



May 2010

the Messenger

Evangelical United Methodist Church

CROP Walk

The Second Annual CROP Walk will be Sunday, May 2 at 2 p.m. Anyone interested in walking please see Kim Schlicher for more information. If you haven't been asked and would like to donate money towards this cause see Kara Miller, Broghan Schlicher or Brynne Schlicher. Last year the Middletown Food Pantry received \$1,044.28. The churches would like to give more this year. Evangelical had eight walkers last year and the youth have a goal to double that number this year. We are praying for great weather! So please feel free to come out and join the youth for a terrific cause. Pray for the safety and success of this community ministry.

Senior Fellowship

On May 4 the Senior Fellowship is sponsoring a trip to Adams County to tour the National Apple Museum (\$1.75); lunch at the Apple Bin (buy your own); a stop at Hollabaugh Brothers Fruit Farm and Market (\$5.00). The Hollabaugh tour includes seeing an active bee hive, a tractor driven wagon ride through the orchards, a trip to the cold storage, and sampling some apple cider. You will also have time to shop in the farm market. The apple blossoms should be in full bloom at that time. We will leave the church at 9 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. If interested, please sign up on the bulletin board and give your \$6.75 to Louise by May 2.

Community concert to benefit Human Needs Fund

A Middletown community choral concert will be held Sunday, May 23 at 4 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Spring and Union Streets. The concert will feature singers from various churches of Middletown singing a wide range of sacred and some secular music.

A cash offering will also be taken to benefit the Middletown Interfaith Human Needs Fund. The fund assists those of Middletown who seek help paying their rent, utilities and other life survival needs.

If you are a singer who would like to be part of this event, you can contact the concert coordinator Shirley Newhart at 439-3043 for further information.

If you cannot attend the concert but would be interested in making a donation for the Human Needs fund, checks can be made payable to the Middletown Human Needs Fund and sent to Rev. Donald E. Potter, The Presbyterian Congregation, Union and Water Streets, Middletown PA 17057.

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.

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.

Council Notes from March

Jesse Stowell visited our meeting to introduce us to his work for the Intervarsity Program at Penn State Capital Campus. He is speaking to the churches in the area to gain support for this Christian outreach – both financial and by our prayers.

New church brochures are on their way to the graphic artist for a finalization and then to be printed. Good job all who were involved!

Our new Pastor Mark Woodring and his wife, Kathy will arrive here July 1. Pastor Logan will continue to serve us until then.

Vacation Bible School plans are underway (see attached flyer).

Irv Strohecker reports the budget is holding, but with summer approaching please don't forget the Lords house doesn't take a vacation. We still need everyone's support to continue to supply our needs.

Please schedule your events with the church secretary as soon as you know about them!
Conflicts have been occurring on a regular basis.
We want our family to use our facilities but we need your co-operation in the scheduling of events. Thank you for your help.

Aluminum Cans

Another recycling program that helps support our church. Our financial need is great and your help is needed.

View from the Choir Loft...

I wanted to write a bl__b about y__r Senior Choir at our ch__ch. For one h__r every week, we put all the press__es of the world aside, and t__n o__ attention to the One who end__es all of o__ sins and fail__es. In ret__n, we po__ all we have into __r a__al gift for the Lord. Whether you are b__ ly or dem__e, an amate__ or a pro, a n__se or a jo__ _nalist, mat__e or have a c__few, we would like to invite all ch__chgoers to be a fixt__e in our choir. We think you would be a nat__al! Won't you join us on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30. We can ass__e that you will have an evening of immeas__able joy, and we hope you conc___. In ret__n we hope you will become a fixt__e in the fut__e of our choir.

By now you have fig__ed out and end__ed the p__ _pose of this article. What is missing from this article and from the choir?

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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.

Movie Night

The first Friday of each month is movie night. Each month a family oriented movie is shown in fellowship hall. The movie is free and so is the popcorn and treats. The program is open to everyone, members as well as none members. Invite your families, neighbors and friends for a night out at the movies.

May Lay Visitors

During May, the following persons from the Lay Visitation Committee will visit shut-in members of our church: Donna Killian and Mary Woods.

Emergencies Prayer List for May

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

Attendance Report for March 2010

	Worship	Sunday School
March 7	128	37
March 14	117	32
March 21	124	33
March 28	143	36
Total	128	35

Receipts Report for March 2010

Weekly Envelopes	\$11,665.00
Plate Offering.....	430.00
Church School.....	162.04
Communion Envelopes.....	298.00
Initial Offering	8.00
Heat Offering	27.00
Lenten Offering.....	255.00
Red Bird Mission	207.00
Church Improvement Fund.....	381.00
Cornerstone Project.....	550.00
Electronic Giving	626.25
Bulletin Sponsors	80.00
Chile Emergency.....	100.00
Use of Hall	100.00
Calendar Money.....	5.00
Gift Cards.....	300.00
Total.....	\$15,194.29

Worship Servants for May

<u>Date</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Bible Bearer</u>	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
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	

