

November 2010

First United Methodist Church — Hartford, WI

# AT THE CROSS

## TAKE A LOOK . . .

Annual Church Conference  
announced, UMW news,  
family fundraiser benefit,  
Youth News and more!

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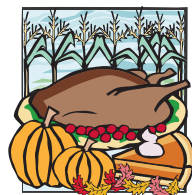
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Paul Webster

**Mission Statement** We are God's people striving to become committed disciples of Jesus Christ. By nurturing our diverse gifts we desire to learn, care, support, pray and serve so that we may become a dynamic force of love in the world.



## FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER

A free Thanksgiving dinner for those who would otherwise be alone will be held on Thursday, November 25th from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at two locations:

**St. Mary's Parish Hall**  
415 Roosevelt Dr.  
West Bend 338.5600

**New Hope UCC**  
4360 Jackson Dr.  
Jackson 677.2345

Reservations are suggested: 306.8340. Delivery dinners are available to those unable to attend due to illness or physical impairments. To reserve a meal for delivery please call 306.8340. Please pass this along to anyone you think might benefit.

Donations are being accepted at all Westbury Bank locations or mail to 784 7th Ave., West Bend, WI 53095. Please make checks payable to: Community Thanksgiving Dinner. All are welcome to attend.

## FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEER TRAINING



Training will be held Thursday Nov. 11th at 6:00pm in our Fellowship Hall. We start hosting the 14th. PLEASE try to make this training whether or not you have been trained before or not. Meet our new Family Promise Director Kathy. Questions contact Linda Fahey 670-6758 or Doreen.

## HOSTING for FAMILY PROMISE

We will be the host for Family Promise during the week of November 14 - 21st. Remember that the Gathering Room will be unavailable during that week. We will, however, have Sunday School both Sundays.

## Acolytes needed for second service

Acolytes are Worship Leaders and can be of any age. Bearing the light of Jesus into and out of the Sanctuary is an important and sacred task. For those of you who attend second service, please consider attending the acolyte training on Nov 7, or see me for training on an alternate date, and then please volunteer to acolyte during second service. For parents of children 4th through 8th grade, please consider attending second service periodically so that your child could help out as a Worship Leader during second service.

Thank you, Lori VanderPas



## Advent Wreath Lighters Needed!

Volunteers are needed to light the **Advent Wreath**. If you or your family would be interested in lighting the Advent Wreath during the 8:30 am or 10:45 am services on November 28, December 5, 12, 19, or at 4 pm or 8 pm services on December 24 please contact the church secretary.



## Acolyte Training

Acolyte training for 4th graders (and those 5th thru 8th graders who missed the training in the past and any interested adults) will take place at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary on November 7th.

## Hanging of the Greens

Hanging of the Greens committee will meet on Sunday, November 14 at 9:50 am in the room next to the kitchen.



## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to honor someone or remember someone this Christmas, think about purchasing a poinsettia this year. If interested, please fill out the form below and leave in the church office with your payment. Please be clear about spelling of names so that the information is correct in the bulletin. The plants will cost \$ 11.25 this year and are available for you to pick up after the 8:00 pm Worship service on Christmas Eve. Please have your forms and money in no later than November 14th, 2010.

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

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IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF PLANTS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**  
**Your Annual Conference reports are due in the church office on or before November 17th**

## FAMILY BENEFIT

*A note from Tom Paine:*

A benefit fundraiser is being held for the Brian and Jennifer Becker family on Sunday Nov. 7th at the Ranch—Ruby Hall, Hwy 60 & Cty Trunk P. Jennifer & Brian lost their four year old daughter Taylor August 25th when she was killed in a tragic dog attack. The village of Iron Ridge along with many others continue to keep the family in their prayers. Jennifer is a former member of our church and her parents are current members: Ray & Carol Krajewski. The event will take place from noon to 6:00 pm with an admission cost of \$10, children under 10 are free. A raffle will be held with a drawing to take place at 4 pm. Food and beverages will be sold with all proceeds given to the Becker family.

Appreciation is extended to the Ranch for their gracious hospitality by hosting the fundraiser. Everyone is invited to attend the benefit, however anyone wishing to support the event by making a contribution can make checks out to Brian & Jennifer Becker and leave them at the church. For additional information or to send donations directly, contact James Buege, Fundraiser Coordinator, 842 Evergreen Dr. #5, Hartford. 262-224-5121, jamesbuege@att.net, or Tom Paine, 424 W. Loos St., Hartford, 673-3133. Thank you for your prayers and any contributions that you may wish to make.



# From the Desk of Pastor Brian

In August 1786, John Wesley wrote these words, "I am not afraid that the people called "Methodist"

should ever cease to exist either in Europe or America. But I am afraid, lest they should only exist as a dead sect, having the form of religion without the power. And this, undoubtedly, will be the case, unless they hold fast both the doctrine, spirit and discipline with which they first set out." Even though the movement was about 50,000 strong in England, a new church had been formed in America and was growing rapidly. By the standards of church growth, the movement was strong. But, Wesley felt that signs of demise were evident.

The most evident threat, according to Wesley, was the "growing wealth of the Methodists." Wesley believed, as he expressed in several sermons, that *Christianity has within it the seeds of its own demise. Discipleship makes us more diligent and frugal, and as we become more diligent and frugal, wealth increases. He observed "Wherever riches have increased, the essence of religion, the mind that was in Christ, has decreased in the same proportion. Therefore, do I not see how it is possible...for any revival of true religion to continue long. For religion must necessarily produce both industry and frugality, and these cannot but produce riches. But as riches increase, so will pride, anger and love of the world in all its branches."*

In some ways, it seems, like Wesley is saying that being rich leads us away from the church that God intended by shifting the emphasis of ministry to money. In reading Wesley's commentary on riches (in Ken Carder's, "Giving From a

Wesleyan Perspective") I wonder if England was in the backwater of a recessionary period in Wesley's day like we are today! Are riches a threat to the vitality of the church of today? It seems to some that we in the church today have a different problem! We've lost a lot of riches. Some of us have lost our jobs not only once, but twice! We've lost income because the job we have now pays less! Our house is worth "less" than before! We have rising healthcare expenses on the "Card!" Wesley's three rules regarding the use of money: "Earn all you can; Save all you can; Give all you can," seem a little "simple," and maybe a little general to guide us in what we face, today in 2010!

"Whatever we do, says Pastor Adam Hamilton," we need "to have a plan," and a plan that puts God's purposes for your life first and puts money's use in perspective. [\*"Enough," Adam Hamilton].

Hamilton's suggested plan has six elements: 1. Pay your tithe and offering first. 2. Create a budget, track your expenses. 3. Simplify your lifestyle (living below your means). 4. Establish an emergency fund. 5. Pay off credit cards... 6. Practice long term savings and investing. In this way money's use can be intentionally organized to help us adapt to today's, 2010, needs.\* Hamilton's book has some important things to say to us in times like these.

Even more important for the church is the "spiritual capital" of its people. It is common in times of personal economic challenge to get down and wonder if what we're doing in and through the church for God's good purpose is really making any difference.

In a brief conversation I had outside the church an active member gave the impression that some in the church were in some ways losing their enthusiasm for service. Maybe they were frustrated, "burned out" from doing the "work of the church," frus-

trated with dysfunctional relationships in the church and the Pastoral leadership. All this happens from time to time in God's movement called the church.

Some could be worried about the church being \$40 thousand plus behind the 2010 projected budget. Six years ago it was worse, and other churches today are being challenged by shortfalls to even a greater measure today. However, "those" who were overheard left the impression that their spirit for service and giving in the Church was sagging, and that's serious talk for those of the Church. However, it is not uncommon in these days of economic uncertainty. What IS the true Spirit of First UMC today? What are you praying for that God may drive First UMC in Hartford forward in serving Christ! Can we pray for a revival of faith among the discouraged and victory over this discouragement? Wesley's fears of "Methodism" becoming a "dead sect" are always a real possibility, aren't they?

We don't have to be a "dead sect," and I don't believe we will be. Wesley always knew it was a matter of an active faith choice in whatever day we are in ministry. So...I'm asking you think and pray about Wesley's insights and pray about your understanding of St. Paul's words for tough times in Romans 5:3...we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance 4per-severance, character; and character, hope... 5Hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

I am asking you to pray in these times for your church leaders and pastor, counsel them and encourage them, that they may persevere because of the hope that is within them, for that hope will not disappoint us!

# NOVEMBER THEMES

## Worship Themes for the Transformation of the World!

### Sunday November 7, 2010 All Saint's Day & Holy Communion

[Haggai 1:15b-2:9; Psalm 145:1-5,17-21; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5; 17-21; Luke 20:27-38 ]

"God is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." That's good news, isn't it? Everybody, whether they are alive here or whether they are in heaven, everybody is alive by faith in God. There can be no equivocation at this point, life continues beyond the grave. We need not fear about those who have departed from this life--they now live with God. Some of us may be too in love with this world, and hold on jealously to what we call life. We are fearful of the life with God on into eternity. A healthy way of dealing with death might be to recognize death as a "time of transition," and think of those we will leave behind knowing all the time we are in preparation for eternal communion with Christ by faith. "Do this in remembrance of me."

Remembering and Honoring:  
Would you light a memorial candle in memory of a dear one who has gone on to the "Church Triumphant?" From time to time we celebrate the lives of those who we have cherished, carry blessings in our being yet hold no more in this life. They have gone on to the "Church Triumphant," as we say. They still are an honored part of us. Their influence still moves in our lives. Perhaps you wish to remember a loved one by lighting a memorial candle in their name. *If you do wish to light a memorial candle, please write your name and telephone number and the "remembered" person's name and relationship to you or the church and turn them in to the church office,* so that we may order the service with your participation in mind and arrange for enough candles so that you may light them in a brief service of remembrance on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. If

possible choose the 8:30 or 10:30 worship when you choose to remember someone in this way. We hope that this day might be a meaningful time, an eternal connection for all God's people on our earthly pilgrimage.

### Sunday, November 14, 2010

[Isaiah 65:15-25; Isaiah 12 or Psalm 118; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19]

Jesus speaks these comforting words, "But not a hair of your head will perish. By standing firm you will gain life." We certainly have our uncertainties. Will Social Security run out of money? What does the future hold? Will there be another major terrorist attack? When will the stock market take another dive again? We have recent experience and a questionable future. How about on a personal level, doctor's report, say, automobile accidents? The future is filled with uncertainty. In all of that, "not a hair on your head will perish?"

### Sunday, November 21, 2010

[Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43]

Usually the truth doesn't come that easily. Most people who have done wrong will not even admit the truth to themselves. They will say something like, "That is really not me, I am a good person and people misunderstood me." It may seem quite strange that we should be talking about the thief on the cross just before Advent, but it is because this THEIF saw the bigger picture, something that most people could not grasp. The THEIF said to Jesus, "Remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replied, "... today you will be with me in paradise."

How could the THIEF know that Jesus even had a kingdom? Had he heard him teach about it? Was he

there when Christ did the miraculous? Was it the Holy Spirit working in his heart bringing him to Christ even without physical evidence?

### Wednesday 11/24/10 Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service at 7 PM

at First UMC as host Church. This is a wonderful time to declare our thanksgiving to God in fellowship with other Christian communities in the Hartford area.

### 12/28/10 8:30 & 10:45 AM Lighting of Advent Candle One

[Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44]  
The First Sunday of Advent, meaning "the coming," or "to come," is our opportunity to make ourselves ready--watching and waiting for the coming of our Christ into our daily living in new and fresh ways. Jesus said to his disciples, "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come . . . be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him." Do you suppose that our family members will spend much more time in the next few weeks preparing for the celebration of Christmas than we will spend in preparing ourselves for Christ's reign in our lives, our world?" Are we focused on the things of this world so completely that the promise of a better, Christ filled, world seems too distant, too remote?



# UMW NEWS



Each year United Methodist Women give “Special Mission Recognition” to members of our congregation for their service in the First United Methodist Church and the community. The United Methodist Women’s organization has five channels of undesignated giving; our Special Mission Recognition is one of those five channels. For those of you who may have missed the UMW Service on September 26th, I’d like to share the accomplishments of this year’s Special Mission Recognition Recipients.

(1) Singing solos, duets, or with quartets and quintets, our first recipient has shared her lovely voice with our church on many a Sunday morning. Her leadership of our teens has kept them singing for us, too. Last year, she graced us with a beautiful song on UMW Sunday. Soon, however, we will get to hear her less and less, when she and her family permanently relocate to Platteville, Wisconsin. **Stephanie Klockow** was recently selected as an assistant professor in the music department at UW, Platteville, something she has aspired to for many years. Our loss is Platteville’s gain.

Many of us know Stephanie as a member of the Hartford Union High School music faculty, where, from 1999-2010, she directed several choirs and the school’s annual musical. One of Stephanie’s choirs was selected as the only Wisconsin high school choir to represent the State of Wisconsin at the celebration for Abraham Lincoln’s Bi-Centennial in Washington DC. She and Ruth Knoll directed the Mass at Holy Hill each Christmas Eve. Stephanie was also the first director and organizer of the Kettle Moraine Children’s Choir. Most recently, we heard her singing a solo and singing in the ensemble chorus for FUMC’s 2010 Bits of Broadway Musical Revue. This year, as in many past years, she also assisted with lights and staging for the revue.

Stephanie lights up when asked how she likes her new job. For the first time she can have breakfast with her boys and take them to school. She’s enjoying the new challenge her career change has presented to her. Hopefully, from time to time she will return to Hartford and allow us the privilege of listening to her sing. We’ll miss you, Stephanie. Best of luck in the next chapter of your life.

(2) When Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast in 2005, millions of people were impacted; homes, schools, business and personal possessions lost. The devastation was massive. Not only were residents of the gulf coast affected, but people throughout the nation immediately stepped forward to offer assistance. One of those volunteers came from Hartford, Wisconsin.

**Chuck Linstrom** felt inspired to offer his time and talents to help those who had lost most, if not all, of their worldly possessions. He searched the internet, researching relief organizations, and connected with the United Methodist Wisconsin Area Council’s Volunteers in Mission Program. Katrina was the impetus that started Chuck’s VIM involvement, but his generosity and faith have been instrumental in keeping him involved in mission work. Since his first VIM project in February 2006 in Biloxi, Mississippi, Chuck has been on 18 mission teams and volunteered on another trip on his own. He has been a VIM team member on projects in New Orleans and Slidell LA; Ithaca, Gays Mills and Pine Lake Camp in Wisconsin; Ten Sleep WY; Bayou La Batre AL; Mariansville MO; Cedar Rapids and Oakville IA; Ocoee FL; Wilmington NC; Mt. Sequoyah AR; and several more trips back to Biloxi.

In addition to his many VIM trips, Chuck is also a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity and Meals on Wheels and is currently working with other FUMC members to organize an adult mission team from our church. He and Sharon are now on another VIM project in Oakville IA. We are so fortunate to have Chuck as a member of our church family and are proud of his dedication in helping those less fortunate. Thank you, Chuck, for your wonderful community work.

(3) Volunteer in Mission work is also the forte of another of our Special Mission Recognition recipients. Her first trip was spurred by her ambition to do service work and by her desire to go out west. **Sharon Linstrom**’s first mission trip was in 1989 to Heart Butte, Montana, where she was part of a team building a church on the Blackfoot Indian Reservation. She was busy after that trip working and taking care of her family, and it wasn’t until 2004 that she was able to again join VIM in Jamaica building a church in Johnstown-St. Thomas Parish. She would return in 2005 and 2007 to continue that effort. 2007 found Sharon in Viola WI planting trees after a tornado. In 2007 she was working in a Methodist Church Camp in Ten Sleep, Wyoming, where she met another Wisconsinite, offering him home-baked cookies as a “Hi, how are you” introduction. Her trips parallel those of Chuck Linstrom after that intro, as she volunteered on teams with Chuck on twelve more mission projects, working with and for victims of natural disasters, homeless men, church camps, and cooking for large groups of volunteers. She also helped in rebuilding a community in Greensburg, Kansas after a tornado. Sharon is currently on a VIM trip with Chuck in Oakville IA. (P.S. She has returned!)

In addition to her VIM work, Sharon worked at a food pantry in the Janesville area, and was a Sunday School Superintendent and a member of UMW in Janesville. While in that UMW unit, she held several offices – president, secretary and treasurer. Sharon is currently vice president of our FUMC UMW.


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# Ministry Schedule for November 2010

DATE	TIME	GREETERS	LITURGISTS	USHERS	ACOLYTES	NURSERY
<b>November 7</b>	8:30 am	Thom & Jane Brown Family	Thom Brown	Robin Pfothenhauer Doris Kienast LoriAnn Williams	Noah Kaminski	Anna Hirsch VOLUNTEER NEEDED
	10:45 am	Richard & Jeanne Pur- man	Joyce Kautz	Joyce Lackas Dawn Schauer Kevin Conroy		Anna Hirsch Brettny Dantuma
<b>November 14</b>	8:00 am	Matt & DeLynn McDer- mott Family	Casey McDermott	Laverne Fiscus Paul & Chris Bissett	Bethany Bryzek	Jacqueline Boelkow VOLUNTEER NEEDED
	10:45 am	Bob & Mitzi McLean	Cheryl Malko	Doug Gordon Dale Tietz, Betty Tietz		Jacqueline Boelkow Brettny Dantuma
<b>November 21</b>	8:30 am	Pam Roggenbauer Camille Secola	Jim Pillsbury	Beulah Carlson Steve and Jeanne Telderer	Amanda Raynor	Laura Borst Gloria Dantuma
	10:45 am	Ed & Deloris Holtman	Tracy Loosen	Mitzi & Bob McLean, Helen Robbe		Laura Borst
<b>November 24</b> Ecumenical worship	7:00 pm			Bill, Lori and Andrea Vander Pas		Jacqueline Boelkow Gloria Dantuma
<b>November 28</b>	8:30 am	Brian & Becki Swenson Family	Brian Swenson	Jane Hoffmann Myra Light Cheryl Malko		Laura Borst VOLUNTEER NEEDED
	10:45 am		Helen Robbe	RoGene McKeithen, Joyce Kautz, Dave Hox- worth		Laura Borst Lyndsey Wesner

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# NOVEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>POWER &amp; PRAISE</b> <b>WORSHIP is at 8:45</b> <b>am on the 2nd &amp; 4th</b> <b>Sundays in the Youth</b> <b>Room</b>	1 4:15 Yoga 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:15 Trustees 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:45 confirmation	2 9 TOPS 7 Jay Triick Bible Study	3 12 Brown Bag Bible Study 6:30 Bible Study	4 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:30 Bible Study	5	6 Church Women United Community Day
7 8:30 Worship, 8:45 Power & Praise, 9:35 Coffee & Acolyte Training, 9:40 Sunday School, 10 Men's Choir, 10:45 Wor- ship & teen choir, 3 CHAOS, 5:30 Riptide	8 4:15 Yoga 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:45 Confirmation	9 9 TOPS 12 Hope Circle 7 SPRC 7 Jay Triick Bible Study	10 12 Brown Bag Bible Study 6:30 Bible Study	11 5:30 CPR training 1 Hannah Circle 6 Family Promise Training 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:30 Bible Study	12	13
14 8:30 Worship, 9:35 Coffee, 9:40 SS, 9:50 Hanging of Greens, 10 Men's choir, 10:45 Wor- ship/Teen Choir, 5:30 Riptide, <b>FAMILY PROMISE</b>	15 4:15 Yoga 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:30 Girl Scouts 6:45 Confirmation	16 9 TOPS 5 4K parent/teacher conferences 7 Ad Council 7 Triick Bible Study	17 Church Confer- ence reports due!	18 6:15 Girl Scouts 7 Mary Circle 5 4K parent/teacher	19	20
21 8:30 Worship, 9:35 Coffee, 9:40 Sunday School, 10 Men's Choir, 10:45 Worship & Teen Choir, 3 CHAOS, 5:30 Riptide	22 6:15 Girl Scouts 6:45 Confirmation	23 9 TOPS	24 12 Brown Bag Bible Study 7 Ecumenical Worship here	25  <b>Thanksgiving</b>	26 Office Closed for Holiday	27
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# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Doreen VanMinsel

**Christian Music Roller Skating Time** Sunday Nov. 21st from 4pm-6pm at Ozaukee Skateland in Cedarburg. Cost is \$5.00 admission and \$1.00 skate rental. GREAT FAMILY FUN!

**CAMP Fundraiser has started: Racine Kringle's, Cookie Dough, and more - oh my.** PLEASE HELP the children of our church raise money for themselves to go to a United Methodist Church Camp. Camping is costly, the average is \$400 for a week. Yikes! A table will be set up in the Fellowship Hall on the 7th and 14th. Children who have picked up packets for selling at the time of this printing are Marissa Telderer, Natalie Martin, Bethany Bryzek, Skylar Garza, Natalie Cleland & Carlynn Tuxhorn. Please contact one of these families if you wish to order and help them. As of now we have NO Church Camp Funds to help children attend a camp.

**Kringle's sell for \$7.50 and 3# tub of Cookie Dough sells for \$9.00 (makes 96 cookies).** Children make \$2.25 on each Kringle and \$2.50 on each Cookie Dough or other items. Make holiday baking a bit easier! ALL orders **MUST** be paid for and in by Nov. 14th, delivery will be Nov. 23rd.

**Narnia Event FRIDAY November 12th, 6pm** in the Youth Room, downstairs. Fun-for-the-Whole-Family Hour combines the excitement of VBS with the thrilling adventure of **Narnia** in an experience that gets **all ages** connecting with each other and with God. It's one action-packed hour where families can talk, laugh, share, discuss Scripture, and worship together—and watch never-before-seen clips from the latest Narnia adventure. This film explores family-friendly themes like grace and transformation, giving families the chance to look at God's transforming love in a new way. Contact Tina Collett with any questions 673-0591.



**FAMILY ADVENT Dinner & Craft - MUST be signed up by NOV. 21st the latest.** Join us for a child friendly Family dinner followed with a craft each Thursday Dec. 2, 9 & 16. Dinner will be at 5pm with a craft to follow. A free-will offering to help cover food and craft items would be appreciated. **Sign-up on Doreen's door or by contacting Doreen by email [doreen@fumchartford.com](mailto:doreen@fumchartford.com) or call 673-3290 (church) or home 670-5211.** If interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Doreen also. Thank you!

# Little Lambs Update



It has been a busy Fall for the flock at Little Lambs Preschool! We recently had a visit from the Hartford Fire Department and had the chance to see one of their fire trucks up close. We sat inside and pretended to drive! We asked the fire fighters about their special equipment they use for their job. We also took a trip to Nehm's Greenhouse near Slinger to get pumpkins and feed their goats. We enjoyed a story, making a pumpkin craft and even had snack. At the end of October, we enjoyed a costume party!

Here's what's coming up this month...

November 1 - 5 Oceans Ahoy

November 8 - 12 God Created the Earth, Moon & Stars

November 15 - 19 Dinosaur Days

November 22-26 I'm Thankful For...

Little Lambs Preschool will be closed November 25-26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Nov. 29 - Dec. 3 Beary Fun

Little Lambs Preschool will be offering a Child & Infant CPR class on Thursday, November 11th from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. We have still have a few spots available. If interested, please e-mail Deb Justman, Little Lambs Teacher/Director at [littlelambs@fumchartford.com](mailto:littlelambs@fumchartford.com) to register. The cost of the course will be between \$35-\$40, depending on the number of participants. The maximum class size is 12 people.

Little Lambs Preschool extends our greatest thank you and appreciation to Kari Staus for her dedicated terms as the Little Lambs Board President these past years. Her kind heart has helped many little hands—thank you Kari! We will welcome our new Board President, Melissa Sprede-mann in November. And, if you would like the chance to help little hands, join us for our next Board meeting on November 8th at 7:00 p.m.

We are currently accepting enrollments for children for next semester. Will your child be heading off to 4K or Kindergarten next Fall? If so, let Little Lambs Preschool provide your child with hands-on learning opportunities and social skills development that young children need to be ready for school. See our updated website at [www.fumchartford.com](http://www.fumchartford.com) and click under Christian Education to find Little Lambs enrollment information, or check out our bulletin board near the Gathering Room hallway for enrollment and registration information.

Deb Justman

**2010 ANNUAL  
CHURCH CONFERENCE**

**DECEMBER 5TH 4:00 PM**

**ALL FUMC MEMBERS AND  
FRIENDS ARE URGED TO ATTEND**

**Important issues affecting you  
and your church will be  
discussed. Help shape the future!  
Childcare available.**

## Youth News

Thank you for all those who participated in Boogie for Riptide October 17th in preparation for the Food Scavenger Hunt in November. Also thank you to those who attended the bon fire at Jay Triick's. We had fun grilling out, pumpkin carving and fellowship. What a great way to spend a Fall evening!



Here are some highlights for the month November:

### **CHAOS-**

**November 07th**– TBA

**November 14th**– HUHS Musical

**November 21st**- Food Scavenger Hunt

**November 28th**– Thanksgiving Break-NO CHAOS

### **RIPTIDE-**

**November 07th**-Food Scavenger Hunt

**November 14th**– Game Night

**November 21st**- Self Image

**November 28th**– Thanksgiving Break-NO RIPTIDE

In Sunday School, we will continue discussing the ABC'S of living in Christ.

*Patti Bertling*

*UMW continued from p. 5*

Sharon is truly an example of what it means to be a United Methodist Woman, giving her time and talents to others in helping them rebuild their lives. "Let's Get Together" in thanking Sharon for her contributions, faith and dedication to others.

(Note: Chuck and Sharon have since returned from their Iowa VIM trip.)

### **UMW Upcoming Events**

**November 2:** General Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at church  
Program: Thank Offering - Judy Sterman  
Installation of 2011 Officers - Cheryl Malko  
Hostesses: Members at Large

**November 6:** Metro North District Annual Meeting and Officer Training. Anyone that wants to is invited to attend. Let Cheryl Malko know ASAP. Time is 8:45 AM–2:50 PM.

**November 9:** Hope Circle Meeting at 12:00 p.m. at church  
Program: Carla Kramoris  
Hostess: Melissa Richards

**November 9:** Executive Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at church

**November 11:** Hannah Circle Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at church  
Program: Marge Perkins  
Hostess: Twyla Gartzke

**November 16:** Mary Circle Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at home of Donna Carroll  
Program: Camille Secola  
Hostess: Donna Carroll

### **Thank you to all for another successful Fall Salad Luncheon and Craft Fair!**

The response from all of you to our requests for help – baking turkeys, preparing for the luncheon, working the day of, bringing tasty salads, bars and eggs, and donating a variety of crafts and produce – was outstanding. We had all of the volunteers we needed a full week before the luncheon. We are so blest to have members of our congregation and of our UMW unit who continue to support our programs.

*Cheryl Malko*

# Milestones

## BIRTHDAYS

11/01 Betty Tietz  
 11/02 Frances Utz  
 11/03 Mark Leoni  
 Kelly Petersen  
 11/04 Merle Pamperin  
 Max Klockow  
 11/05 Kyle Hintze  
 Mavis Winebrenner  
 Angie Borst  
 Rebekah Blackman  
 11/06 Bev Schatz  
 Renee Draper  
 Rachel Garza  
 Angie VanMinsel  
 Allison Grandinetti  
 11/07 Don Gartzke  
 Doug Schlotthauer  
 Dennis Schauer  
 Doreen VanMinsel  
 Carl Endres  
 Kirsten Jahn  
 Eric Kolinski  
 Allison Sutheimer  
 Marie Wells  
 11/08 Orlean Lepien  
 11/09 Bridget Hintze  
 Carolyn Lepien  
 Michael Sutter  
 11/10 Lynn Stephenson  
 Kameron Miller  
 11/1 Geri Wandrey  
 Katherine Schmidt  
 Lucas Hass  
 11/12 Elizabeth Wieting  
 Erik Tisdale  
 Melissa Richards  
 Caitlin Purman  
 Keaton Staus  
 11/14 Scott Kolinski  
 11/16 Keith Lucht  
 Brittany Schmidt  
 Michael DuPont  
 11/17 Courtney Peters  
 11/18 Thom Brown  
 Jim Gottfried  
 Jessica Blodgett  
 11/20 Deanna Sterman  
 11/22 Arde Nicolaus  
 Berdena Rateau  
 Michael Wald

11/23 Kolten Hintze  
 Bill Scadden  
 Jacob Sutter  
 11/24 Dean Schmidt  
 Cathy Alsum  
 11/25 John Rufener  
 11/27 Ardell Nicolaus  
 Austin Hahn  
 11/28 Michael Wawrzyn  
 11/29 Ruth Kienast  
 Brittany Swenson  
 Michael Endres

## ANNIVERSARIES

11/01 Jessica & Michael Sutter  
 11/04 Cathi & Paul Wilson  
 11/07 Linda & Lee VanderJagt  
 11/08 Sam & Branden Precord  
 11/09 Juli & Norm Schultz  
 11/13 Diane & Tom Guenther  
 11/16 Michelle & Chad  
 Baumgartner  
 11/17 Carilyn & Don Carlson-  
 Szmada  
 11/19 Susan & Roger Endres  
 11/21 Maxine & Ken French  
 11/24 Shirley & Bill Dow  
 11/26 Lori & Donovan Polzin  
 11/30 Jennie & Scott Lepien

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## STEWARSHIP MESSAGE:

### Want to inspire your kids or grandkids?

During the season of Thanksgiving, find a time each day to “give thanks” for the blessings you’ve received. Have each person in your family (or at your lunch table at school or work) share something they are thankful for in the last 24 hours. You decide how often to do it – every day, every other day, every time you have a family meal with those who define “family” for you.

This year Thanksgiving is on November 25<sup>th</sup>. and of course Christmas Day is December 25<sup>th</sup>. Why not use these 50 days of preparation as a time of Thanksgiving for the gift of Christ’s love? The money given to support the missions and ministries of our church world-wide, or our “apportionments,” total approximately \$100 per member.

Put a special bowl in a prominent spot in your house. Ask the children in your life, “How can we save \$2.00 a day this holiday season, to give thanks for all the blessings we’ve received?” Then save the money each day, and put it in an envelope marked “apportionments” when you’re ready to place it in the offering plate at your church.

The apportionments are actually mission giving that strengthens the whole church. For this small sum of money, we are able to do amazing ministry in our communities, our state, our nation, and our world. For more information on apportionments, go to [www.umcsgiving.org](http://www.umcsgiving.org).

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