

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 3 Sylvia Graver
- 4 Laura Graver
Joyce Taylor
- 7 Keith Graver
- 8 Jane Mudge
Paul & Deb Bailey (A)
- 11 Ryan Saxton
Allen & Pat Schanbacher (A)
Jassen Shaw
Gary & Tina Wilston (A)
Ed Brion
- 12 Melissa Wise
- 13 Mary Martin
- 14 Claire Heaps
Marlene & Bill Herbst (A)
Art Kuhl
Pat Schanbacher
- 15 Ryan Dempsey
Jay & Kim Andrus (A)
- 16 Robin Regester
- 17 Jared Howe
Melanie S. Martin Shaut
Roy & Donna Simpson (A)
- 19 Barbara Rundell
Dorothy Shick
- 20 David & Isabella Case (A)
- 21 Tom & Kristen DeAngelo (A) 2004
John & Norma Martin (A) 1971
Benjamin Klimko
- 25 Jack& Ellen Wise (A)
Kim Johnson
- 26 Ron & Jane Day (A) 1951
Bill & Carol Korisher (A) 1989
- 28 Deb Cleveland
Jane Montague
- 29 Cindy Shaw

Scripture Reading (Tentative)	
August 2	II Samuel 11:26-12:13a Psalter Reading #785 - Psalm 51:1-12 Ephesians 4:1-16 Gospel Reading-John 6:24-35
August 9	II Samuel 18:5-9, 15,31-33 Psalter Reading #848 Psalm 130 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Gospel Reading-John 6:35,41-51
August 16	I Kings 2:1-12; 3:3-14 Psalter Reading #832 - Psalm 111 Ephesians 5:15-20 Gospel Reading - John 6:51-58
August 23	I Kings 8 (1,6,10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Psalter Reading #804 - Psalm 84 Ephesians 6:10-20 Gospel Reading - John 6:56-69
August 30	Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalter Reading #705 - Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27 Gospel Reading - Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

PRAYER WARRIORS

If you have a prayer concern, please join our **Prayer Warriors** at the altar immediately following worship every Sunday to pray for your concerns and for our congregation.

August Helpers	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Greeters	Ron & Tammy Hagar	Rich & Jane McGee	Kim Johnson Susan Ives	Linda Gehringer	Less & Betty Evans
Liturgists				Joyce Taylor	Deward Hext
Altar Flowers	Sylvia Graver	Jim & Dot Colegrove	Joyce & Lloyd Colegrove	Peggy Goff	Louella & Deward Hext
Cleaning Donation \$20 to Church	Ellen Wise	Jim & Dot Colegrove		Linda Gehringer	Piquero's

History Moment

Chester Bailey

Church In The Northern Tier Conwanesque United Methodist Church

In June of 1889 a charter was granted for the First Episcopal Church of Cowanesque. The next month James and Huida Davies deeded a plot of ground to the new society for a fee of \$100.00. Meetings had been held in the old school house since early 1850's. The church became under the Genesee Conference until 1960 when it joined other Pennsylvania churches in the Pennsylvania Central Conference. It is a small white clapboard church which sits just off Rt. 49 highway a few miles east of Westfield, built in 1890 at a cost of \$1200.00. It has not changed much in appearances since 1890 except for the 1954 addition which provided a kitchen, dining room and rest rooms. Many improvements have been made during the past sixty or more years, but the original pews are still being used. A sash and door factory in Cowanesque made the pews for the Methodist Church. Money to pay for the pews was raised from socials, ice cream festivals, and maple sugar parties.

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SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION

I want to thank everyone who gave wash cloths for the **Mission Central Personal Care Kits**. We gave an abundance of wash cloths. I was amazed at the amount! Thank you again for allowing me to represent you at the School of Christian Missions and for all the wash cloths.

God Bless all of you,
Rosalie Connelly

Mission Central is Collecting Eyeglasses for Thailand

Please bring eyeglasses to Mission Central where they will be prepared for a 2010 mission team to take to villagers in Thailand. If there is a surplus of glasses, they will be sent to Sierra Leone, the Dominican Republic, or wherever there is a need. Rev. Jeff Fisher is planning this trip and working with our UM missionaries there, Mike and Sherri Morrissey from Kentucky. There are excited about folks coming to help, as well as bringing a team along to teach English as a second language. It would be great to have a core of young people to go to help teach English through games and fun activities.

If you are interested in being part of a team to travel to Thailand, please contact Rev. Jeff Fisher at jefffisher@cpcpastors.org and bring eyeglasses to Mission Central in the meantime.

Fall Women's Retreat

Ladies, set aside Sunday, October 4, 2009 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm for our next mini-retreat, again at Wellsboro UMC. Plans have only just begun, but the committee is working on the theme, "Daughters of the King". We like the idea of being A princess, with possibly tiaras and treasure hunts and fairy tales.

You'll have to wait to see what your committee comes up with, but we'll have fun, food and worship, and we especially ask that you "invite a sister to be a daughter." Look around at your Christian sisters and invite someone who doesn't normally attend our retreats, and invite them to be a daughter of the King.

Also, please put April 17, 2010 on your calendars for the next Annual Spring Retreat. It will once again be held at the Miller Elementary School, with the Ed-U-Caterers feeding us.

NURTURE COMMITTEE

Writers are needed! If you have been enjoying the member profiles that have been in recent newsletters, would you be willing to write a profile? Please see Joyce Taylor if you will help.

Leadership University Fall Courses - Wellsboro Campus - September 12 and 26

Conflict Resolution (Both weeks 1.0 credit course)
Christian Education (Both dates - 1.0 credit course)
Accountable Discipleship (September 12 ONLY (0.5 credit course))

NOTE: All course instructors are TBA and with that will come course details.

Classes will be held at Wellsboro UMC on Saturdays, September 12 and 26. Registration will begin at 8:45 am, and classes will start PROMPTLY at 9:00 am and end at 3:00 pm.

Send course reservations to: Susan Heyler, 317 Linck Hill Road, Morris, PA 16938
Tuition: \$40.00 per credit. Tuition for 0.5 credits is \$20.00. Walk ins are accepted.

Deadline for registration is TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE START OF THE COURSE.

Questions contact: Tom Harmic, District Dean of Lay Speaking Ministries
(570) 324-2671 or tomharmic@cpcpastors.org

Susan Heyler, District Registrar/Associate Lay Leader
(570) 324-2100

Pam Wright, District Lay Leader
(570) 265-4611

Holy Land Trip

The Lewisburg District is sponsoring a special trip to the **Holy Land - November 30-December 7, 2009.**

Led by Dennis Derr and Tom Salsgiver, this trip is in conjunction with Education Opportunities. This is a special-ized trip that will afford an opportunity for fellowship, study, and renewal. Several sites on the itinerary are not open to the general public.

The cost is approximately \$1650 for clergy and \$1,750 for spouses. This includes air travel from JFK, lodging (double accommodations-single room supplement is \$200) plus full breakfasts and dinner and all sightseeing. The trip is only to **clergy, spouses and lay folks of the Central PA Conference.**

For more information and/or a brochure, feel free to contact Dennis Derr at dennisderr@cpcpastors.org , (570) 275-1427; or Tom Salsgiver-tom@cpcumc.org. (570) 523-9592...



I want to thank the UMW for their service and everyone else that helped make Rachael's reception a success. You made one young lady so happy! As she left for Ohio she couldn't stop smiling she was so happy.

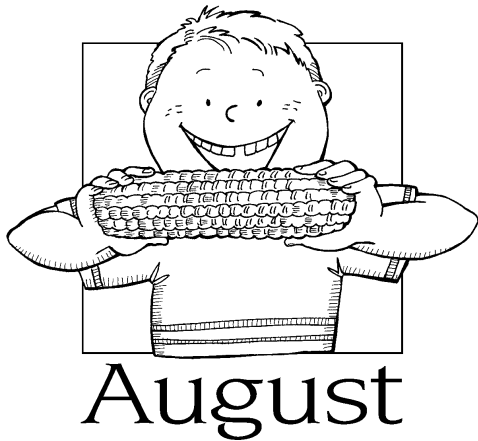
Her fiancé, Bryan James Stewart and his parents, Bob and Charlene Wilkerson of Dayton, Ohio were very impressed by the church's love and hospitality.

I am truly blessed to be a member of this church.

God bless you,
Rosalie

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*This Newsletter is sent
with a blessing and a prayer to...*

LIBRARY NOTES **The Book of Discipline**

You will find the 2004 Book of Discipline next to the Bible Dictionaries on the top shelf.

One of the main focuses of the Central PA Conference was amending the Constitution (changing the language) found in the Book of Discipline. So I didn't purchase a new Book of Discipline due to the changes.

During the transition of ministers time several people approached me with questions. I encourage any one with questions on the function of the church to seek the answer in the Book of Discipline. It gives a thorough insight into how the Methodist Church system operates. I encourage all church members to read and study it.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Thanks to all who supported the Pampered Chef book event to get some equipment for our kitchen

The August 17th meeting will be a dish-to-pass supper at Ellen Wise's home. We will meet at the church at 5:45 PM. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

All women of the church are invited.

Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.



Blessing of the Backpacks

August is almost here! For many families that means school is just around the corner! Shopping for school supplies, books, and fall clothes becomes a part of everyone's schedule. Here at First UMC, on Sunday, August 23rd, we want to celebrate and bless the beginning of another school year.

Students, preschool through adult, bring your backpacks or lunch boxes to worship at 9:30. The service will lift up children and students of all ages, dedicating them to God's glory as we begin a new school year.

Teachers, aides, principals, administrators, secretaries, cooks, librarians, janitors, and bus drivers...come to church to be blessed, affirmed in your vocation, and encouraged as you serve children and families in your daily work!

Join us for this Celebration Sunday! Everyone is encouraged to bring school supplies to church during the month of August for Mission Central School kits.

Central Oak Heights West Milton, PA 17866

located on Route 15, 2 miles north of Lewisburg

100th Anniversary Weekend Friday, July 31 thru Sunday, August 2, 2009

Friday - 4 to 8 pm, Historical power point and slide shows as well as Camp Recreation Games

Saturday - 10:30 to Noon - Reunion of all former campers, staff, counselors, directors, clergy and WSWs/.UMW, guided and self-guided tours.

Sunday - 10:30 am worship; afternoon tours & games; 3 pm concert; 6:30 pm vespers

CONCERTS

Sunday, August 2 at 3 pm, - Special Anniversary Concert - "Paragon Ragtime Orchestra

August 8 at 7:30 pm Black Bear Crossing
(Celtic Instrumental Ensemble)

Sunday Morning Worship Services
10:30 in the Tabernacle
July 5th thru September 6th

July 5 - Vespers 6:30 pm, - Sylvan Chapel
August 2 - Vintage Vesper Service with Rev. John Lee

OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS/SHUT-INS

Mary Bailey B/Day 11/30
Green Home, 37 Central Ave.
Wellsboro, PA 16901

Jane Day B/Day 7/19
Green Home, 37 Central Ave.
Wellsboro, PA 16901

Rachel Smith
Green Home, 37 Central Ave.
Wellsboro, PA 16901

Flora Brodrick B/Day 4/1
20 Fourth St., Apt. 111
Mansfield, PA 16933

Ron Day B/Day 5/8
307 S. Main Street
Mansfield, PA 16933

Anne Heinrich B/Day 5/16
416 S. Main St.
Mansfield, PA 16933

Marian Barnes B/Day 11/24
120 E. Beaver Ave., Apt. 509
State College, PA 16801-4987

Ruth Maneval B/Day 5/29
Green Home, 37 Central Ave.
Wellsboro, PA 16901

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Wellsboro, PA 16901

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300 Leader Dr., Rm. 104
Williamsport, PA 17701

Virginia Smith B/Day 3/28
39 Central Ave., Apt. 1G
Wellsboro, PA 16901-1870

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Williamsport, PA 17701

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Green Home, 37 Central Ave.
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76 Roosevelt Dr.
Lockport, NY 14094

Janice Whittaker B/Day 10/21
255 S. Main St.
Mansfield, PA 16933

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