

Good News

*From Darrtown / McGonigle-Millville Charge
United Methodist Churches
September / October, 2011*



Dear Friends,

In continuing with the idea of August 21 "Who Needs the Church," I continue:

Dr. Lin Yutany was a Chinese philosopher and novelist who for 40 years was a confessed pagan and critic of the Christian church. About a decade ago he decided that the Christian view made more sense than any other. He admitted that Christ makes an irresistible claim on us. Immediately, he returned to the church, committed himself to a particular congregation and has since pulled his weight in the Christian cause in the current world struggle.

He is still a critic of the church, but a positive one. The next time you hear someone rip the church apart, it would be appropriate to ask where they are actively working for Christ's positive witness.

There is an enormous variety and range represented in our modern Christian churches. There really is room for anyone who takes seriously a search for a vital and living faith.

To the person who thinks they have their own religion and doesn't need the church, I say: "You have borrowed your religion, and you need to pay something good back. You need a church because none of us can ultimately go it alone. The church is the carrier of the faith from one generation to another. We all need the strength and disciplines she offers. You do need the church as much as the church needs you.

Hebrews 10:24-25 reminds us: "And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

This is a very clear reminder that we all need the church.

See YOU in church!

Rev. Ed

Calendar of Events

Watch for news each week in the weekly bulletins.

Sundays: Worship at 9:00 and 10:45 am

Mondays: Darrtown: 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsals
(begin Sept. 12)

Wednesdays: McGonigle: 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsals
McGonigle: 7:00 pm Bible Study

September, 2011

- Sept. 4: Labor Day Sunday. Worship and church school; The Sacrament of Communion
- Sept. 6 (**Tuesday**): 7:00 pm United Methodist Women meet at Darrtown
- Sept. 8: 7:00 pm Pastor Parish Relations Committee at McGonigle
- Sept. 11: Love Offering Sunday
- Sept. 12: 7:00 pm Trustees; 7:30 Church Council at Darrtown
- Sept. 17: Pig Roast at McGonigle, 4:30 – 6:30 pm
- Sept. 18: Worship and Church School
- Sept. 19: 6:30 pm Trustees; 7:15 Church Council at McGonigle
- Sept. 21: Hold for community dinner at Darrtown
- Sept. 25: Worship and Church School; 1:00 pm graveside service and lunch for Judith Marion at Darrtown
- Sept. 26: District Training Event and Abundant Fruit Gathering in evening held at Mason UMC

October, 2011

Pastor Appreciation Month

- Oct. 2: World Communion Sunday
- Oct. 9: Worship and Church School; Love Offering
- Oct. 16: Laity Sunday; UMW Recognition Sunday; guest speaker, Maggie Trumbull
- Oct. 19-21: "Change the World" event at Ginghamburg UMC
- Oct. 20: 6:00 – 8:00 pm Charge Conference at Ginghamburg UMC
- Oct. 22: McGonigle's Ham & Turkey Dinner, 4:30 – 7:00 pm
- Oct. 23: Worship and Church School
- Oct. 29 & 30: Hold for campfire or "Trunk or Treat" event at Darrtown



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Refer to our calendar pages.

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(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.

LET US REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

Our military personnel	Pete Jewell
Irene Young	Pam & Ron Hatten
Connie Davis	Sarah Meyers
Clara Owen	Connie Mulcahay
Rita Burns	Jim Gifford
Carol Beckett	Jennifer Jones
Sara Jane Nichols	Noah Trumbull
Ruth Childers	Irene Hansel
Don Jones	Don & Sheila Mayberry
Irene & Carl Nutley	Rev. Beck
Asia Bibi	Paul Strasser
Shirley Congers	Kayla Martin

*The nicest place to be is in someone's thoughts!
The safest place to be is in someone's prayers!
And the best place to be is in God's hands!*
- submitted by Guideposts reader

CHURCH COUNCIL FOR 2011

<u>McGonigle</u>	<u>Darrtown</u>
September 12	September 19
November 14	November 21

Each church Board of Trustees meets before their church council on the same evening.

NEXT NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE BY OCTOBER 20, 2011

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

Joint Church Events

PIG ROAST AT MCGONIGLE

Mark Your Calendar – September 17: 4:30 – 6:30 pm, Saturday – Pig Roast and all the fixings! Tickets: \$8.00 pre-sale price; \$9.00 day of event; \$5.00 children 3-10 years. Carryout available.

The word has gotten around that this is a great event with delicious food. Invite your friends, and remember to order tickets early and save. Purchase tickets from a church family member. This event is sponsored by the choir and we thank you in advance for your support. All proceeds go to the general fund. We're looking forward to another great PIG ROAST!

MCGONIGLE'S HAM & TURKEY DINNER

Mark Your Calendar – October 22: The Annual Ham & Turkey Dinner will be held on Saturday from 4:30 – 7:00 pm.

Nikki Baker and Norma Coleman are in the process of planning and gathering volunteers. As in past years, any help and food donations will be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support.

CHARGE CONFERENCE...

Will be quite different this year. It will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Ginghamburg UMC on Thursday evening, October 29th. Charge Conference for The Ohio River Valley District and The Miami Valley District will be held jointly. This will be held in the midst of Ginghamburg's annual Change The World Event. More information on The Event and Charge Conference will follow. Give this some prayer, for it is a great opportunity to learn more about a United Methodist Church that averages over 4600 each week.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

McGonigle: On August 14, 2011, **Timothy Wayne Conyers** and **Ken Patrick Shannon** were received into membership.

Darrtown: On August 21, 2011, **Kayla Hawkins** and **Rose Williams** were received into membership.

The Sacrament of Baptism was administered on August 14th at McGonigle UMC to:

Kaylee Cheyanne Shannon

Ken Patrick Shannon

Timothy Wayne Conyers

We rejoice in the commitment of each of these persons. All four new members come to us by profession of their faith and are new to the United Methodist Church.

FIRST SATURDAY IN NOVEMBER

Mark Your Calendar – November 5: Darrtown's Annual Turkey Dinner takes place. Watch for more details in our next newsletter.

WEST OHIO CONFERENCE

Our conference was at Lakeside which is a Chautauqua community on Lake Erie. This year we celebrated 135 years of nurturing the mind, body and spirit.

The West Ohio Conference is made up of 1,150 churches. With pastors, laity, spouses, family and friends, there were approximately 2,500 people in attendance. We gathered in the Hoover Auditorium (no air conditioning). It was a very hot week. This is where the worship services and all of the voting takes place. We voted for 56 delegates and 11 recommendations. All results can be found in the Conference Journal.

Our theme for the week was "Unleashing New Life, New Places, Renewed Churches." We had a guest pastor each day. Many wonderful messages were given. There was beautiful music and a lovely communion service.

Change in the world happens when people change and we attract members of our community to come and be changed. Everyone is hungry to hear the gospel.

God must infect us with the Holy Spirit, we must confess, then we profess. Share the love of God to those inside and outside our church. Go to where the people are. Talk about grace and salvation. Come as you are. Have visions and dreams. We all have gifts and talents. Let's use them to renew our church. We can ask ourselves "what am I doing today for God, for the church and for other people?"

I thank and praise God for the many blessings I received from the West Ohio Conference.

Carolyn Russell, Lay Delegate to Conference

BUTLER COUNTY FAIR

We were well represented at the Butler County Fair. Etta Jean Crawford and Sheila Mayberry are the chief champions for pie baking for the whole county! And we have one in each church. Between them, they earned Best of Show, first, second and third prizes. As I went through The Journal News, I saw Lora Richardson with a Best of Show, two firsts, four seconds and a third place. Norma Coleman not only helps but also brought home a third place. Stacey Ison got a first and third place. Samantha Mehl earned a first, second, and third for horsemanship.

I'm sorry if I missed some. I lost a few days reports.

McGONIGLE-MILLVILLE NEWS

SPECIAL THANKS

The Board of Trustees would like to thank Mike Graham for making and installing new seats on our teeter-totter. Mike also has painted the slide and teeter-totter. The lawn is looking good. Yes, you guessed it, because of Mike's many hours of dedicated service.

PERPETUAL FOOD DRIVE

A delivery of food was made in July to the food pantry, bringing our annual total collected to over 84 pounds. Please continue to bring non-perishable food items to church each week and watch the total grow to over 100 pounds!

FALL YARD SALE

Our annual fall yard sale was held on August 26 & 27. The grand total realized was \$2,662.44. Many thanks to all who helped make this event very successful!

FIRST FRUITS CAUGHT RESTING

During the days that have passed since our last newsletter and between periods of rest, we:

- Collected and put trash to the curb 3 times
- Removed and replaced bathroom stall door latch
- Picked up supplies at Baker Hardware as needed
- Removed and replaced battery in lawn tractor
- Emptied diesel fuel storage barrel
- Delivered collected food items to food pantry
- Took down and placed in storage VBS road signs
- Erected and then took down community dinner signs
- Received, picked up and sorted sale items
- Repaired breakage and installed window valance and hardware of sanctuary windows
- Erected yard sale road signs
- Set up tables in fellowship hall for yard sale
- Moved yard sale items from annex to fellowship hall
- Lawn care as needed

-- Ken Coleman

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"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop."

- Mother Theresa

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## DARRTOWN NEWS

### ICE CREAM SOCIAL SUCCESS

Thanks to all who helped make our annual Ice Cream Social a success! We had more than 40 helpers, servants of the Lord, who worked, prepared food, donated money, and performed various other duties. We served around 225 meals and made a profit of \$1,500. Yes, we DID have homemade ice cream!

### MISSION

Thanks to all who stepped forward to help complete the local family needs for socks and underwear.

Sponsored by the Christian Women United of Oxford, your school kits and hygiene kits have been delivered to CWU's mission team in Oxford for delivery to Westerville, Ohio, where they will be transferred to the international distribution centers.

The Oxford Resource Center recently reported that their supplies are in good condition.

Mission for September's "Festival of Sharing" – donated food items will go to the Oxford Choice Pantry. Their most needed items are: tuna, cereals and green beans.

### SYMPATHY TO...

The family and friends of Judith Marion of Saxapahaw, NC, where she moved to be near family. She was an active member of the Darrtown church when she resided here. A memorial graveside service will be held at Darrtown Cemetery at 1:00 pm on September 25<sup>th</sup>. A luncheon will be held at the Darrtown church immediately following. Rev. Beck will preside at the service.

### BICENTENNIAL COOKBOOK

There are still a few left. They are \$10 each and have entries from past and present members. Contact any UMW member if you are interested in purchasing books.

*Stewardship is based on the biblical principle that God is the only true owner and giver of all things. All we possess, our time, our abilities, our very lives, and our money, we hold as a trust from God. It is to God that we shall render an account of our administration of that trust.*

**DARRTOWN & MCGONIGLE-MILLVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**  
**2011 BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES**

| Sunday                                                    | Monday                                                     | Tuesday                      | Wednesday | Thursday                                                                                  | Friday                                                                          | Saturday                                                                                          |
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| <b><u>September</u></b>                                   |                                                            |                              |           |                                                                                           |                                                                                 |                                                                                                   |
|                                                           |                                                            |                              |           |                                                                                           | <b>1</b><br>Lora Richardson                                                     | <b>3</b><br>Don Beckett                                                                           |
| <b>4</b>                                                  | <b>5</b><br><i>Labor Day</i><br>Mark & Donna Sprau (Anniv) | <b>6</b><br>Samantha Sansone | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>                                                                                  | <b>9</b>                                                                        | <b>10</b><br>Don Beckett, Jr.<br>Rachelle Broshbear<br>Irene Nutley<br>Harry & Dodie Ogle (Anniv) |
| <b>11</b><br>Barney & Sandy Beckmeier (Anniv)             | <b>12</b><br>Mason Sackenheim<br>Owen Sackenheim           | <b>13</b>                    | <b>14</b> | <b>15</b><br>Greg, Joe, & Laura Bennett<br>Maxine Harris<br>Ken & Carolyn Russell (Anniv) | <b>16</b><br>Will & Marna Evans (Anniv)                                         | <b>17</b>                                                                                         |
| <b>18</b><br>Walter & Belinda Kern (Anniv)<br>Melba Gross | <b>19</b>                                                  | <b>20</b><br>Pat Lyons       | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b><br>Mark Sprau                                                                   | <b>23</b><br>Sam Jones<br>Carl Nutley<br>Alisha Meador                          | <b>24</b>                                                                                         |
| <b>25</b><br>Jack & Laura Cohen (Anniv)                   | <b>26</b><br>Etta Jean Crawford                            | <b>27</b>                    | <b>28</b> | <b>29</b><br>Linda Agee                                                                   | <b>30</b><br>Lester & Bernice Coleman (Anniv)<br>Noah Webster<br>Victor Johnson | <b>31</b>                                                                                         |

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

**From Our President:**

I hope the women are over the hot summer and ready to begin the busy autumn season. We were inactive as a group this summer except for the noodle-makers. They met twice, making enough noodles for the ice cream social. Thanks for the delicious noodles! Many of the women were involved with the community cookout and cooking, serving, and cleanup at the ice cream social.

**September:** We will be meeting on Tuesday,

September 6 at 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. We have a lot of preparation for the activities later this fall. Hostesses are Donna Gallagher and Carolyn Sadler.

**October:** The October meeting will be held on Monday,

October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Hostesses are Ida Mae Lemmons and Etta Jean Crawford.

More noodle-making will take place on October 4<sup>th</sup> at

8:30 am.

Everyone is invited to join us in our pursuit of assisting our mission projects.

- Cathy Richardson

### UMW RECOGNITION SUNDAY

United Methodist Women's Recognition Sunday will be held October 16<sup>th</sup>. The women will have charge of the service. Anyone wishing to assist, please contact Cathy at 513-523-4350. Maggie Trumbull from Seven Mile UMC has graciously agreed to present the message on this Sunday.

### Happy Birthday UMW!

**September**

9/01 - Lora Richardson

9/15 - Maxine Harris

9/23 - Lee Ann Shoker

9/26 - Etta Jean Crawford

**October**

10/08 - Cathy Richardson

10/18 - Caren Hansel

### NOODLES & OODLES OF NOODLES....

By the Noodle Ladies --- who share and care. After the fun day on July 12<sup>th</sup> of making noodles, it was decided there had to be another noodle session by July 19<sup>th</sup> in order to have enough noodles for the Ice Cream Social on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Time needed to be allowed for "drying" of the noodles. Thanks to Cathy Richardson for the beautiful brown eggs. Eggs, milk, a little salt and flour makes for a healthy natural treat. Thanks to all the Noodle Ladies. "Till we meet again!

## Enjoy Your FALL

Written by Russ M. Rockwell  
 Rockwell Equipment Company  
 (submitted by Fred Campbell)

When your cup has overflowed.

You can't beat drinking from the saucer

So let me brag a little as I ramble down life's road,

So now I've reached the milestone so many hope to make.  
 Three score and ten I've left behind. It wallows in my wake.

Nor did I have to drug myself to have a lot of fun.

I never looked upon the wine until my brain went numb.

I'm drinking from the saucer since my cup has overflowed.

So let me brag a little as I travel down life's road.

You can only use them up as you live upon the earth.

And can't add them to your worth.

You can't list them in your will;

Never show up as assets when they total your estate.

The things I count as worthwhile and the ones I cultivate

I'm drinking from the saucer cause my cup has overflowed.

So let me brag a little as I travel down life's road,

Brings more happiness and peace than any man has known.

A happy loving family and a good wife in the home,

But there are other riches as most anybody knows.

I'll never be a rich man as far as money goes,



First Congregational Church of Los Angeles

- R. Scott Colglazier, Senior Minister

on with your life.

personal situation. You forgive so you can get

deciding that you need to make peace with a

about the other person. Forgiveness is

often that is possible. Forgiveness isn't really

even repairing what has been broken, though

Forgiveness is not condoning. Nor is it

### Forgiveness Therapy

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| <b><u>October</u></b>                      |                                            |                                                                        |                                                                                  |                                                                             |                                                                  |                                                         |
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| <b>2</b>                                   | <b>3</b>                                   | <b>4</b>                                                               | <b>5</b><br>Lester Coleman<br>Karly Broshear                                     | <b>6</b>                                                                    | <b>7</b><br>Christopher<br>Baker                                 | <b>8</b><br>Taylor Morris<br>Fulmer<br>Cathy Ricahrdson |
| <b>9</b><br>Luella Deceglie<br>Joyce Jones | <b>10</b>                                  | <b>11</b><br>Rita Burns<br>Ruth Childers<br>Larry Simison<br>Mike Mehl | <b>12</b><br>Donna & Shawn<br>Gallagher (Anniv)                                  | <b>13</b>                                                                   | <b>14</b>                                                        | <b>15</b>                                               |
| <b>16</b>                                  | <b>17</b><br>Donna Rungay                  | <b>18</b><br>Caren Hansel                                              | <b>19</b><br>Tom & Jennifer<br>Clark (Anniv)<br>Dick & Carolyn<br>Sadler (Anniv) | <b>20</b>                                                                   | <b>21</b><br>Katlyn Baldwin<br>Jada Marie Keller<br>Peggy Arcari | <b>22</b>                                               |
| <b>23</b>                                  | <b>24</b><br>Andy & Susan<br>Petri (Anniv) | <b>25</b><br>Dorothy Beckett<br>Connie Davis                           | <b>26</b><br>Ty Burkholder                                                       | <b>27</b><br>Jeremy Fulmer<br>Bill & Evelyn<br>Kuhlmann (Anniv)<br>Tom Agee | <b>28</b>                                                        | <b>29</b>                                               |
| <b>30</b>                                  | <b>31</b><br>Austin Rice<br>Samantha Mehl  |                                                                        |                                                                                  |                                                                             |                                                                  |                                                         |

