

The Messenger

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MUNHOLLAND'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION CONTINUES WITH SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER:

On **Sunday, October 2nd**, Bishop William Hutchinson will preach at all three worship services. A reception and a time to meet and greet the Bishop and his wife Kay will follow the 11:00 service in the Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments will be served.

Come join us on **Thursday, October 13th at 7:30 pm** in the Sanctuary for an organ concert performed by organist, Joel Bevington, Music Director at Rayne Memorial UMC. The concert is in honor of our own organist, Phil Sparks. The concert will kickoff our fundraiser to raise \$75,000 for the expansion of the sanctuary organ. Light refreshments will be served after the organ concert.

YOUTH FUND RAISER for Youth 2012 Mission Trip Saints "Take Home" Spaghetti Lunch



Spaghetti lunch includes salad, bread and brownie
cost: \$8/person or \$28/family

If you have not purchased your ticket yet, we still have a few available. You can purchase a ticket on Sunday, 10/2 during 9:15-9:30, 10:30-11:00 and after the 11:00 worship service or at midweek meal on Wednesday, 10/5/11.

Lunch will be available for pick up on Sunday, October 9th from 10:30 am until after the 11:00 am worship. If you have any questions, please contact Ford Dieth at 834-9910.

(Ticket must be presented to receive your meal)



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Thanks to everyone that donated their treasures, soups and baked goodies to us for our White Elephant Sale. A big THANK YOU to our dedicated ladies that came every week for the last two months, sorting, cleaning and pricing and then worked more on the day of the sale.

Also, we thank the many who moved and hauled items for us; those who hauled tables from every classroom in the building to set up for the sale and then put everything back in order for Sunday. We could not have done it without YOU!! God Bless you all.

ATTENTION: The UMW October 4th General Meeting has been rescheduled to October 11th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. This will be our Annual Pledge Service Program.

October 7th & 8th - Louisiana Conference UMW Annual Meeting will be held at Broadmoor UMC, Shreveport. Carol Ruholl & I will be attending as Munholland's representatives, please keep us in your prayers.

October 18th - Morning Circle Meeting at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

October 24th - Hope Circle, 6:30 pm; Marie Jo Proux will share her experiences as a nurse at a clinic in Haiti.

October 29th - New Orleans District UMW Annual Meeting & LELET (Local Elected Leaders Training), at Hartzell - Mt. Zion UMC, Slidell. More info to follow.

Hope to see you at one of our many events, God Bless.

Phyllis Zansler

The next edition of *The Messenger* goes to print on **Tuesday, October 11th**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** (space permitting) on Monday, October 10th. For Meetings and Special Events, please check your church bulletin...

Hope Circle

Monday, October 24th at 6:30 pm, will be our 2nd part of our mission study "Haiti's Small Miracles".

The presentation will be done by Marie Jo Proux, a nurse who works at a clinic in Haiti. She was at the clinic before, during, and after the recent earthquake and will tell us of her experiences

Pam Eversmeyer

NOTE: BIBLE STUDY DATE CHANGE

"Embracing and Adult Faith" will begin on Sunday, October 9th instead of the 2nd. Time and place will remain the same.

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Also if you have not signed up for Munholland's New Young Adult Small Group Bible Study, "*Faith Under Fire - Faith & Facts*", do so soon, classes starting on:

Wednesday, October 5th
5:45 - 6:30 pm in room 210

- Short Bible Study & Discussion
- Time for Fellowship and Sharing Concerns
- Topics Relevant to Young Adults
- Get to know other Young Adults in Church
- Support Each Other with Prayer
- Network & Share Ideas

If you are interested in taking this class, contact Jessika Horner at 729-7069 or email jmphorner@yahoo.com.

St. Mark's Homeless Meal Mission Opportunity

We will be serving the homeless at St. Mark's on Sunday, October 30th.

Generously, our food has been provided and we will only need about 5 persons to set up and serve the meals.

If you are able to do so, please contact Betsy White 220-6541 or Betsysw@aol.com for further details. Thanks!!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again, the Munholland community is joining in the mission of Samaritan's Purse to bring joy and hope to children in desperate situations through the simplest of gifts – shoe boxes. Filled with school supplies, toys and personal items, these boxes help introduce children to Jesus Christ. This is a unique and heart-warming opportunity for your family, your Sunday school class or your Bible study.

For the third year, we will serve our community as a Relay Center to collect shoe boxes from individuals, groups, and other churches in the area during National Collection Week, which is November 14-20, 2011. We then “relay” cartons full of shoe boxes to the local Collection Center.

HERE ARE WAYS YOU CAN HELP

1. Pick up an Operation Christmas Child brochure in the vestibule and pack a box!
2. Organize a group (Sunday school class, scout troop, Bible study, friends at work, book club, class room, neighbors) to pack boxes to return during National Collection Week.
3. Volunteer to help collect boxes at Munholland during National Collection Week.

If you use EZ pay online at Samaritanspurse.org/occ, you can track your box to its final destination.

FACTS: We are one of 2,506 relay centers in the United States.

- Last year, 5,503,968 shoe boxes were collected in the U.S. and 8,183,087 shoe boxes were collected internationally.
- 140,000 volunteers in the U.S. and over 500,000 volunteers worldwide helped the boxes on their way to children in distant lands.
- Operation Christmas Child delivered over 8.1 million shoe boxes to children in 97 countries!
- Last year, Munholland collected 440 shoe boxes. This year, you can help make that an even larger number.

If you have any questions or want to help, please call Debbie Holman at 388-7436.

DONATIONS

A Memorial Donation was made in memory of
Robert Normann from C.H. Chen

A Donation was made in honor of Bonnie and
Lee Happel to Camp Istrouma from
Barbara Mollere



Camp Istrouma Mission Trip
October 3rd – 8th

If you have not signed up yet and would still like
to help contact Barbara Harris at 833-9978...



Mark your calendars for:

MUNHOLLAND'S FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 30th from 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Costumes, face painting, games, etc.

**More information to follow in the
next Messenger...**



Tribute Poster – Photos Needed

For Veterans Day and Memorial Day we honor members of Munholland UMC who have served (or are serving) in our country's armed forces with the Tribute Poster.

It features present and past members of our congregation when they were in uniform, along with a more current photo. The poster is updated, as additional photos are submitted. The only criteria for inclusion is that the individual is or was a member of Munholland.

Last year, a slide show of the photos had been created, and was shown before each service Memorial Day weekend.

For additional information, or to submit a picture, please contact Paula Lucas at plucas@tulane.edu or 832-9103. Photos will be scanned and returned.



Munholland would like to extend our deepest sympathy to:

Jeff & Uma Pellegrin and family on the death of Jeff's mother...

Richard & Judith Lifsey, Dr. Michael & Cynthia Lifsey and families on the death of their father, Robert Lifsey...

Amy Smith on the death of her husband, Dean...

You are in our thoughts and prayers...

Safe Sanctuaries Head's Up Report

The following guideline is taken from the adopted Safe Sanctuaries/Risk Reduction Policy Manual, page 4. All parents should know and adhere to these guidelines which are posted on the Munholland.org website for your convenience. Any concerns or questions can be addressed to jrmsmumc@gmail.com or the church office.

- A check-in/check-out procedure for all kindergarten aged children and younger is required. This procedure shall include a system ensuring that a child will only be released to an authorized parent or designee.
- Kindergarten aged children and younger must be accompanied by an adult whenever traveling through the facilities of Munholland UMC.

These are the minimum standards adopted by the Church Council.

Janet Miller-Schmidt 8-23-2011
SS Point Person

Weekly Worship Attendance

	Aug 21	Aug 28
Sunday		
8:30 am	89	82
9:45 am	56	56
11:00 am	<u>193</u>	<u>199</u>
Svc of Prayer & Healing	20	20
Other		
Total	358	357
Sunday School	172	207
	Sept 04	Sept 11
Sunday		
8:30 am	41	75
9:45 am	29	41
11:00 am	<u>136</u>	<u>168</u>
Svc of Prayer & Healing	20	20
Other		20
Total	226	324
Sunday School	118	162



**ELEMENTARY CLUBS
(1ST THROUGH 6TH GRADE)**

Munholland's Fall Festival (Metairie Road Parking lot/Green space)

Sunday, October 30, 2011

12:00 - 2:00 pm

Lunch on the grounds to celebrate Munholland's 75th Anniversary (\$5/Adults \$2/Children)



Wear your costume and come prepared to bob for apples, there will be face painting, cookie decorating, picture taking area, mummy wrap, and inflatables.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Chailland, Director of Children Ministries, at 834-9910 or melissac@munholland.org.

OCTOBER CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels

(Rehearsal on Wednesdays in room 111)

10/05/11	Choir Time	5:45-6:30 pm
10/12/11	Choir Time	5:45-6:30 pm

Altar Choir

(Rehearsal on Wednesdays in Adult Choir Room)

10/05/11	Choir Time	5:45-6:30 pm
10/12/11	Choir Time	5:45-6:30 pm

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays

10/05/11	Choir Time	6:45-8:15 pm
10/12/11	Choir Time	6:45-8:15 pm



KIDS DAY OUT

Theme for October is "Falling into Fall"

On Wednesday, October 12th, Individual Fall Photos will be taken.

If you have any questions, please contact the Pitrina or MaryBeth at 834-0920.

**MUMY CALENDAR
(Munholland United Methodist Youth)**

October 2011

Sun., Oct. 02	Jeannie Bischoff The Lord's Prayer
Sat., Oct. 08	Prep for Spaghetti Lunch
Sun., Oct. 09	9:00 am -12:30 pm Saint's Take-Home Spaghetti Lunch fundraiser
	Program: Digital Scavenger Hunt

Please check out our Youth's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/Mummyouth>

Please bring \$3 for dinner and use the Metairie Road exit. Parents please pick up your children in the Metairie Road parking lot following youth activities, so we can make sure they get to their cars safely.

For more information, call Ford Dieth at 834-9910 or e-mail at laxbagotricks@yahoo.com.



THINK ABOUT IT

There was something very different about the Apostle John. He was the youngest of Jesus' disciples, but a quality lay deep within John that set him apart from all the rest. We can see that difference throughout the book of John, at the Last Supper and again at the foot of the cross as Jesus hung in agony. In each instance, John is referred to as the disciple "whom Jesus loved". In fact, John actually wrote this about himself. On the surface, this could sound arrogant, yet it actually reveals John's heart condition ---- he KNEW Jesus loved him. John wasn't saying he was the *only* disciple Jesus loved, but that he was personally aware of Jesus' love for **him**. That is an important key to living in peace, joy and confidence.

This picture of John is also an important example for each follower of Christ as well. Until we fully grasp the vast love God has for us through Christ, we will never feel secure and whole. It is just as a small child who doesn't feel loved by his earthly parents – he is empty, fearful, and incomplete, always searching for love in some of the wrong places! God's love for us is unconditional and Romans 8:38-39 reminds us that neither death, life, angels, principalities, powers, things present, things to come, height, depth or anything will be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus.

The New Covenant centers around this simple fact: God's love for us is the highest form of love that exists. It is called Agape in the Greek text of the New Testament and it is interesting to note that the word Agape was nearly absent from Greek writing before the time of Jesus. It was during His ministry that this word became a picture of God's love. All of us should meditate on the many scriptures that express just how much God loves us, so that we can live in that love. Only when we have a deep revelation of God's love for us can we truly love others in a healthy way. We can't give away something until we possess it for ourselves. Then, it will overflow into the lives of those around us. Jesus loves us, this I know, for the Bible tells us so.

REMINDER:

THE 31ST ANNUAL METHODIST HOME GOLF CLASSIC WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3RD
AT THE BEAU CHENE COUNTRY CLUB IN MANDEVILLE

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