



THE MESSENGER

Davison United Methodist Church

Rev. Debbie Line, Pastor

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National Day of Prayer

On Thursday, May 5th at noon, Davison Community will gather at the Davison Township Hall on Irish Road to pray for our country. The mission of the National Day of Prayer Task Force is to mobilize prayer in America and to encourage personal repentance and righteousness in the culture. The theme for 2011 is: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*.

All Committee In-Service

On May 3rd at 7 P.M. all committee members will attend an in-service of equipping in the fellowship hall. After this time most committees will meet. We encourage a time of growing together in the Lord and the mission of our church.



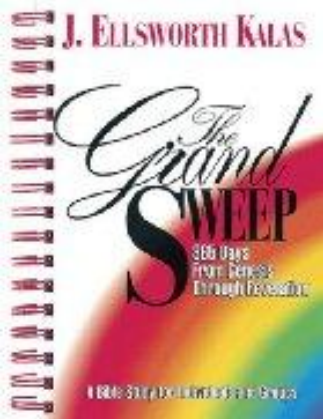
Annual Conference

The Detroit Annual Conference will be meeting in Adrian from May 19-22. Pastor Debbie will attend as will Doug Pearce, your lay member to the annual conference. Lay Leader, Sue Urmanic will also be visiting. The focus this year is Ministry with the Poor. We will be taking health supplies for Haiti, some books to share, and an offering to share with the Haiti Hot Lunch program and the Bishop Judith Craig Orphanage in Liberia. This offering will be taken the beginning of May. All plenary sessions and worship services of the annual conference session will be broadcast live on the internet at www.detroitconference.org. This year a lot of the time will be spent voting for laity and clergy to go to General & Jurisdictional Conference in 2012. Please pray for this time for our church.



Grand Sweep

We continue our journey of reading the Bible in a year. There are two meetings a week to participate in and explore the Bible readings for the week. Pastor Debbie continues to share sermons on Sundays. The reading schedule for May is:



- Week 19 1 Chronicles 1-18
- Week 20 - 1 Chron 19-2 Chronicles 9
- Week 21 2 Chron 10-28
- Week 22 - 2 Chron 29- Ezra 10
- Week 23 - Nehemiah 1 - Esther 6

Reminders and Opportunities

- May 3rd All Committee In-Service 7:00pm May 7th Mother-Daughter Brunch
- May 11th UMW Book club meets Wednesday 6:00pm in the Parlor to discuss Plum Lucky by Janet Evanovich. Please bring cereal to donate to Food Pantry. Cindy Marko at 810.210.7510 cin_wolf13@yahoo.com
- May 14th DUMC Mission Spirit – all day -- Contact Jeff & Diana Snider for questions
- May 15th -- Margaret Diener, Parish Nurse will be offering a non certification **HANDS ONLY CPR** class between services. This class takes less than an hour and teaches you how to perform CPR correctly. Sign-up sheets are posted in the narthex.
- May 16th VBS Planning Meeting 6pm – Fellowship Hall with potluck supper
Disney movie “Tangled” for kids accompanying parents, and Nursery Attendant
- May 21st UMW – Pick up Pasties (also May 19/20 – preparation)
- June 5th 1) Celebration of the Howes Family New Adventure at 10 A.M.
2) Graduation Celebration in Second Service and Reception afterwards
3) Sunday School Celebration after the Second Service
- June 12th Pentecost
Confirmation



Graduation

We will be celebrating our Graduates on June 5th. If you are graduating from high school or college, please let us know so we can recognize you and bless you

Summer Service Times

Beginning June 19th (Father's Day) we will move to our summer service times. Worship will be 8:30 & 10. This will be in effect until September 11th. In March Pastor Debbie asked the Church Council to pray about the possibility of going to one worship service for the month of July. We could all come together for a blended service at 10 A.M. If you have a thought to share - please let Pastor Debbie, Jerry Knoodle, or any Church Conference member know. We will be discussing this on the May 12th Church Conference.



Summer music



If you would like to share a gift of music this summer, Theresa Henderson will help you in any way you need. This is a wonderful time to share your talents - whether you would like to solo or play or sing in an ensemble. Dust off that violin, trombone, or flute and bless our congregation. There is music available, or bring your own. Contact Theresa at the church or 869-1415.
Theresa Henderson



My friend Pastor Dave Gerber was blogging and he raised this question, “When did the Good News become about making sure we don’t go to hell? The Good News, Jesus said, is that ‘I have come to give you life and have it to the full’” (John 10:10). Hmm, good question Dave! We have just come through the season of Lent and the glorious celebration of Easter. Did this time of self-searching and celebrating impact us with

the power of the Good News? In these 40 plus days, we knew that the road to the cross had to have been difficult for Jesus. We know the arrest and death of Christ was overwhelming for his followers. But the glory of Easter is how despair was changed to joy! It was not just because Jesus was alive - though that was a great blessing! It was amazing because what Jesus had been saying he was going to do - he had indeed done! Jesus was the Messiah who came to deal with the sin problem. Yes, eternity now can be received by the pure gracious love of God in Christ. But Christ overcame and went home to be with God so that he could send the Comforter, the Holy Spirit of God. Then we could truly have “God with us!” We have the character of Christ evidenced by the glorious gift of the fruit of the Spirit, “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control” (Galatians 5:22-23). Because our sins are forgiven, we can exude Christ by and through His Spirit that lives in us. The Good News means we can overcome the pesky faults we keep falling into. The Good News means we can face another day because no matter what comes our way, we are never alone, “for God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5b). There is so much good news in the Good News - saving from hell is only a portion of it all! So I pray in the month of May you will continue on and be the Easter people you are called to be. Share the Good News! Live the Good News! Be the Good News of Jesus Christ! Then just watch what the hand of God will do!

Pastor Debbie

Sermons

May 1 st	Reformation	2 Kings 22:8-23:3
May 8 th	Names	1 Chronicles 16:1-10
May 15 th	How to Build a Great Church	2 Chronicles 6:1-11
May 22 nd	Pastor Dave Gerber preaching	
May 29 th	Making a New Start	Ezra 7:1-10



Pentecost Worship

The Flint District will be offering a time of worship in celebration of Pentecost. The service will be June 1st at 7:30 P.M. at Seymour Lake UMC (Pastor Debbie’s former appointment). If you are able - please join in worship

MAY IS ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

Osteoarthritis (OA), also called degenerative joint disease, is the most common type of arthritis. OA is the result of genetic, local mechanical stresses or systematic factors and is a chronic condition characterized by the breakdown and loss of joint cartilage, bony overgrowth and alterations in the ligaments, menisci and muscles around the joints. Cartilage is the part of the joint that cushions the ends of the bones and allows easy movement of joints. The breakdown of cartilage causes the bones to rub against each other. This causes symptoms of pain, aching, stiffness and swelling of the joint resulting in decreased function and mobility. Nearly 27 million adults have OA, a number expected to increase with longer life expectancies, the obesity epidemic, and the first of the 78.2 million baby boomers reaching retirement age in 2011. Half of all adults will develop symptomatic OA of the knee at some point in their lives and the risk increases with obesity to two of every three obese adults.

OA typically affects only certain joints, such as the hips, hands, knees, lower back and neck. OA is not an old person’s disease. Symptoms typically first begin after age 40 and effect a large working population. OA can develop within 10 years of a major joint injury. Thus a teenager injured at age 15 could have OA as early as 25 or 30. Loss of joint function as a result of OA is a major cause of work disability. As more adults continue to work beyond 65, OA is likely to impede their quality of work and their ability to engage in long awaited retirement activities without pain or disability. OA results in 632,000 joint replacements each year.

Diagnosis is based on medical history and physical examination. X-rays or MRIs may be ordered to rule out other causes of pain and to determine how much joint damage has occurred. Joint aspiration, a procedure in which fluid is drained from the affected joints and examined, and blood tests also may be used to rule out other forms of arthritis in the body.

Treatment varies depending on severity of symptoms and focuses on decreasing pain and improving joint movement and function. Treatment plans often include a combination of weight loss, rest, physical activity to keep joints flexible and maintain muscle strength, joint protection to prevent strain or stress on the painful joints, bracing, use of heat or cold to reduce pain, and physical therapy. Drugs- over the counter or prescription NSAIDs or Aleve- are used to help reduce joint pain, stiffness and swelling and allow physical activity. Corticosteroids or hyaluronic acid derivatives can be injected into joints that are unresponsive to non drug treatment. Gluosamine and chondratin sulfate supplements may help relieve pain and improve joint function. Surgery, joint replacement, is used for people with advanced OA associated with joint damage and severe limitations in joint function.

OA is a debilitating condition but with treatment, especially joint replacement, one can again live a full pain free life. For further information see the Arthritis Foundation website www.arthritis.org.

Margaret E. Diener RN, FCN Parish Nurse

LIFE LINE SCREENING – Life Line Screening will be using our church for screening on Thursday June 16. They will be performing screenings for:

1. Carotid artery blockage (Stroke)
2. Atrial fibrillation
3. Abdominal aortic aneurysm
4. Peripheral arterial disease
5. Osteoporosis (bone disease)

These screenings are recommended for anyone 50 or older, or 40 or over with cardiovascular risk factors. They are non-invasive, painless, and take 60-90 minutes to complete. The results, which are mailed directly to you, will help you and your doctor protect your health. Total package is \$139.00 or you can schedule individual tests. Call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners to schedule your appointment.

PRAYERS and THANK-YOUs

To my church friends

I want to thank you for your cards and prayers in the loss of my Brother Daniel.

Norma Hall

Thank you for all the cards, calls, prayers, and visits during my recent medical experience

Marge DeMarais

We just wanted to express a warm thank you to our many friends at DUMC who sent cards and offered prayers and kind words on the occasion of my father's death

Judy Sanford and family

To our pastor and our friends at Davison United Methodist Church

Thank you for all the prayers...they meant so much....and also the cards, phone calls, hospital visits, and treats ---

We hope we will be able to come to Church soon. Bob is getting better but not great – still in pain and hard to get around. Just takes time – love to all.

Bob & Pat Giesey

United Methodist Women

Spring is finally unfolding! God does some his best work this time of year, we pray that you slow down and enjoy the miracles of it all!

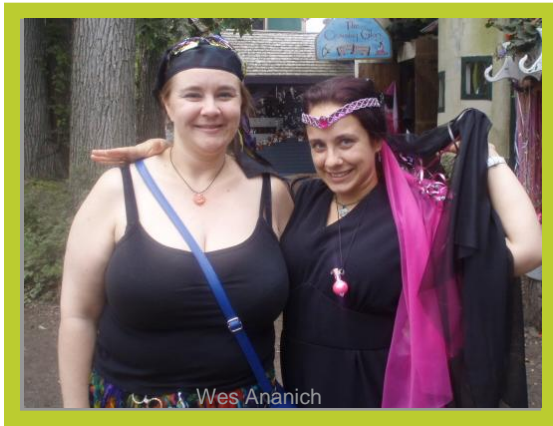
- UMW has enjoyed another successful Attic Treasure Sale. If you worked at, shopped at, or prayed for our sale, you were active in our work in missions. Thank you!!!!
- Come celebrate God's gift of family at the annual Mother/Daughter Brunch, Sat. May 7! Details are in the Messenger!!
- Unit meeting for May is the 24th at 7:00 pm. Come hear about the Carriage Town Mission and the work they do in the area.
- The UMW book Club meets the second Wed. at 6:00 pm. If you enjoy reading, come visit this wonderful group!
- UMW provides monies for those children who wish to attend camp. Direct questions to Patty Woodside.

May will pass quickly, as most months do. Soon circles will be ushering in the summer months with picnics and take time to relax, reflect and renew. We invite you at anytime to join us. Grow in faith and fellowship with other women and make a real difference in the lives of others.

Ellen Wagester, President

Davison Youth News

May 2011



Cindy Marko and her sister Sarah.



Morgan and Katie playing a clothespin game at Praise and Games!

Matthew 25:29

“To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.” (For the rest of the story read Matthew 25:14-30)

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Volunteer of the Month

Cindy Marko is a busy woman at Davison UMC and one of our faithful youth group volunteers (among her million other activities). She is “25” years old. She is a part of a sorority from her college days (not too long ago) and loves her sorority sisters. When she grows up she wants to be tall. Cindy loves spending time enjoying nature, reading, making ceramics and playing with her niece. She loves the support system found at church. Her favorite Bible verses are 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a (the love chapter). Cindy enjoys listening to rock, classical, country and jazz music. She wishes she could end suffering and violence. If she won a million dollars she would buy a house in the suburbs of Chicago so she could spend more time with her niece and go on a mission trip. Finally, she absolutely loves wolves—they are her favorite. ☺ Cindy is an amazing woman of God, someone who is helping shape the lives of our youth.

Picnic

May 28th we will meet at Davison Regional Park for a potluck picnic, short discussion and hanging out. Bring something to share (fruit, veggies, chips, beverages, crackers, cheese, etc.) with everyone, plates, napkins, and silverware will be provided. If the weather is bad we will meet at the church in the youth room and play games.

Mark Your Calendar!

Our tentative date for our youth room remodeling project is June 4th. If you are interested in helping with the renovations let Nicole know!

Schedule of Events

- May 4th 4:30-8pm Unicycling
- May 6th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 11th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 13th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 14th 10:15am-2pm Unicycling Service Day
- May 15th 5-8pm Praise and Games (Columbiaville)
- May 18th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 20th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 25th 6-8pm Unicycling
- May 27th Unicycling 6-8pm
- May 28th 11:30-1:30pm Picnic at Davison Park

CHECK OUT OUR BULLITEN BOARD IN THE UPSTAIRS HALLWAY FOR PAST EVENTS!

Pray for our youth!

May Birthdays

Benjamin Hart	02
Jeffrey Meyer	02
Richard Chinevere, Jr.	03
Jacquelyn Galonska	03
Jennifer Galonska	03
Marianne Daliege	04
Kim Pierson	05
Amanda Stevens	05
Erma Taylor	05
Melissa Hamp	06
Beth Powell	07
Micaela Meyer	09
Lindsay Baker	11
Jared Elliott	11
Jennifer Marshick	11
Betty LeVan	12
Ralph Woodside	12
Michael Lechner	14
April McArthur	16
Marilyn Miller	18
Alyce Heldt	20
Pam Knoodle	20
June Scott	20
Caleb Mathews	21
Brendan Craig	23
Tyler Eastman	24
Joe Myott	24
Matthew Stone	24
Matthew Matonich	25
Sheri McDowell	25
Kay McKittrick	25
Leslie Mathews	26
Arlene Michaud	26
Diana Snider	27
Jeff Snider	27
Fred Lawe	29
James Magyar	30
Pamela Price	30



Poet Joan Walsh Anglund called death “a thin curtain...less than gauze, between us.” John Taylor said, “While we are mourning the loss of our friend, others are rejoicing to meet him behind the veil.”

Thanks to Jesus’ resurrection from the grave, death holds no power over God’s children. Although we still grieve lost loved ones, we are assured that they have eternal life through faith in Christ.

We can take comfort knowing that those whose earthly lives have ended are in heaven forever – and that we’ll soon celebrate with them.

A Mother’s Hope

Three years ago, contemporary Christian musician Steven Curtis Chapman and his wife Mary Beth faced the sudden death of their youngest daughter, Maria, in a driveway accident. In the book *Choosing to See: A Journey of Struggle and Hope*, Mary Beth Chapman describes how she wrestled with God when her “whole world” fell apart.

“What I’ve found is that it’s in the most unlikely times and places of hurt and chaos that God gives us a profound sense of his presence and the real light of his hope in the dark places,” she writes.

“None of my tears have been wasted,” Chapman says, because she’s “experienced the kindness, sweetness, faithfulness, and redemptive heard of God.”

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Gideon Sunday 8:30 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 11 Worship; Jr. Church Scout Pancake Breakfast	2 District Youth Workers Meeting 7 BS (B)	3 1 Ruth Circle 10:30 Grand Sweep 7 All Committee Inservice 7 Lydia Circle	4 10 Staff; Prayer Shawls 5:30 Bells 6 UMM; Unicycles 6:30 Praise 6:30 CS (B)	5 Natl. Day of Prayer 9:30 Naomi Circle 6:30 Grand Sweep Study 6:30 Girl Scouts	6 6 Unicycles	7 11 Mother/Daughter Brunch 9-5:30 Renovare Staff Spiritual Retreat Swartz Creek UMC
8 Mother's Day 8:30 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 11 Worship; Jr. Church	9 7 BS (B)	10 9:30 Priscilla Circle 10:30 Grand Sweep 7 Finance	11 10 Prayer Shawls 5:30 Bells 6 Unicycles; Bk Club 6:30 Praise 6:30 CS (B)	12 6:30 Grand Sweep Study	13 5 Staff Event 6 Unicycles	14 Change the World Day 9-2 Confirmation Mini- retreat
15 8:30 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 11 Worship; Jr. Church	16 7 BS (B)	17 10:30 Grand Sweep 7 Church Growth	18 Food Bank Work Day 10 Prayer Shawls 5:30 Bells 6 Unicycles 6:30 Praise; CS (B)	19 6:30 Grand Sweep Study	20 6 Unicycles; Pasty prep	21 6 AM UMM Pasty Bake 10-12 GS Karen
22 Pasty delivery 8:30 Worship 9:45 Sunday school; Health Happening 11 Worship; Jr. Church	23 7 BS (B)	24 10:30 Grand Sweep 6 UMW Exec 7 UMW Unit Wojo Flower Sale 6:30 Trustees 7:30 Mission	25 10 Prayer Shawls 5:30 Bells 6 Unicycles 6:30 Praise; CS (FH)	26 6:30 Grand Sweep Study	27 6 Unicycles	28
29 8:30 Worship 9:45 NO Sunday school 11 Worship; Jr. Church	30 Memorial Day	31 10:30 Grand Sweep 7 Praise Team	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; letter-spacing: 0.5em;"> May 2011 </div>			



DUMC Staff News

The Warm Smile that greets all who enter Davison United Methodist Church belongs to our Administrative Assistant/Church Secretary, Flossie Jankowske.

For the past 3+ years Flossie has performed many vital duties here including answering phones, yearend & formal reporting, attending to Pastor's needs, membership records, mailings and so much more.

Flossie was raised on a farm in the North Branch area, graduated from North Branch High School and then obtained her teaching degree at Alma College. She continued on in the North Branch area as a teacher for 26 years. Her son Jeremy and wife Amy reside in the Indianapolis area.

Flossie is a multi-talented lady with skills ranging from Certified Lay Speaker, Certified Master Gardener, D.A.R.

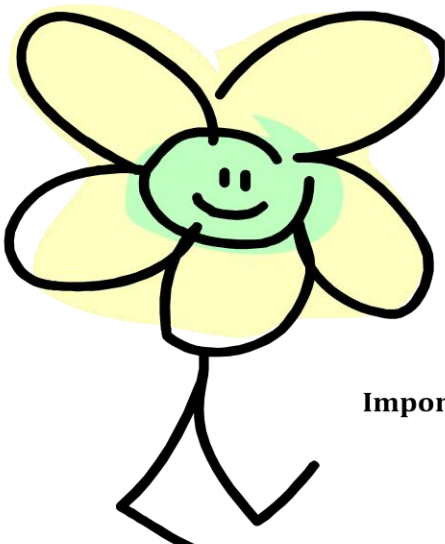
member, and a piano player since the 2nd grade. Her volunteer activities have included piano playing, singing, and the design and landscaping for the grounds at Fostoria Methodist Church and volunteering at Lapeer Co. Display Grounds in Lapeer. Furthermore, she works with children at Lapeer Country schools wrapping seedlings for soil conservation, and serves as a judge for the Arts & Crafts division at the 4H Fair in Bad Axe.

Thank you Flossie for all that you do for our Church.

Kay McKittrick



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May 24 and 25, 2011
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**Important: Mention "DUMC Fundraiser" at time of purchase
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May 2011 Messenger



Praise the Date -- May 14, 2011
Share your Spirit
DUMC Mission Saturday

Wanted:

Volunteers to organize a community service project

Volunteers to work on community service project(s)

All are encouraged to participate – Project signup sheets in April

Please contact: Jeff and Diana Snider

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