

June 2010



# *the Messenger*

## *Evangelical United Methodist Church*

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### **Welcoming the new pastor**

Pastor Logan is encouraging all EUMC participants to welcome their new pastor, Rev. Mark Woodring, and his wife, Cathy, individually, as well as collectively. Although the Staff-Parish Relations Committee is planning a church welcome, individuals also need to extend Christian hospitality to Pastor Mark and his wife as strangers in a new community. Some suggestions might be:

- pray for him and his family during their difficult transition
- pop in to the parsonage for no more than five minutes during the first few days just to see if the family needs anything
- take the pastor for a tour around the area introducing him to community members and leaders
- get to know him and his story over a cup of coffee or a meal
- don't assume he knows the church's or community's traditions and values

In addition, Pastor Logan has made a covenant with Pastor Mark, in line with the Central Pennsylvania Conference's ministerial Code of Ethics, to never return to EUMC for any reason (that means no exceptions) to never initiate contact with a former parishioner for a period of at least one year to never entertain news, positive or negative, of the church or the new pastor from any former parishioner to totally break all pastor/parish ties with former parishioners.

Pastor Logan has been adamant about total breaks with former parishes in the thirty-two years of his pastoral ministry and has upheld all of the tenets of the conference's Ministerial Code of Ethics.

We all need to not only extend to Pastor Mark Christian hospitality, but to also give him an opportunity to be EUMC's new pastor.

### **Graduate Recognition Sunday**

On Sunday, June 6 during the morning worship service we will be honoring graduates of High School, Colleges and Universities, and Graduate School. Please contact the church office 944-6181 with information about your graduate(s) by Sunday, May 30.

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

The children of Rev. James and Nancy Williams cordially invite you to participate in the joyous 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary open house to be held on June 6, 2010 from 2 – 4 p. m. at Mt. Nittany United Methodist Church, 1500 East Branch Road in State College, PA. No gifts please, your presence is gift enough.

### **UMW Rose Breakfast**

The United Methodist Women's Rose breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 19 at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday, June 13.

## ***Second Mile Lunches***

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring the Second Mile lunches at Hersheypark. The date is Tuesday, June 15. We will meet in the church kitchen at 9 a.m. to pack the lunches. Sign up sheets to help make the lunches and/or donate food items are posted on the bulletin board. Please bring all food items to the church kitchen on or before Sunday, June 13.

## ***Evangelical/Wesley Co-Op Picnic***

The Evangelical/Wesley Cooperative picnic will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Sunday, June 27 at Hoffer Park. Hot dogs and drink will be provided. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish and place settings.

Entertainment will be a slide show entitled "Birds, Butterflies & Critters" presented by Terry Neumyer. Come! Have some fun!! Any questions – call Bill Harris, 944-5187. Look for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

## ***God's Clothes Closet***

God's Clothes Closet is scheduled for August 7, from 8 to 12. As you begin your spring cleaning, please save any good used clothing (including shoes, hats, coats) and linens for us. We will need all sizes from babies through men's and women's. If possible, separate children's clothing from adults and mark the bags accordingly. Also, we need quite a few of God's helpers getting ready and on August 7. Please put the date on your calendar and plan to join us.

## ***What's In An Apple?***

The Senior group knows! A really beautiful day was enjoyed by all on the trip to Adam's county, Tuesday, May 6. The apple blossoms were about over but the rest of God's wonders were all around us. Bug, bees, and humans all working together with Him to produce some of Pa's finest!!!

## ***Council News***

Pastor Logan reported the annual conference will be held a bit differently this year. On June 4-5, it will be held at Messiah College as our Central Pennsylvania Conference to prepare for the joining of the Wyoming Conference. On June 12 the conference will be at Williamsport with the Wyoming Conference. On September 11, the two conferences will be merged to become the Susquehanna Conference.

John Burkholder reported the 2010 Harrisburg District Urban Work Camp will be held July 11-16.

Please be reminded of the change in E.U.M.'s e-mail address. It is now [eumch@comcast.net](mailto:eumch@comcast.net).

The Christian Education Committee reported some new changes for the Sunday School periods this summer. Come on in and try these new experiences!! Who knows you just might find out what you have been missing!

Mission and Outreach are still excited about our new church brochures and the up-coming concert in June. (Three Days Blind)

Put the Wesley-E.U.M. annual picnic date on your calendar---June 27. Good food, good friends, good times for all!

## ***View from the Choir Loft...***

Some sunny Sunday morning I wish you all could sit in the loft with us and see the beauty of the morning sun streaming in through the back windows of the sanctuary. The cherub's cheeks glow with God's light and you can almost feel the heat from the flames of the burning bush. The only time more lovely and reassuring is in the evening at choir rehearsal when the Crown and Cross are filled with the light of His glory and promise.

## **Thank You**

Dear Church Family, Many thanks for your love and care over the past 4 months. Words cannot express my appreciation for all the prayers, food, visits, cards, calls, etc. I know Jesus and his angels came to me in many ways. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Again many thanks. Sincerely, Evelyn Reese.

## **Bucket Reminder**

Your bucket is 6 months along. How is it doing? Have you been faithful in its care and feeding? Count your blessings....Name them one by one!! Are you half full or half empty?

## **June Lay Visitors**

During June, the following persons from the Lay Visitation Committee will visit shut-in members of our church: Bill and Alberta Harris.

The following shut-in will celebrate his birthday in June:

June 21 – Mr. Robert Smith  
Frey Village #103  
1020 North Union Street  
Middletown, PA 17057

## **Giant and Karns Gift Cards**

The church offers gift cards for both grocery stores. You can purchase your groceries at either store. At Giant you can also purchase gasoline and prescription drugs with your gift card. Each store rebates 5% of the sales to the church. It's a win/win situation for the church and you. The past 2 years we have earned \$4,300.00 in rebates. That goes a long way in helping meet our financial needs.

## **Emergencies Prayer List for May**

Katie Atticks	Andrew & Helen
Gerald Carpentier	Lutzkanin
Logan Cassner	Delores Mortimore
Erin & Ben Gingrich	William Mortimore, Jr.
Ann Green	Pam Naples
Amber Herr	Jack O'Donnell
Bob Hollabaugh	John Rishar, Jr.
Shannon Laverty	Dave Shellenhamer
Paulette Linn	Jack Waag
Paul Lubic	

## **Attendance Report for April 2010**

	Worship	Sunday School
April 4	163	43
April 11	118	36
April 18	126	43
April 25	121	36
Total	132	40

## **Receipts Report for April 2010**

Weekly Envelopes .....	\$10,610.00
Plate Offering .....	515.00
Church School.....	193.00
Communion Envelopes.....	304.00
Initial Offering .....	4.00
Lenten Offering.....	970.00
Red Bird Mission .....	131.00
Church Improvement Fund.....	469.00
Cornerstone Project.....	1,050.00
Electronic Giving.....	1,601.50
Concert.....	500.00
Bulletin Sponsors .....	20.00
Vacation Bible School .....	10.00
Use of Hall .....	30.00
Easter Lilies .....	434.50
Cans.....	8.00
Gift Cards.....	292.50
Maundy Thursday .....	320.00
Total.....	\$17,522.50



## ***Worship Servants for May***

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Acolytes</u></b>	<b><u>Bible Bearer</u></b>	<b><u>Nursery</u></b>	<b><u>Greeters</u></b>
May 2			Gloria Clouser, Vickie & Jackie Hubbard	
May 9			Ethel Angeloff, Mike Harris	
May 16			Deb Lidle, Joyce Moyer	
May 23			Traci Bernstein Michelle Strohecker	
May 30			Lynn Fallinger, Kim Schlicher	

