

## The Sights and Sounds of Christians

The basement of MUMC was recently filled with messy hands, floured tables and “oodles of noodles”. Above the sound of a cranking machine and mixers running rang peals of laughter as men and women came together to prepare for the upcoming Boutique. In the dining room were the faithful craft ladies working at finishing their “now famous” recycled cards which also would be sold at the boutique. The beautiful quilt was displayed for all to see and sore fingers to prove their labor of love for this project. Members of the congregation were busy at home creating delicious goodies for the bake sale and making a variety of items to add to the craft table. The “this ‘n’ that” room was opened up for those who ran out of time to bake-or-make and a perfect opportunity to not only clean house but make someone else’s day! A few days later delicious aromas wafted through the Church and outside as the kitchen workers baked cinnamon rolls and cooked vegetable soup. Ummm, yummy! The awaiting crowd *bounded* down the stairs as the doors opened for the 40th annual boutique. Not only was the room warm in temperature but warmth radiated as friends greeted friends and family as well as newcomers to this event. Lots of smiles, hugs, and “glad to see you” could be heard around the room. There was a variety of booths with other hand-made

items, some created by our own Church members. The festiveness of the decorations and music added to the ambiance. The end of the day saw a good kind of tired as those who worked hard were pleased with the outcome of the sharing and caring. It was a **great place** to drop by to join in the friendship of those who had the face of God shining in the glory of the day ☺

## Boutique News

Many Thanks to ALL who helped to make our boutique successful: from those who helped prior to the event to those who worked that day and especially those who stayed to clean up! Our day went well because of y-o-u ☺ The profit this year was: \$2100!!!.

The United Methodist Women wish to say **THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** To Wendy Simon and Vicki Hastings who were the coordinators of this fun event!!

## Worship This Month

<b>6th:</b>	Communion-Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 3: 1-6	“Cleaned Up”
<b>13th:</b>	Philippians 4:4-7, Zephaniah 3:14-20	“Shout For Joy!”
<b>20th:</b>	<i>Combined Service</i>	Choir Cantata
<b>27:</b>	First Sunday of Christmas	To Be Announced

## MISSION NEWS

The Mission committee would like to thank all who have supported our endeavors this year. We have had a very successful year thanks to all of you.

We recently returned to Henderson Settlement and donated 65 coats to the Outreach Program to be distributed to those in need. We also delivered knick- knacks collected for the Thrift Store. While there we worked on several different projects including building a fence, working in the greenhouse and preservation kitchen, cleaning and organizing the Thrift Store overflow warehouse, and installing and painting new windows in a home in the community. Henderson Settlement provides a wonderful outreach to those in need in the area.

Thanks to all who ordered and sold pies. Over 220 pies were ordered, again a success with funds going to local missions.

After much discussion at our last meeting, our committee decided that now may not be the correct time to plan an out of country mission trip. Considering the economy and the needs here at home, we have decided to focus on a return work trip to Henderson Settlement in 2010 and perhaps a work trip to a Native American reservation in 2011. We hope to include youth and adults on the work teams. Planning is underway and we ask for your prayers for guidance in the upcoming year.

Again, we thank you for your support,  
Deb Schutz for Missions



## Greetings from Wee Blessings!

We hope that you are enjoying the beautiful weather and counting your blessings! During this busy season we hope that we all remember that we have much to be thankful for!

Wee Blessings would like to thank all the parents for the wonderful snacks, treat bags and volunteering to make our Fall Party so special for the children! I would also like to thank the parents of the PreK class for all the delicious food for our Thanksgiving Feast! The children loved dressing up as pilgrims and enjoying all of their favorite foods!

The Enrichment Class has been busy with writing their names, working on their Bible Verses, learning their colors, numbers, and letters. As well as doing lots of science projects and wonderful art projects! Donna and Mary K are doing a great job at making this class a rewarding experience for all the children.

The PreK Class has been busy learning their letters, Bible Verses, Nursery Rhymes, numbers, sequencing, writing their names using upper and lower case letters, art projects, and so much more.

In closing, please feel free to stop by our classes any time! We would love for you to come and help in our room! We wish each of you a wonderful Thanksgiving!

God Bless,  
Donna, MaryK and Patty

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### Something to think about...

Look back and thank God.  
Look forward and trust God.  
Look around and serve God.  
Look within and find God!"

God closes doors no man can open  
and God opens doors no man can close.

"To accomplish great things, we must dream as well as act"



## Thank you!

What a great time we had with family and friends who helped us celebrate a special day as “Clinton County Gems”! We appreciate all the cards and congrats we received. This Church holds a special place in our hearts ☺

Barb & Jerry Seager

## Thank you so much!

We thank everyone for the love and support you have shown my family during this difficult time. The illness and passing of my Step-Father would really have been so much worse had we not had our church family.

My mom, Janice appreciated the use of the wheelchair and kindness shown to the family.

You truly live as the body of Christ for all the world to see.

My eternal gratitude,  
Wendy Simon

## Birthday Open House

The family of Coralee Judge requests the honor of your presence Saturday, December 12th, 1 p.m.—4 p.m. at the MHRC Community Room to celebrate her birthday!!



The KUC kids at the Church have been learning about how the Bible is our roadmap for life. In the 1st unit we learned that the Bible is like a light, it shows us the way. It is like a sword as it teaches us right from wrong. It is also like a seed because it gets planted in our hearts. We have learned Bible verses, sung new songs, played games and collected items for Appalachia. The kids earned points by attending, bringing a friend, bringing their Bibles and learning the Bible verses. Those receiving prizes were Aaron Carson, Madison Cornell, Joey and Paul Curtin. Emily Waugh and Parker Grayless also each earned a Bible. Alexander Brettnacher and Brayden Hall each received a Bible and were recognized for perfect attendance. Good going everyone. ☺

At Abba's Place we learned about Heroes. Not just the speeding bullet, leap tall building heroes but Bible Heroes too. Like Moses leading people out of Egypt, or David facing Goliath. Discovering what qualities make someone a hero helped us to see we can be heroes too. With our music and activities we learned more about how God wants us to be heroes for others.

For a special night we all went to the park for a bonfire with hotdog roasting, s'more making, and games. Fun was had by all with the pumpkin bowling, Corn toss, and Hot Pumpkin.

Prizes were earned much the same as the kids at church with some special point earning opportunities too. One Bible was earned by Lindsey Steidle. Congratulations!

Together both groups collected 15 hats, 21 gloves, & 66 books for Henderson Settlement. Well done!

A huge THANKS to Ginny and Dave Miller for getting the box of collected items of hats, gloves and books delivered to the children of Appalachia! We appreciate their help in this project.

Kids Under Construction

## 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>
12/6	Jerry & Wilma Fultz	Rita Cornell		Mark Newhart
12/13	Claudia Timmons	Rita Cornell		Wayne Walker
12/20	Matt & Wendy Simon	Rita Cornell		
12/27	Pat Simon & Kids	Rita Cornell		

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

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Children's Church</i>
12/6	Steve & Julie Percy	Katherine Townsley	No C.C.
12/13	TBA	Katherine Townsley	Becki Farley
12/20	TBA	Katherine Townsley	Michelle Albitz
12/27	TBA	Katherine Townsley	

## Attendance & Offering

<i>Date</i>	<i>Total Attend.</i>	<i>Sun. School</i>	<i>Gen. Fund Offering</i>
10/4	98	58	\$2,328
10/11	88	52	\$2,576
10/18	97	42	\$2,654
10/25	102	41	\$2,867

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

## December Birthdays

12/1	Jacob Simon	12/15	Carol Nagy
12/2	Mark Garriott	12/19	Bill Patton
12/3	Crysta Kas	12/20	Esther Creamer
12/5	Sandy Seager	12/20	Coralee Judge
12/6	Nancy Hart	12/23	Hanna Synesael
12/6	Angie Schilling	12/24	Christoph Weber
12/9	Janet Fisher	12/25	Mary Lou Clendenning
12/9	Claudia Timmons	12/27	Dick Howe
12/12	Bill Davis	12/29	Diane Walker
12/12	Rick Garriott	12/30	Whitney Simon
12/15	Dan Nagy		

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

## December Wedding Anniversaries

12/2	Jerry & Becki Farley	12/21	Curley & Anne Myers
12/4	Ken & Barb Synesael	12/22	Matt & Wendy Simon
12/18	Tom & Elaine Simon		

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

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

December 2009



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**Community Christmas Eve Dinner**

**ALL are welcome!**

**December 24th • 3:30-5:30 p.m.**

**Mulberry United Methodist Church Basement**

**FREE**

**Bring family, friends, neighbors...**

**\*Sponsored by the Stone Soup Food Pantry**

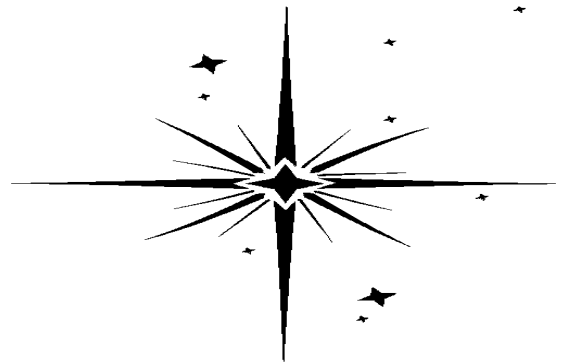
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**Sunday Worship Services**

**Traditional 8:45 a.m.**

**Sunday School 10 a.m.**

**Blue Jean/Contemporary 11 a.m.**



**Christmas Eve  
Thursday, December 24th**

**Candlelight Services  
6 & 8 p.m.**

**Bring BELLS for a special moment during  
worship.**

