

Building bridges to the
Families of Mulberry,
leading them to Christ and
Christian Commitment.

Messenger



November

MULBERRY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2007

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15TH

Pastor: David Hummel
Choir Director: Mary Lou Clendenning
Pianist: Esther Creamer
Organist: Angie Schilling
Custodian: Sarah Wilson
Nursery: Sherry Gouvan
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
Women's Bible Study: Tue at 6 am at the
Church
P.S. Jesus Women's
Study Group 7:15 pm Thursday
at Vickie Brose's house
Men's Bible Study 7 am 2nd & 4th Sat.

Wee Blessings Preschool:

Director & Teacher: Patty Wright
Teacher: Donna Kirkpatrick
Assistant Teacher: Mary Kay Finnerty

Church Office: (765) 296-3399
Pastor's Home: (765) 296-3390
Abba's Place: (765) 296-2090
Church Email: mlbymc@mintel.net
Web-site: www.mumc-in.org
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30-1:30

Stone Soup Food Pantry

If you or anyone you know is in need of food know that we try to handle everything in a confidential manner. Please feel free to call the church office at 296-3399.

The food pantry needs: **peanut butter, mac & cheese, canned fruit**

Please remember to check the dates before donating, we can not give out food past its date.

"If everyone gives just a little, there will be plenty for all"

Welcome to Pastor Dave and Mary Alys Hummel. I know that all of you will greet them with warmth and hospitality. We have had many changes and work going on in the church the last month or so. Everyone has come together and filled in where and when needed. All of you have been patient and kind to those working hard to keep things moving during this transition. We are all looking forward to working with Pastor Dave and getting to know Mary Alys.

I am very blessed to call this church home and work side by side with each one of you. Thank you for coming together and praying for the well being and work of Mulberry United Methodist Church.

Many blessings and prayers to each of you during this Christmas season.

*Wendy Simon
Administrative Assistant*



Balloon Launch Update

During Vacation Bible School this past summer balloons were released. A tag with the churches address was on each one. We have gotten 2 cards sent back!

One balloon went to Sue Gauin of Center Chapel UMC, Muncie, IN

The other one was found by 11 year old Isaiah Couch of Luray (near Muncie) IN Isaiah attends River Valley Nazarene Church.

Both were happy to find our balloons and send prayers our way.



Parent's Night Out!

On December 22, from 6-11:00 PM, drop your off your child(ren) at Abba's Place for a fun filled evening with the youth who are offering their babysitting and entertaining skills for only \$1 per child. Take advantage of this evening and treat yourself to dinner and a movie, last minute Christmas shopping, or whatever needs to be done during the busy Christmas season. Be sure to pull off a pull tab (one per child) from one of the fliers that will be posted around church to facilitate planning for the amount of snacks and youth we will need for the evening.

The youth are excited about this opportunity to give back to our congregation and spend time with the future youth of our church! Hope to see you and your child(ren) on December 22nd. :-)



December Birthdays

2 Marc Garriott	19 Bill Patton
3 Crysta Kas	20 Esther Creamer
6 Sandy Seager	21 Laura Brassie
6 Nancy Hart	23 Hanna Synesael
6 Angie Schilling	24 Christoph Weber
7 Eric Woods	25 Mary Lou Clendenning
8 Evelyn Troxel	
9 Claudia Timmons	27 Dick Howe
12 Bill Davis	30 Becky Humrickhouse
13 Rick Garriott	
15 Carol Nagy	30 Whitney Simon

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



The United Methodist Women

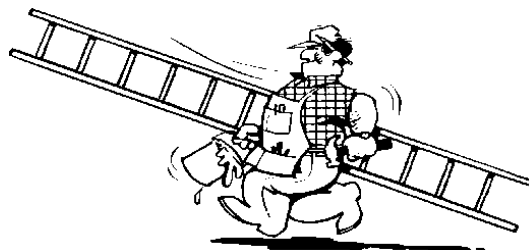
November was a great month for us. Great fellowship was had as we prepared for the Annual Boutique. With the finishing of the quilt, noodle making, and setting up the church. Like last year we had craft booths in the basement and upstairs in the classrooms. Putting together all the food and organizing the tables and making things run smoothly takes many. Thank you to all the people that spent the day in the kitchen, working at the bake sale table, This & That table, quilt/craft table. We would also like to thank everyone that supported this event by coming to the boutique with smiling faces to shop. Let's not forget "Becki the Clown", thanks Becki!

Vicki Hastings & Wendy Simon

EXTREME HOME MAKEOVER

I would like to thank the many people in our wonderful congregation who helped with getting the parsonage ready for the new pastor. Windows were washed, appliances cleaned, new carpet laid, wallpaper hung, blinds dusted and floors repaired. It was a major task but with the many hands working together, the job is done! And it looks great! All of you who had a hand in this makeover are so appreciated by the Trustee's for they could not have done it without the help of all who gave of their time and energy the last few weeks. The church family that works together, stays together. Thank you all again and again!!!

Jerry Fultz
Chairman, Trustee's



Missions Committee

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU from the Missions committee and all the recipients of your generous giving and support through out the year. Our fundraisers were so successful thanks to your generous support. All of our commitments for the year 2007 have been met and we were able to make many additional contributions. Mulberry United Methodist Church has made an impact locally as well as internationally and nationally through donations to the following organizations: Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti, Strong Missions in Costa Rica, Henderson Settlement in Kentucky, Indiana UM Children's Home in Lebanon, Wesley Foundation at Purdue, Habitat for Humanity of Clinton County, Pregnancy Resource Center and Rainbow Haven in Frankfort, and our own Kids' Club, Youth Group, and Food Pantry.

We hope to continue these commitments in 2008, as well as adding support for the Abba's After School Program. Again we thank you for your generous support.

Also, a BIG THANK YOU to MATT SIMON for selling 107 pies! You are the PIE MAN!

Next meeting scheduled for January 21, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Submitted by *Deb Schutz*



Wee Blessings Preschool



The beauty of fall has come to Wee Blessings! Our room is full of colorful wreaths, pumpkins, turkeys and pilgrims! There are also the letters E, F, G hanging all over our room. Or you may have noticed Humpty Dumpty sitting on the wall! Needless to say, the children have been very busy over the last four weeks!

Donna, Mary Kay and I would like to thank all the parents that helped with our fall parties. The children had fun playing musical chairs, hot pumpkin, and pinning the tail on the jack-o-lantern. We appreciate all the treats that were given; the children loved them!

Our Thanksgiving Feast was November 19th and 21st. We busily made headbands, placemats and napkin rings!

In the coming month we will be working on letters, writing our names, and learning telephone numbers, colors and shapes. We will also be learning new Bible verses, the Christmas story, songs, finger plays and rhymes. The four year olds will be performing at the Mulberry Retirement Home on Monday, December 17th at 12:30. We are looking forward to a fun and rewarding month!

As always we would like to thank you for the continual support that you give Wee Blessings! Please come and visit our classes any time...we would love to see you!

God Bless,

Patty Wright

KIDS CLUB

On behalf of all the kids who participate in Kids Club at Church and at ABBA'S, we would like to say a huge "THANK YOU" to all the staff who help us weekly behind the scenes: Janie Garriott, Jane Leak, Wilma & Dick Howe, sandwich makers; Pat Weber, the "potato chip" lady, and Jerry Fultz, the "bread man". During our weekly Wednesday meetings: Jan & Jim Dyer and Steve & Julie Percy who do the registrations; Tom & Elaine Simon, Brett Peden and Linda Bennett who work in the kitchens; Dania Remaly and Rita Cornell who are in charge of music; and Becki Farley, Susie Kelsey, Deb Turner and Jean Hufford who teach the classes. We so appreciate each one's talent and dedication to our program. God Bless You ☺

Kids Club Directors

**Service Assistance
2008**

**Please see the sign up sheet in
the foyer or talk to Vicki
Hastings about serving as
Greeters, Worship Leader, or
Communion Steward during
the next year.**

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

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MUMC Vital Signs



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Oct 21		\$	\$	111	67
Oct 28		\$	\$	112	67
Nov 4		\$	\$	134	74
Nov 11		\$	\$	119	65
Nov 18		\$	\$	112	—

*Average Sunday Service Attendance as of 11/18: 135

Sorry for the incomplete report. All figures will be updated and included in the next newsletter. Thank you.

Thanks
for your participation

Did you know that the Craft Ladies make greeting cards?

This year consider buying your Christmas cards from the Craft Ladies. In the hallway check out the selection of religious or non-religious cards at 5 cards for \$1. You can't beat the price and know that all moneys go towards mission work done by the United Methodist Women.



