



July/August 2010



Greetings in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord,

What shall we do for the summer???

I know that most of you are thinking, doesn't he have his daughter's wedding this summer? Isn't that enough? Well yes on a personal level it certainly is!

However, I was referring to preaching and what I might do as a summer sermon series. Over the years we've done books, hymns, great women of the Bible, kings, parables, The Lord's Prayer and so on.

I have spent a good deal of time thinking and praying about what direction I would like to take this summer. I wanted something that had some meat to it. Yet something that everyone would get something out of. A series where you could miss a couple of Sundays (and only a couple!) and not feel lost. Yet a theme that had

passion, mystery and life lessons for all. Finally, quite accidentally I came to it, or I should say—him.

Joseph! a story that is familiar to many yet full of new insights. A series that offers suspense, plot twists, reconciliation and eternal truths! With themes from thousands of years ago that still ring true for us in today's world. There was even a musical made out of it.

So I invite you to join me this summer as we uncover the story of Joseph: His ups and downs; His dreams and despair. We will see how God can work in our lives just like he did in Joseph's.

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bob

Summer Worship Schedule

8:30 Contemporary Service

10:15 Traditional Service

The start time for the second service will be 10:15 during the months of July and August. There will also only be one coffee hour between services.



**Remember
in
Prayer**

Please pray this week for our members: Barbara Bates, John Beck, Gladys Bierce, Catherine Carroll, Cathy Cimorelli, Blanche Cole, Janet Croushore, Margarette Dillinger, Eric Eichenhofer, Jean Glass, Gretchen Gould, Emily Griess, Al Hammell, Jr., Pam Harris, Dana Jones, Danny Jones, Joe Micholoski, Doris Snitzler, Pat Taylor and Phyllis and Bob Wagner.

Please keep friends of our church in your prayers: Al Hammell, Jr. Kelvin Arden, Ron Brodie, Bertha Brown, Don Davis, Gerald Everett, Geraldine Everett, Jason Fedish, Irene Feller, Tim Hart, Bob Jarvie, Scott Kammerzell, Helen Morey, Dot Neville, Diane Platt-Keil, Judy Pugliese, Morag Richards, Icilene Smith, Barbara Stickter and Tag Thayer.



*With
Sympathy*

Hans Mueller passed away on May 20. He was a World War II veteran. We send our sympathy to his family and friends.

We send our sincere regrets to Richard and Polly James. Their son, **Andrew James**, died on June 14.

July/August Calendar

Tuesdays at 9:00 am - Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:30 am—Prayers and Communion

Thursdays at 3:00 pm - Collate Bulletin

Fridays at 11:00 am - Pastor's Bible Study

Mon, July 5 Office closed	Fri, July 16 12:00 pm End of VBS 7:00 pm TGIF	Fri, July 30 Mexico Mission Trip
Tues, July 6 7:00 pm Trustees	Sun, July 18 10:00 am Bridge Builders	Mon, August 2 Bridge Builders Camp starts
Sat, June 12 8:30 am Men's Breakfast	Tues, July 20 7:00 pm SPR	Wed, August 11 Deadline for Sept. Journey
Sun, July 11 10:00 am Bridge Builders	Wed, July 28 7:00 pm Bridge Builders	Fri, August 20 8:00 am Collate Journey 7:00 pm TGIF
Mon, July 12 4:00 pm 2nd Hand Rose 9:00 am Start of VBS		



United Methodist Women

2010 Fall Bazaar - Saturday, October 23 !!!

Our very successful theme, centered around "harvest time" will be continued this fall. It was lovely and so why change?? However, now it's summer and time to relax and maybe work on any crafts and projects that would be great for our "theme". It is months away, but October sneaks up on us so quickly!! Here are wonderful crafts we would like!

Quilted items All types are popular

Aprons Holiday fabrics (fall and Christmas) sell well and fabrics that are "unusual" for other times of the year.

Pillows Especially medium-size, well stuffed, kids type with pockets on or for the car.

Afghans (knit or crochet) - baby size, lap size or larger

Mitten & Hats With designs so that they are different from store purchased items.

Stuffed Animals Made from unusual material with added embroidery & outfits. Adults will buy these for themselves or as gifts.

For ideas or questions, please call Wanda Traver (471-1344)

Holiday Decorations We will still have our "Holiday Boutique". All types of items that would be suitable for Fall, Thanksgiving or Christmas.

Great sellers are antique or small tree ornaments. Unique Christmas items. When you are cleaning out or down-sizing, please think of us!!

Call Gladys Bierce (463-6143) with questions!

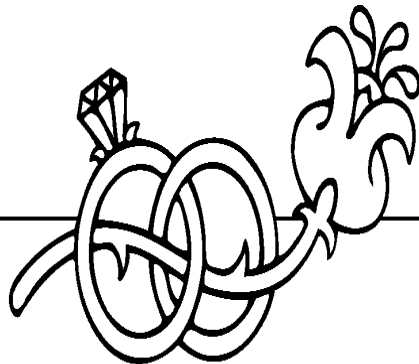
Gift bags of all sizes. (the kind that you receive from boutiques or better stores!)

Also, please save any lovely items that we could use in our "New to You" room, i.e. jewelry, note paper, fancy soaps, candles, gifts sets, lovely dishes, vases etc.

Call Geri Hoernes (462-2316) with questions!

"Thank Banks" - an additional way we give to missions is by collecting our coins over the summer. If you don't have a "thank box" any jar will do! Every gift is appreciated! We will dedicate these funds at our Fall meeting.

Thank you to all of you that put together "Health Kits for Haiti" Pastor Bob took 28 kits to Conference for us. 3,000 we collected at conference and 13,000 in all from our NY Conference were sent to Haiti.



The Poughkeepsie UMC family and friends are cordially invited to a reception honoring the wedding of:

Alicia Thompson-Gee and Paul Seling
(July 2nd in Wooster, Ohio)

Saturday, July 31, 2010

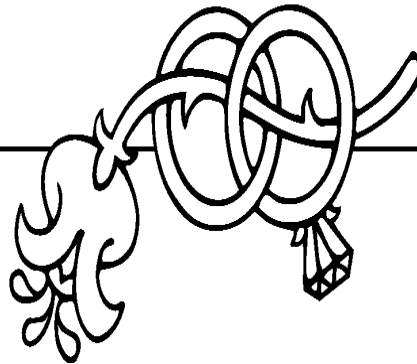
3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

4:00 pm - Blessing of the Wedding Vows

Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall

RSVP on the sign up sheet outside Fellowship Hall or
frances.tgee@gmail.com

While your "presence" is gladly "present" on this joyous occasion, some have inquired about registry info: Alicia Thompson-Gee and Paul Seling are registered at Macy's, Bed, Bath & Beyond, and Target.





From the Church Liaison for Love In the Name of Christ

A huge thank you to all who donated to and/or participated in the Mid-Hudson Love INC Auction on June 5th. Over \$3000 was raised to be used to mobilize the Church in the Mid-Hudson Region to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ. Now that the lazy hazy days of summer are upon us and begin to distress and enjoy our families, the needs at Mid-Hudson Love INC continue. There are several ways you and your family can help this summer without a huge financial expense or time commitment.

1. Bedding needs continue. We now have our Bedding Ministry housed at Immanuel Church. As you clean out your linen closet and discover items you no longer use, please consider donating them to the Bedding Ministry. Items in great need include: All sizes and types of sheets, towels, and blankets. Please wash all donated items and mark the sizes of the sheets and place each set in a plastic bag – PLEASE.

2. The Personal Care Pantry is in constant need of being restocked. They average over 15 deliveries each week. Items needed include: Toiletries, paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, tampons, sanitary napkins, brushes, combs, dish soap laundry detergent.

3. Loose Change Collection is being suggested this summer and all proceeds will go to Mid-Hudson Love INC to assist their ability to provide for the families of the Mid-Hudson region who are in need. Please find a container and leave it on your counter and collect your loose pocket change. Please bring the container to church on September 12th.

I will put collection boxes into Fellowship Hall clearly marked for Mid-Hudson Love INC Bedding Ministry and Mid-Hudson Love INC Personal Care Ministry. Feel free to place your donations into the appropriate boxes. If you are in need of a donation receipt, place a request with your name and address into the box and I will get a tax donation form to you. I will then take care of delivering the collected items to the churches that house the ministries.

On September 12th, I will be in the Narthex before each service collecting your loose change you've collected during the summer months.

Together we CAN make a huge difference to those less fortunate in the Mid-Hudson region. Thank you in advance.

Feel free to contact me at 914-474-2605 or by e-mail me at nmatzek@verizon.net.

Nancy Matzek



I want to thank the congregation for the prayers, get well cards, and the visits I received while in the hospital and at Wingate for rehabilitation. Now I am back home and am able to resume a normal life. Thanks again to all of you.

Ray Bierce.

UMW would like to say thank you to all our *officers* who work so hard during the program year. *Carla Vinson* and *Gladys Bierce* do an outstanding job of finding new programs to spark our interest. *Joyce Norman* always finds needy outreach ideas for us. *Beth Borchert* continue to coordinate the young moms group with much success. *Circle leaders and UMW chairs* keep us focused in mission. We are so blessed to have one another!

Polly and Dick James send their thanks for the outpouring of prayer and love for us and our families upon the death of our son, Andrew Richard James. And to Pastor Bob- you have been such a comfort and source of strength! God's richest blessings on you and the whole PUMC family!

On behalf of the veterans at the Castle Point Campus, VA Hudson Valley Health Care System, I would like to thanks the members of the United Methodist Church for the donations of food and puzzles. The food was placed in the Food Pantry and the puzzled were sent the Recreation Department for free distribution to our needy veterans.

Yvette Rodrigues,
Volunteer Services



Congratulations to out graduates.

High School: Ashley Krieger and Shannon

Marie Owen

College: Amy Belzer, Tiffany Fidlerm Kelly Jena Leigh, Josh Little, Bridget MArrine, Megan Smith, Alicia Thompson-Gee

bridge builders

**Youth Camp
August 2 - 6, 2010**

5-days and 4-nights with youth from across Dutchess County to make a difference in our community! Serving, caring for people with needs, and opportunities to be an agent of Jesus' love-in-action throughout the Mid-Hudson Valley!

Bridge Builders includes:

- Daily outreach and service to local sites within the Poughkeepsie area
- Community, Fellowship and Fun!
- Going deeper with God through worshipping together
- Guest speakers and music worship band
- Bible study and devotion time
- Special activities and free time
- Supervised overnight accommodations at PUMC

The GOAL of Bridge Builders:

...to impact the local community by meeting needs through the power and love of Jesus Christ and to grow in faith through fellowship, worship and acts of mercy.

Bridge Builders needs:

Adult help for a variety of opportunities spanning the entire week or for an hour or two, including:

- Transportation vehicles and drivers -- contact Sherm Lockard at (845) 229-7274 or grandpasherm@optonline.net
- Kitchen help with food prep, serving and cleaning up meals, go-fers to grocery store -- contact Anne Ciraulo at (845) 462-5582 or bobeepbeep@hotmail.com
- Full-time ministry track leaders
- Part-time nursing coverage
- Part-time site and facility administration, e.g. chair movers, security, chaperone, etc

For more information, contact Bob Ciraulo: (845)462-5582 or gospelfool@hotmail.com

Sunday School Healing Prayer Class

How about taking the plunge and joining an Adult Sunday School Class this Fall? A special class on School of Healing Prayer Level I is just for you. It will take place during Sunday School hour during the fall session led by our very own Healing Prayer Team. You do NOT have to join a healing prayer team at any time to participate. This is a great way to dip your toe in the water and learn more about healing prayer following the excellent work of Francis MacNutt, a highly respected teacher and communicator on healing prayer.

The School of Healing Prayer® is designed to teach individuals, churches, prayer groups and other Christian organizations about healing prayer. Level I prayer training course includes a foundational, balanced and practical approach to a prayer ministry. This course offers a scriptural basis for

God's gift of healing and prayer for healing, and it teaches us how to effectively minister prayer for healing within a Biblical framework.

Level I Topics:

- Scriptural Foundations for Healing
- Baptism in the Holy Spirit
- Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- History of Healing in the Church
- Becoming a Prayer Minister
- Healing Our Image of God
- Four Types of Healing
- Conducting the Initial Interview
- Praying for Physical Healing
- Developing Prayer Teams
- Introduction to Inner Healing
- Introduction to Deliverance Prayer
- The Healing Power of Forgiveness

We would like to increase our Healing Prayer Ministry by learning together about healing prayer. Will you come?



Ann and Dean Kostas are the proud parents of Zachary. Dean is also the father of Angela, 17 and Billy, 14. She is a practicing nurse and a native of Poughkeepsie. He has worked in the Financial Services area for 21 years.

Sue and Ed Parker have three children; Chris, Jonathan, and Carlee. They were members of Hyde Park UMC for 18 years. Ed is a print specialist for Dolce Printing, and Sue is a Special Ed. teaching assistant. They enjoy camping together.

Chris Parker recently graduated from Arlington High School. He has played lacrosse for 4 years. His hobbies include hiking, camping, and music.

Jonathan Parker is a Junior at Arlington HS. He is also an accomplished lacrosse player. Camping with his family is one of the many things he enjoys doing.

Tom and Allyson Tully have two sons, Parker and Connor, and another child on the way. As a family they enjoy traveling and spending time outdoors.



A word from the Finance Committee

A big thanks to all who have faithfully contributed to this year's budget.

Your continued faithfulness has meant that we have been able to stay on track with income and expenses through the end of May. At this point it seems that we are exactly where we projected we would be.

One concern that the Finance Committee does have is the summer giving. Often during the summer, giving drops off, as does attendance. This often put a strain on our budget that lasts until year-end as

people play catch up. The Finance Committee would ask that we all keep current with our giving. The traditional way of doing that is by fulfilling our giving before we go away. A more convenient way is to join the many who have signed up to give electronically. Doing this helps to keep our church solvent during the summer as well as the rest of the year. Forms for electronic giving are in the office. Please stop by and pick one up or call the office and we can mail the forms to you.

Either way you choose, you will help your church during the lean months of the summer. Lets all strive to continue the faithfulness that we have exhibited to this point.

With Thanks To God,
The Finance Committee of PUMC



Notes on Praise

It has been such a blessing to have so many Voices in Praise leading us in worship each Sunday. The sanctuary is filled with worship to our Lord! Thank you, my beloveds, for lifting your voices and playing your instruments. Thanks to our great projection team, and to Bob Ciraulo for formatting our announcements and lyrics. Thanks to Bob Wilson, our faithful sound guy, who makes us sound good and helps to set up and clean up. Praise

the Lord for each one of these faithful servants of God!

Maybe you are thinking about joining our worship team. There is always room for at least one more voice lifted in praise, and there is PLENTY of room for new sound and projection helpers. Please contact Anne at (845) 462-5582, or by email at bobeepbeep@hotmail.com for information.

Happy summer!

Anne Ciraulo



Youth news:

We can hardly believe how quickly this year has gone by! At our youth picnic, we celebrated the many memories we shared and the great things God has done in the lives of our youth. We also showed our appreciation to those who will be moving on, such as Corrine Shields who has graduated high school, and Esther Kaplony, our Swiss foreign-exchange student who is returning home. Two of our devoted volunteers are also moving on from the youth leadership team but will continue to be vital parts of our church body. We are very thankful to God for Holly Hagin and Bob Ciraulo, who have devoted years of their lives to serving God by impacting teens with the love of Jesus.

June has been an eventful month for us as we enjoyed a very successful Flea Market and have had opportunities to serve members of the congregation through Rent-a-teen. All of this has been in preparation for the summer missions – not just for fundraising, but also so that we may have a servant-hearted attitude, as Jesus modeled

for us.

We look forward now to the exciting things God has in store for us throughout the summer and the coming year! Our youth group is serving 3 different communities during the summer – Inner-city Philadelphia; Ensenada, Mexico; and the city of Poughkeepsie. Please pray for God’s protection as we travel. We are thankful to God for His incredible provision in making it possible for us to go and reach out to others in His name. We know we couldn’t have done it without the resounding support from our church family, again and again! Please pray for our leaders, that God would strengthen and encourage them, and for our teens, that God would transform them and “break our hearts for what breaks Yours”. We hope that the things God does during these mission trips will translate into life-change back home and that we’d continue to be inspired to live for His Kingdom every day.

Thanks for an amazing year! May all we do continue to be centered on Jesus,

Jeff and Katie Sanchez

Jun. 28- Jul. 2		M-Fuge Service Camp!
Jul. 11	SUN 12:30pm	Mexico team meeting
Jul. 16	FRI 7-10pm	TGIF!
Jul. 24	SAT 7:30am-4pm	Wake/Safety Break Fundraiser (MEXICO team)
Jul. 31-Aug. 7		Mexico Outreach Mission, Ensenada
Aug 2-6		Bridge Builders Youth Mission Camp Hosted by PUMC
Aug. 20	FRI 7-10pm	TGIF!



Congratulations to this year's confirmation class: Quinn Adams, Sarah Cullen, Rachel Cullen, Adam Fischer, Bethany Hagin, Alyssa Hart, James Koob, Matthew Labodin, Christina Lundin, Tyler Rath, Marvin

Shaw, Kevin Stewart, Kimberly Wellington. These young adults have worked very hard throughout the year and are now proud members of the United Methodist Church as a whole as well as this congregation.



HEALING PRAYER CORNER JULY/AUGUST 2010

God answers prayer! We continually see answers to prayer! Keep those testimonies coming!

You may receive prayer for yourself or on behalf of someone on:

- Holy Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month, both services). There are two teams: one in the back of the sanctuary and one in the nursery school room on the left (follow signs). The second team stays for a bit after the service. All are confidential.
- Between services from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. (except Communion Sundays) upstairs in Room 35
- By calling for an appointment through the church office at 452-2933.

You are also invited to join us for the School of Healing Prayer Level I class during Sunday School hour during the fall session. Look for an article about that in this issue of "The Journey".

Fun in God's World!

Jesus spent a lot of time outdoors and also on the water. Here's a cool thing you can make to enjoy the things underwater in God's world.

Build an Underwater Viewer

You will need:

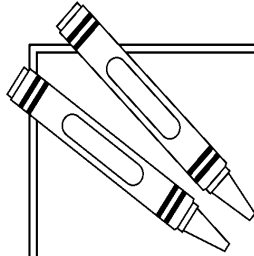
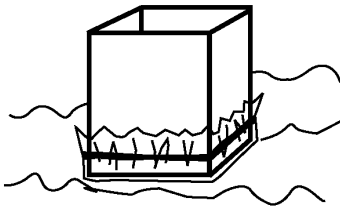
- 1/2 gallon cardboard milk carton
- clear plastic wrap
- scissors
- large rubber band or heavy tape

How to make it:

- Rinse out the milk carton.
- Cut the top and bottom from the milk carton. (You may need help from an adult.)
- Stretch the plastic wrap over one of the carton's open ends.
- Secure the plastic wrap with the rubber band or tape.

How to use it:

Lower the plastic-covered end of your viewer into the water. Look into the open end of the viewer. Look underwater to see what surprises are there!



Just for KIDS

A Miracle Dinner

Matthew 14:15-21 is a Bible story about a special dinner.

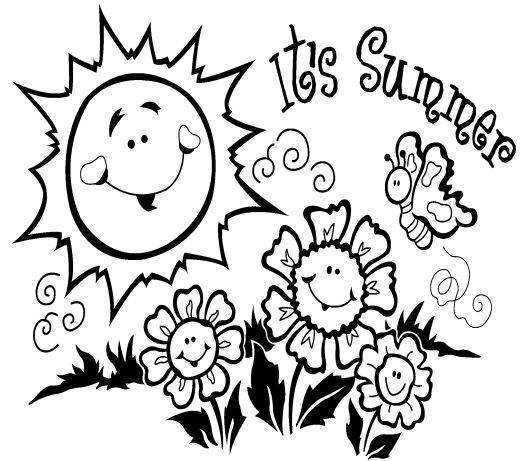
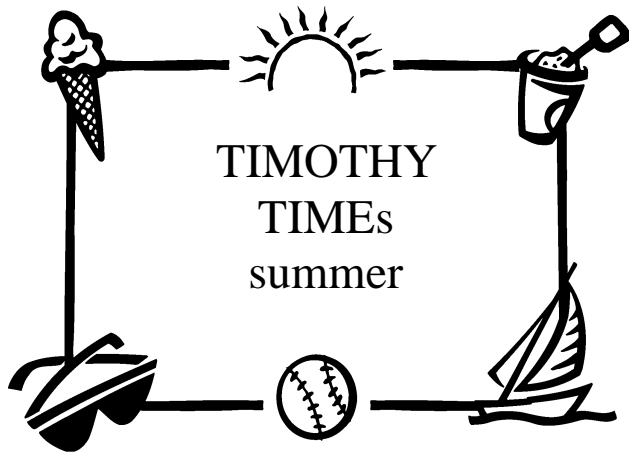
Below is a poem about that story.

Complete the poem by filling in the blanks with the correct pairs of words.

then	true	late	lunch	rest	began	faces	done
men	you	ate	bunch	quest	ran	spaces	ton

Jesus was tired and went to find _____.
 So away from the crowd he started his _____.
 It came to an end before it _____.
 The crowd followed Jesus; they walked and they _____.
 His boat pulled ashore and he looked at their _____ -
 five thousand men, plus families filled all open _____.
 And so Jesus spoke and he taught until _____.
 The disciples told him it was time they all _____.
 Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly _____,
 and feeding this crowd is now up to _____."
 Feeding five thousand! It could not be _____!
 What would they do? They'd need a whole _____!
 But then a young boy came and offered his _____ -
 five loaves and two fish to feed this big _____.
 Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and _____
 it fed all the women, the children and _____!

ANSWER: rest/quest, began/ran, faces/spaces, late/ate, true/you, done/ton, lunch/bunch, then/men



Hi Everybody, it's Timothy,

Three days and counting till the end of school! Did you hear that cheer? It was from all of my teacher friends. I found out this week that teachers are just as happy about school ending as we kids are. I think I feel OK about that. I mean I guess it's good to get excited about vacation and we do work those teachers hard. At least that's what my teachers say about me. "Timothy, you make me work for my paycheck!"

As a kid I don't think much about work. I mean I know that my dad and mom work while I am in school and even when I am on vacation. When I think about it I guess for them work is like school is for me... sometimes hard, sometimes OK and sometimes fun but always great to have a break from.

I do know though that if my parents did not have work I would not have all the great things I do. We wouldn't be able to go to the

movies. I would not have the toys I do. I would not even have the house or food or chocolate that I do! Boy would that be hard!!!

Pastor Bob says that a lot of times we take things for granted. That means we don't think about things and just think it will always be like that. He said that we should all be thankful for even the everyday things. Like food to eat, vacations, or even our parents' jobs.

So as summer comes I think that I will make a point of thanking my mom and dad for working, of thanking my teachers for teaching me and thanking God for all the good things He gives me.

Why don't you do it too?

And remember God loves you and so do I,

Love,
Timothy

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