



Good Shepherd

United Methodist Church

2951 Trail Dairy Circle
North Fort Myers, Fl. 33917

The *Journal*

MAY - JUNE 2010

Volume 19, Issue 5

Website: www.gsumc33917.org
e-mail: gsumc33917@embarqmail.com
(239) 543-2686 (239) 543-2986 FAX



"April showers bring May flowers. Do you know what May flowers bring? Pilgrims." This is an old joke that my daughter reminded me of this past week. While we have had many April showers in North Ft. Myers, the biggest seasonal change is the migration north of the many seasonal residents who make this area so unique and exciting. Be assured that as so many travel north, east or west, we will faithfully remember you in our prayers. Good Shepherd enjoyed a wonderful winter and spring of ministry. We did well in fulfilling our ministry goals of caring and sharing. To all who participated in large and small ways, I wish to express

my appreciation for all your efforts. I realize that many come to this area to "relax" and vacation and escape the cold or usual grind or common labors of home. Thanks for accepting the invitation and the call from God to care and share and join in the ministry of Good Shepherd.

While "the season" is coming to a close, the opportunities for ministry continue. Weekly worship will continue to be exciting and spirit filled. The **Saturday 5:00 P.M. service will continue** as usual. On **Sunday, May, 2**, we will have **ONE worship service at 9:30 A.M.** We will continue with one Sunday worship service at 9:30 A.M. until October 3rd. I look forward to having all the Sunday worshipers together so we can get re-acquainted with each other. Of course, HIS Place will continue to serve goodies, juice and coffee, so please plan to contribute and to hang around after worship and enjoy the fellowship opportunities.

Also, in May we will be offering 4 CARE GIVER Education and Support classes. Judy Greenstreet, our Parish Nurse has arranged with several health care and elder care support agencies to provide information for all who are providing care for spouses, neighbors, friends or other loved ones. The sessions are open to everyone in the community to attend. Please tell others in the community about this opportunity for them. The **CARE GIVER education and support classes** will meet **Tuesday, May 4th, Thursday, May 6th, Tuesday, May 11th and Thursday, May 13th**. All sessions will meet at 1:00 PM and end at 4:30 PM. Different topics will be addressed at each session. Please register by calling 1-866-231-0921. More information is available on the blue - The CARE Program - sheet in the Narthex of the church. All are invited and welcome.

June 10 - 12 will be the meeting of the **Florida Annual Conference** in Lakeland, FL. I will be attending this meeting along with our lay delegate, Barb Patton. The biggest item of business will be considering the reorganization of the Conference staff and operations to be more efficient and accessible to the local church. While we all must adjust to some new economic realities, we cannot forget our essential mission and ministry obligations and opportunities. The conference will be receiving recommendations and making decisions about how this will be realized in our organization as an annual conference. Pastoral appointments will also be set as the last order of business of the conference. On Saturday and Sunday, May 1st and 2nd, Barb Patton, chairperson of our Staff Parish Committee will announce the projected appointment and return of Pastor Tom Willetts to Good Shepherd United Methodist Church. All projected appointments for all the churches will be announced on this weekend. Please keep all the pastors and churches in your prayers on this significant weekend.

I look forward to continuing our ministry together.

Blessings, Pastor Tom

SUMMER HERE WE COME



We are back to one service on Sunday and one service on Saturday; our Snow Bird friends are back up north; the front office is closed on Friday; the major holidays are behind us; and some of you are thinking it must

be time to sit back and relax during these upcoming warmer months. *WRONG!*

We still have plenty to do. Our outreach doesn't stop; our caring doesn't stop; our fellowship time doesn't stop; our praying for each other and those in need doesn't stop; and we still have two services each week plus a multitude of other things designed to help us spread the Good News and become better disciples. Yes, some of us will take vacations or short trips, but the work of the church will always be here, always ongoing, and always in need of your stewardship. That's who we are (read and re-read our mission statement).

So, we've reduced one service and closed the front office on Friday. The "full-timers" or "year-rounders" or whatever you care to call them, who are the core of Good Shepherd, continue to do the Lord's work and pick up any slack as a result of our northern brothers and sisters spending some time back home in the cooler air.

Bless you "year-rounders" for all that you do ... and travel mercies to those going north for a visit 'til next fall.

Ron Stevens
Lay Leader

Time

Time is
Too slow for those who Wait,
Too swift for those who Fear,
Too long for those who Grieve,
Too short for those who Rejoice,
But for those who Love,
Time is Eternity.

—Henry Van Dyke

HOME READINESS CHECKLIST



With summer comes the possibility of wind and hurricanes. Now is the time to get prepared.

The following procedures are recommended by the Disaster Preparedness Committee for homeowners who vacate their home either to go north for the summer, evacuate their home due to a Mandatory Evacuation order issued by Lee County or for an extended vacation trip:

- Make sure your yard and lanai are clear of loose objects that can be blown about by high winds, such as gas grills, lawn furniture, plants, etc. Secure these items in your garage before you leave.
- Storm shutters are recommended for all homes. If you have shutters, please close them and lock them before leaving.
- **BE SURE YOU HAVE WITH YOU SOME IDENTIFICATION WHICH PROVES YOU ARE AN AREA RESIDENT.** This may be necessary to present to law enforcement personnel before you may be allowed to reenter your community. Identification includes, driver's license with your address, property tax receipt, utility bill, etc.
- Be sure to take all of your important documents with you when you leave, such as wills, check books, insurance policies, income tax information, etc.

Be sure to pick up your copy of the [Emergency Preparedness Information](#) document in the narthex.

Gary Olsen, Chair, Disaster Preparedness

PLEASE NOTE: SEASONAL CHANGES (May - October)

- Office hours are 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday
- The church office is closed on Fridays
- Two worship services:
Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 9:30 AM



PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Pastor's Bible Study is on vacation until August, when study will resume of a new book of the Bible.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

Bible study of the Book of Revelations is continuing over the summer. We NOW meet **Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 PM** and everyone is welcome! Rev. 1:3 (NIV) *"Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near."*

Bring your Bible and a notepad. For further information, call Barie Fez-Barrington at 217-0783 or e-mail doveslanding@email.com.

AUTO-PAYMENT OF PLEDGES



Good Shepherd Church accepts electronic payments of your pledged offerings. Contact our bookkeeper, Laqundia Tatum, at the church office to set up your autopay.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS
Piano - Clarinet - Saxophone - Trombone



Patty A. Lewis

ph: (239) 218-0226
e-mail: lewisp2001@yahoo.com

MUSIC NOTES



It's that time of year again - change! Just when we get used to the Chancel Choir filling all the seats in the front of the Sanctuary, The Shepherd Bells taking up two rows on the side, the drums uncovered and "manned", the flock begins to disperse. By the time this Newsletter goes to press, quite a few of our Northern friends will have taken their leave.

It has been a good season musically - a "Tribute To The Armed Forces" on Veterans' Day in November, a Christmas Cantata by the Chancel Choir in December, Christmas Eve Candlelight Services. In February the choir presented the annual Gospel Night and Fellowship Dinner with probably the best turnout ever. The Shepherd Bells, under the direction of Nancy Bleser, have rung once a month at a Sunday morning service and occasionally at a Saturday service. Lois Jean Wood, our bell director, has been on medical leave this season and hopefully will return next season. Meanwhile, Nancy is doing a great job - thank you!

The Saturday service has been steadily growing, averaging over 100 for a time. What we are hoping for is the addition of some special music on a regular basis. Mona Johnson, our Saturday pianist, has included soloists on occasion, and some of our choir members have volunteered their time.

Here's a thought- among those of you who are regular attendees - there must be a few who can carry a tune or play an instrument - guitar, fiddle, harmonica, ??? Why not form a nucleus to keep the music going on Saturday nights? Need some help to get started? Call me!

The Summer Chancel Choir, June and July, meets Sunday mornings at 9AM to prepare music for that day's service. No Thursday rehearsal, no choir robes. This is an opportunity for anyone who likes to sing with the choir but can't commit to regular rehearsals in season. Call me if you have any questions .

MUSIC IS GOOD FOR THE HEART AND SOUL!

Jackie Scharfe, Music Director

RECIPE: HAM, CHEESE-N-EGG CUPS

Pat Meyers

Served at Joy Circle in April. This healthy brunch entree makes 12 servings



- 12 (1-oz) slices reduced-sodium Virginia or Black Forest Ham (thick with small diameter)
- 3 slices 100% whole grain or white bread - cut into 4 pieces
- 1 1/2 cups (12 fluid oz) fat free egg substitute
- 3 cups (12 oz) shredded Cabot 50% light cheddar cheese
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 3 Tbl chopped fresh chives

Preheat oven to 375°

1. Lightly coat a 12-cup (4 oz each) muffin tin with cooking spray. Fit a ham slice into each cup. Ham ends will be above cups edges.
2. Divide bread among cups, then divide egg substitute among cups. Sprinkle with cheese, then pepper.
3. Bake on middle oven rack for 15 minutes. Garnish with chives. Remove the cups from the muffin tin. Serve warm.

"ALOHA"

The islands of Hawaii are well known for their beauty, for the warmth of its people, for its beaches and rainbows over the Pali, for surfing, fishing off the Kona Coast, its music, the ukulele, the hula and luaus. Landmark sites include Diamond Head, Pearl Harbor, the "Arizona", Mauna Kea, the Parker Ranch, Waikiki, Lahaina, Hilo Hatties, whale-watching off the Maui coast and many others. Of a special note is their love of children, all beaches are free and open to the public and the "Aloha" spirit is found throughout the islands.

Little known but important in the history of Hawaii is the story of Joseph De Veuster (1840-1889), a Belgian priest. In the early 1830's, Hansen's Disease (leprosy) appeared in the islands and by 1855, a colony for people with leprosy was established at Kalaupapa, an isolated, lonely point of land under steep rising 1800' to 2000' cliffs on the island of Molokai.

In 1873, a young 33 year-old Belgian priest, Joseph De Veuster, who had arrived in Hawaii a short time before, recognizing the need of the suffering people of the colony offered to help. He was assigned to Molokai, adopted the name of Father Damien, became their spiritual leader, and lived and worked with the people. He prayed with the outcasts, became their doctor, encouraged them to be active, to improve their conditions, to plant trees, build a water system, build houses, and to build a church. Father Damien died in 1889. Today Molokai is known as the Friendly Isle and a place for the spiritual leaders of Hawaiian culture to gather.

On August 21st, 1959, Hawaii became America's 50th State and over the years, to many, has been a model of how American citizens of different backgrounds can live together and prosper. Known as the "Aloha State", its local residents believe the Aloha Spirit to be an offering of welcome, not a state of mind, but a state of grace. The word "Aloha" to be used as a greeting, expressed in both hello and goodbye, and on an emotional level to be a word of warm affection and regard.

And so, to those members of Good Shepherd's congregation who have already left and/or are soon to be leaving for the summer months, we wish each of you a warm "Aloha". We thank you for your caring, support and participation in our life together at Good Shepherd while you were here; and may you smile, laugh and enjoy the good things life has to offer, and return safely to be together once again.

To those who are here through the summer months and all year-round, I also wish a warm "Aloha" and pray that together we continue to join hands and be involved, to encourage each other to be active, reach out to others in our community, share our strengths, and live as fully as possible with God's blessings.

"Aloha" 'till we all meet again!

Dutch Hess, Chair, Church Council



HOW TO PLANT YOUR GARDEN

(submitted by Judy Stephenson)

For the Garden of your daily living:

Plant three rows of PEAS:

1. PEAS of mind.
2. PEAS of heart.
3. PEAS of soul.

Then – plant four rows of SQUASH:

1. SQUASH gossip.
2. SQUASH indifference.
3. SQUASH grumbling.
4. SQUASH selfishness.

Plant four rows of LETTUCE:

1. LETTUCE be faithful.
2. LETTUCE be kind.
3. LETTUCE be patient.
4. LETTUCE really love one another.

No garden can be without TURNIPS:

1. TURNIP for meetings.
2. TURNIP for service.
3. TURNIP to help one another.

To finish our garden, we must have THYME:

1. THYME for each other.
2. THYME for family.
3. THYME for friends.

*Water freely with Patience and Cultivate with Love.
You reap what you sow!!*

Attention: GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Good Shepherd will host a **Grief Support Group, starting Wednesday, May 12**, from **2-3 PM**. They will be meeting each Wednesday in the Choir Room, for a period of 12 weeks.

We are being served in this capacity by Rebecca Rouse, LMHC, a Bereavement Counselor with Hope Hospice Health Care Services. Rebecca is a Clinical Psychologist from Michigan and is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor in the state of Florida, certified in death and dying issues.

Since several of you have expressed a need for this service, this has been a priority project of mine. Please join this group, starting in May, if you feel you are in need of this service.

Blessings ~ Judy Greenstreet, Parish Nurse

A HEALTHIER YOU

MARK 6:31 NIV

[Jesus] said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."



The warm weather of May and June is soon here, as is the hurricane season. The recent seminar held here at Good Shepherd on Emergency Preparedness, was extremely informative and provided excellent information. The team coordinator, Gary Olson, along with Pastor Tom and other key members of the team are to be congratulated for all their efforts and time spent in organizing and implementing the *Emergency Preparedness Information*.

In reference to that, I have undertaken a goal to obtain emergency contact persons and their phone numbers for the home bound members of the congregation. With that in mind, it is a good idea for all of us to update the data base of the church with current emergency contact persons and a number where they can be reached, should an emergency occur. I will be asking all of us to provide a current contact number of a friend or relative to use, in the event of an emergency. Please put this information on the back of your "Let's Connect" card.

I also wish to thank everyone who participated in *Lee County Start Walking Challenge*. A total of 641 miles was walked by our members in the time frame allotted, from February 1 to March 19. Those who participated should be recognized for their efforts: Helen and Art Campbell, Norm Longfellow, Bryce Masters, John McKinney, Donna Spafford, Shirley and Jim Scarpella, Lois and Dick Sylva, and Gloria St. Onge. If other folks walked who are not mentioned, I did not receive their Trackers, but their efforts should also be applauded.

In addition to the *Care Giver Classes*, I have scheduled **Memory Classes** for July, to be held here at the church. It is a series of 4 classes aimed at improving memory skills and is NOT for those diagnosed with impaired memory. These will be held Wednesday, **July 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 1 to 3pm**.

The classes are through *Lee Memorial Health System, "Lee Memory Care,"* which has been the leader of memory services for SW Florida. *Healthy Brain Initiative of Lee County* is a service which improves brain power and offsets memory loss. More information can be obtained through their web site: "healthybrainfl.org".

Blood Pressures will be continued every other week after services, and are scheduled for the summer months also, as long as the need continues.

I shall continue to be in the church office every Monday from 2 to 4 pm, unless on vacation, for consultation and questions. Please feel free to call me at home with any questions - 731-6568.

*Have a blessed and healthy month,
Judy Greenstreet, RN*

BRINGING PEACE AND COMFORT INTO HURTING LIVES



Those of us on the Caring Committee have a very rewarding mission at Good Shepherd. We care for the homebound and those in the various care and rehab facilities and hospitals. How do we carry out this mission? We send 'get well' and 'thinking of you' cards and a series of grief

booklets. The altar flowers which are donated are taken to those in the hospital or recovering in rehabs or at home. What a joy to see the faces light up when they see the colorful bouquets. Many folks go through illnesses and surgeries without family by their sides. A smiling face from the church is most welcome. They are eager to talk to you, tell you about their problems and receive reassurance. Many of us have gone through similar experiences so we can relate to their concerns.

My training as a nurse has helped me as a caregiver; but a listening ear, a warm smile, taking the person's hand and praying with them at the end of the visit is the best medicine you can give them. This attention comes from the heart. We know that there are many of you in the congregation who could join us in this outreach to our brothers and sisters in their time of need.

Another part of our ministry involves driving those recovering from surgeries or injuries to the doctor, therapy or the grocery or even bringing them to church.

We meet at **7 PM** the **second Monday of each month**. If you want to come and hear more about our service to the congregation, we will welcome you with open arms. I would be happy to share my experiences and help you feel comfortable with personal or phone visitations. My home phone # is (239) 731-3773. Jesus asked us to love one another as He loves us. What better way to follow this commandment than to reach out to others with love and compassion.

Nan Friedman, Co-Chair

car-ing adj.

Feeling and exhibiting concern and empathy for others.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE



As the new co-chair of the Outreach Committee with David Williams, I have concentrated my efforts on our *Veteran's Outreach Program* and our *Suncoast Community's* needs in order to become more familiar with our responsibilities to these programs.

Dick Sylva, our representative to the *Veteran's Outreach Program*, invited me to see the program in action and meet Sara, the program's coordinator, on Wednesday, April 7th. I was very impressed by the number of people they are able to feed and how well organized the program is. Many families went home with bags of food, while others, Veterans and homeless alike, received a hot meal. Sara informed me they had served 9000 meals last year. On the first Wednesday of the month, there is a representative of the *Lee County Health Department* present to test for Hepatitis A, B & C, HIV, Syphilis and Gonorrhea. Vaccines for those 18 and older are available for free. There is also a church representative for those in need of spiritual guidance.

Good Shepherd donates \$200 a month toward this program and I do believe they are doing God's work.

I visited the *Suncoast Community*, bringing donations. My heart went out to this community as to the needs they have and the conditions under which they live. The community is right in our back yard and deserves our support.

We have our *Can-Do Barrels* in the narthex that are there to be filled with non-perishable food items and paper goods. Your generosity has been special. Most of the time, the barrels overflow, but lots of us are going home and the need remains. Those of us who stay must be diligent in our giving.

Your Easter donation was outstanding! We were able to give *Suncoast* \$2,164.23. With that money, Sue Gillespie and her community bought turkey and hams for 265 families and prepared and distributed bags of food (1 week worth of food) to 864 families.

Our *Can-Do Jar*, where you can drop your change, has a new slogan – "Your change can help change someone's life!" Kitty Strickland, Marge Cunningham and I counted the change this past week and ended up with over \$270.00!!

Good Shepherd's generosity toward and caring for those less fortunate is well documented. The Outreach Committee members are pleased to represent Good Shepherd in meeting the needs of our community.

The next **Outreach Committee meeting** is scheduled for **May 18, 2010 at 10:00 AM**.

Wishing you all of God's Blessings, Ginny Hess

JOY CIRCLE REPORT & ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP

The actions growing out of Joy Circle's study of *Food & Faith Mission Study*, are: we collected, in circle, \$150, so far to send to *ECHO* in North Ft. Myers, for their Haiti Recovery Initiative—Haiti Earthquake Resource Kit, which costs \$100, and the additional funds can be put towards more kits, or to help Haiti to have sustainable food sources, through *ECHO's* efforts. Plus, we read together articles about the *National Farm Workers Ministry*, *The Coalition for Immokalee Workers (CIW)*, and *Food First*.

Our leader contacted *CIW* and *Student/Farmworker Alliance* sent us postcards to send to corporate headquarters of Kroger and Publix, to ensure fair wages and conditions for the farm workers who pick tomatoes. Other stores and fast food leaders have joined *CIW's Campaign for Fair Food* already. Circle members will send postcards and they are available at church in the narthex for others to send, with articles regarding developments in the news about the tomato farm workers. We discussed these articles and the *Modern-Day Slavery Museum*, in a replica cargo truck used to enslave farm workers that is touring Florida. We know that the farm workers need an engaged public.

We encourage you to visit *ECHO*, and see what they do to help people around the world, and to be informed about farm workers. We all agreed that we benefited from the study and are more thoughtful and appreciative of the food we eat, and where it came

[NORTH FORT MYERS](#). Dedicated to education and training, *ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization)* offers a great deal of insight into the world's current problems with hunger and agriculture. This center is based in North Fort Myers, and tours will allow visitors to see the Global Village, where students learn how to farm in inhospitable regions. A nursery offers various plants and seeds and provides information on innovative ways to cultivate sustainable food sources. (© 10Best)

from and who provided it.

BRING IN YOUR USED PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES

Your used printer inkjet and laser cartridges have value to the church; due to the program *Recycle4Fundraising*, the church receives money for every cartridge that we send in. Just put your used cartridges in the box in the narthex by the sanctuary door. Thanks to all who have filled the box to overflowing; we have sent in four boxes full of used cartridges and received checks back!

THIS MONTH



<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Date</u>
John Geary	5/1	June Bridges	6/2
Mildred Hayes	5/4	Audrey Martin	6/3
Darlene Topp	5/5	John Schiedo	6/3
Sam Dorr	5/6	Joyce Campbell	6/5
Sandy McKinney	5/7	Bonnie Albrecht	6/6
Jean Dugan	5/9	Betty Glasson	6/6
Bob Hoover	5/9	Earline O'Blenis	6/7
Connie Nelson	5/12	Phyllis Gillam	6/8
Sue Halverson	5/13	Leighton Fritz	6/9
Bill Gales	5/15	Doris McHarg	6/9
Bob Sidaras	5/15	Richard Ide	6/12
Elaine Stoll	5/16	Charlotte Ohmes	6/12
Bob Zollinhofer	5/16	George Charles	6/13
Sue McKenzie	5/21	Nancy McDonald	6/13
Jackie Scharfe	5/23	Stan Brooks	6/14
Agnes Zollinhofer	5/24	Dorothy Congdon	6/15
Gary Olson	5/26	Jo Dickerson	6/16
Gordy Sando	5/26	Kitty Strickland	6/16
Elaine Levis	5/27	Molly Gales	6/17
Mary Millard	5/27	Virginia Howard	6/18
Floss Shone	5/27	Chuck Levis	6/19
Kay Hampton	5/28	Dutch Hess	6/20
Joan O'Neill	5/29	Nan Friedman	6/23
Brenda Morton	5/31	Betty Lou Randolph	6/26
		Rod Rodriguez	6/26
		Philip Bleser	6/28
		Alma Schaal	6/28
		Richard Likens	6/29
		Jim Wright	6/29

<u>Couple</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Years</u>
Harold & Margaret Anne Higley	5/1	64
Bob & Marjorie Brown	5/5	65
Bill & Phyllis Jones	5/14	55
Chuck & Elaine Levis	5/19	59
Bob & Sandy Mihok	5/19	
Watson & Janet Day	5/21	
Don & Sue Halverson	5/25	14
Bill & Florence Hammond	5/29	62
John & Sandy McKinney	5/29	45
Richard & Vergie Winkler	6/1	33
Charles & Peggy Matthews	6/6	57
Bob & Barbara Sidaras	6/8	
Edward & Elsa Wood	6/8	64
Bob & Agnes Zollinhofer	6/8	63
Dutch & Ginny Hess	6/9	59
Charlie & Norma Hunter	6/16	62
Dick & Shirley Smalley	6/17	60
John & Gladys Geary	6/18	60
Dana & Jackie Morton	6/20	46
Roy & Gloria St. Onge	6/20	40
Derbert & Maxine Winters	6/21	58
Bill & Molly Gales	6/22	70
Jerry & Dee Prescott	6/23	54
Robert & Flora Gooding	6/25	34
Ron & Judie Stevens	6/25	23
Chris & Doris Wiegand	6/28	63
John & Deane Gideon	6/29	64
Tom & Barb Patton	6/30	37



*Lois Kreiser, March 19, 2010
Norm Stead, March 23, 2010*



May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Communion Worship 5pm
2 Communion Worship 9:30am	3 Circle of Friends 10:30am Trustees 7 pm	4 Lifeline 7:30-4:30 SPRC 3pm Caregiver 1-4:30	5 UMW Exec 9:30am Bible Study 1pm	6 Bell Choir 9am Bulletins 10:30am Caregiver 1-4:30 Choir 3pm	7 Office Closed UMW Meeting 9-2	8 Blood Pressure Worship 5pm
9 Mother's Day Blood Pressure Worship 9:30am	10 Circle of Friends 10:30am Caring Comm. 7pm	11 Caregiver 1-4:30	12 Finance 10am Bible Study 1pm	13 Bell Choir 9am Bulletins 10:30am Caregiver 1-4:30 Choir 3pm	14 Office Closed	15 Worship 5pm
16 New Members Worship/Choir 9:30am	17 Circle of Friends 10:30am	18 No Journal UMW – trip to Naples Outreach 10 am	19 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Bible Study 1pm	20 Bell Choir 9am Bulletins 10:30am Choir 3pm Men's Emmaus Walk	21 Office Closed Men's Emmaus Walk	22 Worship 5pm Men's Emmaus Walk
23 Pentecost Worship 9:30am Men's Emmaus Walk	24 Circle of Friends 10:30	25 Council 10 am	26 Disaster Team 1pm Bible Study 1pm	27 Bulletins 10:30am Choir 3pm Women's Walk to Emmaus	28 Office Closed Women's Walk to Emmaus	29 Worship 5pm Women's Walk to Emmaus
30 5th Sunday Worship 9:30am Women's Walk to Emmaus	31 Memorial Day Office Closed					

June 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 SPRC 3pm	2	3	4 Office Closed	5 Communion Worship 5pm
6 Communion Worship 9:30am	7 Trustees 7pm	8	9 Finance 10am	10 Annual Conference	11 Office Closed Annual Conference	12 Blood Pressure UMW District 9-12 (here) Worship 5pm Annual Conference
13 Blood Pressure Worship 9:30am	14 Flag Day UMW Lunch Out Caring Comm. 7pm	15 Journal Deadline (July-August) Outreach 10am	16 Men's Breakfast 8am	17	18 Office Closed	19 Worship 5pm
20 Father's Day New Members Worship 9:30am	21	22 Journal Crew 9am Council 10am	23	24	25 Office Closed	26 Blood Pressure Worship 5pm
27 Blood Pressure Worship 9:30am	28	29	30			

May - June



<u>USHERS</u>			
<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
5/2	Ann Ekas Heather Coffman Barbara Sidaras Nancy Bleser Jerry Murphy	6/6	Ann Ekas Heather Coffman Helen Townsend Nancy Bleser Jerry Murphy
5/9	Ann Ekas Barbara Bosnick Gene Noll Mark & Alice Crum	6/13	Ann Ekas Barbara Bosnick Gene Noll Don Parsons Lee Brda
5/16	Ann Ekas Don & Dot Burt Jim & Shirley Scarpella	6/20	Ann Ekas Audrey Martin Betty Lou Randolph Eugene & Elinore Greuling
5/23	Ann Ekas Deane Gideon Helen Townsend Lee Brda	6/27	Ann Ekas Barbara Bosnick Heather Coffman Don Parsons Helen Townsend
5/30	Ann Ekas Betty Lou Randolph Bill & Onalee Trachsel		



<u>COMMUNION SERVERS</u>			
<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
5/2	Marge Gundling, Gilda Wilson Jane DeGuire, JoAn Huesman	6/6	Helen Burke, Betty Rossi Betty Longstreth, Jean Noll



<u>GREETERS</u>			
<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
5/2	Derk & Gloria Tiggelaar	6/6	Don & Donna Wilcox
5/9	Billie Finnie, Betty Williams	6/13	Alan & Karla Holt
5/16	Audrey Martin, Betty Lou Randolph	6/20	Billie Finnie, Betty Williams
5/23	Larry & Linda Gordius	6/27	Lois Balyo, Jane DeGuire
5/30	Jean Cochran, Jan Van Amburg		



<u>ACOLYTES</u>			
<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
5/2	Jackie Ball, Bill Boden	6/6	Bill Boden, Judy Greenstreet
5/9	Joan Bowlsby, Joyce Campbell	6/13	Joan Bowlsby, Jackie Ball
5/16	Dick & Lois Sylva	6/20	Dick & Lois Sylva
5/23	Heather Coffman, Barbara Sidaras	6/27	Elvira Kreuger, Barbara Sidaras
5/30	Elvira Kreuger, Helen Townsend		

One Year Bible - May

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| <u>01</u> Judges 13:1-14:20
John 1:29-51
Psalm 102:1-28
Proverbs 14:15-16 | <u>02</u> Judges 15:1-16:31
John 2:1-25
Psalm 103:1-22
Proverbs 14:17-19 | <u>17</u> 1 Samuel 20:1-21:15
John 9:1-41
Psalm 113:1-114:8
Proverbs 15:15-17 | <u>18</u> 1 Samuel 22:1-23:29
John 10:1-21
Psalm 115:1-18
Proverbs 15:18-19 |
| <u>03</u> Judges 17:1-18:31
John 3:1-21
Psalm 104:1-23
Proverbs 14:20-21 | <u>04</u> Judges 19:1-20:48
John 3:22-4:3
Psalm 104:24-35
Proverbs 14:22-24 | <u>19</u> 1 Samuel 24:1-25:44
John 10:22-42
Psalm 116:1-19
Proverbs 15:20-21 | <u>20</u> 1 Samuel 26:1-28:25
John 11:1-54
Psalm 117:1-2
Proverbs 15:22-23 |
| <u>05</u> Judges 21:1-Ruth 1:22
John 4:4-42
Psalm 105:1-15
Proverbs 14:25 | <u>06</u> Ruth 2:1-4:22
John 4:43-54
Psalm 105:16-36
Proverbs 14:26-27 | <u>21</u> 1 Samuel 29:1-31:13
John 11:55-12:19
Psalm 118:1-18
Proverbs 15:24-26 | <u>22</u> 2 Samuel 1:1-2:11
John 12:20-50
Psalm 118:19-29
Proverbs 15:27-28 |
| <u>07</u> 1 Samuel 1:1-2:21
John 5:1-23
Psalm 105:37-45
Proverbs 14:28-29 | <u>08</u> 1 Samuel 2:22-4:22
John 5:24-47
Psalm 106:1-12
Proverbs 14:30-31 | <u>23</u> 2 Samuel 2:12-3:39
John 13:1-30
Psalm 119:1-16
Proverbs 15:29-30 | <u>24</u> 2 Samuel 4:1-6:23
John 13:31-14:14
Psalm 119:17-32
Proverbs 15:31-32 |
| <u>09</u> 1 Samuel 5:1-7:17
John 6:1-21
Psalm 106:13-31
Proverbs 14:32-33 | <u>10</u> 1 Samuel 8:1-9:27
John 6:22-42
Psalm 106:32-48
Proverbs 14:34-35 | <u>25</u> 2 Samuel 7:1-8:18
John 14:15-31
Psalm 119:33-48
Proverbs 15:33 | <u>26</u> 2 Samuel 9:1-11:27
John 15:1-27
Psalm 119:49-64
Proverbs 16:1-3 |
| <u>11</u> 1 Samuel 10:1-11:15
John 6:43-71
Psalm 107:1-43
Proverbs 15:1-3 | <u>12</u> 1 Samuel 12:1-13:23
John 7:1-30
Psalm 108:1-13
Proverbs 15:4 | <u>27</u> 2 Samuel 12:1-31
John 16:1-33
Psalm 119:65-80
Proverbs 16:4-5 | <u>28</u> 2 Samuel 13:1-39
John 17:1-26
Psalm 119:81-96
Proverbs 16:6-7 |
| <u>13</u> 1 Samuel 14:1-52
John 7:31-53
Psalm 109:1-31
Proverbs 15:5-7 | <u>14</u> 1 Samuel 15:1-16:23
John 8:1-20
Psalm 110:1-7
Proverbs 15:8-10 | <u>29</u> 2 Samuel 14:1-15:22
John 18:1-24
Psalm 119:97-112
Proverbs 16:8-9 | <u>30</u> 2 Samuel 15:23-16:23
John 18:25-19:22
Psalm 119:113-128
Proverbs 16:10-11 |
| <u>15</u> 1 Samuel 17:1-18:4
John 8:21-30
Psalm 111:1-10
Proverbs 15:11 | <u>16</u> 1 Samuel 18:5-19:24
John 8:31-59
Psalm 112:1-10
Proverbs 15:12-14 | <u>31</u> 2 Samuel 17:1-29
John 19:23-42
Psalm 119:129-152
Proverbs 16:12-13 | |

One Year Bible - June

- | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|
| <u>01</u> 2 Samuel 18:1-19:10
John 20:1-31
Psalm 119:153-176
Proverbs 16:14-15 | <u>02</u> 2 Samuel 19:11-20:13
John 21:1-25
Psalm 120:1-7
Proverbs 16:16-17 | <u>17</u> 1 Kings 18:1-46
Acts 11:1-30
Psalm 135:1-21
Proverbs 17:12-13 | <u>18</u> 1 Kings 19:1-21
Acts 12:1-23
Psalm 136:1-26
Proverbs 17:14-15 |
| <u>03</u> 2 Samuel 20:14-21:22
Acts 1:1-26
Psalm 121:1-8
Proverbs 16:18 | <u>04</u> 2 Samuel 22:1-23:23
Acts 2:1-47
Psalm 122:1-9
Proverbs 16:19-20 | <u>19</u> 1 Kings 20:1-21:29
Acts 12:24-13:15
Psalm 137:1-9
Proverbs 17:16 | <u>20</u> 1 Kings 22:1-53
Acts 13:16-41
Psalm 138:1-8
Proverbs 17:17-18 |
| <u>05</u> 2 Samuel 23:24-24:25
Acts 3:1-26
Psalm 123:1-4
Proverbs 16:21-23 | <u>06</u> 1 Kings 1:1-53
Acts 4:1-37
Psalm 124:1-8
Proverbs 16:24 | <u>21</u> 2 Kings 1:1-2:25
Acts 13:42-14:7
Psalm 139:1-24
Proverbs 17:19-21 | <u>22</u> 2 Kings 3:1-4:17
Acts 14:8-28
Psalm 140:1-13
Proverbs 17:22 |
| <u>07</u> 1 Kings 2:1-3:2
Acts 5:1-42
Psalm 125:1-5
Proverbs 16:25 | <u>08</u> 1 Kings 3:3-4:34
Acts 6:1-15
Psalm 126:1-6
Proverbs 16:26-27 | <u>23</u> 2 Kings 4:18-5:27
Acts 15:1-35
Psalm 141:1-10
Proverbs 17:23 | <u>24</u> 2 Kings 6:1-7:20
Acts 15:36-16:15
Psalm 142:1-7
Proverbs 17:24-25 |
| <u>09</u> 1 Kings 5:1-6:38
Acts 7:1-29
Psalm 127:1-5
Proverbs 16:28-30 | <u>10</u> 1 Kings 7:1-51
Acts 7:30-50
Psalm 128:1-6
Proverbs 16:31-33 | <u>25</u> 2 Kings 8:1-9:13
Acts 16:16-40
Psalm 143:1-12
Proverbs 17:26 | <u>26</u> 2 Kings 9:14-10:31
Acts 17:1-34
Psalm 144:1-15
Proverbs 17:27-28 |
| <u>11</u> 1 Kings 8:1-66
Acts 7:51-8:13
Psalm 129:1-8
Proverbs 17:1 | <u>12</u> 1 Kings 9:1-10:29
Acts 8:14-40
Psalm 130:1-8
Proverbs 17:2-3 | <u>27</u> 2 Kings 10:32-12:21
Acts 18:1-22
Psalm 145:1-21
Proverbs 18:1 | <u>28</u> 2 Kings 13:1-14:29
Acts 18:23-19:12
Psalm 146:1-10
Proverbs 18:2-3 |
| <u>13</u> 1 Kings 11:1-12:19
Acts 9:1-25
Psalm 131:1-3
Proverbs 17:4-5 | <u>14</u> 1 Kings 12:20-13:34
Acts 9:26-43
Psalm 132:1-18
Proverbs 17:6 | <u>29</u> 2 Kings 15:1-16:20
Acts 19:13-41
Psalm 147:1-20
Proverbs 18:4-5 | <u>30</u> 2 Kings 17:1-18:12
Acts 20:1-38
Psalm 148:1-14
Proverbs 18:6-7 |
| <u>15</u> 1 Kings 14:1-15:24
Acts 10:1-23
Psalm 133:1-3
Proverbs 17:7-8 | <u>16</u> 1 Kings 15:25-17:24
Acts 10:24-48
Psalm 134:1-3
Proverbs 17:9-11 | | |



**Life Line Screening
Preventive Health Event**
Where: Good Shepherd UMC
When: **Tuesday, May 4, 2010**

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church will be hosting a preventive health event for local residents. The event is being offered by *Life Line Screening* and will take place on **Tuesday, May 4th**.

Life Line Screening is the nation's leading provider of community-based preventive screenings and scans for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of strokes; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation (irregular heart beat), which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

All five affordable, non-invasive, painless vascular screenings take about 60 minutes to complete. Register for a Complete Wellness Package with Heart Rhythm for \$149. You must pre-register for the screenings. Appointments are limited, so sign up now by calling 1-800-324-1851.



**FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST
CHILDREN'S HOME
-- FIFTH SUNDAY --**

The staff at the Children's Home have been very busy the last two months. The street address has changed from 51 Main Street to 51 Children's Way, Enterprise, FL 32725.

The Home's logo has had a facelift. A new Foster Care Office has opened in Hillsborough County. The Children's Home now has three satellite offices for foster care. Also, the activities at the Home have included a Day on Campus Fun, and Alumni Gathering, and a luncheon to honor all their many volunteers.

Recognition Awards were initiated in 2009. The Awards were presented during the "Day on Campus" event. The Awards are:
- Church of the Year
- Pastor of the Year
- Local Church Representative of the Year
- Mission Work Group of the Year

All these activities take money. May 30, 2010 is the next Fifth Sunday. Please give what you can for this offering.

Thanks, and God Bless You All.
Pat Meyers



Call Cathy!
For All Your Sewing Needs
Cathy Quinlan
Queen Sewing Bee
5311 San Gabriel Circle
North Fort Myers, FL 33903
(239) 543-5995
clquinlan@yahoo.com

A FRESH LOOK AT PENTECOST

Fifty days after Jesus' resurrection, on a day called Pentecost, the Christian church was born. Because Pentecost was a holiday celebrating the harvest (a bit like our Thanksgiving), the apostles and a large crowd had gathered to celebrate in Jerusalem.

Many people had assembled near Peter and the other followers of Christ when "Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven ..." (Acts 2:2 NIV). Then tongues of fire descended on everyone in the crowd.

After the wind and fire descended, all sorts of languages, known and unknown, came out of the crowd. Each person spoke about "the wonders of God ..." (verse 11). No wonder Luke wrote, "Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" (verse 12).

The whole affair was mind-boggling and life-changing. The Holy Spirit had come upon many people; they knew God was powerfully at work in their midst.

On Pentecost many years ago, some 3,000 people came to believe in Christ. That's why today Christians remember this powerful event as the birthday of the church. Pentecost occurs on May 23rd this year.



UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST

With some of our snowbirds gone, only fourteen men attended the UMM breakfast on Wednesday, April 21. After enjoying eggs, sausage patties, orange juice and coffee, a short business meeting was conducted by vice president, Howard Harrison. Tom Patton agreed to be our new treasurer. Assisting with parking, giving rides to those who need them, being scripture readers and following the lead of the U.M. Women by conducting a service were some of the suggestions presented to lead us toward a more spiritual life in our church.

Our guest speaker for the day was Mr. George McNeal, a former educator and veteran of WWII and the Korean War. On September 15, 1951, Captain McNeal was an on-site observer of "White Light, Black Rain," the name given to the atomic bomb test at Yucca Flats, Nevada. His in-depth description of the events that day only served to amplify the awful realism of nuclear warfare.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Stephenson, Secretary
GSUMC Men's Fellowship



"My Mother's Garden"

A mother is a gardener,
 Planting the seeds
 Of faith, truth and love
 That develop into the fairest flowers
 Of character, virtue and happiness
 In the lives of her children.
 —J. Harold Gwynne



United
 Methodist
 Women

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S NEWS

Happy Mother's Day to all the ladies of the Good Shepherd Church. On Monday April 12, the Good Shepherd United Methodist Women held their annual Tea. Darlene Neptune entertained us after a lovely lunch served by the gals of the U.M.W. Darlene gave a testimony that was very touching and emotional for many of us. Thank you to all those that served - and to Kitty for preparing all that great Chicken Salad - and to Pat Meyers for the decorations - and to all the unsung heroes of the day.

Our United Methodist Women look forward to entertaining the Church Women United of this area on **May 7th** for **Friendship Day**. A wonderful program is planned and we will be serving coffee and goodies. Registration time is 9 AM and the meeting will start at 10 AM. We will be serving a lunch for \$6.00. Sign up on the Women's Bulletin Board by His Place. Please come and bring a friend.

We are planning a **trip to Naples** to *Grace Place* for our May outing. We will be changing our meeting day to **Tuesday May 18th** as the *Grace Place* has their classes on that day. The program is for women and Children in poverty. The women come each morning for classes on how to raise their children. Classes on language, and social development and school readiness skills are taught. They do need funds to keep these programs going. If anyone wants to help, give their check to Joan Bowsby or Gilda Wilson earmarked *Grace Place*. The U.M.W. will be donating to this very important program. A sign-up sheet will be on the Bulletin Board. Please try and make it and ask a friend. We will be car pooling from the Church at 8:30 AM on Tuesday May 18th. We will be going out to lunch after the tour.

On Saturday **May 15th** the *Grace United Methodist Church in Venice* will be hosting a **Social Action "Fair" Day**. They are asking us to bring Children's Books and toiletry items for women and children to donate to various Social Action Issues that will be presented at the "Fair". Registration with coffee and refreshments will be served from 9 AM to 10 AM; the meeting will be from 10 AM until 2 PM. The lunch will be \$8.00. Sign-up sheet is on our Bulletin Board by His Place.

God Bless You and See you at the meetings.



UMW BOOK REVIEW

By Jeanne Brooks

"The Other Game" tells how the "game of life" is played in Mexico and other third world countries compared to the U.S. The Northern countries consider the southern countries "poor" if they don't have flush toilets and electricity. But the third world countries consider "poverty" as not having land to plant their crops, not having schools for their children and not having access to medical care. Many of the things the southern countries do are better for their lives and more practical and represent knowledge that has been shown to work for their ancestors for many years.

A story is told of the visitor at the Mexican market, offering to buy all of the merchant's lovely woven clothes. But she said, "No, because I won't have anything to sell that day and would miss visiting with my neighbors and others who stop by to buy my clothes."

Another story is told of a merchant selling clams from two different barrels; one with a cover on it and the other without. When asked why one barrel was covered, she replied, "They are like northern people, busy climbing over each other to reach the top and escape from the barrel. The other barrel contains clams from the south and when one tries to crawl out, the others pull him back to help maintain the community." This is the "Other Game" that is played in the poorer countries of the world. They help each other plant their crops, build their schools and churches and celebrate together, sharing what food they have with their neighbors.

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) is not working well. Before it went into effect, the poorer countries could grow or buy 31 of their basic 35 needs. Why is that? Because the more advanced nations have convinced our poorer neighbors to plant hybrid seed and use fertilizers which do not work well in the southern soil. A tribe in the hills of Mexico have been planting corn seeds saved from the previous year's crops and using natural fertilizers and have abundant crops for their families and enough left to sell or share with their neighbors. One other problem with NAFTA is the native farmer cannot compete with the price of imported rice and corn products from the north.

As we look at social action and racial justice, let us pray that we in the U.S. can learn from our southern neighbors and learn to play "The Other Game". Remember: There can be no peace without justice and no justice without peace.

Poverty refers to the condition of not having the means to afford basic human needs such as clean water, nutrition, health care, education, clothing and shelter. This is also referred to as absolute poverty or destitution. Relative poverty is the condition of having fewer resources or less income than others within a society or country, or compared to worldwide averages. *from Wikipedia*

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL



With the loss of revenue from the car drives, it was decided to try a couple of fund raisers to give us a boost. Strawberry short cake came up and before you could blink—we were into a Festival. Can we have biscuits? Sure! Angel food cake? Sure! Ice cream? NO! (maybe next year) Music? Of course! Games for the kids? Naturally! Hot dogs and burgers? Can't have a party without! Thus our ~1st Strawberry Festival ~ was born.

Suncoast cooked the burgers and dogs and they were great! Susie Gillespie pulled a couple of strings and had the rolls donated. Helen Wilcox wanted to help and suddenly 600 bags of chips appeared — those went with the sandwiches. Now, the *Pepsi* truck didn't work too well but we managed. The bands were awesome! We needed a dance floor when *The Entertainers* broke out in *String of Pearls*. The *Lazy B Pickers* entertained with their pickin' and singin' and jokin' and leading off was *The Freedom Worship Project* to wake up the neighbors and get us movin'. The poppers of the pop com sent that wonderful smell wafting over the air—who could resist?

The youth from Pondella Church took over the games. Couldn't have done it without them. I'm only sorry I didn't get to try the obstacle course before people got there. We had the most spectacular trikes and motorcycles on display and a wonderful "old truck" and a mint condition Model T. Such fun! The firemen from across the street checked in and left the engine for our enjoyment. All we needed was a Dalmatian!

Kitty Strickland conducted a *Bake Sale* in the narthex and made over \$200, and Ron Stevens lined up 36 tables at \$15.00 each for an *Arts and Craft Show* in the Sanctuary. Wow! We were jumpin' everywhere!

Here are some of the particulars:

- We cleaned 31 flats of berries
- sold 463 short cakes - 340 hamburgers - 240 hot dogs
- 500 pounds of ice
- 1 gal catsup -1 gal mustard - 3 jars relish - onions - sauerkraut
- 22 cans of whipped cream (they went nuts)
- Liz Henderson made 24 re-usable aprons
- Church ladies made 30 donated angel cakes and made 427 wonderful biscuits
- We took in about \$5000 and made about \$2000. Not bad for our first try!
- Bought a new pop-up tent and a re-usable sign for next year.

Many thanks to all who attended and worked so hard!

Good Shepherd sheep are the best! Next year can only be better!

Audrey Martin, Fellowship



For Church Members

Art Dickson –knee replacement
 Betty Williams - health and 98-yr mother
 Beverly Mumby – grief at loss of grandson
 Bill Cook - surgery April 20th
 Bob Hoover - mild stroke
 Bonnie Dreier - recovery and healing
 Delores Clark- gall bladder, home
 Derbert Winters- assisted living OH
 Parkinsons
 Doris Wiegand - recovery
 Don Halverson- knee surgery, healing
 Earline O'Blenis - fractured shoulder
 Ed Anderson – recovery from bypass
 Edna Connor - peripheral neuropathy pain
 Flora Gooding - knee problems
 Jean Dugan - fibro neuralgia
 Judy Sharp - tests for breathing
 Kathy Stead – loss of husband Norm
 Ken Small- Alzheimer's
 Kitty Strickland- tests
 Lyn Heath - lost job
 Lois Jean Wood- healing
 Mabel Small - comfort
 Margaret Booton- answered prayers
 Marilyn Bell- breathing problem, now home
 Marion Mulcahey-comfort loss of brother
 Marjorie Brown- comfort and healing
 Marj Cunningham- healing from fall
 Marion Mulcahey – loss of brother
 Maude Westcott - chemo and cancer pain
 Molly Gales - falling
 Nancy Baty - medical procedure 4/23
 Norma Baker - tests
 Phil Hicks – rehab in Port Charlotte
 Russ Hilbish- comfort and healing
 Sam Dorr- Port Charlotte, VA nursing home
 Ted Wood - back problems improving
 Woody Berkebile - health concerns



For Family and Friends

Adien O'Connor - now totally blind
 Alyssa – healing
 Art Lebonville- leukemia
 Barbara Connors- stroke after knee surgery
 Barbara Jones- loss of husband Art
 Betty Clark – loss of husband
 Bill Cook, Jr- job concerns
 Bill Garrity – loss of wife Peggy
 Bill Silver – lung cancer
 Butch Gephardt – heart surgery
 Cathy Foss - cancer (MA General Hospital)
 Charon Wilkin- comfort on loss of husband Fred
 Chuck Adams- brain tumor
 Chuck Sanders – loss of wife
 Chloe Laluk -brain tumor (Joyce Campbell's
 3-yr old great-granddaughter)
 Clyde Lanning – cancer
 Deanna Smith - migraines
 Don Moody - Cape Coral Hospital
 Don Scheetz- mercy, comfort, healing
 Edna Smith – strength and comfort
 Elmer- stress
 Evelyn Glen, loss of husband Tom
 Foster Dye – eye surgery
 Fred Copley- serious health issues
 Jeanette Bouvier- epilepsy (2-year old
 granddaughter of Roger Bicknell)
 Jim Parr- lung cancer
 Jim Rhine – heart surgery
 JoAnn Atkinson- surgery
 Joan & Tom Leydon- health issues
 JoAnn Rose- hip replacement
 John Hilliard- prayers
 Jon Lindquist- work and home
 Josette – health
 Joshua - incarcerated
 Kevin Adams- boot camp
 Kristin Fuller - hospice - brain cancer
 Kyle (grandson)
 Lois Lennon- loss of husband Dan
 Loraine Hicks - heart stints
 Marilyn Hilliard - caregiver for John
 Millie Griedanus sister- cancer
 Nicole - Jeanne Brooks' granddaughter
 Norma Schapeter- pneumonia
 Pat King – health
 Paulette Barette (daughter) - brain cancer
 Penny Quimby – lupus
 Phyllis Gillam's son-in-law
 Ray Patton (Tom Patton's brother) cancer
 Richard Milligan- cancer
 Ricky- pneumonia (Jeanne Brooks' grandson)
 Rita Arsenault –recovery colon surgery
 Sandy Morai- heart tumor
 Sandy Gross (Judy Greenstreet's daughter) - health
 Susie Gillespie - comfort on loss of daughter Joni
 Weston's grandson- cancer
 Yeager family – loss of Rick

Good Shepherd Church's Contributions and Expenses for 2009



Annual Budget Amount for Operating Expenses \$ 367,075
 Monthly Budget Amount for Operating Expenses \$ 30,589

So far this year (1/1/10 - 3/31/10):

Total Contributions Received for Operating Expenses	\$ 103,016
Actual Operating Expenses	\$ 90,921
Net Gain (Loss)	\$ 12,095
Mortgage Balance at 3/31/10	\$ 181,675

The money you give to Good Shepherd Church provides for the employment of staff, payment of our bills on time, worship and Christian education, maintenance of church property, Conference and general church mission and ministry support, mortgage, and other approved expenses.



Editor: Linda Lindquist
 Contributors to this edition:

Jeanne Brooks	Linda Lindquist
Joyce Campbell	Audrey Martin
Jeannie Conover	Pat Meyers
Nate Conover	Gary Olsen
Ann Ekas	Cathy Quinlan
Beth Ferris	Jackie Scharfe
Barie Fez-Barrington	Jim Stephenson
Nan Friedman	Judy Stephenson
Judy Greenstreet	Ron Stevens
Dutch Hess	Laqundia Tatum
Ginny Hess	Pastor Tom Willetts
Patty Lewis	

*Thanks to all our gracious and willing workers. **Volunteers** are always appreciated. Let us know what your talents, skills and interests are. Call Laqundia or Linda at 543-2686.*

Office Help

Lois Balyo, Irene Bartsch, Barb Bosnick, Helen Burke, Joyce Campbell, Phyllis Coffin, Nan Friedman, Elvira Kreuger, Doris McHarg, Audrey Martin, Sharon Nelson, Miriam Norris, Betty Lou Randolph, Judy Stephenson, and Marge Wills.

Money Counters

Dot Burt, John & Liz Henderson, JoAn Huesman, Linda Lane, Grace Mac Mullen, Jackie Morton, and Roy St. Onge.

Kitchen & Goody Bakers and Angel Egg Makers

Nancy Baty, Joyce Campbell, Cindy Farragut, Chuck Goode, Deane Gideon, Lois Ide, Elvira Krueger, Jean May, Pat McKay, Pat Meyers, Shirley Scarpella, Judy Stephenson, Kitty Strickland, and Onalee Tracshel.

Newsletter Workers

Lois Balyo, Irene Bartsch, Barb Bosnick, Jane DeGuire, Lois Ide, Doris McHarg, Janet Van Amburg, and Marge Wills. Barbara Bosnick, proofreading.

To join the newsletter angels, please call Irene Bartsch at 731-1063. For corrections to your newsletter label, please call Linda at the church office.

www.newsletter.com is our source for church-related articles and artwork.



**Next Deadline
 June 15th**

**Newsletter Crew
 June 22nd
 (for July-August issue)**



**Good Shepherd
United Methodist Church**

2951 Trail Dairy Circle
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

Address Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S.. Postage
PAID
Ft. Myers, FL
PERMIT NO. 298

Special dates

- **Mother's Day, May 9**
- **Pentecost, May 23**
- **Memorial Day, May 31**
- **Flag Day, June 14**
- **Father's Day, June 20**
- **First Day of Summer, June 21**

Mission Statement

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church is a community of God's servants. We are known by how we demonstrate God's love in reaching out and welcoming all through worship, prayer and service.

Vision Statement

Good Shepherd will identify and implement ministries through the active participation of members and friends in sharing God's love and providing relief and healing.

MAY-JUNE

Worship Services

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM (May - September)

Bible Study - Wednesday at 1:00 PM

Pastor's Bible Study
will return in August

CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAYS



Visit our website
www.gsumc33917.org