

Good News

From Darrtown United Methodist Church
for May / June, 2005



We have had a beautiful and exciting Easter season. Resurrection Sunday again was a wonderful event. Thanks so much to everyone who made it possible.

Spring is truly here with all the beauty of the flowering trees and flowers.

Easter and spring do remind us to be grateful to God for all this beauty that He brings into our lives. His Presence in worship is so vital to seeing that beauty. At home, continue to spend time alone with Him each day – keep that connection alive.

This newsletter is for May and June. In these months, we move from spring to summer. Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day, Annual Conference,

Darrtown Community Day and Rummage Sale all fall within these two months. And as we move to more and more outdoor activities, we need to appreciate the Presence and the awesomeness of our God!

Be alert to people to invite to church. Be certain you speak and smile at every new face! In all the excitement of these two months, I want to...

See you in church!

Rev. Ed



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Upcoming Events

- Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm - Choir Practice. The Darrtown Choir is looking for members. Contact Donna Gallagher at 523-2748.
- May 3 (Monday) - United Methodist Women's meeting at 7:00 pm
- May 6 (Friday) - Family Banquet in honor of Mother's Day - 6:30 pm at McGonigle-Millville UMC
- May 8 (Sunday) - Mother's Day
- May 9 (Monday) - Trustees Meeting at 6:00 pm followed by the Admin Board Meeting at 7:00 pm. Contact any Trustee if you have a concern to be addressed (Shawn Gallagher, Bill Coombs, Larry and Mary Lou Simison)
- May 15 (Sunday) - The Sacrament of Baptism will be observed at the 9:00 am service
- June 4 (Saturday) - Darrtown UMC Rummage Sale and Bake Sale, including lunch, in conjunction with the Community Yard Sale.
- June 6 (Monday) - UMW Noodle-Making - 8:30 am
- June 12 (Sunday) - Historic Hopewell Church morning worship service to be conducted by Darrtown UMC. No service at Darrtown.
- June 12 (Sunday) - Father's Day Cookout at noon at McGonigle-Millville (joint event)
- June 12 thru 15 - West Ohio Conference
- June 19 (Sunday) - Father's Day; Graduation Recognition - Zack Russell will be honored at Senior Recognition Sunday

HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE

May: Etta Jean Crawford and Ida Mae Lemmons

June: Helen and Wayne Weber

* When a trade is needed, contact Etta Jean at 524-2144.

GREETERS / USHERS

May: Ken and Carolyn Russell

June: Ida Mae Lemmons and Etta Jean Crawford

* When a trade is needed, contact Helen and Wayne Weber at 756-0021.



PRAYERS REQUESTS

Jill & Dave Morris (Iraq); Jessie Jones (Iraq); Mel Snider; Emma Shoker; Ersia Coombs; Ruth Bauer; JoAnn Coombs; Ron Hansel; Chuck Hansel; Matt Hatfield; Robyn Beck; Bill Brown; Carl Hurley; Shawn Hurley; Bob Corbin; Cindy Gilbert; Juanita Anderson; Russ Burr; Charlotte Bunger; Shawn Gallagher; family of Danielle Baker; family of Mary Pate; family of Ron Brown; Don Jones

MILITARY

Let us remember in prayer those who serve our country.

- ★ *SSgt. Michael Eversole*
- ★ *Dale Wm. Baumann*
- ★ *Mitch Voeke*
- ★ *Kristopher Nelson*
- ★ *Robert Mills*



LOOKING FORWARD

SUNDAY SCHOOL



Summer will be here soon. What are we going to do with our Sunday School? Participation and attendance have been discouragingly low, but we must continue. What is more important to our church than our children? We need all parents, children and adults to volunteer their time and talents. There will be a one-room schoolhouse this summer. Please let me know if you can help. Maybe we can take turns sharing God's love to our children.

Our Bible School will be July 11-15 from 6:30-8:30 pm. The theme will be Circle G Ranch and the Ranch House Kids. The Western theme should be fun. If you would like to help, let me know. The youth and many adults are needed to make this a great VBS. More information to come at a later time.

I would like to thank Etta Jean Crawford, Sandy Beckemeier, and Ida Mae Lemmons and anyone else who may have helped for taking care of Sunday School while I was gone for the winter.

Carolyn Russell

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RUMMAGE SALE

Our church will be having a rummage sale and bake sale on Saturday, June 4th. We need your saleable items brought in the week before the sale, so that we will have time to sort and price the items. There will also be a lunch counter. If you plan to donate food for either the lunch or the bake sale, please contact Carolyn Russell, Etta Jean Crawford or Ida Mae Lemmons. Proceeds from the rummage sale will go toward the parking lot project. Proceeds from the bake sale will go toward mission.

Note: If you should want a whole pie, you must place an order!

The Community Yard Sale will also take place this day, so we are hoping for a big crowd. If you would like to donate your time on June 4th, please see Donna Gallagher, Sally Hansel or Sandy Beckemeier. A schedule will be posted on the bulletin board, outlining hours to be worked to get all items organized, sorted and priced.

Donna Gallagher

HOPEWELL CHURCH SERVICE

On June 12th our church will host the morning service at the historic Hopewell church near Houston Woods. There will be no service that morning at Darrtown. If you are unable to attend the 9:30 am service at Hopewell, we urge you to attend the 10:30 service at McGonigle-Millville. Rev. Ed will be presenting the same message at each service.

We are in need of more people to participate in the choir on June 12th. We will continue to practice each Wednesday evening at 7:00. Join us to make this an enjoyable and memorable service.

FATHER'S DAY COOKOUT

On June 12th, a joint event will be a Father's Day Cookout for the whole family. This will be held at McGonigle-Millville's renovated picnic shelter (inside in case of rain). It will be after McGonigle's worship, around noon. Darrtown will have been at Hopewell that morning. Anyone unable to attend Hopewell can attend McGonigle-Millville at 10:45 am and be in the right place for the cookout! Everyone is invited! Bring your guests, too!

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The West Ohio Conference will be held June 12 - 15. Carol Beckett of McGonigle will be attending to represent our charge. Carolyn and Ken Russell will also be attending.

DARRTOWN CHURCH DIRECTORY

New directories are available. If you have reviewed the directory and see the need for changes or corrections, please submit them to Rhonda Knight or Rev. Ed and Robyn.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

The West Ohio Conference is making a real effort to reach the growing Hispanic and Latino population in Ohio. We are fortunate to have one of the ministry locations in Hamilton at Living Waters.

On May 5th Living Waters will hold an Hispanic Outreach Fiesta. It will run from 1:00 to 6:00 pm. Plan to visit or volunteer in one of these areas: Ticket Booth; Hand Stamping; Raffle Tickets; Servers; Stockers; Attendants; Arts & Crafts Booth; Face Painters; Judges; Agency Booth; Set Up Crew; Clean Up Crew; Operate Helium Tank & Balloons; Manage Children's Dance Contest. The contact is Ms. Sacha Amen. She can be reached from 10:30 am - 4:00 pm at 894-9892.

This festival is called Cinco de Mayo and celebrates the Mexican victory over the French army at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. There will be games, contests, good food and music. The celebration will take place on Ninth Street in Hamilton. Sounds like a good opportunity to learn something of the Hispanic culture.

SUMMER STEWARDSHIP

Some summer stewardship ideas you can try are: read a book of the Bible weekly; spend an extra hour a week giving time to the church for their needs; take a family walk and talk to your children about the gifts which surround us from God; forget about yourself and do something for a neighbor in need; put more money in the Sunday collection in remembrance of those who are away on vacation.

LOOKING BACK

EASTER FLOWERS

In Honor of Emma Shoker for all the love she gives

By Corby, Caren, Cameron, Chloe & Carly

In Memory of Tammy McCartney

By Corby, Caren, Cameron, Chloe & Carly

In Memory of Paul & Myrtle Jewell, George K. Jewell, and Barbara Jewell

By Bill, JoAnn, and Kristi Coombs

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coombs

By Bill, JoAnn, and Kristi Coombs

In Memory of Warren Hansel, Charlie Hansel, and Jack Hansel

By Irene and Sally Hansel

In Memory of Paul & Myrtle Jewell, and Gordon & Catherine Gallagher

By Shawn and Donna Gallagher

In Memory of George Hansel, Warren Hansel, Charlie Hansel, and Jack Hansel

By Corby, Caren, Cameron, Chloe, and Carly

In Memory of George Hansel, Warren Hansel, Charlie Hansel, and Jack Hansel

By Jean Hansel and Randy Hansel

In Memory of George Hansel

By Myra and Jerry Krauth and Patricia Oelrich

In Memory of their Parents and Grandparents

By Harry and Dodie ogle

In Memory of Lester Brooks

By Audrey Brooks

In Memory of Douglas Perry

By Christy Heinrich and family

In Memory of Parents, Grandparents, and Brother

By the Kenneth Russell family

In Memory of Kelly Rae Kirkpatrick and Marcella Baumann

By the Baumann family

In Memory of Hubert and Elda Jewell and family

By Jane Jewell-Menke

In Memory of Robert Lemmons and both Parents

By Ida Mae Lemmons and family

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

God surely smiled on the combined services during Holy Week, the week of transformation, where His people gathered in His name, where music and prayer filled the air, communing on bended knee, and choir in song with "The Upper Room" setting the tone in remembrance of Jesus. Good Friday's service was

very impressive. On Sunday, Rev. Ed's message led from "The Darkness to the Light," the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. "This is the day that the Lord hath made - Rejoice!!! And be glad in it." Psalm 118-24.

Thank you Caren Hansel and Karen Meador for the delicious breakfast following the Easter Sunrise Service, and to everyone who helped make this meal a joy and a success!

RESURRECTION SUNDAY, APRIL 10 PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The committee for the pancake breakfast would like to thank everyone who helped make it a huge success. We served approximately 100 people. Our Resurrection Service before the breakfast was a beautiful service with lots of singing by all ages of choirs and the children did a great job with their part of the program. It was so good to see the church sanctuary almost filled to capacity. Thank you again for making our Resurrection Service and Breakfast a great Sunday of fellowship.

Donna Gallagher

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

Our funeral dinner committee has been very busy. We served a dinner for the Mary Pate family on April 4th. And on April 22nd, we served a luncheon for the Ron Brown family. There was plenty of delicious food, thanks to all the volunteers who donated. Thanks to Carolyn Russell, Sandy Beckemeier, Sally Hansel, Laura Cohen, Carolyn Sadler, Jean Hansel and anyone else who worked diligently getting the food and dining area ready and helping clean up. Ken Russell, our favorite dishwasher was on hand to help also. Thanks to everyone.

Carolyn Russell & Donna Gallagher

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE BROWN FAMILY

Ron Brown passed away on April 18th after a long battle with cancer. His wife Judy and family made a decision that, in lieu of flowers, family and friends should make donations to the Darrrtown United Methodist Church. For this kind and thoughtful act, we extend our appreciation.



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PROGRESS ON PARKING LOT

The first phase of the parking lot project has been completed. The large area by the social room has been dug out and new gravel added, as well as the area by the corner where the large maple tree used to stand. This will need to settle for six weeks and then blacktopping will take place. We have reached the halfway mark on the funding for this project. Our goal is \$15,000. Any amount that you could possibly give toward reaching our goal would be greatly appreciated.

Shawn Gallagher

FURNACE PROBLEM

It was discovered that one of the oil tanks in the basement was dripping oil on the floor. A call was placed to Dunkelbergers. They responded, pumped out the remaining oil and cleaned up the oil as much as possible. They recommended a new 500 gallon skid tank be placed outside the furnace room in the back of the church. The installation was completed and everything is up and running again.

IN MEMORY OF TAMMY McCARTNEY

Below are excerpts from an article printed in The Oxford Press, April 22, 2005:

Although Tammy McCartney no longer roams the halls of TMS (Talawanda Middle School) with her indelible smile, the lasting impression she left on the school was made permanent with the April 12 re-dedication of the TMS library as the Tammy McCartney Media Center.

Although a years-long battle with cancer took her life last September, her vibrant spirit lives on in the memories of friends. Recalled as a prankster, a nurturer, a giver and an artisan, the many-faceted English teacher inspired those who knew her.

Her family, husband Mike, daughter Lauren and son Jonathan, hoisted a plaque bearing her smiling visage next to the library's entrance. A McCartney-knitted quilt section featuring an apple was hung alongside it. They will greet students entering the library, serving as a fitting "hello" from a teacher who lived for teaching reading and language arts.

APPORTIONMENTS

Across the Conference, 761 churches paid apportionments (89.7%). Darrtown and McGonigle-Millville were both listed. "Congratulations" says Superintendent Tom Hanover, in the West Ohio monthly letter.

CONGRATULATIONS

★ To Cameron Hansel, who played the lead in the Talawanda High School Drama presentation of "Pippin" in March. Also, to Claire Cohen (Chorus), Laura's daughter, and Chelsea Shoker (Dancer), Emma's granddaughter, for their participation.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



Women's Fellowship

All women of the church and community are invited to be a part of this caring and sharing group, locally and globally. Our reason is to be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the local and global ministries of the church.

MARCH MEETING: Our offering to "Prayer and Self-Denial" service was \$32.00.

APRIL MEETING: The video "Whom Shall I Send" was shown and discussed, concerning missionary work in God's World. A decision was made to purchase flour sack toweling to be decorated with embroidery. These will be sold at our annual fall bazaar.

MAY MEETING: Monday, May 2, at 7:00 pm. Hostesses: Maxine Harris and Emma Shoker. Program to be conducted by Cathy Richardson.

JUNE MEETING: Monday, June 6, at 7:00 pm. Hostesses: Carolyn Russell and Christy Heinrich.

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TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance as of April 20, 2005, \$388.30. Upcoming event: audit of UMW's books.

LAP ROBES: We are in the process of making lap robes to be given to the Woodland Manor Nursing Home in the fall. If anyone would like to help, call Ida Mae at 726-6433.

BLANKET DAY: Jennifer Clark coordinated April's Blanket Day mission. Thank you, Jennifer, and all who contributed \$5.00 or more to provide blankets worldwide.

MS WALK: Even though the MS Walk date has passed, donations from sponsors will continue to be collected by Ken Russell, the Captain of our team.

GARDEN SEED MINISTRY: Sandy Beckemeier was the coordinator for our mission for March, collecting seeds for the people of Appalachia. Thanks to Sandy and all who donated.

PACKING FOR JESUS: Approximately 14 tons of clothing and 60 boxes of shoes were packed at the Goshen UMC on February 5th. The shipment will go to Kosovo. The Goshen mission team and the UMW made the arrangements for the storage container and provided lunch for the workers. The shipment was to leave the warehouse on March 13th. This mission will take place next year on the same weekend at Goshen. Hopefully our UMW's unit and church can take part next year. Thank you, Tonya, for offering a storage space.

DAY OF JOY: On Saturday, April 16th, four women enjoyed the "Day of Joy" at the Lindenwald UMC. The theme was "Our World through Prayer." Fifty-one women attended from the District. Tammy McCartney's name was among those listed in the memorial service. Two new units were introduced: New Petersburg and St. Mark's of Fairfield. Music in song by Barb Callen was enjoyed. The SERRV organization offered handcrafts from other countries for sale. The day's offering went to Living Waters Ministries of Hamilton. Rev. Barry Burns and Jackie Jewett served Communion. It certainly was a "Day of Joy."

REMINDER: Anyone who is interested in going to the School of Christian Mission can apply. See Ida Mae.

WORLD THANK OFFERING: Boxes are available in the back of the Sanctuary and will be collected in the fall. Throughout the year when you feel you have been blessed, drop a penny in the box. Each box will hold 464 pennies.

UPDATE ON MISSIONARIES: Tom and Sharon Crowe are home from the Congo and will officially retire in October.

TWO-YEAR PLANNERS: Some calendar planners are still available at \$1.00 each. These are located at the back of the sanctuary.

CAMPBELL LABELS: Please continue to save your labels and place them in the pink shoebox in the Annex. These are sent to The Henderson Settlement in Kentucky.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY TO BEULAH MASON

On April 24th, Etta Jean Crawford's mother, Beulah Mason celebrated her 100th birthday in Illinois and Etta Jean was there to celebrate with her. *She still does quilting!* May God continue to watch over her as she enjoys her family.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY THERAPY



Celebrate the cycles of your life – the bringing forth, the flowering in fullness, the pruning back, the lying dormant. Give yourself gracefully to the season of Now.

May 29 – Sarah Jane Nichol
June 15 – Audrey Brooks

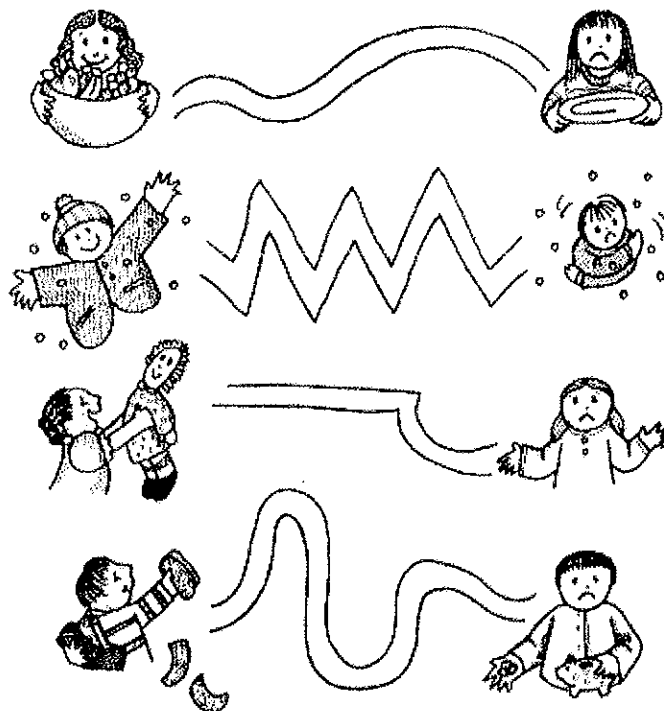
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25 Ways to Build a Church

1. Ignite the spiritual fires of your own soul.
2. Carefully study your Bible with the aid of good resource materials.
3. Remember you are the church; the place where you study and worship on Sunday is a building.
4. Support your church fellowship with regular attendance.
5. Frequently pray for your church leaders.
6. Look for ways to encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ.
7. Discover your own unique and best method of witnessing to others and do it often.
8. Give freely and generously of your time, talents, money, and prayers, remembering all that you have or ever hope to have belongs to God.
9. Believe in your church and speak highly of its accomplishments and possibilities.
10. Systematically invite people to attend study and worship with you on Sunday as well as on other occasions.
11. Don't spend a lot of time criticizing others for what your church is not doing. Do something yourself.
12. When you use your church building facilities, seek to leave it better than when you found it.
13. When you are prone to criticize your minister and others, remember that they are human and therefore also make their fair share of mistakes.
14. Frequently ask your church leaders, "What can I do to help?"
15. Refuse to harbor hard feelings toward anyone.
16. When you attend a church business meeting, attend with a Christ-like spirit. Look for the good and the constructive.
17. Encourage frequent and wise use of your church building facilities.
18. Endeavor to get all the facts about events, happenings, and decisions in your church before offering your advice on most subjects.
19. Lend your enthusiastic support to new forms of worship, programming, and outreach.
20. Be an active member of a prayer and work group.
21. When your co-workers do something worthwhile, tell them about it.
22. When members sin, love them, forgive them, care for them, and let bygones be bygones.
23. Dare to dream creative and constructive dreams of what your church can become.
24. Pursue your creative and constructive dreams for your church as if your church depended on you and you alone.
25. In all things for your Christian life and church, first of all ask, "What would Jesus do?"

Just For Kids

In the Bible we are told to make friends by sharing. Four children have things to give to children in need. Follow the paths to the children in need.



** Notice ** Deadline for Newsletter Articles

The next deadline date for submitting articles for the newsletter is **June 15, 2005**. Items can be given to Maxine Harris or Ida Mae Lemmons. We will be including monthly calendars and we need your help to keep upcoming events, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. noted on these calendars. You may also send information via e-mail to Maxine at: maxakers03@aol.com.

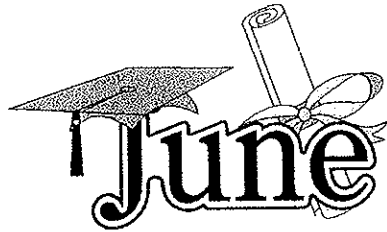
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Hospitality: Elta Jean / Ida Mae Greeters: Ken & Carolyn	2 UMW meeting at 7:00 pm	3	4 Carly Hansel Birthday Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	5	6 Family Banquet at McGonigle-Milville at 6:30 pm	7
8 Mother's Day	9 Trustees meeting at 6:00 pm Admin Board at 7:00 pm	10	11 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	12	13	14
15 The Sacrament of Baptism	16	17	18 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	19	20 Tara Menke Birthday	21
22 Bill Coombs Birthday	23	24	25 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	26	27	28 Lawrence Baumann Birthday
29 Sarah Jane Nichol Birthday	30 Memorial Day	31				

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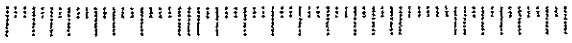
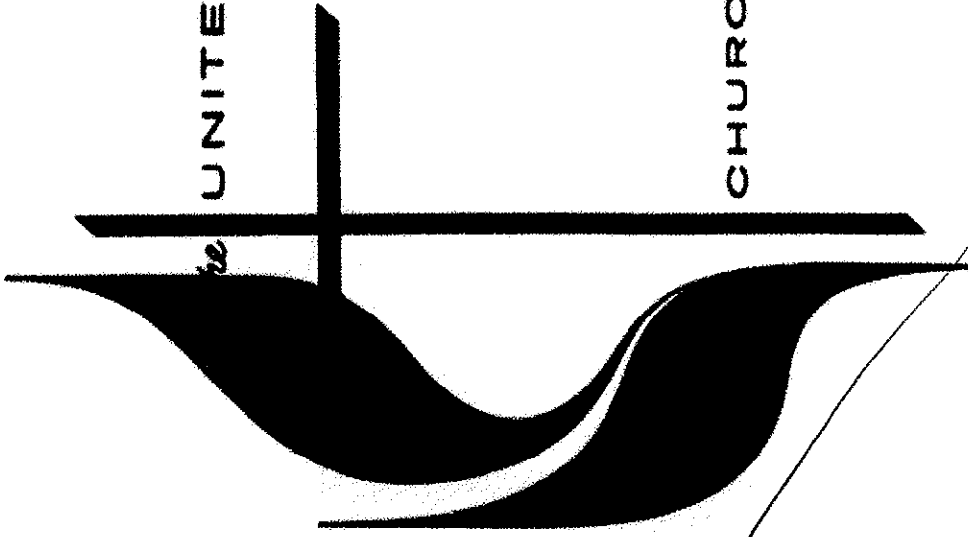


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Hospitality: Helen / Wayne Greeters: Ida Mae / Etta Jean			1 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm Jane Jewell- Menke Birthday	2	3 Amanda Russell Birthday	4 Rummage Sale & Bake Sale
5 One-Room Church School	6 UMW Noodle Making at 8:30 am	7	8 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	9	10	11
12 Hopewell Service Father's Day Cookout at McGonigle-Milville	13 West Ohio Conference June 12 - 15	14	15 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm Audrey Brooks Birthday	16	17 Jack & Connie Davis Anniversary	18
19 Graduation Recognition Father's Day	20	21 First Day of Summer	22 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	23	24	25
26 Ed & Robyn's Anniversary	27 Bill Harris Birthday	28	29 Choir Practice at 7:00 pm	30		



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