

# Good News

*From Darrtown / McGonigle-Millville Charge  
United Methodist Churches  
November / December, 2012*



***Dear Friends,***

This is the part of the year most of us wait for. We need Thanksgiving and Christmas to complete us. We are shortsighted if we live lives without giving thanks.

Jim Keller reminds us every Sunday to be thankful for what we have. Thanksgiving is the capstone for November.

And Christmas is where our faith began. Sure, the pagan and commercial world tries to take it over every year. They try, but can never quite succeed – for Christmas is more than the world can ever see. Christmas, the capstone of December, is not just an event. It is more than a holiday. It is more than decorations and gifts. Christmas is the spiritual beginning of Christianity.

These are not just two big holidays a month apart – they are the heart and soul, along with Easter, of our faith, and for Christians, of our world.

They are reminders every year that God is in control. No wonder the commercial world wants to dominate these faith events. But, no matter how hard they try, God remains in charge. Now, that's the side we should try to be on!

See YOU in church!

**Rev. Ed**

## **F Y I**

(For Your Information)

Please be sure to let the church know if you or a loved one will be entering the hospital. Also, in case of pastoral emergency and you are unable to reach Rev. Beck or Robyn at 513-896-4025, you may contact them by using their cell phone number, 513-226-1314.

See your church's prayer list each Sunday and remember those named in prayer.



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

**Refer to our calendar pages.**

### **LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Darrtown / McGonigle-Millville Prayer List  
(See your church's prayer list each Sunday)

Our military personnel	Unnamed persons & shut-ins
Rev. Beck's family	Ray Link
Calvin Branscomb	Steve Marcum
Rita Burns	Connie & Bill McDaniel
Brittany (Jack & Connie Davis)	Lois Messinger
Dillingham family	Kim Newcomer
Louise Friedman	Irene & Carl Nutley
Lucille Giffen	Clara Owen
Beulah Gordon	Cheri Palmer
Fred Guiler	Bunny Snow
Ron Hartman	Betty Stanton
Rev. Robert Heiliger	Charles Sullivan
Mike Hernandez	Noah Trumbull
Heather Hersch	Wayne Weber
Pete Jewell	Jim & Mary Wells
Bob Keller	Chris & Erin Williams

### **NEXT NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY DECEMBER 20, 2012**

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### **Forgiveness Therapy**

*Anger does as much damage to the vessel it is  
stored in as it does to anything it is poured upon.*

*If we really want to love, we must learn to forgive.*

## **Joint Church Events**

### **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

9:00 and 10:45 am, November 4, 2012

We invite all the families and friends of these our Saints who have gone to be with the Lord:

Ruth Childers	1/17/2012
Bernice Kolb	2/25/2012
Ella Irene Hansel	3/23/2012
Jeanne Campbell	8/09/2012
Lawrence Schlabach	10/10/2012

Since we go back 12 months, we remember again Dodie Ogle whose passing on 10/22/2011 was so close to All Saints Day last year.

If you desire to have a family member recalled and remembered on November 4<sup>th</sup>, please call Rev. Ed or Robyn Beck at 896-4025.

### **DARRTOWN TURKEY DINNER AND BAZAAR**

Reminder - November 3, 2012, 4:30 - 7:00 pm is Darrtown's annual turkey dinner and bazaar. Be impressed again and enjoy pies from our VERY BEST pie bakers!

### **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS MUSIC FEST**

Join us at Darrtown UMC on the evening of Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm to enjoy the special talents of members of our churches and community. Everyone is welcome. If you have a special talent – a song, a musical instrument, a poem, a story – that you would like to share, please contact Ida Mae Lemmons at 513-523-6285.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

December 24, 7:24 pm at the Darrtown UMC

This will be our tenth year for this lovely and moving service of Scripture, Carols, and Story. Plan your Christmas Eve so that you can participate in this special service of worship at this special time.

### **FINAL FIFTH SUNDAY POTLUCK**

December 30, 2012 hosted by

McGonigle-Millville Church at Noon

We will be having a celebration of the end of 2012 as part of the luncheon.

### **CONDOLENCES TO...**

- † Rev. Ed Beck's family in the loss of his mother, Mary Beck.
- † The family of Lawrence Schlabach who passed away on October 10, 2012

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## **DARRTOWN NEWS**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **CHRISTMAS MISSION**

The United Methodist Women will once again collect clothing for the elementary school children in the district. Their needs are: sweatpants (only) – children's sizes small, medium and large; underwear for boys and girls – sizes small, medium and large; and socks for boys and girls – sizes small, medium and large. Other organizations are donating hats and gloves. We appreciate any and all donations for this much needed mission. There will be a box in the back of the sanctuary after Thanksgiving to collect any items. If you wish to make a check donation, you may give it to Treasurer, Etta Jean Crawford, and we will purchase the items for you. Thank you for your past generosity.

#### **SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP GROUP STUDY**

Our small group study is doing well. Everyone is invited to participate from 10:30-11:30 am in the Annex. Studies are taken from The Upper Room booklet. November and December subjects are:

- Nov. 7: Now What?
- Nov. 14: Where God Wants Me
- Nov. 21: The Best Words of All
- Nov. 28: A Simple Prayer
- Dec. 5: Turning Toward Forgiveness
- Dec. 12: Something to Pray For
- Dec. 19: Liberating Act
- Dec. 26: The Right Investment

### **PAST EVENTS AND NEWS**

#### **THANK YOU**

- ☺ To Debra Steger for the favors at the place settings for the Appreciation Banquet!
- ☺ To Linda Agee for playing piano while Ida Mae Lemmons was visiting in Virginia!

#### **TRIP TO M25M**

On Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, seven ladies from the United Methodist Women's unit traveled to the Matthew 25 Ministries location in Blue Ash to drop off used medicine bottles. We donated a couple hours of time to work in the warehouse. Our assignment was to fill baggies with

personal care items. Their warehouse is huge and busy with lots of volunteers performing many different jobs.

Thank you to Phyllis Flick for organizing these trips. As soon as our collected supply of medicine bottles builds up again, another trip will be arranged. Anyone who is interested in being a part of this worthy and rewarding adventure is welcome to join us.

#### **NEW ADDRESS**

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Barrington of West Chester, # 4309  
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West Chester, OH 45056

## **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

### **From Our President:**

We have had some wonderful fellowship this fall. At the September meeting, Kevin Schaner, a Methodist Volunteer in Mission, spoke and showed slides from her seven trips to Africa. A very dedicated and caring person.

The noodle-makers have really been busy getting ready for the annual turkey dinner in November.

Our October meeting found us preparing for the United Methodist Women Sunday on October 14<sup>th</sup>. The group voted to accept the slate of officers for 2013: President, Cathy Richardson; Vice-President, Rhonda Knight; Secretary, Maxine Harris; and Treasurer, Etta Jean Crawford. We also planned for the turkey dinner, bake sale and bazaar.

Our November meeting will be held on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Hostesses will be Debra Steger and Debbie Sansone. We will prepare for the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, our shut-ins, and our Christmas mission of clothing to the schools.

The World Thank Boxes will be received November 18<sup>th</sup>.

There will be no December meeting as we will hostess the church-wide Christmas party on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 pm. We will provide meat and drinks and the potluck is up to you. We will have entertainment.

Happy Holidays. Our new year begins on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. - Cathy Richardson

Gracious words are a honeycomb,  
Sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

*Proverbs 16:24*

**DARRTOWN & MCGONIGLE-MILLVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**  
**2012 BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b><u>November</u></b>				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Mickey Pate
<b>4</b> Brenda Graham Seth Michael Guenther	<b>5</b> Harold & Cathy Richardson (Anniv)	<b>6</b> Betty Stanton Kim Hollister	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>11</b> Sam & Phyllis Jones (Anniv) Mike Hawkins	<b>12</b> Megan Beckemeier	<b>13</b> Betty Jo Berger	<b>14</b> Holly Jane Petri Silas James Petri	<b>15</b> Al & Jane Menke (Anniv)	<b>16</b> Sarah Myers Stephanie & Stacey Ison	<b>17</b> Melva Ward
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Bob & Donna Rumgay (Anniv)	<b>22</b> <i>Thanksgiving</i> Rawn & Robbin Dillingham (Anniv)	<b>23</b> Jacob Patrick Berger Harry Ogle	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Ken Russell, Jr.	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> John & Carol Beckett (Anniv)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>