

# GOOD NEWS

Newsletter of the Darrtown  
McGonigle-Millville UMC Charge  
May / June, 2013



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***Dear Friends,***

It may be summer, but the church's life doesn't know anything about "those hazy, lazy days of summer." These two months find us celebrating Mother's Day and Father's Day. The week after Mother's Day comes Pentecost and we shift from Eastertide into the Pentecost season. The very next Sunday we think again about God in Three Persons. Trinity Sunday reminds us of the three-fold way in which God reveals Himself to us. And these two months end with our own celebration with a fifth Sunday Potluck.

These two months are a time of fulfilling the tasks of the church as shared on April 21<sup>st</sup>: Maintenance, Ministry, and Mission.

Darrtown begins the month of June with their Rummage Sale, and June's end brings the four-day Vacation Bible School (June 24-27). The theme is Kingdom Rock.

There are plenty of opportunities these two months for you to learn and grow and be involved.

See YOU in church!

***Pastor Ed Beck***

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Watch for news each week in the weekly bulletins.

### Each Sunday

Darrtown (DT) – 9:00, Worship; 9:10 & 10:20 Sunday School  
McGonigle (MG) – 10:45, Worship and Angel Church; 9:30, Sunday School

### May, 2013

- May 2 (Thursday): National Day of Prayer
- May 5 (Sunday): Celebration of The Sacrament of Communion; 2:00-4:00 pm, Church Women United meet at Darrtown; May Fellowship Day
- May 6 (Monday): 7:00 pm United Methodist Women
- May 12 (Sunday): Mother's Day – Celebration of the Christian Home; 10:00 am Darrtown Trustees meet
- May 13 (Monday): 7:00 pm Darrtown Church Council
- May 19 (Sunday): Pentecost – The Birthday of Jesus' Church
- May 20 (Monday): 6:30 pm McGonigle Trustees; 7:30 McGonigle Church Council
- May 21 (Tuesday): Life Line Screening at McGonigle – 8:00 am to 5:15 pm (see article elsewhere in this newsletter)
- May 26 – Trinity Sunday
- May 27 (Monday): Memorial Day

### June, 2013

- June 2 (Sunday): Sacrament of Communion
- June 3 (Monday): 7:00 pm United Methodist Women
- June 7 & 8 (Friday & Saturday): Rummage Sale at Darrtown
- June 9 (Sunday): Darrtown – 9:00, Worship, 9:10 & 10:20 Sunday School; McGonigle – 10:45, Worship and Angel Church, 9:30, Sunday School; Annual Conference begins at Lakeside, Ohio
- June 16 (Sunday): Darrtown worships at Historic Hopewell Church for Father's Day; regular schedule at McGonigle
- June 17 (Monday): Summer Shine begins at Lindenwald UMC – 12:00 – 3:30 pm for 2 weeks
- June 24 (Monday): Vacation Bible School held at the Lutheran Church (St. Matthews) in Darrtown – 24, 25, 26, 27
- June 30 (Sunday): Noon – Fifth Sunday Potluck at McGonigle

### BE ALERT...

Be alert for additional plans and events to come. A bimonthly newsletter means some events come after the current newsletter is published.

### **FYI** (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.



### **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  
Gary & Mary Becker  
Carol Beckett  
Jeff Boling  
Rita Burns  
Marie Combs  
David Dillingham  
David & Elizabeth Foley  
Fred & Betty Geisler  
Fred Guiler  
Jan & Pete Jewell  
Heather Keller  
Eric Lykins  
Don Mayberry  
Sarah Myers  
Irene & Carl Nutley  
Glenn Owen  
Marian Ponder  
Lonnie Rieser  
Dave Sackenheim  
Chuck Stenger  
Noah Trumbull  
Ida Mae Lemmons  
Cory Richardson

Unnamed persons / families  
Rick Bailey  
Becky Bee  
Theresa Brevard  
Carlin Cales  
Lester Coleman  
Ruby Finkbine  
Cheryl Frost  
Helen George  
Ruth Hendrickson  
Joy & Don Jones  
Margie Keller  
Ray Link  
Judy McMacken  
Kim Newcomer  
Clara Owen  
Bob Phillips  
Jim Reed  
Angie Rose  
Dorothy Short  
Charles Sullivan  
Jim Wells  
Lois Snider  
Lois Thompkins

Victims and families of the Boston, MA and West, TX tragedies, as well as past events, and the earthquake in China

## **PAST EVENTS AND NEWS**

### **LOVE OFFERING IN ACTION**

Because of your generous support of the Love Offering and the tithe account, the following gifts were provided: gift card to a person needing to purchase food; assistance to a person to pay for shelter; contribution to Landen Otto memorial fund; contribution to West Ohio Conference's One Great Hour of Sharing; paid for newspaper ad and half of food cost for spaghetti dinner.

### **MEMO FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

It is time for us to perform maintenance to our wonderful building. This project will be on the exterior of the sanctuary. At this time we need to remove and replace caulking around nine windows of the sanctuary at a cost of \$1,457; tuck point brick where needed as a cost of \$960; apply masonry sealer to brick at a cost of \$2,100. Anyone who would desire to make a contribution directly to this project may do so by check or cash placed in an envelope and labeled for brick repair, then placed in the collection plate. If you have further questions, direct them to Ken Coleman. THANK YOU!

### **FUN FUN FUN FUN FUN FUN**

On the evening of March 22<sup>nd</sup>, a game night was held in the fellowship hall at McGonigle-Millville UMC. Yummy snacks, fun games and pleasant conversation were enjoyed. Television and computer were not able to be there due to over use all other days of the year. A specialty of the evening was freshly made kettle corn. Some one or everyone must have had fun because time flew by that night!

### **THANK YOU FOR YARD SALE**

Thank you to all who helped with McGonigle's yard sale, whether providing goods, working, shopping, or eating. Special thanks to Ann Jones and Kenny Coleman, and Sheila Mayberry who provided leadership inside, outside, and in the kitchen and countless hours of labor!

### **THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS**

First United Methodist would like to thank McGonigle for its contribution of spaghetti after your fundraiser. The contribution will make Saturday's lunch much easier for us.

We also want to thank you for the wonderful turkey broth from last fall. We were able to freeze it and make turkey vegetable soup for two different lunches. The guests at the lunch loved the soup. These gifts are so much appreciated.

Grace and Peace,  
Peggy Garrison, Minister  
First UMC, Hamilton, Ohio

## **FIRST FRUITS CAUGHT RESTING**

Since the previous newsletter, some of the tasks completed are:

- Collected and put trash to curb as needed
- Picked up supplies at Baker Hardware
- Removed and replaced rope of flag pole
- Set up tables and chairs for spaghetti dinner, Easter breakfast, game night, and yard sale
- Replaced light bulbs as needed
- Opened buildings for Johnston Fire Protection to perform annual fire extinguisher service
- Erected road signs for spaghetti dinner and yard sale; returned spaghetti dinner signs to storage
- Removed snow from parking lot and sidewalk
- Opened building for contractor bidding on sanctuary window caulking and tuck pointing
- Delivered spaghetti dinner left-over food to First UMC
- Cleaned under side and drain pipe of urinal
- Picked up and sorted yard sale items; moved items from annex to fellowship hall
- Yard work as needed

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## **DARRTOWN NEWS**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE**

This year's dates for our rummage sale are Friday and Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. We are accepting donations now and we request that all donations be delivered no later than Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> so that we have time to clean, organize and price our inventory.

The tables will be set up after church on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and any help moving and carrying tables, boxes and racks from the shed would be greatly appreciated. During the week of the sale, please consider volunteering your time to help sort and price items, greet customers, or help prepare and serve a delicious lunch.

We will be working during the day on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday starting at 9:00 am. On Wednesday, we will work in the evening starting at 6:30 pm. This event entails lots of work, but it provides good fellowship as well. Don't miss out on the fun!

As in the past, we will donate items that don't sell to our sister church and our leftover clothing will go to Matthew 25 Ministries. We are scheduled to deliver clothing and (cont)

**NEXT NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY  
JUNE 20, 2013**

Give to Maxine Harris ( [maxakers03@aol.com](mailto:maxakers03@aol.com) )  
Ida Mae Lemmons ( [idamae87@yahoo.com](mailto:idamae87@yahoo.com) )  
or Rita Burns ( [rburns38@cinci.rr.com](mailto:rburns38@cinci.rr.com) )

## JOINT CHURCH EVENTS

### MOTHER'S DAY (Festival of the Christian Home)

May 12 – When you are thinking of gifts to express your love for Mother's Day, remember the best gift of all is to dedicate anew that special relationship of mother and child before the altar of the church.

Each mother will leave worship with a flower pulled from the altar flower display.

### FATHER'S DAY – JUNE 16

Let's face it, Dads. Even though fathers play a big role in their children's lives, usually the major bonding is with Mom. Here is your chance to put the father-child relationship in proper perspective by worshipping together.

Darrtown hosts the annual Father's Day service at Historic Hopewell Church at 9:30 am. McGonigle maintains the regular Sunday schedule.

Father's at McGonigle will leave worship with a special gift of cookies.

### GRADUATES

Do we have graduates among us that we should recognize? Please call Pastor Beck at 896-4025.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be June 24 thru 27, beginning at 6:30 pm. It will be held at St. Matthews Lutheran Church on Hamilton-Richmond Road in Darrtown. The theme of this year's VBS is Kingdom Rock, Where Kids Stand Strong for God (Group Pub). This is a joint effort of McGonigle-Millville UMC, Darrtown UMC, and St. Matthews Lutheran Church. We have volunteers from all three churches. If you would like to help, just call Debra Steger at 255-7857.

We will teach the children that God helps us stand strong, family and friends help us stand strong, prayer helps us stand strong, and trusting God helps us stand strong. Epic Bible adventures include King David and Psalm 23; how Queen Esther saved the Hebrews; Nehemiah perseveres to rebuild the walls around Jerusalem; King Josiah cleans the temple and finds the book of God; and

Jesus dies and comes back to life. Of course, there are snappy songs, delicious snacks and fun games (think bubbles! And parachutes!). This year we will have Imagination Station: a combination of science experiments and crafts.

We would appreciate more volunteers. We need helpers in every area. The kids are fun to work with. We would appreciate your prayers for children to come to our VBS, for the Spirit to lead our volunteers, and for God to work in our hearts and help us stand strong. We would appreciate any financial help you can give. You can designate your check for VBS by putting "VBS" on the memo section. We are grateful for this opportunity to spread the word about Jesus' love. Thank you! - *Debra Steger*

### SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Shelly Bennett, in the passing of her brother **Peter Conrad** on March 4, 2013. Also, to his niece Laura, and nephews Greg and Joe.

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **William C. Folker** who passed on March 12, 2013.

We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **Emma Leibforth** who passed on March 29, 2013.

### NEW MEMBER OPPORTUNITY

Pentecost reminds us of the opportunity to upgrade your relationship to God's sacred gift: the Church of Jesus Christ.

If you would like to become a member of either church on Pentecost (May 19) or any other Sunday, please contact Pastor Beck.

## MCGONIGLE-MILLVILLE NEWS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

### RELIGIOUS MATERIALS

Our church has a nice collection of over 100 religious and inspirational books waiting to be read. We also have past sermons recorded on CDs to listen to. The books and CDs may be signed out for use. There are sign-out sheets to be completed when an item is taken out. Have fun reading!

Forgiveness is one of the toughest... but most necessary jobs in life. - *Dr. Robin Smith*

# *Darrrtown / McGonigle-Millville Charge, United Methodist Churches*

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volunteer two hours work in the M25M warehouse on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please let me know if you would like to join in this volunteer effort, as I need to give their coordinator a head count prior to arrival. Please call with any questions or suggestions or to volunteer – Phyllis Flick at 895-1785. Thank you!

## **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

In order to protect and not damage the new film covering on the annex door and side window, PLEASE do not use any type of tape to post notices of upcoming events or other information.  
- *The Trustees*

## **PAST EVENTS AND NEWS**

### **2013 EASTER FLOWERS**

- ❖ In Memory of: Dema & Matt Marcum, and Bill Williams, from Rose Williams
- ❖ In Memory of: Mary Lou Simison, from Larry Simison
- ❖ In Memory of: Ogles and Alexanders, and Dodie Ogle, from Harry Ogle
- ❖ In Memory of: Max Mason, from Etta Jean Crawford
- ❖ In Memory of: Sarah Jane Nichol, and Morris Schunk, from Lora Richardson
- ❖ In Memory of: Irene Hansel and Helen Manser, from Sally Hansel
- ❖ In Memory of: Howard Kirkpatrick, Ginny Kirkpatrick Zimmerman and Arthur Miller, from Cathy and Harold Richardson
- ❖ In Memory of: Lester and Audrey Brooks, and Clarence and Ruth Flick, from Phyllis and Mike Flick
- ❖ In Memory of: Bill Folker, from Cathleen Woedl
- ❖ In Honor of: Lilly Steger, from her parents

### **CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**

The Church Women United held the Oxford World Day of Prayer at the Oxford Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Prayers were said, scripture in song, and later refreshments were enjoyed by all.

### **EASTER SERVICES**

The Easter Sunrise service, the Easter breakfast, and regular morning worship services were enjoyed by all. Thanks to Rev. Beck and Robyn for their Easter words of understanding in the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Savior, Son of God. The choir's selection "It's Beautiful" was really beautiful and uplifting. Thanks to the

choir! It was a beautiful morning with Easter paraments and colorful flowers.  
- *Ida Mae Lemmons*

### **SCOUT PACK 937**

The Scouts of Pack 937 held a dessert auction and raised \$600 which was donated to Serve City of Hamilton. They are also going to place flags for Memorial Day services at Darrrtown Cemetery to honor those service men and women who served in the military and have passed away.  
- *Mike Hawkins*

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

In Sunday School we are studying the book of John. John was a Palestinian Jew who was an eyewitness to the events of Jesus' life. John, the apostle, was the son of Zebedee and Salome and the brother of James, another apostle. John was one of the leaders of the church in Jerusalem. Later, he was sent to Ephesus where he wrote this gospel. For some unknown reason, he was exiled to the Island of Patmos where he wrote Revelations.

This is the most theological of the four gospels. It deals with the nature and person of Christ. He starts out with "in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John presents Jesus as the divine son of God. This is seen in the names he calls Jesus: the Word was God (1:1), the Lamb of God (1:29), the Messiah (1:41), the Son of God and the King of Israel (1:49), and the Savior of the World (4:42).

Jesus himself states seven "I am" statements about who he is: "I am the bread of life" (6:35), "I am the light of the world" (8:12), "I am the gate" (10:7), "I am the good shepherd" (10:11), "I am the resurrection and the life" (11:25), "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (14:6), "I am the true vine" (15:1). It is from these "I am" statements and the names John calls Jesus that we get to know Jesus.

In Sunday School, as we go through John's stories, we will get a closer look at who Jesus is. John gave us the wonderful truth that Jesus said: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" (3:16). John calls himself the "beloved disciple" or the "one whom Jesus loved." I hope to convey to the children and to you, you are the one whom Jesus loves.  
- *Debra Steger*

"God whispers to us in our pleasures,  
speaks to us in our conscience, but  
shouts in our pains; it is His megaphone  
to rouse a deaf world."  
- *C.S. Lewis*

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

### **From Our President:**

Boy, are we glad spring is here!!!! The good weather brings a lot of activity.

Our March meeting hosted a speaker, **Peggy Lewis**, a volunteer in mission. She spends two weeks every year at McCurdy School in New Mexico. The school is sponsored in part by the United Methodist Church. Anyone can be a VIM (volunteer in mission) for the church, spending as little as two weeks every year helping others.

The **UMW Spring Retreat** was at Otterbein this year. It was attended by Ida Mae Lemmons, Rhonda Knight and Etta Jean Crawford. These three ladies also had the opportunity to visit with our Honorary UMW Member, Lois Ann Snider, who is now recovering from a broken leg. Remember Lois in your prayers.

A box of **garden seeds** was sent to Jackson Area Ministries in southeast Ohio Appalachia.

Thanks to Cathy, Phyllis and Etta Jean for **cleaning** the kitchen for Easter breakfast and to Carolyn Sadler for cleaning all the ovens!

Thanks to everyone who helped prepare and serve a **funeral luncheon for the Folker family**. The family expressed their sincere appreciation.

We enjoyed an **Easter program** and pies from Etta Jean. THANKS!

Our ladies donated 14 desserts to the **Darrtown Bicentennial fundraiser**, held in the Collinsville Community Center on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We also cut and served the desserts.

The women served casseroles, fruit and coffee cakes to 56 people for **Easter breakfast**.

We will have a **bake-sale at the rummage sale** and all members are expected to donate items and work for an hour, if possible.

Phyllis Flick has scheduled a trip to **Matthew 25 Ministries** for June 22 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Leftover clothing from the rummage sale will be delivered, as well as empty medicine containers. If anyone wants to join the trip, men or women, please call Phyllis.

Ten of us, plus Rev. Ed, Robyn and Kaylee, spent our **April meeting** having great fellowship together while eating dinner at the Bob Evans restaurant in Hamilton.

Our **Spring Tea** was held on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, with entertainment provided by Jim McBride, A One-Man Band. Our theme was music. This event always provides good fellowship, food and entertainment.

On Sunday, May 5, from 2:00-4:00 pm, we will host **Church Women United**. All are invited and refreshment will be served.

On Monday, May 6, at our 7:00 pm meeting, our District Communications Coordinator, **Nikki Griffen**, will be our guest. We will also have a tribute to mothers and nurturers.

In June we will be busy preparing for the summer activities and the first **Women's Retreat** to be held here in September.

Easter Blessings to everyone! - *Cathy Richardson*

### **MISSIONS:** On-going missions include:

- Canned food and/or boxes (in Annex)
- Fellowship of the Least Coin (pennies to be placed in oversized jar at rear of sanctuary)
- Project Linus blankets for children in local hospitals
- Love Packages: any left-over Christian material to pass on to others (box in rear of sanctuary)
- Recipe Books (on table at entrance to Annex)
- World Thank Offering Boxes for 2013
- Monthly Love Offering
- Matthew 25 Ministries

### **Happy Birthday UMW!**

<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>
05/24 – Stephanie Folck	06/18 – Helen George

### **Christian Garden**



1. Plant four rows of peas:  
Presence, Preparedness,  
Perseverance, Promptness.
2. Plant three rows of squash:  
Squash gossip, Squash  
criticism, Squash indifference.
3. Put in three rows of lettuce: Let us be faithful,  
Let us be joyful, Let us love one another.
4. No garden is complete without turnips: Turn  
up for meetings, Turn up with a smile, Turn  
up with new ideas, Turn up on time, Turn up  
with determination to make everything count  
for something good and worthwhile!

“Allow humbleness, forgiveness, clarity and love, all gifts of the spirit, to take root and bloom, and you draw yourself to God’s greatest gift: human beings with open hearts.”

- *Author, Gary Zukav*

**DARRTOWN & MCGONIGLE-MILLVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**  
**2013 BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b><u>May</u></b>			<b>1</b> Jennifer Jones	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Kenneth Coleman Kayla Hawkins Tom & Linda Agee (Anniv)	<b>4</b> Carly Hansel
<b>5</b> Roxane Leitsch	<b>6</b> Tara Baker	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Jim & Mickey Pate (Anniv) Kristi Coombs
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Jillian Berger	<b>15</b> J.P. Berger Marna Evans	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> John Keller
<b>19</b> Dave & Patty Lykins (Anniv)	<b>20</b> Tom & Debra Steger (Anniv)	<b>21</b> Betty Yordy	<b>22</b> Bill Coombs	<b>23</b> Kirsten Emmons	<b>24</b> Linda Roemer	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Elizabeth Foley Mandy Withrow	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Nancy Wolkerman Carl & Irene Nutley (Anniv)	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	



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<b><u>June</u></b>						<b>1</b> Ann Jones
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Lauren McCartney	<b>6</b> Phoebe Kerby Audrey Kerby	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> David & Shannon Guenther (Anniv)	<b>11</b> Donna Sprau	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Beth Fulmer
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Jack & Connie Davis (Anniv)	<b>18</b> Helen George	<b>19</b> Jim & Roxane Leitsch (Anniv)	<b>20</b> Shawn & Penny Webster (Anniv)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Shelly Bennett	<b>24</b> Richard & Linda Roemer (Anniv) Nicholas Withrow	<b>25</b> Domenic & Luella DeCeglie (Anniv)	<b>26</b> Rev. Ed & Robyn Beck (Anniv) Ron & Pam Hatten (Anniv)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Julianna Baldwin
<b>30</b> Loma Wynn						