Howe	Mark Newhart	Ian Newhart	Vicki Hastings

Blue Jean Service 11:00 a.m.

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Children's Church</u>
6/7	Park Service		
6/14	Vicki Hastings	Rene' Kemmerer	Elaine Simon
6/21	Tom & Elaine Simon	Rene' Kemmerer	Trish McDonnell
6/28	Jim, Cindi, & Hattie Cullom	Rene' Kemmerer	Traci Patton

Attendance & Offering

<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Attend.</u>	<u>Sun. School</u>	<u>Gen. Fund Offering</u>
3/29	94	Combined	\$3,011
4/5	128	65	\$3,920
4/9	42	Maunday Thursday	
4/10	95	Good Friday	
4/12	192	Easter-combined	\$3,577
4/19	110	58	\$3,003
4/26	128	52	\$2,385

June Birthdays

6/3	Jasmine Cavender	6/23	Brett Peden
6/12	Heather Koning	6/24	Dania Remaly
6/13	Sandy Reddix	6/25	John Harden
6/14	Jade Kas	6/25	Sam Waugh
6/14	Ian Newhart	6/26	Ronnette Peden
6/16	Wes Cullom	6/27	Dale Ward
6/17	Perry Skiles	6/28	Joanne Dellinger
6/21	Andrea Burke	6/28	Sherry Gouvan

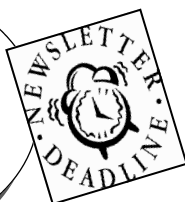
*General Fund Offering does not include money designated to specific funds, groups or activities.

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

June Wedding Anniversaries

6/2	Dave & Mary Alys Hummel	6/16	Randy & Rita Cornell
6/10	Dave & Ginny Miller	6/17	Jerry & Barb Seager
6/11	Gene & Linda Marshall	6/22	Don & Nancy Spray
6/11	Tom & Kellie Simon, Jr.	6/23	Frank & Marie Myers
6/12	Terry & Amy Thayer	6/25	Jim & Becky Humrickhouse
6/12	Travis & Reanna Fultz	6/27	Ed & Janet Fisher
6/14	Bill & Mary Fultz	6/28	Paul & Sandy Reddix

**Submission
Deadline: 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
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Sunday Worship Services
Traditional 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Blue Jean/Contemporary 11 a.m.

The Craft Ladies of the
United Methodist Church
have made a comforter that
will be won by some lucky
person during the Mulberry
Fest Activities on Saturday
June 6th. Come on uptown
and join in the fun!

UMW Cake Walk
June 6th
Donate a cake! Walk to win a cake ☺
Look for us at the Mulberry Fest uptown!

June 2009