



Stevensville United Methodist Church

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July 2013

Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours 9 A.M. to Noon Mon - Fri

Next Deadline: July 19, 2013 Noon

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From the Pastor's desk...

Happy New Year!!!! Yes, it is another new year we are beginning this July 1st, 2013. With any new year comes new year resolutions and summer time isn't a bad time to think about such changes. I am one of those persons who has a number of devotional books that I take turns reading every year. I am rereading one such book this year. The theme for the week before Sunday, June 30th is *The Cost of Servanthood*. As we begin our new year, we think about what our responses in terms of "servanthood and discipleship" will be. The benediction of this weeks devotions provides a good reminder of where we find our strength as well as our direction in our faith journey.

The benediction reads, "Go forth now as God's servant. Remember God's presence often and draw strength from the knowledge that the One who calls and sends also sustains, Amen."

Isn't that good advice and empowering advice as well?

It's good for all of us to remember as we move deeper in our faith journey and begin another year that God is the one we come to and can draw strength from.

It is also great to remind ourselves of that last words of that benediction; as God is the one who does the calling and sending us out, God is also the one who sustains and provides what we need.

As we begin this new year, the following leaders have completed their service. They are: Larry Klett and Larry Shadle - co chairs of the Trustees

Bob Hendley - chair of Staff Parish Relations

Marcia Williams - chair of the Outreach team

Janet Kemp - chair of the Memorial team

On behalf of our church, I thank these faithful members who gave their time of leadership service. As they felt called, they were also provided with what they needed to lead. and this goes for someone feeling the call to replace them.

Happy New Year in ministry to you all. In Jesus' name, Gordie

July Worship Services

July 7 Speaker - Rev. Lisa Batten, Director of the Wesley Foundation at Western Mich. University

July 14 Theme: Ever thought about Eternal Life?

8:30 - We will worship in our regular service with Holy Communion

10:45 - We will worship in our annual summer service/picnic with

Union Memorial AME Church . Please bring a dish to pass.

July 21 Speaker - Rev. Glen Chapman

July 28 Speaker - Rev. Yvonne Hestor

Prayer Requests

Health concerns:

Bob Bender
Erna Crawford
Patricia Day
Bill Friend
Arnie Graber
Dianna Hartman
Nancy Hinkle
Laverne Howard
Brad Johnston
Ben Koebel
Barb McClellan
Mike Melcher
Wendy Nielsen
Bill & Becca Niemi
Ed Nurnberg

Norm & Bonnie Payne
Norma Ray
Bob Sommer
Linda Summers
David Sundblad, Sr.
Ron Tungett
Judy VanderAue
Jackie Witt
Darlene Vergott
Jeremy Borlin
Pat Weber

Elderly/Shut-ins:

Frank Cupp
Ernie Grimm
Norm & Bonnie Payne
Sue VanderMolen

Lucille Vyzral
Helen Wiessner

General Concern:

Caleb Dormah—in Liberia
Delbert & Sandy Groves—
missionaries in Zambia
Jacqueline Putt—Mission in Haiti

Friends Living Out of Our Area:

Merlin Feigley
Vanda Fisher
Daisy Brannick
Ruthe Bomberger



Concerns:

- † Prayers of concern for Diamond Weakly (11 years old) in Lakeland Hospital since 4-24-2013 with respiratory issues.
- † Prayers of comfort for Deb and Fred Smidler. They lost their daughter in a car accident Friday May 31st. Alicia was a beautiful young woman who will be greatly missed.
- † Prayers of concern and comfort for Marcia Williams' friend Sally Cheek who is hospitalized for serious health problems.
- † Sherry Kinola asks for prayers of comfort for Bill Friend who is having a set back with his cancer treatments and waiting to hear back from the Dr.
- † Prayers of comfort to the family and friends of Mark Bugno who died last month from cancer. Mark was active in our scout troop.
- † Sherry Kniola asks for prayers of comfort for Sally Cheek. She is having some serious health issues and is in the hospital.
- † Sarah McCall asks for prayers for a family friend Yvonne Hunt who has severe pancreatitis.
- † Prayers of Comfort for the Melcher family. They were headed out west for vacation and was in an accident around New Buffalo and totaled their motor home and the jeep they were pulling. Praise God no one was seriously injured.
- † Prayers for Irene Feller's daughter Patricia Weber who is in the hospital in isolation and fluid around her lungs and a growth on her kidney.
- † Prayers for safe travels for our kids and their cousins to a family reunion over the 4th..From Gordon Kilgore
- † Prayers for quick healing for Mike...he is having outpatient surgery again on Friday, 28th...From Nancy Farrington.
- † Nate Jeerawld—college friend of Brian Johnston was one of the five Soldiers attacked in Afghanistan, shot in the arm but is recovering. Three of the five soldiers were killed in the attack. Continue prayers for our troops.

COMFORT CONT..

- † Prayers of comfort for the family of Jim Koebel whose Funeral Service was on Monday, May 6.
- † Prayers for the Borlin Family as Jeremy will have surgery Monday in Bronson. He has a tumor in the 4th ventricle and it is blocking it so spinal fluid cannot drain properly.

Joys:

- † Prayers of joy as Gordon and Nancy Wilson celebrate their 55th Wedding Anniversary on May 3.
- † Joys for Tendi's family being able to be here for Graduation Sunday.
- † Happy 50th Birthday June 8th to Betsy Glenn. She is such a blessing to our family.
- † Prayers of thanks to the Old Chimers. We have had a great year of ringing!
- † Prayers of joy for the return of the middle school youth back on Sunday the 16th from Grand Rapids.
- † Prayers of joy to David and Deanne Barry getting ready to have their 2nd child. Felix is going to be a big brother.
- † From the Hardy's. We are so proud of Patricia Morrison—soon to be Hardy. She received the acceptance letter from LMC for the nursing profession.
- † Prayers of joy for the birth of Susan and Gordie's granddaughter Ellie Anne Barry born June 17th, 7lbs 7ozs and 20in long. Congratulations David, Deanne, Felix, Gordie and Susan!
- † Congratulations to the Rukundas and their new baby girl born June 19th.. Even though she was 3 weeks early, she and mom are both healthy. Thank God.
- † Bob and Barb Clark, prayers of celebration for 28 years together on June 23.
- † Hilary & Eric Bell Celebrating 18 years of marriage on June 24.
- † Happy "13th" birthday to Chase Bell He's a teenager now!!
- † Jack & Margie Hardys 59th Wedding Anniversary June 26.
- † Happy Birthday to Chris McCall...a wonderful husband and father.
- † Thank you to all Vacation Bible Study leaders and workers. Wouldn't be possible without you!!
- † Boy Scouts Camp in Metawova MI...east of Flint 17kids 4 adults...prayers for a safe journey.
- † Blessings on the Wedding of Jessica & Beau Allard on Friday June 21st
- † Happy 9th Anniversary to Brian and Jessica Lewis!
- † From Tami Green—Joys for my Grandmas 102nd Birthday on the 26th..Beulah Fisher.

Please remember to pray for those in service for our country:

Scott McClellan	Brian Holloway	Andy McDougall	Josh Gardner
Jesse Houston	Damon Ewen	Jake Sefton	Alex Ottusch
Paul Nelson	Josef Ottusch	Alex Von Koenig	Kohl Zehr

If you have any information or updates of those in service, please contact the church office.

***"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing.
In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you
in Jesus Christ."***

1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

General Mills, Big Machine Label Group and Feeding America have teamed up for the second year in a row to Outnumber Hunger in a national initiative that helps fight hunger in local communities.



By simply entering codes from specially-marked General Mills products, including Cheerios, Yoplait and Nature Valley, at OutnumberHunger.com, people can help Feeding America secure five meals for their local food bank. For every code entered online by March 1, 2014, General Mills will donate \$0.65 to Feeding America – enough to secure five meals on behalf of local food banks (including the Feeding America West Michigan Food Bank which supplies our local needs) – up to a maximum total donation of \$1,300,000. General Mills has already donated \$700,000 and will donate up to an additional \$600,000 based on online code entry and other consumer actions.

Outnumber Hunger programs have helped Feeding America secure more than 12 million meals since March 2012. Go to <http://outnumberhunger.com> for more information.

To The Stevensville United Methodist Church Family:

A heartfelt thanks for all of your kind words, cards and compassion, that was extended to your family at a very difficult time in our lives. We cannot get through this without your prayers!

*In Christian Love,
Jim Koebel Family
Di, Bill, Gabrielle, Michael, Jill, Rob and Beau*

LOST

Shirley Ehman has lost her chocolate brown Colored bible. She last remembers leaving it on the table in Faith Hall. This is her family bible with the name engraved on the outside. **PLEASE** contact Shirley at 429-5419 if you should find it. Thank you!

SISTERS IN FAITH

Join us on July 8th for a Picnic & Pool party at Shirley Cole's house. Bring an appetizer, snack, dessert or any finger food. Start swimming at 4:00 and we'll eat at 5:30. Anyone who wants to get into the water after eating is welcome. Hope to see you there at 1407 Mulberry Lane, St. Joe.



Children's Center has current openings for:

- Child care for 2 ½ year olds through 11 year olds
- Preschool for 3, 4 and 5 year olds (Sept - May)
- School Age for the summer as well as before and after school care in the fall.

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Licensed for children ages 2 1/2 through 11

OPEN YEAR ROUND! 6:30AM-6:00PM

Monday - Friday

Preschool * Childcare * Zoo-Phonics

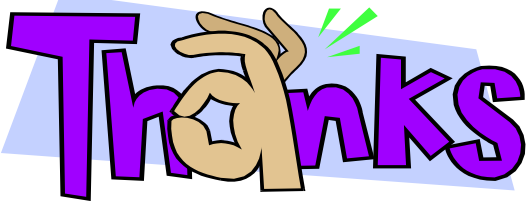
Before & After

School Care



The Trustees wish to thank Harold Rescoe, Dick Shaffer, Gordie Barry, Nick Weingart and Tre Calvetti for the great and "HOT" work that they have done insulating the attic of the Ponderosa Parsonage.

Larry Shadle



THANK YOU.....

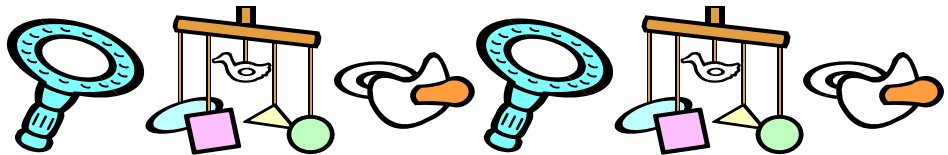
To all of the volunteers who made VBS:
"Everywhere Fun Fair " a big success!



ITS A GIRL!!

Tafadzwa Victoria Rukunda was born Wednesday, June 19th @ 2:19pm

She weighed 6 lbs 1oz and measured 18.25 inches long. Congratulations to the Rukunda Family.



FROM THE EDUCATION MINISTRY

This year, the children decided to give their Sunday School offering to Tara Deam, a 1st grader at Roosevelt Elementary. Tara was diagnosed with a brain tumor in December. Her family continues to face financial challenges as Tara's cancer treatments continue. **THANK YOU KIDS for MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!!**

Mission News

The Stevensville United Methodist Church Missions Team organizes numerous special funds for mission work to continue. The following collections will occur during the Sunday services:

JULY 7...BERRIEN COUNTY YOUTH

FAIR DONATIONS -

The Fair Committee will be accepting donations to buy supplies for our restaurant. The Health laws indicate that we purchase all food items. We Cannot accept donations of food any longer.

JULY 14.....NOME ALASKA

COMMUNITY CENTER

Special offering to go to the community Center in Nome, Alaska where Julie Yoder Elmore was pastor, but is now back in Michigan.

JULY 21...MERGENCY SHELTER,

BENTON HARBOR, MI

SUMC supports our community Emergency Shelter in Benton Harbor.

JULY 28....UMCOR

The United Methodist committee on Relief sends supplies and volunteers to disaster areas in our country and the world.

AUGUST 4.....SAFE SHELTER

We send money and other support to the community Safe Shelter in Berrien County.

Please note that you can donate to any mission at any time. Please place your donation in any offering envelope with instructions written on the "other" line. Thank you!



United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women in Mission

UMW Committee of the Month

United Methodist Women would like to thank Judy VanderAue, Shirley Cole, Mary Shaffer, and Bonnie Parrish June Committee of the Month. Your help is greatly appreciated.

UMW JULY Events:

Book Circle: We will be meeting on Monday,

JULY 15 We will be meeting at the Whitcomb at 2:00

Book: **SARAH** Wife of Abraham by Marek Halter

Knitting circle every Thursday @ 1:00 pm in the church lounge.

NO UMW BOARD OR LYDIA CIRCLE MEETINGS

8th SIF Potluck/Pool party @Shirley Coles

15 2:00 Reading Circle

24-27 Conference UMW "MISSION U" At Central Michigan U, Mt. Pleasant

TBD Installation of UMW Board @ Both services.



July Birthdays



<u>July 1</u> John Kauffman IIII	<u>July 9</u> Mary Ellen Trollinger	<u>July 16</u> Willard Bailey	<u>July 26</u> Ben Koebel
<u>July 2</u> Dean Amelung Myiah Kapp Paul Nielsen Nancy Wilson	<u>July 10</u> Amber Topp Milt Zoschke	<u>July 17</u> Bret Wamhoff	<u>July 28</u> Karessa Warner
<u>July 3</u> Sophia Mendus	<u>July 11</u> Bonnie Craig Gerrit Marshall	<u>July 18</u> Savannah Lents	<u>July 31</u> Cherie Sonnenberg Caroline Tubman
<u>July 6</u> Thomas Andert Jeff Cole Jami Rosenthal Hailey Welch Grant Wilson	<u>July 12</u> Jennifer Weingart	<u>July 20</u> Kendra Schuette	
<u>July 7</u> Sarah McCall Daniel Putt	<u>July 13</u> Adrienne Hull Brandon Weber	<u>July 22</u> Connie Meacham Kent Miller	
<u>July 8</u> Barb Bailey	<u>July 14</u> Chris Borlin Steven Rigler Betty Roth	<u>July 23</u> Roger Dohm Avalon Dohm	
	<u>July 15</u> Aubree Reitz Ryan Rush	<u>July 24</u> Eric Mallen Lauren Vegter	
		<u>July 25</u> Diane Koebel	

A Quick Reminder From Your Membership Care Team:

If you or someone you know is ill, in the hospital or nursing home and would like a visit, please call the church office. We can also bring communion to you.

From Your Membership Care Team!!

BERRIEN COUNTY YOUT FAIR NEWS

August 12-17, 2013

WE WILL SOON BE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO SIGN UP ON SHIFTS TO HELP AT THE FAIR RESTAURANT...THE SHIFTS HARDEST TO FILL ARE LUNCH AND LATE AFTERNOON...CONSIDER SIGNING UP IN THOSE TIME SLOTS. THE SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE LOCATED BY THE EDUCATIONAL OFFICE IN THE HALLWAY. **ALL VOLUNTEERS WORKING IN THE RESTAURANT RECEIVE A FREE PASS INTO THE FAIR.**

OTHER WAYS TO HELP

....**JULY 27 (SATURDAY)** 8:00 AM...Clean the Fair Restaurant...bring cleaning Supplies, ladders..see Carolyn for details

....**JULY 29 (MONDAY)** 9:00 am in the SUMC kitchen...prepare 200 plus pounds Of sloppy joe mix

...**AUGUST 4 (SUNDAY)** move fixtures out to the fairgrounds @ 11:00 a.m.

...**AUGUST 18 (SUNDAY)** move fixtures back to SUMC @ 11:00 a.m. (see Carolyn for times and details).

We are requesting donations to pay for the hot dogs, sloppy joe ingredients and supplies...Michigan Food laws will not allow members to donate food and all food must be prepared in a commercial kitchen.

If you are unable to work at the fair, please stop by and try our nachos, sub sandwiches, hot dogs, sloppy joes or drinks!!



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Service Provided	July 7, 2013			July 14, 2013	
	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	
Lector	Sharon Alsbro	Hugh Black	Virginia Bedunah	Janet Crawford	
Acolytes	Derek Borlin	Tadiwa & Tafara Rukunda	Sarah Witt	Kyle & Jillian DeForest	
Ushers	Sue & Tom Russell	Eric & Hillary Bell	Cleo & Chris Ruppel	Barb&Bob Clark, Heidi & Joe Fodo	
Greeters	Carl Hulander	Joe & Heidi Fodo	Jerry Hunt	Tammy Green	
Nursery Workers	Pat Siefert	Pat Siefert	Barb Keeler	Bart Keeler	
	Jillian Harris	Jillian Harris	Katie Andert	Katie Andert	
Lawn Mowing	Jacob Margherone				
Hospitality	Jean & Shirley Harris			Marcia Williams	
Communion Helpers	Magda Zoschke	Tammy Green	Rachel Wade		
		Bette Mallen			
Sound	Bruce Nitz	Doug Weingart	Charlie Vegter	Scott Meyer	
Visuals	Terry Hendrix	Jacob Margherone	Lou Hendley/Melissa Vegter	Bob Hendley	
Junior Worship					
Pastor Prayer Partner	Gordon Kilgore		Donna Godush		
Flowers Provided By	C. Manley Nye in memory of Joan Nye			Nancy Poelker in honor of Gerrit's birthday on July 11 and Savannah's birthday on July 18	

SERVING IN WORSHIP

July 21, 2013		July 28, 2013	
8:30 AM	10:00 AM	8:30 AM	10:00 AM
Joan Gobert	Tammy Green	Donna Godush	Keri Haskins
Matthew & Marshall Rescoe	Max Logan	Sarah Witt	Frankie Melcher
	Konner Boyle		
Joan Gobert, Myra Thompson	Melinda & Michael Logan	Magda Zoschke	Willard Bailey, Deb Ersland
	David & Peggy Topping	Carolyn Yoder	Jack & Margy Hardy
Dorothy Johnson	Jack & Margie Hardy	Gordon Kilgore	Randy Hardy
Rhonda Rennhack	Rhonda Rennhack	Barb Keeler	Barb Keeler
Katie Andert	Katie Andert	Scott Burnett	Scott Burnett
Dick & Mary Shaffer		Darl Williams	
	Kathy Anserello		
Myra Thompson		Jackie Witt	
Aaron Renneck	Scott Meyer	Scott Meyer	Ed Trillinger
Brian Johnston	Scott Meyer	Nancy F, Celestestia Z., Melanie V	
Deb Ersland		Jan Bickers	
Gordie & Susan Barry in honor of their wedding anniversary		Charlie & Melissa Vegter in honor of Lauren's 8th birthday on July 24th	

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Newsletter articles containing information for
the following month should be submitted by
Noon on the 3rd Friday of each month.**

**Leave all articles on the secretary's desk or
submit via e-mail to:**

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via e-mail, please contact the church office at
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ATTENDANCE ON JUNE 2

Worship Total 300

8:30 Service 106

11:00 Service 188

ATTENDANCE ON JUNE 9

Worship Total 221.

8:30 Service 83

11:00 Service 138

ATTENDANCE ON JUNE 16

Worship Total 203 .

8:30 Service 100

11:00 Service 103

ATTENDANCE ON JUNE 23

Worship Total 229

8:30 Service 86

11:00 Service 143

SUMMER CAMP AT LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRIES

OFF TO A GREAT START!

OUR TIME TO SHINE” SUMMER CAMP began Monday, June 17. We’ve been taking in new campers all week and are now full with 62 excited, happy children. We have 14 Pre K—Kindergartners, 14 -1st—2nd graders, 9 - 3rd graders, 9 - 4th graders, and 7-5th graders. And we have 9 -12—16 year olds in a new class we started this year because of the need for something for that age children. They are in our “Business Academy” and besides participating in the extras such as music, taekwondo, tennis, drama, crafts, etc., will be learning how to put together a business plan and come up with something they can make and sell at the “Harbor Market” on Fridays. For their first sales adventure, they sold Pink and Plain Lemonade and made \$100!! The plants are planted and the children are anxiously waiting to see the fruits of their labor in our garden. Nancy Farrington is leading them in music one day a week. Thanks to Berrien Springs schools, we have a tennis net, so our instructor can begin teaching them tennis. We still need tennis racquets if you have any laying around, not used any more.

We always welcome visitors and anyone who’d like to volunteer to help out where ever needed. If you have a special skill and would like to share it, please let us know. We also welcome people to assist the teachers in the daily classroom activities.

We partner with the Benton Harbor Public Schools to offer lunch to all children in the neighborhood. By Friday, the word had spread and we served 90 lunches at our site. In addition, Director Gorman prepares breakfast, morning snack and afternoon snacks (usually something hot and hearty because often they may not have another hot meal during the day).

We’re off to a good start, but we still need your help. We are asking our friends and family to again contribute to our 500 for \$50 drive. We raised \$26,000 last year in this drive and need everyone to please step up and help us meet the goal of \$25,000 again this year. We appreciate all you do and give and thank you for your continued support.

God Bless you all, from your Lighthouse Ministries Board