

The Messenger

of Munholland United Methodist Church

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Holy Week and Easter are upon us, early this year due to a full moon coming soon after the spring equinox. We have planned an agenda for Holy Week that will provide you special opportunities for spiritual enrichment. Palm Sunday worship at 11:00 will again include a procession with children waving palm branches. New for us this year are Monday and Tuesday evening meditation times with quiet music in the sanctuary at 5:30-6:30 pm. There is no planned agenda, so you can stay as long or short as you desire. On Wednesday we will have our regular midweek meal and studies. On Thursday evening we will have a service of Holy Communion lead by Rev. George Duerson at 7:00 p.m. On Friday evening is a new service, a "Service of Nails" lead by Rev. John Deschner and will include special music provided by our choir and a string quartet at 6:00 p.m. Then on Easter we will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ as lilies fill the sanctuary and the sound of trumpets sing the resurrection song.

I'm looking forward to our Holy Week activities and encourage you to participate first, by attending these worship experiences and second, by bringing a friend or neighbor with you. Having experienced the glory of Easter yourself, you know that offering an invitation to someone who doesn't have a church home can be life changing for them, and you will have the satisfaction of having shared God's Good News.

May God's blessings be upon you, now and forever.

Gene Finnell



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The next Circle meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 18th at 10:00 am at Tina Doyle's home.

The next UMW Executive Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8th at 5:45 pm in the Parlor.

Following the meeting we will have a Salad Supper. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Sheri Zehner, pastor of St. Paul's UMC. Our mission study will be on "Israel & Palestine".

Confirmation Classes

Sundays – 4:00 – 5:00 pm

March,30 and

April 6,13,20,27

Confirmation May 4th

Breakfast at 10:00 am (FH)

Confirmation 11:00 am Worship

Reserved seats in the Sanctuary

The Christianity Family Tree Bible Study class will not meet on Palm Sunday, 3/16 or Easter Sunday 3/23.

We will meet on March 30th and April 6th.



*Mary Pratz
Daniel Paterson
Jane Wade*



Munholland would like to extend our deepest sympathy to:

*Gene and Janet Miller-Schmidt Finnell
and family on the death of Janet's father, C.O. Miller.*

Kathleen Begg and her family upon the death of her husband, Dr. Robert Begg.

You are in our thoughts and prayers.

To Everyone at Munholland UMC,

Thank you so much for your hospitality while we stayed at your church on our mission trip over New Years.

We have stayed at Munholland three times now and the warmth and love of all those we meet continues to amaze us.

It was a pleasure worshipping with you and we hope to see you again next time.

**In Christ,
The Duke Wesley Fellowship**

"RAISING GREAT KIDS"

Come join us for a new and exciting class beginning March 27th.

This six week class will be held on Thursdays from 10:00 - 11:00 am.

For more information and to sign up, please contact Carol Rau at 453-4766...

Deadlines

Lagniappe Packs

The deadline to drop off your healthy snack items to support Ella Delhonde Elementary School is **Sunday, March 16th**.

Thank you for your willingness to give to those children in need in our community.

Easter Lilies

The deadline for to order an Easter Lily is **Sunday, March 17th**. Forms can be found in the Vestibule or by contacting the church office at 834-9910.

CARE TEAM MEETING

March 25th at 6:30 pm
in room 211



LIVING CROSS

MUNHOLLAND WILL BE DISPLAYING A COLORFUL LIVING CROSS EASTER SUNDAY IN THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH.

ANYONE INTERESTED MAY BRING CUT FLOWERS TO BE PLACED ON THE CROSS.



PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

On Palm Sunday all children are to gather at 10:45 am in room 104 to process in at the 11:00 am Worship Service...



VBS is coming in June and we need some household items to recycle for crafts.

This year's theme is a beach party. If you have any of the following items, please drop them in the box outside the Welcome Center by the Elmeer entrance.

We need about 150 items each, so start saving now.

Items needed:

- screw on lids
- cereal boxes (open the bottoms and lay flat)
- seashells or other "beach items"
- metal soup cans or other cans with pop tops so the inside is not sharp
- plastic containers such as the ones ready made icing come in
- cleaned baby food jars

Thank you for your support in this wonderful fun outreach ministry.

Schedule of Ministry Event

Meetings and Special Events

Mar. 15	10:00 am	Shawl Ministry (FH)
Mar. 16	Palm Sunday	
Mar. 17	5:30 - 6:30 pm	Holy Week Meditation Time (San)
Mar. 18	10:00 am 10:00 am 5:30 - 6:30 pm	Staff Mtg UMW Circle Mtg Holy Week Meditation Time (San)
Mar. 19	5:15 pm	Midweek Meal
Mar. 20	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Holy Thursday Communion Svc Greater NO Photo Society Mtg (FH)
Mar. 21	8:00 am 6:00 pm	UMM Good Friday Breakfast (KIT/FH) Good Friday Svc of Nails
Mar. 23	EASTER SUNDAY	
Mar. 25	6:30 pm	Care Team Mtg (211)
Mar. 26	5:15 pm	Midweek Meal
Mar. 31	6:30 pm	Mission Comm Mtg (Par)

Due Date

The next edition of *The Messenger* goes to print on, **Wednesday, March 26th**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** on Tuesday, March 25th. Any article received after the due date will be included in the next edition of *The Messenger*. Thank you for your help in imparting ministry news to the congregation.

Weekly Worship Attendance

	Feb. 17	Feb. 24
Sunday		
8:30 am	67	82
9:45 am	55	42
11:00 am	<u>174</u>	<u>196</u>
Other	15	15
Aldersgate		166
Total	311	501
Sunday School	172	192

Every Week at Munholland

Sunday (Worship 8:30 am, 9:45 am and 11:00 am)

9:30 am	Sunday School
10:15-10:45 am	Altar Choir (204)
12:00-2:00 pm	Discovery Club (once a month)
12:00-2:00 pm	Young Youth (once a month)
4:30-6:00 pm	Disciple and related Bible Studies (various classrooms)
5:00-6:30 pm	MUMY (200)

Monday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
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Tuesday

10:00 am	Staff Meeting
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Wednesday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
5:15 - 6:15 pm	Midweek Meal
6:00-6:45 pm	Littlest Angels (108)
6:15 pm	Disciple and related Bible Studies (various classrooms)
6:15 pm	Communion (Parlor)
6:30 pm	Cursillo (Parlor)
7:00-8:30 pm	Chancel Choir (113)

Thursday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
10:00 am	Bible studies
7:00 pm	Nicotine Anon. (Choir Room)
7:30 pm	N.A. (111)
8:00 pm	A.A. (Parlor)

Friday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out
12:00 pm	Friday Friends Bridge
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 7 (201)

KID'S PAGE



MARCH CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels – Wednesday (Rehearsal-Columns room)

03/16/08 Palm Sunday– sing at 11:00 Service
03/19/08 Choir Time 6:00 pm–6:45 pm
03/26/08 No Choir Practice

Altar Choir – Sunday (Rehearsal-Elementary Music Room)

03/16/08 Choir Time 10:15 am–10:45 am
03/23/08 Choir Time 10:15 am–10:45 am
Sing at 11:00 Easter Sunday Worship Service

Chancel Choir – Wednesday

03/19/08 Choir Time 7:00 pm–8:30 pm
03/20 and 21 Sing at the Holy Week Services
03/23/08 Sing at all services
03/26/08 No Choir Practice

MUMY CALENDAR

(Munholland United Methodist Youth)

March 2008

03/16/08 No Youth Meeting
03/23/08 No Youth Meeting
3/30/08 Youth Meeting

All meetings begin at 5:00 pm unless otherwise stated. The cost of the supper is \$2.00.

For more information, please contact Ford Dieth, Jr. at 834-9910.

YOUNG YOUTH (4th, 5th & 6th graders)

WERE GOING TO A



BALL GAME!
April 18, 2008

Christian Fellowship Night
Zephyrs game (Friday)

Fireworks and Jake Smith concert!

If you haven't reserved your ticket,
call Debbie ASAP at 828-7436.

Thanks!

Debbie Holman

KIDS DAY OUT

KDO will be closed on Thursday, March 20th through Monday, March 24th for Easter Holidays.

We will return on Wednesday, March 26th...

Mary Beth Bonin

WORK GROUP UPDATE

March 9-15
Boston Univ. Group
Boston, MA
13 volunteers

March 15-21
Morningside College
Sioux City, IA
20 volunteers

March 16-22
Univ. of Houston Wesley
Foundation
Houston, TX
20 volunteers

March 23-28
Cross-Wind UMC
Logansport, IN
50 volunteers

March 29-April 4
Moorestown Friends School
Moorestown, NJ
28 volunteers

April 6-12
Elizabethtown Mission
Elizabethtown, KY
30 volunteers

April 6-12
Western Reserve District
Mayfield Heights, OH
10 volunteers (6th Trip!)

April 13-19
Love Knows No Bounds
Ithaca, NY
40 volunteers (4th Trip!)

Thank you for your continued help and generosity of hosting visiting work teams. If you wish to drop off goodies, bottled water, snacks, cereal, power bars, nuts, fruit or anything for our guests, please leave them in the UPSTAIRS kitchen of the old building or CLEARLY LABELED in the kitchen downstairs.

If you wish to sponsor a team for one of our Midweek meals, please contact Betsy White 220-6541 or mark your check to MUMC "for volunteers Midweek"...

Thanks for everything!
Betsy White, Volunteer Housing Coordinator

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