

United Methodist Church

October 2007 Monthly Newsletter

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UMW MEETING

Thursday, October 4th @ 1:00 pm

Program: "The Journey"

Speaker: Joann Loppnow

Hostesses: Marilyn Chant and Esther Freiheit



90th Birthday Open House Katherine Wooding Saturday, October 13th 1:30 - 4:30

Steve & Lisa Wooding's
House
29369 Garrard Ave.
Old Frontenac



Thank you!

The Turkey Dinner committee, along with the U.M.W., would like to thank everyone who supported us by attending or helping with our Turkey Dinner. We had another great turnout. To all of those that helped make the meal, serve the food or clean up, we truly appreciate it. This is a project that takes many hands and feet to put on! Thank you again.

Dear Friends at LCUMC ~

Corrie ten Boom was a political prisoner in Germany during WW II. In her book *Tramp for the Lord* she tells how, after the war, she met a guard who had been her captor in the Ravensbruck concentration camp. Her sister had died there. The ex-guard came forward after she spoke at a church in Munich, and (though he did not recognize her) said he had been a guard at Ravensbruck, and reached out his hand to her, asking for her forgiveness.

Corrie said she hesitated for a moment, recalling the guard's cruelty to her sister and many others. Then, Corrie recalled God's warning to forgive or we cannot be forgiven (Mark 11:26). She felt unable to lift her hand towards him. All she could do is pray: "Jesus help me! I can lift my hand. I can do that much. You supply the feeling." As Corrie stiffly thrust out her hand, the sensation of God's healing warmth flowed through her and out to the former guard. "I forgive you, brother!" she cried, "with all my heart."

Corrie says she never has known God's love so intensely as she did then. But she knew it was not her love. She had tried and did not have the power to love the ex-guard. It was the power of the Holy Spirit as recorded in *Romans 5:5: the love of God is poured out within our hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given to us.* (from Donald Deffner, *Bound to Be Free*)

Perhaps, you've ever had to carry a suitcase a long way, say, across an airport. It's not the rolling kind, but an old, heavy hand bag type. Finally you get across the airport and set the bag down by your seat in the waiting area. You are hurts. But the pain is going away, and your body is grateful to you for setting the bag down.

That is what forgiveness is like.

Forgiveness literally means "letting go." We don't have to forget the sin of another person. But we have to stop holding on to it. If we can't do this, Christ warns us that we cannot be forgiven either. But just the feeling of reconciliation is a rush. It's like having the heavy bag tied around our chest and letting it fall off. Forgiveness is relief. Forgiveness is relaxation. Forgiveness is a tranquilizer with no side effects. Forgiveness is like losing 15 pounds, when you need to. Forgiveness is resting on vacation. Forgiveness is addicting.

How do I learn to forgive? It just takes a word or an action that puts our body on the side of our intent to forgive. Stop doing things that recall their transgression. Say, "I forgive you." Shake their hand. Hug them. With sincerity, these kinds of things will work. It's hard, if the person won't let the old situation go. But forgiveness is about our and our own mental health—and our salvation.

With all the grace God gives, I urge to forgive everyone of their sins against you. The more you will, the more you can rest and heal. Don't deny yourself the "rush" of joy from forgiving.

Rev. Don

Thank you...

I wish to thank everyone who visited & sent get well wishes, especially the visits from Pastor Don, while I was hospitalized & recuperating at home. Your wishes & prayers were a great comfort to me.

May God Bless you all!

~ Merlyn Brunkow

**United Methodist Men's TLC Club
Would like to welcome you to breakfast the first
Saturday of every month at 7:30 am**

Young In Spirit Activities...

Thursday, December 6th
Annual Christmas Concert at Rochester Community College

January 17th or 24th
Winter Gathering and Treats, Program to be announced later

Thursday, May 22nd
Welcome Back Snow Birds ~ Lunch Out

**Those helping on the program this year are, Frank & Yvonne Lupton,
Sandy & Joel Grettenberg, Ginny Ruggles and Mary Kay Paine.**

We welcome new ideas and look forward to our time together.

"Living Beyond Yourself"

Bible Study by Beth Moore

First Tuesday of the Month

**Next Meeting = Tuesday, October 2nd
7 p.m. at the Church**

All United Methodist Women are invited to participate
in this Bible Study on the Fruit of the Spirit.



Love - Peace - Kindness - Self control -

Joy - Patience - Gentleness

Diamonds In the Rough

An opportunity to explore the meaning of life...

Alpha Class

Every Sunday Evening

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Dinner will be served before class begins

For more information you may contact Steve (Ike) Eichhorn

Nursery will be available

SPPR Committee

There will be a 15 minute "Open Listening" time at the beginning of every meeting for anyone to come in and talk about blessings and/or concerns regarding our church.

NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, October 11th @ 7:00pm

2008 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

The stewardship campaign in support of the 2008 church budget will kick off on September 30th and will be completed by Thanksgiving. The format will be the same as last year. You will be invited to attend one of a number of small group meetings intended to familiarize you with the plans, programs and costs associated with fulfilling our church's mission in 2008.

Your support is appreciated and essential to achieving God's goals for us next year.

If you have any questions you may contact
Al Thompson at 448-0107

THE MATRIX

The Matrix continues to be open every Saturday evening from 7-10 PM. Stop down and check it out. Bring a parent or guardian with you and get your paperwork completed. Its just that easy! Besides, what else is there to do in Lake City on a weekend?

September Flowers

Thank you all for sharing the following to decorate our church for the Turkey Dinner and the 150th Celebration.

~ Gladys Linder

- ~ Mum plants from Joann Loppnow
- ~ Mum plants from Katie Schmidt
- ~ Schefflera plant & Gladiolus from Ginny Ruggles
- ~ Cut flowers, gourds and pumpkins from Joyce Moechnig
- ~ Cut flowers from Jean Templeton
- ~ Mum plant from anonymous

Lake City Food Shelf

If your gardens are overflowing w/ fruits or veggies, the Food Shelf would appreciate having any extras you can spare! **Pasta** is the food for **October**. Of course all other items are always welcome!
And money is always a great donation!

Our Church's support is greatly appreciated!

Susanna Circle

Monday, October 8th @ 7:30 pm

Hostess: Sandy Grettenberg
Co-Hostess: Debbie Eggenberger
Devotions: Betty Jean Burnham
Program: Doll Collections

Priscilla Circle

**Monday, October 15th
@ 9:15 am**

Hostess: Idella Larson
Study Leader: Idella Larson

Knitting Group

Volunteers meeting every Monday @ LCUMC @ 10:00 am.
Everyone is welcome to come anytime!

PLEASE CLAIM...

There are two burgundy bath towels in the church office that

Job Well Done!

A very special thank you to Pat Bremer for all the hard work she put into making our 150th Anniversary Celebration such a huge success. It was a very special day because Pat put her heart and soul into this special occasion! Thanks again Pat!

~ Your Church Family

Committee Chairpersons

In the event that you would need to speak to a specific committee you may contact the following person and they will be glad to try and help you.

- ◆ Church Council Chairperson = Jim Paine 345-5757
- ◆ Lay Member of Annual Conference = Clay Ruggles 345-4265
- ◆ Lay Leader = Paul Moechnig 345-4372
- ◆ SPPR Chairperson = Gloria Feigal 345-4232
- ◆ Finance Committee Chairperson = Paul Moechnig 345-4372
- ◆ Financial Secretary = Gay Thompson 345-4903
- ◆ Trustees Chairperson = Al Larson 345-4994
- ◆ Membership Secretary = Joyce Moechnig 345-2827
- ◆ Historian = Pat Bremer 345-3423
- ◆ Youth Director = Rann Loppnow 753-2065
- ◆ Children & Youth Ministry = Cathy Briggs 507-753-2367
- ◆ Worship Ministry Chairperson = Mary Kay Paine 345-5757
- ◆ Memorial Chairperson = Louise Rainey 345-2506
- ◆ Missions = Ginger Holm 345-3458
- ◆ Outreach Team = Al Thompson 651-380-5365
- ◆ Stewardship Team = Al Thompson 651-380-5365

New Young Adult Class and Fellowship!

A new class for adults in their 20's, 30's, 40's, and even 50's.

Sunday @ 9:30

This class will be held in the Parlor
(across hall from sanctuary)

Nursery Provided
(recently upgraded)

Class Leader: Pastor Kristine Marshall

A Christian small group that prays together, laughs together, learns together, and grows closer to God as a group

For more information you may contact the church office @ 345-3625 or
Pastor Kristine @ 314-497-5357

Folk Mote is Back!

Gloria Feigal will reconvene this traditional adult class.

Sunday @ 10:40

(after 9:30 service is over)

This class will be held in the Parlor

Gloria will lead the class in organization and sharing of duties for teaching, hospitality, and organization.

Nursery Provided
(recently upgraded)

Class Format: Folk Mote has been a mainstay of adult spiritual formation and biblical learning for many years. You will find yourself enriched by the teaching of relationships that this class has and will deliver.

For more information you may contact the church office @ 345-3625 or
Gloria Feigal @ 345-4232

S.T.O.R.M. in Lake City

Friday, October 19th & Saturday, October 20th

If you have any projects that need to be done please contact
Rann or Val Loppnow @ 753-2065



It's that time of year again when we plan our Christmas Stocking filling for the Women & Children's shelter. This is our list of needed items. Please choose items you wish to donate and leave them in the box in the Narthex for the Priscilla Circle.

Thank you for your past generosity!

40 Tooth paste	20 Towelettes	20 Deodorant
20 Hand Lotion	20 Disposable Razors	20 Post It Notes
20 Pens	20 Slippers Sox	20 Crayons
20 Kids Card Games	20 Small Books	20 Small Toys
20 Shower Caps	* Money is always needed!	

New Addresses...

Richard & Cindy Craig
32715 Lakeview Drive
Lake City ~ 651-815-4113

Katherine Mancilman
1109 N. High St. Apt. #204
Lake City

Beth Eichhorn
303 S. 7th Street
Lake City ~ 651-380-6666

Susanna Circle

Monday, October 8th @ 7:30pm

Held at Sandy Grettenberg's home

Program: Doll Collection by Sandy

Please bring a special Doll or toy to share. We look forward to sharing some treasured memories.

River Oaks Nursing Home Bingo/Birthday Party
Saturday, October 20th
12:30 pm



Lots Of Fun



Young In Spirit Group

What: Christmas Concert of Sacred & Traditional Music

Where: Rochester Community College

When: Thursday, December 6th at 7:30 pm

Cost: \$6 per person
(this includes dessert served at intermission)

We will leave Lake City at 6:15. Those needing a ride will be picked up at their home.

Reservations and money must be in by
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12th.
Please make checks payable to
Joel or Sandy Grettenberg

Deepest Sympathy To...

Family and friends of Harriette Darling (former member) who died September 5th in Galena, Illinois. Her funeral was September 10th at the Mahn Funeral Home in Lake City with burial in Lakewood Cemetery.

Family and friends of Jet Hoskings of Zumbro Falls who died September 6th at the Lake City Nursing Home. Her funeral was September 10th at the LCUMC with burial in Lakewood Cemetery.

Sue Oldham and family on the death of Sue's special friend, Arthur Bentz, who died September 12th at St. Elizabeth's Health Care Center in Wabasha. His memorial service was September 18th at the Mahn Funeral Home with burial in Lakewood Cemetery.

Family and friends of Shirley McCord (former member) who died September 13th at the Red Wing Health Center. Her funeral was September 17th at the First UMC in Red Wing with burial at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Debbie & Roger Eggenberger & family on the death of Debbie's friend Mary Ruebblke's husband, Frank, who died on September 19th in St. Paul. His funeral was on September 22nd in St. Paul.

Congratulations To...

Bill & Dorothy Wild on celebrating their 62nd wedding anniversary on September 9th.

Greg Sprick and Angie Casperson on their marriage on August 24th.

Emily Craig on being chosen as a class representative by her 6th grade classmates.

Thank You To...

Doug & Kelly Nelson for the donation of time and material in painting the Cross & Flame sign on the front of the Church. It's BEAUTIFUL!!!