

## February Birthdays

Helen Carlile	2/3	Edna Fisher	2/14
Andrea Bryer	2/7	Peg Roberts	2/14
William Lisle	2/7	Lois Watt	2/16
Thomas Campbell	2/8	Evelyn Joiner	2/18
Jennifer Dubose	2/8	Ellis Allanson	2/21
Mike McCormick	2/8	Bobbie Hobbs	2/22
Jean Anne Blue	2/10	Kyla Lee	2/26
Helen Pask	2/10	Douglas Johnson	2/28
Pam Fox	2/12	Edwin Kaul	2/28
J.T. Gardner	2/12		

## February Anniversaries

Davyd and Amy Hall	2/3
Terry and Melissa Giffin	2/23

## STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

At the first meeting of 2010 the Staff Parish Relations Committee, Holly Moszenberg and Bryant Tulas were welcomed as new members. Also welcomed were returning members of the Committee. They are Glen Bateman, Tom Bryer, Sandy Griner, Dorothy Spence, and Beverly McCormick (Chair), as well as Gene Corton, Mike McCormick and Pastor Mark who serve on the committee due to other positions they hold in the church.

This committee is essentially the Human Resource department of our church. Responsibilities include the creation and review of various church policies and procedures as well as staff performance. The committee reviewed these items, and received guideline materials as well as their position description. Members reviewed and signed the committee's covenant, which is similar to a code of ethics and concentrates on how members and the chairperson will interact with each other. Committee members were matched as "buddies," with staff members. They are to offer help, encouragement and support to the staff member.

Dear Church Family:

Thank you for the wonderful response to the call for help for our military personnel. The soldiers serving in an outpost in Iraq were thrilled with the six boxes filled with toiletries, socks and goodies they received for Christmas. We have three more boxes ready to mail. We hope to send boxes each month.

There is a red tote in the Narthex for donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. This project is another outreach showing how caring and giving our church is. God is smiling on us!

If you would care to donate, here are some suggestions: (personal size items are recommended)

**TOILETRIES:** Toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, razors, female products, soap, shampoo, conditioner, antibacterial gel, deodorant, wet wipes, lotion, Chap Stick; **COOKIES; SOCKS.**

**MONETARY** donations would be appreciated to assist with the mailing costs.

Have a grand day!

With appreciation and blessings,  
Nancy Corton

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Return Service Requested



### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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# Dundee United Methodist Church

Issue:  
November 2009

Newsletter Team:  
Pastor Mark, Nancy Hicks and Bob Burt

**Our Mission:** To provide a place and opportunity to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, worship God, mature spiritually, grow in fellowship as a Christian family, and serve our neighbor.

**Our Vision:** To transform lives and our community by sharing the love of God and empowering people to experience the fulfillment of the life offered by Jesus Christ for the growth of his kingdom, power, and glory.

## OUTREACH

The Outreach Committee met on January 18 to review descriptions of the ministries planned for this year. A description of these ministries will be included at the end of this article. The committee appreciates all the help offered from our congregation, and we welcome anyone interested to become a member.



The food pantry is staying well stocked at this time with your donations. Boxes have been and are being mailed to our troops on an ongoing basis. Please give us the name and address of any relative(s) serving overseas and we will try to send a box to their unit. A number of boxes have already been sent. In March we will be doing Spring Break Food Baskets for impoverished school children and will also hold a bake auction to benefit the Children's Home. Below is a short list of many of the ministries sponsored by the Outreach Committee. Please prayerfully consider how you might get involved.

- **Food Pantry:** Provide emergency assistance to families in need of food through congregational donations.
- **Hoops for [W]holeness:** Pastor's basketball tournament for at-risk children and youth in our community.
- **Children's Home:** Ongoing support of the United Methodist Children's Home through 5th Sunday offerings and special supplies drives. Support through special programs and events such as the Angel Tree Christmas project and annual bake auction. We also encourage all in our congregation to attend the various campus visitations scheduled by the Children's Home. (This year: March 20, 2010.)
- **Spring Break Food Baskets for School Children:** Provide food baskets through congregational donations during spring break for impoverished children. Many children are reliant upon free school lunches, and this ensures they will not go hungry when school is out for a week.
- **Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Baskets:** Provide food baskets to impoverished families through congregational donations during the holidays.
- **School Supplies Drive:** Collect and distribute school supplies to less fortunate kids at Dundee Elementary School, Sandhill Elementary School, and the UM Children's Home.
- **Gift Boxes for Troops:** Ongoing ministry to collect and distribute gift boxes for our troops overseas which include toiletries, socks, and sweets.
- **Peace River Donations:** Collecting and distributing luggage and other items to support battered women.

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## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### JOY CLASS



We have been studying one of Jim Moore's books about turning your life around after making a wrong turn. We have just started the chapter on worrying and found that most of the class members worry about the same things, especially regarding our families and children. There are many worries we can't do anything about, many of which are not worth losing sleep over. But other worries are more significant. Knowing the peace that God gives helps us to not let our lives be controlled by worry. We would love for you to join our class and learn along with us how to make our lives better.

Jenny Jacobs, Teacher

### XYZ/BRISTOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

MEET EZRA AND NEHEMIAH.... The two men who led the Hebrew captives in Jerusalem to rebuild the Temple and the walls of Jerusalem after 70 years of exile in the land of Babylon. God preserved His people who were not able to worship in the Temple as captives in a foreign land until the exile was ended and the Temple was rebuilt. How do you stay true to God when threatened by external threats? We learn from Israel who remained faithful in the midst of pagan idolatry and foreign cultural influences.

Come and join us to experience the dedication and faith these men had to fulfill God's promise for His remnant.



Barbara Bateman, Teacher

### CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council met January 21 and started with a discussion of our behavioral covenant. This covenant was developed by Council members as a general rule that serves to guide how we treat each other as Christian brothers and sisters when conducting church business. Dawn Johnson was welcomed as the new Finance Committee Chairperson.

In terms of normal business, we reviewed and discussed the Treasurer's reports for October, November and December as presented by Suzanne Cook, our church Treasurer. In spite of the poor economy, our financial condition remains stable. However, we need to continue to economize and plan for more fundraising events such as dinners, bake sales, etc. in preparation for another tight year. Fundraising will be discussed further at the February Council meeting. Nancy reported that the office computer will soon need to be replaced and we discussed the possibility of some future projects with the Nomads, a group of retired skilled workers that offer free labor for churches needing to make improvements or additions to facilities. Finally, the Council discussed and approved the development of a point system by which children and youth at our church can earn summer camp scholarships for 2010 through donations made by the United Methodist Men, United Methodist Women, and Sunday school program.

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SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

CHURCH Dundee United Methodist Church

MONTH December 2009



**DUNDEE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**February, 2010**  
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	MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
INCOME		
UNRESTRICTED	\$ 10,188.90	\$ 130,260.53
RESTRICTED	816.65	33,525.43
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 11,005.55	\$163,785.96
EXPENSES		
BENEVOLENCE (APPORTIONMENTS)	\$ 151.00	\$ 6,554.00
NOTES PAYABLE	200.00	2,400.00
PASTOR'S COMPENSATION	5,731.00	73,062.00
LAY EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION	2,035.00	24,356.00
MINISTRY AREA	31.00	1,886.00
OPERATING EXPENSES	1918.00	32,531.00
DEBT RETIREMENTS	375.00	1,500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	-0-	-0-
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 10,441.00	\$142,289.00
GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT RESTRICTED	\$ 36,610.27	
UNRESTRICTED	- 4,991.35	
TOTAL		\$ 31,618.92

AMOUNT NEEDED PER WEEK FOR BUDGET

\$ 2,970.90

AMOUNT UNRESTRICTED RECEIVED PER WEEK(4 Sundays)

\$ 2,547.23

AMOUNT OVER/SHORT PER WEEK

\$ - 423.67

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship Communion	8 6:00 pm A.A. 7:00 pm TOPS 7:00 pm Worship Team (Parsonage)	9 10:00 am Ingeborg Circle 5:30 pm Family Dinner Sizzling Grill	10 6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Children/Youth Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir Practice	11 7:00 pm Trustees (Office)	12 SHARE Order Deadline	13 DEADLINE Newsletter Articles
14 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!	15 6:00 pm A.A. 7:00 pm TOPS	16 7:00 pm Finance Committee (Office)	17 6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Children/Youth Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir Practice	18 7:30 pm Church Council	19	20 DEADLINE Newsletter Articles
21 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship 12:15 pm Potluck Dinner	22 6:00 pm A.A. 7:00 pm TOPS 7:00 pm Worship Team (Parsonage)	23	24 6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Children/Youth Pastor's Bible Study 7:30 pm Choir Practice	25	26	27 8:30 UMM Breakfast SHARE Pickup
28 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship						

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



The United Methodist Women met on January 9 in the Fellowship Hall. The devotion was given by Martha Lowe and was based on Max Lucado's, "An Angel Story," which describes the first Christmas from Heaven.

Treasurer Evelyn Joiner led the pledge service that focused on the theme, "What gift can we bring?" Evelyn also reported that UMW made \$4,991.00 from the Bazaar on November 7, 2009.

The following opportunities were presented to the ladies: Officers' training in Brandon on January 30, the Church Clean-up Day on January 16, and pizza kit sales. (Kits will be delivered on February 4.)

There was a Ways and Means table set up during the Baked Steak Dinner on January 30, and the ladies prepared the Wednesday night meal on January 20. (Dorothy Spence prepared a variety of soups and Jenny Jacobs prepared several desserts.)

Several thank-you cards were received and read from ladies who received cookies at Christmas from the UMW.

A change in the UMW meetings was announced - business meetings will be held quarterly, with the next meeting scheduled for April.

The Davenport ladies are having a special program presented by President Betty Gray, entitled "Living Dramas," on Thursday, March 11 at 1:00 pm. She will be portraying Fanny Crosby. Betty comes from South Daytona; her ministry is entitled "Encourage Me Ministries." This presentation will be RSVF by March 1 - more information will be forthcoming.

There will be a "Hymn Sing" at Warner Southern University on Saturday, February 27 at 11:00 am and 3:00 pm and Sunday, February 28 at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$2.00, but you must call the University for reservations.

President, Martha Lowe

## ARE YOU OK?

For those living in Dundee, there is a wonderful service provided by the Sheriff's office. It is called "Are You OK?" You register with the Sheriff's department, and then you must call every day at a designated time to let them know you are OK - if you don't call, they come out to check on you. If you are interested, contact Sgt. Davis at 287-2682. You must live in Dundee to qualify for this service.

## ARTISTS NEEDED

Are you a painter or do you know someone who is a painter? We are considering the possibility of painting a mural on the north wall of the Fellowship Hall and would be interested in your suggestions and ideas as we look for an artist to consult on this potential project. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please contact Martha Lowe at 439-2656.

## UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME



As a member of a Florida United Methodist Church, we can be very proud of the United Methodist Children's Home, as the Home is so much more than a place to care for children who need a place to stay and grow in a safe environment. The Home helps them to succeed in coping skills, school work and spiritual growth. In addition to providing a home for children, the Home is involved in training for parents, caregivers, teachers, etc. They have a top-notch foster care program and now have these programs available in five counties. There is also career training in construction and auto mechanics, with plans to include vocational training for girls. This training is very critical for making the transition from the Home to being an adult.

The Home does not receive any money from apportionments, so it is only our Fifth Sunday donations that support it. Our goal for the year is for every member to contribute \$12 - a very small amount when we see all the good it does. AND, if you have not seen the Home, plan to attend the DAY ON CAMPUS on March 20. You won't be disappointed, but you will become a true advocate for the Home.

## FOOD PANTRY

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated food and other items for the Food Pantry. This is an ongoing ministry for our church, and is well utilized by our neighbors. We have a permanent volunteer, Frieda Pearman, who oversees the stock. The following is a list of standard items which we try to keep on the shelves. In addition, you can bring perishable items such as bread, which can be kept in the freezer, and potatoes, which store well in the refrigerator.

Vegetables: Corn, green beans (we have plenty of these two items right now), peas and beans.

Soups and canned meals such as spaghetti and ravioli, pork and beans, canned meats

Dry pasta - macaroni, spaghetti, penne pasta and rice

Macaroni and cheese

Dry beans

Potatoes - canned or mashed

Snacks - trail mix, Jello, puddings

Desserts - cake mix, frosting

Breakfast items - pancake mix, syrup, cereal, muffin mix

Condiments - ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, pickles

Toilet paper, paper towels, soap, shampoo

Baby food and diapers

Nancy Hicks

