



# The Good News

September, 2009

## Keyboard Concert

Sunday, September 27  
2:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary



Join us Sunday September 27 at 2:00 p.m. for a keyboard concert featuring artists from our own congregation.

The program will include piano and organ solos, duets and a wide variety of music and styles. We hope you will join us to praise the Lord with our talented musicians.

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## Sara Says....



**THANK YOU, THANK YOU,  
THANK YOU**

How can we say thank you,  
Let us count the ways.....

Bill and I want to thank you from the depth, breath and height of our being. From the welcoming days of unloading boxes and boxes and boxes and boxes, To the welcoming dinner, To the welcoming hearts embracing our ministry...

(And especially the shared laughter)

Bill and I want to thank you.

This morning, while sitting in our living room gazing at tree covered mountainsides, watching humming birds circle their winged path and dip into the red feeder hanging out side the window, I see our crazy cat licking water off the patio table... Life... The absurdity, and the beautiful happening side by side. This is the first home Bill and I have owned in over 20 years. We adore the home, but it is the money sucking vacuum of all time.

Two dogs and the crazy cat complete our household. We love our animal zoo, but the click, click, click of their toenails on the new flooring, well, you know. Did I mention the dog hairs that have not quit shedding all summer?

Beauty, love, tolerance, frustration, co-existing, creating the days of our lives. Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus did not come into this world to take us out of the world, He came into this world that our living may be transformed: *"Creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God (Romans 8:21).* In other words, when the Creator of the Universe entered into creation, the seeming intent was for the spiritual and the physical to become fully integrated.



Reverend Sara



## Pat Reid – Servant Heart Scholarship

You have to be pretty new to our church not to recognize Pat Reid. She has served on nearly every committee and ministry; she's a natural leader, giving orders with the best of them, but she is also the first one in line to scrub floors or make coffee. Over the past couple of years Pat has begun to pass her leadership responsibilities in the church to others. It's not easy, because she can still keep pace with most of us. But we are glad she is able to sit back (occasionally) to enjoy the rewards of hard work.

Pat is also active on community boards and organizations. Her favorite is the Single Parent Scholarship Fund, where she was honored by having the "Servant Heart Scholarship" established in her name. It is a \$2000 continuing scholarship, given to a deserving student over and above the basic scholarship each is given. Jim Russell, President of the organization, had this to say about Pat, "Whether serving punch at a gathering, stuffing envelopes, or interviewing students, Pat Reid is a mentor. Pat's natural administrative expertise and her nurse's training make her especially valuable as she works with our students and our office staff. No job is too menial or too complex. With grace and a sense of humor, Pat comforts our students and suggests solutions."

Pat will want you to know that Single Parent Scholarship Fund is a program for Benton County that enables students to pursue their educations and helps them avoid dropping out because of unexpected financial hardships. They are celebrating 25 years of service in this area. Pat has been with them for over 20 of those years. In 1984 they provided 22 scholarships for a total of \$3,900. In 2009, they awarded 491 scholarships for a total of \$383,757. We are proud that Pat was recognized for her efforts in the success of this group. We also want to recognize other members of our church who serve on the advisory council of this board: Dan Chase, Bill and Aggie Danenhauer, Mary Margaret Roberts, Karen Schroll, Dawn Thompson, and Bob Toney.

## The View from Pastor Doris –

About nine years ago I attended a weekend "Walk to Emmaus" with much anxiety. What was I getting myself into? I had been an ordained pastor for several years and was serving two small congregations. Why would I need -- or even want -- something usually described as a "short course in Christianity?" I came away, newly excited about my relationship with the living Christ.

How does one go about going on a "Walk to Emmaus?" The weekends are a one time experience. You are sponsored by someone who has gone on the weekend walk previously. Many folk in our church have attended these weekends and would enjoy being your sponsor. Jan Lowe in the office would be glad to connect you with one of them. The other way you can discover who they are is to attend an Emmaus Gathering.

What is an Emmaus Gathering? Once a month a gathering is held in this area -- the next one will be in our church on Thursday, September 10 beginning at 6:15 PM. Who can attend? Anyone! We want those who have been on a "Walk" to be here. We also want those who might go on the walk to come and we want those who are curious to come. There will be music, someone will share what the weekend Walk to Emmaus has meant to them, we will share communion together and we will have a time of snacks and fellowship. Does it obligate you to go on a weekend "Walk to Emmaus?" No!

The next "Walk to Emmaus" weekends will be this October 1 through 4 for the men and October 8 through 11 for the women. There are brochures at the information table in the Narthex and I would love to visit with you about any questions you have about the "Walk to Emmaus."

*Pastor Doris*





# BLOCK PARTY

Special thanks to Julie Fischer, who stepped up and organized this year's Block Party, and the United Methodist Men who set-up and took down the tents, tables, chairs, etc., and served watermelon for members and guests. And thanks to all those who helped by cooking and serving hot dogs, and greeting those who came for information. Everyone had a great time!

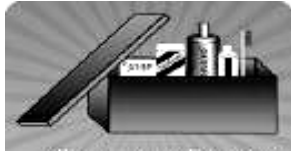




## MISSIONS

### SHOEBOX

We are in the process of stocking our shelves for fall and really appreciate all of the donations we have received. Thank you to all of you for holding your donations during the month of July.



276 shoeboxes were delivered in August to various agencies in Benton and Washington counties. Thank you to Bobby Cox, Bud Henke, and Ralph Johnson for their help with these deliveries. Thank you to Bella Vista -Bentonville Lions for their generous contribution. Many items for the shoeboxes were also donated. God Bless you for your help.

Don & Lois Peterman, coordinators at St. Bernard Church, have retired. They have dedicated themselves to making sure that at least 100 men's and women's boxes were delivered to us each month (and many more each Christmas) for delivery to the shelters. Shoebox was so blessed to have these wonderful people to work with. They will be missed in so many ways.

We as always are in need of socks; pocket tissues; detergent (powdered only) and ziplock bags.

We are no longer requesting purses, prescription bottles and nail clippers or scissors.

### PAK-A-SAK



In September we will be collecting food items for Havenwood. They are in need of all types of "**Ready To Eat**" items, especially; canned soups, chili, stews, pasta, rice-a-roni, tuna, Spam, spaghetti and sauce, Mac & Cheese, peanut butter, and canned fruits and vegetables. The generosity of all of you touches many lives in our community, and the Mission Ministry are very thankful for your continued support.

September order dates are 9/6 and 9/13. Distribution date is Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> in Becker Hall at 9:30 a.m.

angel**food**  
MINISTRIES

Orders also accepted by Marion Korn 855-3302 or 426-5241 or Trudy Baird 876-2112. You can also place an order in the church office during the week.

Angel Food is available to members of our community, outside of our church family. If you know of those who would benefit from this program, please share this information with them.

A special thank you to the Church Angels who are making it possible for us to reach out to the hungry in Bella Vista. Bless you!



### Mission of the Month

The September Mission of the Month is

Restoration Village. This is a local nonprofit home and is supported by churches and individuals. It is a residential provider of hope for women, often with children, who are in crisis stages of their lives. These may include physical, sexual, or emotional abuse. The village is also home for unwed mothers who have no other place to go.

Their work continues as a result of God touching the hearts of people to contribute unselfishly to the finances of Restoration Ministries. Restoration Ministries receives no government, state, or municipal funding and depends solely upon people like you who believe and support second chances for all of God's people. We believe and confirm that all people are God's image and deserve to know His love, His compassion, and His restorative power.



## MISSIONS

The United Methodist Church is at the forefront of providing care, sustenance, and nurturing for people in need everywhere in the world. The Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church is very active in its Volunteers-In-Mission (VIM) Program. Outside of Arkansas, the teams work under the auspices of the United Methodist Commission on Relief (UMCOR). UMCOR is normally one of the first organizations to respond when help for people is needed because of a natural, or man-caused, disaster anywhere in the world.

Putting our faith into action is at the very heart of our Christian calling. The New Testament instructs His followers to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give shelter to the homeless, heal the sick, care for the widows, and nurture the children. Through VIM, every person in the church has the opportunity to serve and live life more faithfully. Bella Vista FUMC has a Volunteer-in-Mission Program and a number of trained VIM leaders. We have responded to the Hurricane disaster areas in Louisiana and Mississippi over the past three years, and we are ready to respond again when the need arises. Our next "hard" scheduled mission is in April, 2011, to Sager Brown UMCOR Depot in Baldwin, LA. We anticipate more trips before that date.

We realize that not everyone is physically capable of handling the rigors and work demands of some of the mission trips. However, everyone can be of great assistance to the VIM program by providing funds to offset the costs of a trip, which can be extensive. There is an account maintained by the FUMC Bella Vista Finance Office for VIM needs. If you wish to participate, please make out checks to Bella Vista FUMC with "VIM" written in the lower left hand corner.

If you would like to become a participant in our VIM Program, contact Ed Jenner (479) 876-2149. The next formal leadership training class is on September 18, 2009, at St. James United Methodist Church in Little Rock from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### PreSchool Volunteers Needed

Your Bella Vista Preschool will soon be opening for the 2009-2010 school year. We are looking for loving adults who have one morning each month



to give as a preschool volunteer. Volunteers work with our director, Marjie Lewis, our teacher, Sherry Schaefer and a group of 3-or-4 year-old children in a simulating, nurturing environment. Please consider this opportunity to support admission of our church and to share in children's lives. For more information contact Vicki Schroeder at 876-1089 or Diane Verville at 876-1676.

### Come and Receive Encouragement

We call our informal group CARE. We meet on the third Wednesday of each month in the Chapel at 9:30 a.m. Our next meeting will be on September 16.

The idea is for anyone who has suffered a loss whether it is loss of a loved one, a job, physical health or any other cares to meet to realize there are times when we all need support. That is really why CARE was formed - to provide support and Christian caring.

We meet to share ideas, to discuss how our month has been going and to share a prayer. We really hope you will join us.



# WOW WEDNESDAYS... ... AND MORE!

**10 Weeks of Wednesdays**  
from  
**September 16 through November 18**

**Start by joining us for supper**

**Served from 5:15 - 6:15 pm**  
**(\$5 per person, \$12 per family)**

**Come in or call the church**  
**at 855-1158**

- \* **Information**
- \* **Sign up for Classes**
- \* **Sign up for Meal**
- \* **Sign up for Nursery**
- \* **Sign up for Bus to  
Concordia or  
The Crossings**

## **"Making Love Last A Lifetime!**

**Wednesday, 8 weeks, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Facilitators - Jim & Sue Prather**

Small-group members will explore the topics of love, marriage, and sex in order to gain a biblical perspective; reflect on God's purposes for these intimate and important parts of their lives ; will be encouraged to take steps to improve their marriages and intimate relationships.

## **Basic Bible Study - Genesis**

**Wednesday, 13 weeks, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Facilitator - Andrea Hanson**

This comprehensive 13-session study of the Book of Genesis helps students answer the questions "What does the Bible say?", "What does this passage mean?" and "How can I apply it to my own life?" Other books of the Bible will be offered in the future.

## **Basic Bible Study - Genesis**

**Wednesday, 13 weeks, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.**

**Facilitator - John Peters**

Same as above, different time.

## **"Believing God" by Beth Moore**

**Wednesday, 10 weeks, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.**

**Facilitator: Diane Verville**

This 10 week, interactive study includes personal, daily assignments and weekly, video-centered group sessions. Introduced in Isaiah 43:10, "Believing God" examines what it means to believe God rather than only believe in Him. Come and deepen your trust in God and receive a fresh word from Him. 10 life-changing weeks.

## **Paul's Writings - An Advanced Study**

**Wednesday, 10 weeks, 6:30- 8:00 p.m.**

**Facilitator - Jean Justice**

This class is intended for the individual who is ready to dig deeper into their spiritual growth development as they study Paul's writings.



### Youth Fellowship

Wednesday, 10 weeks, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Facilitator - Dixie Young

Youth will come together weekly to engage in fellowship and discussion on a variety of topics. Guest leaders will assist.

### Children's Time

Wednesday, 10 weeks, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Facilitator: Children's Ministry Team

Class sessions will include stories, crafts, arts, and music.

### Children & Youth Music - Chimes

Wednesday, 10 weeks, 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Facilitator: Dr. Larry Zehring

Children and Youth will praise God as they learn to read music and play chimes. A goal is to have them perform at a Sunday morning service following the 10 weeks of learning.

## ...AND MORE

### "A New Road to a New Place: A

Journey to a Promise" Sundays, 8 weeks,

September 20 to November 8; 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Facilitator: Kim Witte, Northwest District Office

A study for women who are interested in strengthening their walk with Christ. It will cover material that relates to who we are in Christ, overcoming obstacles and letting go of the past.

### Intermediate Bible Study

Wednesday on-going, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Facilitator - Juanita Dittmer

This on-going weekly study presents stimulating lessons that explore the biblical message and how to apply it to daily life. Adults move from a focus on the Word to reflection on personal, family, church, and community concerns.

### "Experiential Worship"

Tuesdays, 6 weeks, October 6 - November 10

6:00 - 7:30p.m.

Facilitator - Pastor Sara Bainbridge

Taken from Mark 12:30, *Love the Lord you God with all you heart, soul mind and strength*, this 6 week class will focus on learning to develop Biblical worship services that engage all aspects of human experience: visual, physical, emotional and intellectual. The purpose being to form an intergenerational Creative Worship Team of artists, crafts persons, technicians, writers, performers, musicians etc., that will begin in January of 2010. This class will present rational approaches to experiential encounters with God.

### Disciple Bible Study

Weekly, 34 weeks, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Facilitator: Alan Packard

This study requires reading large portions of Scripture each week and is based on careful study and preparation. During the course of 34 weeks, groups will move through the biblical stories of Creation to the New Jerusalem.

**Disciple I** "Becoming Disciples through Bible Study", begins on Wednesday, September 9. This basic course is required before any other Disciple courses can be taken.

**Disciple IV** "Under the Tree of Life" meets beginning Monday, August 17 or Friday, September 11.

## From Your Education Ministry Team

"WOW Wednesdays!... And More" offers an affordable time of food and fellowship with the family, followed by a variety of classes chosen to appeal to many people wherever they happen to be in their personal walk with God.



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

### THE BAZAAR IS COMING

The 2009 UMW Bazaar is just weeks away.

The date is Saturday

October 3, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Country Kitchen** needs all types of goodies, breads, candy, jelly and jams, pickles and other baked goods. These items need to be delivered to Becker Hall on Friday October 2.

**The Garden Center** will be accepting plants from Sunday September 27 through Thursday October 1.

Items are needed for **Dignified Discards**, as well as books and puzzles.

We appreciate all the handmade items donated for the sale. Please bring these in and leave them in quilt room on back table so we can get them priced and inventoried. If you have a price in mind please put it on your items.

We hope that the whole church will support the bazaar by coming out for cinnamon rolls in the morning, staying to shop, and enjoying lunch before going home. Consider bring a friend or neighbor to join you for lunch and shopping.

**Gift Basket Assembly** Our Bazaar workshop to prepare soup, dessert, and drink mixes for gift baskets, to be sold in our Country Kitchen will be held Sept. 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. NO SPECIAL TALENT is needed, just many willing hands. The following Thursday, Sept. 17, the gift baskets will be assembled from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Again, no special talent is needed, just women willing to have a great time, share fellowship and assemble the baskets.

### UMW LUNCHEON

The United Methodist Women will hold their luncheon on Wednesday, September 23. The program will be presented by Christie Yokum from the Ten Thousand Villages Store at Mt. Sequoyah. She has promised to bring items to purchase.

The menu will be a hot chicken dish, fruit cup, roll and dessert. Price for the lunch has been raised to \$7.00. **Please note this change.** Reservations need to be turned in to Lynn Prueitt (876-5753) by Thursday, September 17. Payment for the luncheon and name tags will be available in the Narthex beginning at 11:00 a.m. There will be quiet time and devotions in the sanctuary at 11:45 a.m. prior to the luncheon at 12:00 noon.

Circle chairs are reminded to send a list of people who will attend the luncheon to Elaine Detlefsen by Thursday, September 17, either by e-mail (be2detlefsen@cox.net) or by leaving the list in the UMW box in the office.

### Box Tops for Education

Thank you to everyone who has been saving Campbell soup labels and Box Tops for Education coupons. Box Top for Education coupons can be found on many products; General Mills, Kimberly-Clark and others. These are being sent to the Red Bird Mission to help them acquire equipment for their various mission services

### Circle Activities for September

CHARITY: When: Tuesday September 8 9:00 a.m.  
Where: Chapel  
Program: Bazaar Preview

HOPE: When: Thursday September 10 1:00 p.m.  
Where: Quilt Room  
Program: Work on Bazaar

MARTHA: When: Monday September 15 9:00 a.m.

NAOMI: When: Tuesday September 14 1:30 p.m.  
Where: Chapel  
Program: Pat Jenkins on Bazaar Preview

SARAH: When: Tuesday September 8 1:00 p.m.

EVENING: When: Thursday September 17 6:30 p.m.  
Where: Chapel





## UMW Assembly 2010 Will Convene in St. Louis

On April 30-May 2,  
in St. Louis, Mo., a

broad and diverse gathering of women will convene Assembly 2010 – a three-day conference hosted by United Methodist Women celebrating and empowering women of faith in mission for women, children, and youth. Assembly 2010 will build a constituency capable of generating bold action across the globe.

This event represents one of the largest and most diverse groups of women of faith from the largest denominational faith organization for women, United Methodist Women. A historic quadrennial event that attracts thousands, United Methodist Women's Assembly has taken place since 1942, and has always been a gathering place to rejoice and mobilize women in mission for women, children and youth.

The theme of "Faith • Hope • Love in Action" includes a vision statement and scripture passage (Colossians 1:3-6) guiding the collective vision for Assembly 2010. Assembly will be a spiritual highlight in your life if you decide to attend. Standing shoulder to shoulder with other United Methodist Women from all around the world praising God, learning about mission efforts worldwide, and strengthening personal faith and connections with other women; you don't want to miss it. The singing alone is worth the trip.

St. Louis is practically next door which means this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for us to attend. Several of us have already registered. Would you like to go? We will be gone three days, two nights. Scholarship funds are available to help defray some of the costs. If you want to attend, contact Jean Justice at [jfjustice@cox.net](mailto:jfjustice@cox.net) or 855-0570 no later than October 15. To find out more, contact Jean .

## BOOK NOOK

### NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS

THE OPTIMISTIC CHILD by Martin Seligman (155.4) (Donation)

Learning the skills of optimism not only reduces the risk of depression in children, but also boosts school performance, improves physical health and provides self-reliance.

KEY TO YOUR CHILD'S HEART by Gary Smalley (649.1) (Donation)

Packed with personal stories, practical observations, and time-tested techniques, this book will help your family build the close-knit relationships you've always wanted.

365 DAYS OF BABY LOVE by Sheila Elson (649.122) (Donation)

Playing, growing and exploring with babies from birth to age 2.

365 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES by several contributors (649.122) (Donation)

Projects, crafts, and games to inspire curiosity, cultivate imagination, and increase skills.

365 WAYS TO A SMARTER PRESCHOOLER by several contributors (649.122) (Donation)

Hundreds of activities that will ignite the sparks of curiosity and give your child a head start in school.

BEFORE FIVE IN A ROW by Jane Lambert (649.122) (Donation)

This book is a treasury of creative ideas designed to help you gently and consistently prepare your children for the life-long adventure of learning.

SOLVE YOUR CHILD'S SLEEP PROBLEMS by Richard Ferber (618.92) (Donation)

Based on six years of intensive research, this book is packed with tips, suggestions, and sample problems and solutions.

**For a complete listing of the many new books in our library, see the bulletin board net to the Library. Thank you for your many donations!**



## ENDOWMENT FUND MAKES PROGRESS POSSIBLE

Count your blessings,  
Name them one by one,  
And it will surprise you  
What our people have done!

In 1991 Mary Wales, Leonard Carter, Carmen Heck and Pastor Dorman took the first steps to organize our Endowment Fund. In 1997, our Charge Conference took official action to establish the fund. The people involved in the 1997 Charge Conference proposal were Rogers Scoles, Rod Alford, Mona Johnson and Pastor Dorman.

Since that day, much has happened. Numerous individuals, through bequests and direct cash gifts, have built our Endowment Fund to over \$600,000. From that permanent fund, earnings are taken annually to fund special projects for our Church. Since 1997, nearly \$100,000 has been expended for specific items which we have not asked individual members to underwrite.

So far in 2009, \$38,400 has been spent from the earnings on the fund. Part of that was for two humidifiers needed to stop deterioration of the organ and piano due to dry air in the Sanctuary. We also made a financial gift to the Youth Confirmation program and we are thankful for the 16 youth who benefited from that program.

All of the money in the Endowment Fund comes directly from you in gifts and bequests honoring people, in memory of friends and from your heart. Many members have also remembered the Endowment Fund in their estate planning.

### GOLDEN LINKS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

The Golden Links will begin a new study on Sunday August 30 at 9:30 a.m.

The Experiential Worshiper, Giving Yourself More Completely to God, by Bob Rognlien will be taught by Dixie Young and Tibbie Fitch. Deep down inside we know there is more to worship than just going through the motions. We sense a hunger to actually experience God.

A sampling of the book's nine lessons include:

- Come Join the Feast
- Jesus' Recipe for Worship
- Exploring Experiential Worship
- The Feast that Never Ends

Everyone is welcome to join us for any or all of the lessons.

Safe Sanctuary Training and Refresher Course  
Sunday September 20 12:30 p.m.  
in the Chapel.



Please call Carrie Drish at 381-3806 to sign-up or for more information.

**WANTED: Director of Youth Ministry. Must have burning desire to help shape young people into strong Christians. Contact Pastor Sara at 855-1158 for more information.**

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will return from summer vacation on September 8 in Room 5 at 1:00 p.m. Join us for a time of needlework and fellowship as we work to offer support for others. Please contact Joyce Cox at 855-7245 if you need more information.



### JACK MITCHELL BENEFIT CONCERT

Doug Grant, UMM Vice President has tickets available for sale for the Jack Mitchell Concert, being held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday September 13 at the Arend Arts center. They are

\$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Proceeds go to benefit the Village House Adult Day Program.



## THANK YOU

Thank you for the prayers, cards, calls, and visits from Pastor Sara and Pastor Doris following my knee surgery. I really appreciate it. Thanks again.

Marcia Bohn

The Giles Cox family wishes to extend its gratitude to all First United Methodist Church staff and members in their efforts to show their love and respect to Betty.

Giles Cox

We are winning the battle against the shingles. Thank you for your prayers, cards, calls, thoughts, concerns, and expressions of sympathy. Keep praying. Thanks.

Garland Spurgin

To My Church Family:

My family and I thank everyone for their love and support during the time of Jack's death. The delicious food, so many cards, memorials and calls were overwhelming. Our thanks to Rev. Sara and Rev. Doris for their visits and words of comfort at the Memorial Service. Special thanks to Dr. Larry Zehring for arranging the music, his beautiful solo and the men's quartet were wonderful. My sincere thanks to Rev. Sara and Rev. Doris, who presented me with a beautiful blue prayer shawl and to Sarah Circle and those who helped with the coffee and cookies following the service. Everyone has been so wonderful. Our love and appreciation,

Carmen Heck,  
John, James, Joel, Jay, Jerry, Jeff  
and their families.

A thousand thanks for the many prayers, cards and calls since Melvon's illness. A special thank you to the "Auto Angel" for help taking him to dialysis. Right now, he has to go in the wheelchair ambulance until he gets more strength in his legs. Thank you for all the blessings  
Ruth and Mel Ireland

## UNITED METHODIST MEN

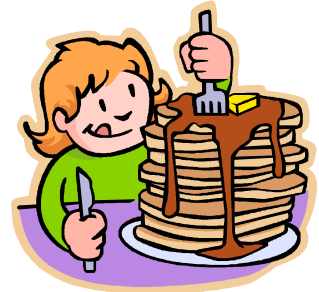
### September Meeting - -

The September Methodist Men's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, at 6:30 p.m. in Becker Hall. The meal will be provided by Metfield Grill. Keith Prueitt will give the devotions. The program will be presented by a member of the American Legion and will discuss the ongoing efforts to construct a new building.

### Fall Pancake Feed - -

October will roll around much more quickly than we realize and it will once again be time for the Fall Pancake Feed, scheduled for Friday, October 16.

The pre-sales of tickets is underway at this point. All men in the church are urged to participate in the ticket sales campaign as the finances raised by this activity are critical to support our benevolent giving ministry. Once the men receive their packet of six tickets they may choose to sell them, or in many instances individuals simply choose to make a personal donation of \$30 to cover the cost of the tickets and give them away. For those individuals that may have not gotten their tickets at this point, they may be picked up in the church office.



### Rummage Sale Huge Success!

Just a great BIG thank you to everyone who helped in preparing for the Rummage Sale. It was a big job, but with so many helping, it made it an enjoyable week. Thank you to the UMM for helping set up, tear down, carry out and getting the shopping carts from Allen's. Your help made all the difference. The food prepared and shared with workers and for sale was really appreciated. And of course, your donations made it all possible. We made \$2,835.59 for our missions. God is good and so are you! Blessings to you all -  
Karen Roenfeld and Pat Jenkins

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Organist/Pianist - Roiselle Grim  
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Newsletter Deadline: 15th of the month

FORWARDING ADDRESS REQUESTED

***To the Home of ...***

## **FIRST UNITED METHODIST AND HIGHLANDS CHURCH FELLOWSHIP GOLF OUTING**

**WHEN: Sunday September 20, 2009 - 1:30 p.m.**

**WHERE: Kingswood Golf Course**

**FORMAT: 2 person scramble, shotgun start**

**FELLOWSHIP PICNIC: Kingsdale Pavilion**

Details: We will play a two person scramble made up of couples, men or women teams. Pairings will be one team from each church. We will try to pair couples with couples, men with men and women with women. Green fees and cart rentals are payable to the golf course.

Scoring: Team scores will be totaled separately by church and divided by the number of teams to obtain an average score. The church with the lowest average score will receive the traveling trophy.

Fellowship Picnic: There will be a catered meal following golf starting at 6:00 pm at the Kingsdale Pavilion. All members and guests are invited. Cost is expected to be \$10 per person, but has not been determined at this time.

