



United Methodist Church of Ludington

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SUNDAY, MAR. 14, 2010 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mar. 14-21, 2010 Schedule of Events

Today, Mar. 14 One Great Hour of Sharing; Daylight Saving Time Begins

- 8:30 am Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship & Baptism; PK-8 & Adult SS
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 6:30 pm Student Church Food Pantry Scavenger Hunt

Monday, Mar. 15 *Footprints* deadline

- 6:30 pm Evangelism Committee

Tuesday, Mar. 16

- 9:30 am Intercessory Prayer
- 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, Mar. 17

- 9:30 am Rug & Sleeping Bag Ladies
- 1:30 pm Priscilla & Lydia Circles
- 5:30 pm Habitat for Humanity Board
- 6:00 pm Family Meal
- 7:00 pm Recorder Group

Thursday, Mar. 18

- 6:00 am Men's Book Club at Brenda's Café
- 12:00-2:00 pm Mich. Area Retired School Personnel
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Republican Party uses Fellowship Hall for speaker
- 8:00 pm Praise Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Mar. 19

- 8:00 pm Youth Overnight begins

Saturday, Mar. 20

- 10:00 am Youth Overnight ends

Sunday, Mar. 21

- 8:30 am Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Contemporary Worship; PK-8 & Adult SS
- 10:15 am Coffee Time
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship
- 2:00-4:30 pm All Church Roller Skating at Johnny's
- 6:30 pm Student Church



Mary Begnoche (Steve's mother),
Doris Johnson,
Terry Pahoski,
Bill & Laura Walker,
Cathy Webster,
Family of Betty Myers,
Family of Alice Damkoehler,
Family of Bob Ferguson,
Family of Ray Petersen,

MISSIONARIES

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

NURSING/ADULT CARE

Alice/Warren Abrahamson
Leone Benedict,
Margarie Barton,
Helen Blum,
Marjorie Boardman,
Helen Burmeister,
Margarie Cauchie,
Idah Gearhart,
Eleanor Grams,
Edith Grant,
Billie Jabrocki,
Robert Laird,
Margaret Lunde,
Alex MacDonald,
Gladys Martin,
Tommy McCumber,
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),
Donna DePeel,
Aiden Harper,
Bob Herlein,
Robert Jones,
Arlene Kelsey,
Carolann Klinkhammer,
Shirley Larson,
Kristi Leclair,
Jennifer MacDonald,
Maralee McCumber,
Sean Nelson,
Bill Nickelson Jr. (home),
Karen & Pat O'Brien,
Joseph Penrod,
People of Haiti and Chile,
Gail Piper,
Jerry Ponko,
Alyce Prescott,
Chesna Saxton,
Donna Shafer,
Priscilla Shaw,
Dick Stover,
Linda Wolven,
Geoff Wooster,

IN THE MILITARY

Tech Sgt Matt Bowling, OK,
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.

A Visual Portrayal of the Last Days in the Life of Jesus Christ Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 14, 2010

Symbol: Dice

This fourth event was the casting of lots for Jesus' clothing by the soldiers at the foot of the cross.

While Jesus was suffering upon the cross, Roman soldiers were dividing the spoils before they set the watch over the crucifixion. The use of lots, whether drawn or cast, was even then a very ancient way of making decisions. The land of Canaan was divided among the twelve tribes of Israel by lots. Jonah fled by ship from God's will, a great storm arose, and the sailors cast lots to determine who on the ship was the cause of the storm. (The lot fell to Jonah and he was cast overboard). The disciples cast lots after the resurrection to choose a successor to Judas. In ancient times, stones or inscribed tablets were used as lots. Our modern form is dice.

Here we find Romans using lots to determine who will win the garments of our dying Savior. How sad it is that they wanted so little from Jesus. There was so much more that he wanted to give them. Jesus was prepared to clothe them in the forgiveness of God. We need not depart from Jesus with any less than what God has promised to all of us in Jesus Christ.



*Easter
Flowers*

The Altar Guild invites you to provide flowers for the sanctuary on Easter morning. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate with your payment by **March 24**.

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| Easter Lily Single.... | \$12.50 | _____ |
| Double..... | \$23.00 | _____ |
| Triple..... | \$33.00 | _____ |
| Tulips..... | \$12.50 | _____ |
| Daffodils..... | \$12.50 | _____ |
| Hyacinths..... | \$12.50 | _____ |
| Azaleas..... | \$31.00 | _____ |
| TOTAL..... | | _____ |

Given by _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

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.

Daylight Saving Time began at 2:00 am today.

Today is also One Great Hour of Sharing. This special general church offering supports the administrative costs of UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), so that when you give to UMCOR, 100% of your gift goes to the area of need. As always, give to the special offerings that speak to your heart.

Our church's turn for **Community Table** is **Tuesday, March 30. This is a date change because we switched with Salvation Army.** Serving begins at 4:30 pm. Please call Jean Burtch at 843-8306 if you can help prepare, serve or clean up.

Gregg and Phyllis Heimall want to thank everyone who donated the small stuffed animals to the children of Haiti. They have sent four boxes, approximately 400 toys, to their son Greg Jr., a Navy nurse aboard the hospital ship "Comfort." At this point they may have to send remaining donations to a hospital or orphanage in Haiti, as the "Comfort" will probably not be staying much longer. Thank you for everyone's generosity!

Lyn Pingle reports that her brother **Charles Sidnam** is now cancer-free, and her neighbor **Ron Flaughter** recovered speedily from his January hip surgery. She thanks everyone for their prayers. We have removed Charles and Ron from our prayer list.

Thank you Hospitality, INC volunteers!

Our church hosted Hospitality, INC the week of February 21-28. Volunteer Coordinator Bev Hamman would like to say thank you to the fifty-five adults and three youth who worked as volunteers or brought in food that week. A special thanks goes to Bob Kruse who stayed overnight all seven nights, Ruth Paul and Janice Wolff who coordinated the dinners, and Ellamae McDonald and Loraine Abrahamson who prepared breakfast every morning for our guests. Thank you to all volunteers for helping make our guests feel welcome and at home in our church.

If you had your church photo taken by Lifetouch last August, and you have not yet received your **complimentary church pictorial directory**, please stop by the church office on a weekday to pick it up. Those who did not have their photos taken but who have requested a pictorial directory may also stop by the office for a directory. The office is open 8:30-4:30, Monday through Friday.

Sara Ann Wilson is baptized today at the 9:30 service. Pastor Tom will lead the 9:30 congregation through the baptismal service, after which we as a congregation will respond:

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

A note of thanks to Dave Hamman from Rev. Chrisnel LeLievre, Cap-Haitien Circuit Superintendent, Haiti:

Dear Friend and Brother,

I salute you in Jesus' name. Your presence in Haiti at this particular time and history of our country has been a blessing to everyone in Cap-Haitien especially.

The teachers at Baudin Methodist School were very pleased to have you and they charged me to thank you so much and they thank you so much for the transportation and the students' books.

Thanks go to the members of your church in Michigan, Ludington United Methodist Church for their support to the students' scholarship and tuition.

The church of Cap-Haitien is grateful for your generosity and love.

My regards to your wife.

May God continue to bless you all!

The Mason-Lake-Oceana Counties' Parent Coalition cordially invites you to attend a **Candidates' Q&A Forum on Early Childhood** Friday, March 19 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at Cartier Mansion, 409 E. Ludington Avenue, Ludington. For more information, please see the Fellowship Hall or Volunteer Office bulletin boards.