



From Dave's Desk...

An important event is taking place beginning October 18th. Confirmation Class for the 2009-10 year will start then and is open to those youth in 8th through 11th grades. This is a significant step in the spiritual lives of our youth. This is also fulfillment of the promise we made to each of these youth at their baptism.

During their baptism service we were asked:

“Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?”

We answered:

“With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.”

We will offer a six-month course that deals with topics such as “What is a Christian?” We are a people of “The Book,” Why do bad things happen to good people?, What is biblical “belief”, obedience, and righteousness? What specifically do United Methodists believe?

I will be leading the classes with Mary Alys assisting. Videos, handouts, discussions, and field trips will all be a part of these sessions. We will be meeting

in the parsonage during Sunday School hour from 9:55 -10:50 a.m.

Some of you may be asked to be mentors for a confirmand. Spending some time with a youth and sharing how you serve God will be very meaningful to them. This not only helps fulfill the vows we took at their baptism, but also helps build the bonds of relationships within our congregation and spanning different age groups. What a way to build the body of Christ!

The class will end with a Confirmation service on a Sunday morning. The mentors and parents will come forward as each confirmand is asked the same questions their parents were asked at the child’s baptism. They answer now for themselves and acknowledge that they want to be a part of the church. Holy Oil is used as a sign of the covenant and with the laying on of hands and prayer they are confirmed. They become members of the body of Christ – the Church and members of our congregation. I look forward to this special time together.

Following the service is a Confirmation dinner. Each confirmand gets to invite whomever they want to sit at their table setting for a big dinner. The entire church family is invited to attend this dinner as we celebrate this spiritual rite of passage for our youth.

Pastor Dave

Worship This Month

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| 4th: Communion-Job 1:1; 2:1-10 | “Bad Things Happen!” |
| 11th: Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Hebrews 4:12-16 | “Hidden In Plain Sight” |
| 18th: Job 38:1-7, 34-41 Hebrews 5:1-10 | “Hopelessly Hopeful” |
| 25th: Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Hebrews 7:23-28 | “You Can’t Even Dream It!” |

Bible Study on the Book of Revelation

Beginning on Tuesday, October 6th at 7 p.m. and Wednesday, October 7 at 10 a.m. we will begin a study on the Book of Revelation. We will be using both the Bible and the book entitled "Breaking the Code-Understanding the Book of Revelation" by Bruce Metzger. This will be an eight week session and you can sign up for Tuesday evenings or Wednesday mornings. **Please NOTE this Bible Study will be at ABBA'S PLACE on Tuesday evening.**



New Classes

Lay Speaker Classes

November 14th 21st Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at West Lafayette UMC. The basic class and another one will be taught. Contact Pastor Dave for more information.



Greetings from Wee Blessings!

We are so excited about all the new changes that happened at Wee Blessings! We now offer an Enrichment Class which is for three and four year olds. The class meets two days a week on Wednesday and Friday mornings. We have 8 threes and 6 fours! Donna and Mary Kay are the teachers for that class and they have so many exciting activities planned for the upcoming year! This class will be a lot of hands on...cooking, science projects, plays, as well as working on letters, colors, numbers, rhymes, art, and of course our Bible stories and Bible verses!

We now have a PreK class for four year olds. This class meets on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. Patty and Mary Kay are the teachers for the PreK class. This class will focus on getting the children ready for kindergarten. We will be working on learning our letters, numbers, writing our names, using upper and lower case letters, two/three part patterns, learning a new rhyme every week, our Bible verses and of course doing our art work!

Please stop by the class anytime...the children are amazing and such a joy to have in class! We know you would enjoy your visit!

God Bless Each of You,
Patty, Donna and Mary Kay

UMW Dinner Served

Many thanks to the United Methodist Women who helped prepare and serve a luncheon in September. Those who provided salads and desserts were: Wilma Howe, Patty Wright, Nancy Doyle, Wilma Fultz, Pat Weber, Coralee Judge, Rene Kemmerer, Sue Golden, Linda Marshall, Elaine Simon, Sandy Seager, Vicki Hastings, Ronnette Peden, and Rita Cornell. Also thanks to Roger Lewis and Lora Layton who donated extra desserts. Those who worked in the kitchen were Sue Golden, Wilma Howe, Barb Seager and Betty Skiles. The Humrickhouse family was most appreciative.



Funeral Meals

United Methodist Women

On September 4th, the Mulberry United Methodist Women met at Abba's for a scavenger hunt. We left Abba's, following Bible verses with hints and clues that lead us to several stops. We ended up at Cindi Cullom's house for our business meeting and ice cream sundaes! It was a wonderful time of special fellowship with our sisters in Christ. Plus we also got some work done! Please join us on **October 1st at 7:00 pm for our next meeting. We will meet at the church to carpool** as Vicki Hastings will be hosting the meeting at her home with Deb Schutz speaking on missions. All women are welcome!



October has gotten here so fast! As usual, we celebrate Pastor Appreciation this month. While we prepare for the changing of the season and closing of the year we tend to look back. We have had an interesting time with Pastor Dave and Mary Alys. Worship services, Bible studies, new members take in, Jokes better left forgotten...

But let's remember the hard work and dedication that we, as a church body have received through the ministering of Pastor Dave and Mary Alys. The genuine care and generosity of time and wisdom they both have given is more than just a job. Through their true calling to minister in the name of Jesus we have received more than expected. So take time to let them know we noticed.

Let them know they are appreciated, needed, and cared for. Take time to send a note, take them to dinner, invite them over, give them a call. Anonymous gifts are acceptable too. Just be sure to serve them in some small way.

Volunteer Opportunities

Impact at Abba's Place needs volunteers anytime during Tuesday and Thursday meetings from 3:30-5:30. Contact Coralee Judge at 296-2857.



Children's Church needs adults to sign up in the foyer to take kids to the basement during 2nd service. All materials are ready and waiting when you get there.

Acolyte at 1st service children 3rd grade and up to light and extinguish candles at the beginning and ending of service. See Vicki Hastings for more information.

Kids Under Construction

Our new year of "constructing" has begun and we are excited! Some changes have been made to our program as we "build" and "grow". This year we welcome two new directors: Jennifer Grayless will be directing KUC at the Church (grades K-3rd) and Wendy Simon will be directing KUC at ABBA's (grades 4th-6th). We are looking forward to a great year with the kids!

Please note some time changes for our evening schedule:

ABBA's Doors open: 5:15 p.m.
Dismissal: 6:45 p.m.

Church Doors open: 5:20 p.m.
Dismissal: 6:50 p.m.

COME SEE THE CHURCH LIBRARY—The MUMC Library is located in the J.O.Y. Sunday School Class Room. Quite a few years ago, Ellen Miller spent many hours preparing the donated books as they came in. People kept donating books and Ellen just kept on working as our Church Library grew. In a few years the books kept coming faster than Ellen could keep up with. Then Carol Nagy came to the rescue and worked very hard getting a newer system in place. In the last few weeks, several women of the Church spent every afternoon for a week and a half categorizing and sorting the books. Also labeling the shelves so it would be easier to find a book.

There is an instruction sheet on the wall by Book Case #1 to tell you procedure for taking out books. A few of the Categories are: Fiction, Funny, Study Books, Reference Books, and many more.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to : Ellen Miller, Carol Nagy, Jean Sutton, Esther Creamer, Carol Schaub, Jane Leak, and Coralee Judge.



Education Alert!!!

I wanted to thank everyone who helped make my 100th birthday a wonderful celebration for me. This is a birthday I will never forget thanks to each of you.

Lorie VanCamp

Thank you Pastor Dave and the entire congregation for your love, support and prayers in our time of need. Thank you also for the wonderful dinner. The food and cards brought us comfort too.

The Humrickhouse family



The men's Bible study group would like to thank everyone who brought a dish to the men's carry-in dinner. The food was wonderful and the fellowship was great. We served around 80 people and had a great time doing it. Thanks to all the men who helped and the ladies who made coffee and lemonade for us. It was a great time and fun was had by all.

We still meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 8:00 am. We are done by 9:00 am. Come and join us for food, fun and fellowship.

Thanks again,
The men's Bible study group.

KUC will begin September 30, 2009!!! We are so happy to announce that Jennifer Grayless will be the Director of KUC at the church and Wendy Simon will be the Director of KUC at Abbas! I know that this will be a great year for all the children and leaders! Thank you Jennifer and Wendy! I also want to thank Carol Nagy, Kathy Harden and Becki Farley for all they did last year! We appreciate so much your willingness to serve!

Trish McDonnell will be taking over the Children's sermons for second service. Thank you Trish!

Confirmation Classes will begin in October, they will meet during Sunday School and Pastor Dave has so been wonderful ideas for this class! It will be an exciting time for the youth at MUMC!

Lastly, we need volunteers to help provide meals to the youth group on Sunday nights. If you are interesting in providing a meat, a side dish, or dessert please contact Patty Wright at rdwright2@hotmail.com! We appreciate your willingness to help!

God Bless!

Patty Wright

Education Committee Chair

MISSION NEWS

Collecting Coats for Henderson Settlement.

Needed: New and gently used coats for the Appalachian Community.

All sizes, child and adult.

Collection tub in the hallway.

Return to Appalachia!

When: Sunday, October 25 to Saturday, October 31

What: Monday-Wednesday: Henderson Settlement work project

Thursday: Redbird Mission to help with Seniors Program

Friday: Kentucky Mountain Mission project/visit

Plus we will deliver the coats we collect.

Who: We will be joining a group with others from our Cluster.

Please let Deb Schutz know if you are interested!

Cost/person: About \$200 for lodging and meals (not including travel day meals).

Holiday Pie Sales Coming Soon!!

Sale dates: 9/20 to 11/8

Delivery: 11/21 & 11/22

Proceeds to Local Missions

ORDER YOUR PIES TODAY!!

AND A BIG THANKS TO ALL FOR THE 188+ PAIRS OF SHOES WE COLLECTED FOR HAITI!!!!!!

Mulberry United Methodist Church Administrative Council- August 10, 2009

In attendance: Pastor Dave, Becki Farley, Chris Waugh, Barb Seager, Deb Schutz, Betty Campbell, Nancy Doyle, John Harden, Steve Percy, Wendy Simon, and MaryLou Clendenning.

Pastor Dave lit the candle and Steve gave the devotional and led the meeting.

We reviewed the minutes from the July meeting. John motioned to have the minutes stand as read. The motion carried and the minutes stood as read.

Wendy – Finance. Wendy stepped us through the budget.

Barb - Bridge Builders. 48 cards were sent out. Budgeted money spent \$11.20. Donations by committee \$8.33.

Pastor Dave – Evangelism. Prayer walk is scheduled for September 13 from 3-5.

Deb - Missions. We will be collecting shoes through August. The shoes will be shipped sometime in September. In September, we will start collecting coats for the Henderson Settlement. We plan to deliver the coats to the Henderson Settlement later in the year. In 2010, we are planning an out of country mission trip. We have not determined the location but know that our mission will be some type of water filtration purification project.

Steve - UMM. We are continuing our study on Jerusalem. The men will be providing the meat for the carry-in after the combined service at the end of this month.

Barb - UMW. We prepared two funeral meals in one day which was also the same day as the rehearsal for a wedding. We will resume our meetings in September.

Nancy - Membership. We lost one member and added two. Our total membership is 227.

Wendy - Education. We have started lists on what the Sunday School classes are teaching as well as substitute teacher volunteers. This Sunday is promotion Sunday. Treats and certificates will be provided. VBS was a lot of fun and enjoyed by all.

Nancy - Trustees. We rented the house to Pat Simon and his family. The tower was fixed here at church. There is concern about the rose window as it needs some repair and the repairs most likely will be expensive. The carpets were cleaned and we are talking about putting down some new type of floor in the choir loft.

Steve – PPRC. We are having a meeting on September 16 at 7pm.

Memorials - no change.

MaryLou-cantata will be “A baby changes everything”. Practice will begin soon and she would like to have the books and CD’s that go along with the books already purchased and ready for use at the first practice. MaryLou is requesting that the ad council pay for 30 cantata books and the CD’s that go with the books due to the cantata not being included as part of their budget. MaryLou said that the choir members will reimburse the ad council. She said that in the past the congregation has also helped to provide funds for the cantata. \$418 is what is needed to purchase the cantata material. Barb made a motion that the 30 books and cd’s that go with the books be purchased. Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chris - Worship. Singing group will be coming the last Sunday of this month. We will be busy preparing for the fall and winter activities. The format of the second service has changed a bit. Positive comments on the changes have been received.

Betty attended the district women’s meeting at Pine Village. The next district women’s meeting will be on September 12 at Pine Village.

Barb – Wee Blessings. Wee Blessings continues to have students signing up for classes this fall.

Wendy – will continue to provide a summary of attendance on the back of the minutes. Wendy asked if memorial money could be used to purchase two new candelabras for use at weddings and special occasions. One is in ok shape other is not all in tact. Council requested that Wendy research the cost of replacing the candelabras and get back to us. Our stained glass windows are in need of repair. We need to consider future building plans before considering taking on an expensive project as replacing the stained glass windows. Nancy will mention the windows need some attention to the trustees.

Pastor Dave – The Charge Conference meeting will be on October 11 at Stockwell. Romney and Jackson Heights have been added to our cluster. Our cluster now consists of 6 churches. We will be having a meeting on September 27 to sign and approve/disapprove all the paperwork. We will still have our regular Ad Council meeting on September 14th. Confirmation class will begin in October.

Pastor Dave closed us in prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Becki Farley.

Worship Assistants

Communion Steward: Vicki Hastings

Traditional Service 8:45 a.m.

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

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Prayer w/ Pastor</i>
10/4	Linda Bennett	Matt Simon	TBA	Linda Bennett
10/11	Ron & Patty Wright	Matt Simon	TBA	Wayne Walker
10/18	Linda Bennett	Matt Simon	TBA	TBA
10/25	Randy & Rita Cornell	Matt Simon	TBA	Rita Cornell

Blue Jean Service 11:00 a.m.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Children's Church</i>
10/4	Deb Schutz	Newhart Family	No CC-Communion
10/11	Dania Remaly	Newhart Family	Becki Farley
10/18	Jon & Barb Paddack	Newhart Family	Carol Nagy
10/25	Perry & Betty Skiles	Newhart Family	Michelle Albitz

Attendance & Offering

<i>Date</i>	<i>Total Attend.</i>	<i>Sun. School</i>	<i>Gen. Fund Offering</i>
8/2	117	62	\$3074
8/9	115	50	\$2767
8/16	136	67	\$2616
8/23	110	57	\$1196
8/30	123	Combined Service	\$3090

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

October Birthdays

10/3	Travis Fultz	10/14	Mitchel Kraner
10/6	Mike Huffer	10/16	Vicki Hastings
10/6	Traci Patton	10/18	Evan Woods
10/6	Brett Simon	10/19	Frank Myers
10/7	Bill Fultz	10/23	Matthew Simon
10/7	Linda Marshall	10/23	Jordan Surber
10/8	Rita Cornell	10/26	Abbie Gascho
10/8	Elise Lenehan	10/27	Claire Schilling
10/12	Jonathan Hart	10/28	Kathy Townsley
10/12	Jean Sutton	10/30	Dana Burton
10/13	Kayla Scott		

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please call 296-3399

October Wedding Anniversaries

10/5	John & Cathy Harden	10/16	Shawn & Dana Burton
10/10	Ron & Patty Wright	10/27	Tony & Liz Stewart
10/11	Valerie & Matthew Bennett		

Newsletter
DEADLINE

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

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FOOD PANTRY
Walk-in Hours
October 27th Tues 6-7:30 p.m.
31st Sat 9-11 a.m.

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

October 2009

