



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2008 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schedule of Events April 27-May 4, 2008

Today, April 27 Christian Educator Recognition

- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship; PK-6 & Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 10:30 am Jr.-Sr. High S.S. & Confirmation
- 10:45 am Traditional Worship
- 5:00 pm Junior High Student Church
- 6:00 pm Senior High Student Church Gathering

Monday, April 28

- 9:00 am Building Committee with Zion

Tuesday, April 29

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
(Prayer Warriors welcome!)
- 4:30 pm Community Table
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 30

- 9:00 am Rug Ladies & Women's Emmaus Prayer
- 6:00 pm Family Meal & Classes

Thursday, May 1 National Day of Prayer

- 6:00 am Men's Book Club at Starbucks
- noon XYZ Potluck & Program
- 5:00 pm Praise **Band** Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 pm Praise **Choir** Rehearsal

Friday, May 2

- 10:00 am United Methodist Women Exec. Board

Saturday, May 3

- 6:00 pm Emmaus Gathering & Potluck

Sunday, May 4 Golden Cross Sunday, Communion, Food Pantry Day

- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship; PK-6 & Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 10:30 am Jr.-Sr. High S.S. & Confirmation
- 10:45 am Traditional Worship
- 5:00 pm Student Church



IMMEDIATE PRAYER

Alice Abrahamson,
Tracy & Jason Harper,
Barb Woodworth,
Family of Beverly Funk,
Family of Suzanne Neal,
Ashley Gochenour,

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Family of Elizabeth Owen,
Family of Audrey Hansen,
Family of Mary Jane Shipley,
Deb Page (her sister Karen died),
Russ Bedker,
Don Gallie,
Wilbur Nelson,
Doris Reid,
Brena Rogers,

Names will remain on the above list for 30 days. After that they will be removed, unless the office is otherwise notified.

MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Barbara Smith-Jang,
Pastor Bernard & Betty Lumene,
Delbert & Sandy Groves,

NURSING & ADULT CARE

Margie Barton,
Margie Cauchie,
Pearl Corey,
Alice Damkoehler,
Russell & Eleanor Grams,
Edith Grant,
Billie Jabrocki,
Margaret Lunde,
Alex MacDonald,
Gladys Martin,
Betty Myers,

Phyllis Post,
Joan Rasmussen,
John Sorensen,
Dorothy Tabor,
Eileen Thiel,
Emma VanHorn,

Soweto-Kapisha UMC and Front Porch Orphanage, Zambia

ONGOING

Linda Bickley,
Marjorie Boardman,
Helen Burmeister,
Marian Caplon,
Margery Ernst,
Priscilla Shaw,
Sean Gillett,
Diane Hawley (Donna Faye King's daughter),
Robert Jones,
Carolann Klinkhammer,
Ken Kruse,
Robert Laird,
Shirley Larson,
Sean Nelson,
Joseph Penrod,
Jerry Ponko,
Alyce Prescott,
Adrienne Rathert,
Joan Waldron,
Jason, Ken, and Linda Wolven,

SHUT-INS

Grace Tooker,

IN THE MILITARY

George Cone, Jr., Kwt.,
Travis DeMeester, FL,
Jonathan Gottwald, TX
Jason Harper, Afghan.,
Eric Luteyn, Iraq,
Adam Miller, Iraq,
Paul Nickelson, Iraq,
Mark Randall, TX,
Tad Reed, Iraq,
Mark Shaw, Iraq,
Jon Wagner, IN,
Tony Wagner, VA.

Please remember to pray for our college students.

Today's **altar flowers** were donated by Scott and Penny Quillan in celebration of their 23rd anniversary.

May 1 is the National Day of Prayer. There is a noontime event from 12:15 to 12:45 PM on the Mason County Courthouse Lawn, and an Evening Event from 7:00 to 8:00 at Prayer and Praise Church, 509 N. Staffon.

The XYZ (Xtra Years of Zest) Group will meet at noon on Thursday, May 1 in Fellowship Hall. The meeting will begin with a potluck lunch. Following lunch, Dave Hamman, our Missions Committee Chairman, will update us on our important African missions in Zambia. Please bring a dish to pass, your table service and a friend.

Poster Festival Next Sunday!

Posters created by our K through 6th children and young people will be on display in Fellowship Hall. Please plan to take the time to view their work. You will be inspired and encouraged by their enthusiasm for our church and for giving to the Lord. *It isn't too late to start a poster! Instructions ~ if needed ~ and poster paper are available in the church office.*

Next Sunday is also Golden Cross Sunday, one of our West Michigan Conference Special Sunday offerings. Up to 50% stays in the congregation to be used in ministry concerned with disabilities, aging and health care concerns. The rest goes to the Conference for the Methodist Children's Home Society, Clark Retirement Community and Bronson Methodist Hospital.

The dates and times for our **Soaring in Faith campaign advance commitment gatherings** have been finalized. The purpose of advance commitment is to request that some members consider making their commitments "in advance." Advance commitments will help establish a "benchmark of **sacrificial giving**." Set the pace and lead our church by example. If you'd like to make your commitment in advance and would like to attend, please call the church office to make a reservation.

Prayer Vigil - Thursday, May 15 - Mark Your Calendar!

A 12-hour prayer vigil will be held in our church sanctuary on Thursday, May 15 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. A sign up for a specific time to pray will begin TODAY and continue the next two Sundays in the Narthex after each worship service. Time slots will be for 30 minutes on the hour and half hour. People coming to pray will receive a prayer guide and also a list of people to pray for. We encourage everyone in our church family to find a time during this day to come to pray!

Option 1: Sign up for a specific time to pray. **Option 2:** Come at any time during 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

By the end of this day, everyone in our church family will have been lifted in prayer at some time during the prayer vigil. There will be a short (10 minute) closing at 8:00 pm, consisting of singing, prayer and a benediction by our choir.

Please do not park anymore in the **old gas station parking lot** at the northeast corner of Harrison Street and Ludington Avenue. Robin Koikas has started a business there. Thanks!

The family of Elizabeth Owen wishes to thank all of you who have showered us with your Christian love and sweet help in extraordinary ways these past few weeks...the cards, flowers, wonderful food, and the hospital visits are deeply appreciated. You are invited to share with us a memorial service to celebrate the life of our beloved mother in the sanctuary on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at 11:00 am. Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church building fund in the name of Elizabeth Owen.