



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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SUNDAY, JAN. 31, 2010 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jan. 31-Feb. 6, 2010 Schedule of Events

Today, Jan. 31

- 8:30 am Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship; PK-8 & Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship with Healing Service
- 5:00-7:00 pm Soccer Registration/Swap, Fellowship H.
- 6:30 pm Student Church

Monday, Feb. 1

- 1:00 & 7:00 pm Women Empowering Women, Choir Rm
- 7:00 pm Finance Committee

Tuesday, Feb. 2

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 10:00-12:00 Ministerial Association, Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Trustees

Wednesday, Feb. 3

- 9:30 am Rug & Sleeping Bag Ladies
- 6:00 pm Family Meal, followed by "Becoming a Contagious Christian" class
- 7:00 pm Recorder Group, sanctuary

Thursday, Feb. 4 Michigan School Vocal Music Association uses church all day

- 6:00 am Men's Book Club at Brenda's Café
- 10:00 am Women's Bible Study
- 12:00 pm XYZ Potluck & Program
- 6:00 pm Church & Society Committee
- 7:00 pm AFFEW Planning Meeting
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Feb. 5

- 1:00 pm United Methodist Women Exec. Board
- 6:30-8:30 pm Marriage Maintenance Workshop

Saturday, Feb. 6

- 11:00 am Memorial service for Brian Stever, luncheon following
- 5:00 pm Emmaus Gathering/Potluck

Pastor Ken and Eldonna are in Hawaii January 19 through February 12. In case of pastoral need, please contact Pastor Tom or the church office.

People of Haiti,
Marie Herlein,
Geoff Wooster,
Chesna Saxton,
Colton Budzynski,
Jennifer MacDonald,
Allan Frey and family,



MISSIONARIES

Bob & Sue Martin,
Pastor Bernard & Betty Lumene,
Delbert & Sandy Groves,
Paul Webster,

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Alice/Warren Abrahamson
Leone Benedict,
Margie Barton,
Helen Blum,
Marjorie Boardman,
Helen Burmeister,
Margie Cauchie,
Alice Damkoehler,
Bob Ferguson,
Idah Gearhart,
Eleanor Grams,
Edith Grant,
Billie Jabrocki,
Robert Laird,
Margaret Lunde,
Alex MacDonald,
Gladys Martin,
Tommy McCumber,
Betty Myers,
Joan Rasmussen,
Eileen Thiel,
Emma Van Horn,

Soweto-Kapisha UMC and Front Porch Orphanage, Zambia

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Emma Post-Alma
Katelin Post-Ferris State
Brent Gillett-CMU
Eric & Jessica Reum-MSU
Matt Sonefeld-CMU
Patrick Luke-Mich. Tech
Jenna Luke-NWMC
Elizabeth Evans-Lansing Community College
Dennis Homminga -GVSU

Hilary & Mallory Pehrson - MSU

Erica Timinski-U of M
Jordan McCary-Motorcycle Mechanic Inst.
Darren Quillan-MSU
Andrew Rodriguez-EMU
Martin Hunt-WMU
Corey Shinn-GVSU

ONGOING

Clyde Abrahamson,
Marion Caplon (shut-in),
Ron Flaughter,
Aiden Harper,
Bob Herlein,
Robert Jones,
Arlene Kelsey,
Carolann Klinkhammer,
Shirley Larson,
Kristi Leclair,
Kathy Mantey,
Maralee McCumber,
Sean Nelson,
Bill Nickelson Jr. (home),
Karen & Pat O'Brien,
Joseph Penrod,
Gail Piper,
Jerry Ponko,
Alyce Prescott,
Donna Shafer,
Priscilla Shaw,
Charles Sidnam,
Dick Stover,
Linda Wolven,

IN THE MILITARY

Tech Sgt Matt Bowling,
George Cone, Jr., GA,
Travis DeMeester, CA,
Daron J. Diepenbruck, Afg
Benjamin Gottwald, Japan,
Jonathan Gottwald, TX,
Jose Granados,
Greg Heimall Jr., Haiti,
Tyler Iteen, IL
Eric Luteyn, MO,
Michael M. Marquez,
Adam Miller, LA,
Jonathan Oliver,
Eric Piper, Afgh.,
Blaine Reed, Afgh,
Mark Shaw, Iraq,
Christopher Stevens,
Sgt. Jonathan Wagner, Iraq
Tony Wagner, VA.

Addie Evans is home.

Local visitors interested in learning about our church and its programs are encouraged to stop at the table in the narthex to pick up a visitor bag.

The XYZ (Xtra Years of Zest) Group will meet at noon on Thursday, February 4, in Fellowship Hall. After a potluck lunch, Jean Taylor, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, will share a presentation entitled **“Have You Had the Talk?”** Bring a dish to pass, your table service and a friend.

The **Christian Education Committee and Sunday School Teachers** will meet after the second service **Sunday, February 7** in the fourth-fifth grade classroom for a one-hour-max meeting.

Our church is having another **American Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, February 8, from noon to 5:45 pm.** To donate **blood**, sign up January 31 or February 7 in the narthex between services, or call the church office at 843-8340. Also, please see Ruth Wheeler (843-8616) if you can volunteer one hour of your time to **manage the cookie and juice table** the day of the blood drive. **Cookie donations** are also appreciated.

Did you know that our church has a **Lost and Found?** It's behind the counter in the Volunteer Office. There are also some abandoned coats and jackets on the coat racks on the east side of the sanctuary. Please check the coats/jackets *on a weekday*.

Calendar this! **Church Ice Skating Party** at West Shore Ice Arena Sunday, **February 21**, 3:50-5:50 pm. Price is \$4.00 for skating, but those five and under skate free. We have free skate rental this year.

We are planning our **October 2010 mission trip to the Henderson Settlement** in Frakes, Kentucky, in the heart of Appalachia. We need to plan exactly when we're going and what we'll do there. The needs are great there, and everyone can do something, even if you can't do hard physical labor. The accommodations are very nice, the food is excellent, and the fellowship is wonderful. If you've never been on a mission trip this is an excellent place to start. Many of us return to Henderson year after year because it's such a rewarding experience. Sign up in the office for the **organizational meeting Thursday, February 18 at 6:30 pm.** Please call Wayne Disegna (843-6841) if questions.

HOSPITALITY INC (in the Name of Christ) UMC hosts February 21-28, 2010

Hospitality INC is spearheaded by Tim and Tammy Martin and is a rotating homeless shelter which provides emergency evening shelter during the cold winter months. A hot meal, a warm cot, hot shower, a safe place and a friendly smile will be provided every night by people like you. UMC previously hosted the homeless November 15-22, 2009 with over 60 adults and 10 youth from our church volunteering.

Hospitality INC's mission statement is "Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ by Providing Safe Emergency Shelter for Homeless Adults During Winter Months."

UMC of Ludington will once again host the homeless at our church from February 21-28, 2010 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. The success of this mission depends on volunteers: 8-10 per night are needed. We have volunteer opportunities for everyone. We need:

Dinner coordinator (prepare menu; find volunteers to bring in dinners)
Food preparers (bring in food for dinner or breakfast)
Evening visitors/snack hosts
Dinner hosts/clean up
Overnight hosts
Drivers
Setup/takedown coordinator each Sunday
Emergency backups (fill in if there are cancellations)

Dave and Bev Hamman will be our church Volunteer Coordinators. They will be in the Narthex each Sunday with signup sheets. If you have any questions, you may call them at 845-0174.

Prayer for Haiti!

*“God, You are our refuge and strength, always ready to help us in times of trouble
Psalm 46:1”*

Lord, we pray for Haiti in their time of disaster. We lift these people to You:

- Dave & Bev Hamman
- Paul Doherty, leader of the Michigan Area Haiti Task Force
- Pastor Gesner Paul, President of the Haiti Conference
- Gregg Heimall Jr. as he takes care of the wounded
- The injured, and families who have lost loved ones
- The children and the orphanages
- The Methodist Children’s Home
- The military, the workers, the volunteers and news people

Lord, we praise You for all who are giving and helping.

We ask for Your strength, guidance and protection in all.

Help us to be faithful in praying for the people in Haiti and their recovery. Amen

Lord, What Can I Do?

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VOLUNTEERS AND SHEETS NEEDED TO MAKE BANDAGES FOR HAITI

Bandages are needed for wrapping wounds in Haiti. If you have any used clean sheets you would like to donate (not flannel), please bring them to the marked box in the entrance of the church. After cutting off the finished ends, these sheets will be ripped in 3” wide strips the full length of the sheet, then rolled and tied with a bow. Fitted sheets could also be used. We will have work sessions to make the bandages on the following dates from 9:00 to 11:30 am—Tuesday, February 2, Thursday, February 4 and Thursday, February 11. Please come and help “rip and roll” bandages for Haiti. If questions, please phone Bev Hamman at 845-0174.

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SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR HAITI CONTAINER

The West Michigan Conference is going to send a container of supplies to Haiti soon and has asked churches to help collect the following supplies. These items can be dropped off in the narthex in the marked box. If you have any questions, please call Bev or Dave Hamman at 845-0174.

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| Dried beans | Peanut butter | Rice | Powdered milk |
| Imodium (anti-diarrheal) | Triple antibiotic ointment | Bandages | Betadine |
| Gauze (4” x 4” or larger) | Ibuprofen (generic only) | Canned meats | Rolls of cloth adhesive tape |

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

In our effort to keep the congregation apprised of the finances of the church, the following report shows the status of the General Fund, Building fund and the Soaring in Faith Building Fund campaign through the end of December, 2009.

General Fund:

December General Fund Income	\$29,080
December General Fund Expense	\$31,390
December Deficit	- \$2,310

Year to Date General Fund Income	\$370,192
Year to Date General Fund Expense	\$364,644
Year to Date Surplus	\$5,548

Building Fund/ Genesis Project:

Bryant Rd Building fund balance – 12-31-09	\$144,410
Genesis fund Mortgage Balance – 12-31-09	\$1,471,857
Monthly Mortgage Payment	\$10,353

Soaring in Faith Building Fund Campaign:

Total Pledges	\$587,191
Receipts 1-1-09 – 12-31-09	\$273,643
