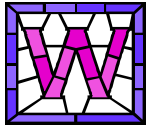




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What's Happening at Wonderful Wednesday?

By Nancy Shade, Coordinator of Christian Education

February was an awesome month at Wonderful Wednesday. Each week the kids were learning what the Bible has to say about love. I wish you could have seen their faces as they worked to share that love with others! They took great care as they prepared special bags filled with "hugs" (pretzels) "kisses" (Hershey's) and homemade love (heart shaped cookies) for our friends in area nursing homes.

Another part of our "Kids in Mission" this month was to make 30 salvation bracelets for

children in El Salvador. Stacy Sepulvado hand-delivered the bracelets on her trip there this past month. The children also prepared 30 "bracelet kit" bags so that the children in El Salvador could make their own to share with their friends and family.

We have also been working on learning the books of the Bible in order. Even the children who thought they couldn't do it are learning more each week. Last week we got all the way to Nehemiah! All of the children are doing a great job, but thanks to Steve Coats and Sherri Williams and their work during Sunday

school, those in the 1st and 2nd grade Sunday school are leading the way.

This month we are hearing the Parables of Jesus and what they mean for us today. Registration is always open for all children ages 4 years through 5th grade. If you would like to volunteer to help weekly or with special projects, please contact Nancy Shade at nancysshade@sbcglobal.net



Left: One of the children in El Salvador puts his bracelet together.



Right: A little girl Stacy met shows off her new bracelet sent by our Wonderful Wednesday Children

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Our purpose:

*"We are a Church of the Ages,
Serving the Present Age by making
Disciples of Jesus Christ for the
transformation of our community
and world"*

Our vision:

*Being a spiritually dynamic, outward
focused United Methodist
Congregation enlivened by
passionate worship, equipped
discipleship and compassionate
service.*



Higher Education Scholarships Available

FUMC has three different scholarship programs available to our active members attending an institution of higher learning in the Fall of 2011.

- **Leavenworth FUMC College Scholarship Fund:** recipients must be attending a United Methodist related college or university in the upcoming Fall semester. These scholarships are funded through a special approved fund drive.

- **Leavenworth FUMC Youth Scholarship Fund:** recipient must be beginning their freshman year the following Fall semester at a college, university, community college, or trade school. Up to four \$500 scholarships will be awarded annually.

- **Louris Boyer Memorial Scholarship:** this non-traditional scholarship is available to any active member who is attending an accredited university, college, community college or trade school the following fall semester on either a full time or part time basis. The amount of the scholarship is \$300.

If you are interested in applying for one or more of these scholarships you may obtain an electronic copy by emailing Sara Mulford at smulford@lvnworth.com. **All applications must be post-marked by March 30, 2011 or hand-delivered to the church office by 5:00 PM April 1, 2011.**



Thank you for prayers and cards during my recent surgery and recovery. Thank you to Pastor Gary for his visits.

John Aardema



Our Sympathy is extended to:

Bob and Betty Logan, upon the recent death of their son, Bob Logan, Jr.

Brendale Taylor, upon the recent death of her husband, Melvin (Red) Taylor.



Congregation, how can you help our scholars?

Sara Mulford - Chair, Discipleship Team

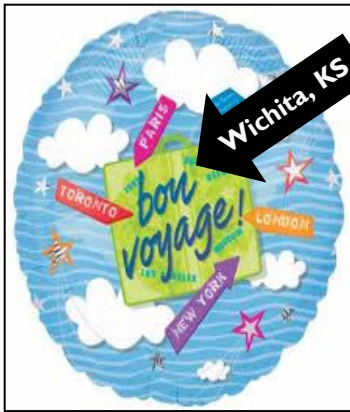
The Leavenworth FUMC College Scholarship Fund was established in May 1996 to financially assist FUMC students attending a United Methodist related college or university. Students can receive up to \$1000 and those funds are matched by the recipient's school.

Over \$8000 in scholarships have been awarded in recent years. This scholarship fund depends on contributions from the congregation and the fund is in need of replenishment. If you would like to contribute, a check can be made out to the church with the

designation "scholarship" on the memo line.

Thank you for your support of our scholars!

~Bon Voyage, Pastor Gary~ (Mark your calendars for this!)



April 3rd will be Pastor Gary's last Sunday with us at FUMC. Mark your calendars for that very special day, and plan to celebrate his time with us at an Old-Fashioned (Methodist style) Potluck dinner...right after the 11:00 service.

Bring your favorite main dish AND also either a side or dessert. Drinks will be provided. It will be a feast to behold, just like on those cruises he is so fond of taking! We look forward to a time of fellowship and rec-

ognition of all Pastor Gary has provided for us here at FUMC!



- Doris Brownson
- Rebecca Brownson
- Inge Cochran

Donations Needed for Our Children's Ministry

- ◇ Cardboard Wrapping Paper Tubes (empty)
- ◇ Pocahontas , Disney animated (to borrow for April)

These items may be dropped off at the Church Office.

Lenten Activities



You don't want to miss our **Lenten Breakfasts!** Every year our church sponsors weekly breakfasts each Wednesday during Lent. Breakfasts start at 6:30 AM, followed by a guest speaker. You'll be on your way to work shortly thereafter. What a way to start your day during Lent! Our speakers this year will be:

March 23	Tony Hutabarat
March 30	Rev. Bob Atwell
April 6	Rev. Erin Myslenski
April 13	Sara Mulford

Lenten Devotional

Booklets are available! The Lenten Devotion Booklet is always inspirational to read. The shared experiences and words of our church family members can often serve as a bright light in our lives during this Lenten season. The booklets will be available in the Narthex and church Office. Be sure to get yours!

Mark your calendars for our upcoming **Maundy Thursday Service**, "Beneath the Upper Room". It will be held at 7 pm on April 21st in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Good Friday Prayer Vigil will be held on Friday, April 22nd, in the Chapel of the Education Building. You'll find the sign-up board at each Lenten Breakfast and at Sunday morning worship services. Select a time slot from 6:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M. Groups, families, and individual members of the congregation are urged to participate in this meaningful, purposeful, and enriching experience. The Prayer Vigil will be held in the Education Building Chapel. This is an enriching experience -- let's ALL participate!

Upcoming Events and Important Information



◇ **Camp Chippewa** hosts a number of camps for children Kindergarten-12th grade during the summer. The camps are divided by age group, activity and length. Camp Chippewa brochures are located on the counter of Amy's desk in the church office. For more information or scholarship information, please contact Nancy Shade at 682-5374 or

nancyshade@sbcglobal.net. The early bird deadline for Camp Chippewa is April 1st.



We are trying something new this year with our **Lenten Devotionals**. If you have Facebook, each devotion during Lent will be posted daily to our First UMC Facebook page. This will allow our members with Facebook access to share the daily devotions with others electronically.

Many thanks to Teresa Hicks, Roy Ramsey, Sandy Simmons and Harold Poe of Caraway Printing for putting the booklet together. Thanks to Mollie Foster for make sure the devotions are posted to Facebook daily. A very special thank you to all congregation members and friends who took the time to write for this very special booklet.



The Media Team is searching for two more members for their team. Our Media Team prepares the power point slides and runs the media on Sunday mornings. There is a rotation schedule between team members. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Cindy White in the church office at 682-5374. Thank you, in advance, for responding to this need.



It's early but it's important!
Mark your calendars!

“Bless Your Heart, Cindy” Weekend is going to be May 27-29. We will have retirement celebrations for Cindy White and we want everyone to come join us in honoring Cindy for her 26+ years of service in our church. Friday evening, May 27th, we will have a dinner and entertainment. Sunday, May 29th, we will have an informal potluck. We will have more details later—mark the dates in your calendars now!



After a long hiatus, I have decided to renew my “Attic Notes” contribution to the *Jubilate*. I will be writing occasional short pieces on religious-historical topics.

ATTIC NOTES - Alice M. Hall, Member, History and Records Committee

Today I wish to inform you that 2011 is the 400th anniversary of the completion and publication of the Authorized King James Version of the Bible.

No matter what translation or version of the Bible you currently use to meditate and study, the importance and influence of the KJV cannot be underestimated. Writing about the King James Bible in the 19th century, F. W.

Faber declared:

“It lives on the ear, like music that can never be forgotten,

like the sound of church bells,

which converts hardly know how they can forego.”



VBS Summer 2011

JUNE 13 – 17 9:00a.m. – Noon

NOW:

We need the following supplies:

Wrapping paper tubes (we have plenty of paper towel size)

Paper lanterns (spheres)

Plastic greenery

SOON:

Crew Leader Sign Up

Specific Supply Donation List



Be sure to mark your calendars and tell your friends!

Worship & Music Work Area Update

By June Bond, Worship & Music Team Leader

The Worship and Music Committee is responsible for a number of activities that are incorporated in our worship services. We also offer some worship options outside of the regular Sunday services. Lent is a time to focus on the sacrifices of Jesus Christ and to renew our spiritual

lives. On Palm Sunday, there will be a parade of palms with the choirs and children. As the parade comes to an end they will leave their palms in the center aisle to represent the palms laid down for Jesus during his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. On Maundy Thursday we will pre-

sent "Beneath the Upper Room", a drama about the women involved in preparing the Last Supper. This drama, which will include communion, will be held in the Fellowship Hall. For Easter Sunday, we will have the traditional service including special music and the brass ensemble

at both services. Our sanctuary will be decorated with beautiful Easter Lilies given in honor and memory of family and friends (see order form in the bulletin). We encourage you to put all these services on your calendar and join us for an opportunity to experience all the glory of Easter.

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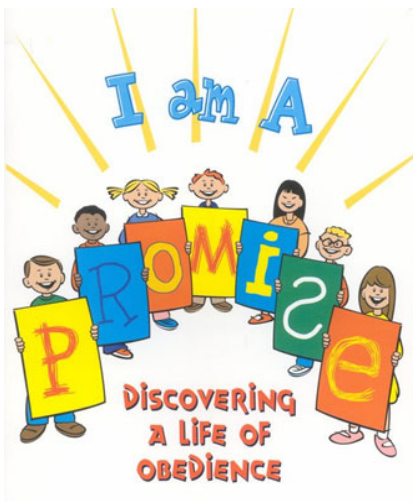
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Coming Soon!

The Kids Praise Choir Spring Program is right around the corner and you are invited! Please mark your calendar for **April 9th at 7:00pm**. Our precious Cherub Choir will be presenting the “Pre-Show” followed by the musical “I Am A Promise” by The Kids Praise Choir. Come see the children of our church share God’s Word through their gift of music. A reception will follow.

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