

# *The Messenger*

## of Munholland United Methodist Church

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April 1, 2011

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## Easter "Eggstravaganza" and Picnic Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Munholland will have its annual Easter egg hunt and picnic for all families with children nursery age and older on the playground (cancelled if it rains). There will be games (potato sack races, egg toss, spoon race with egg), egg hunts, face painting, bubbles, and pony rides\*. Remember to bring your lunch, a blanket, and an Easter basket for your child.

### Egg Hunt Schedule:

Ages 4 and under	1:15 - 1:30 pm
Ages 5 to 7	12:45 - 1:00 pm
Ages 8 to 11	12:15 - 12:30 pm
Ages 12 to 18	1:45 - 2:00 pm

If you have any questions, please call Melissa Chailland at 504-606-0797.

\*pony rides are for children ages 1 through 8 with a weight limit not over 85 lbs...

## UMM New Orleans District



April 22, 2011 8:00 - 9:00 am at Munholland UMC

MUSIC, INSPIRATION, FELLOWSHIP, GOOD EATS

**Everyone is invited** - Men, women, youth & children

Sponsored by New Orleans Dist. United Methodist Men  
& hosted by Munholland United Methodist Men

No Charge - Donations Accepted



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our next UMW General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. This is our final morning session of "For the Love of God", Chapters 8, 9 & 10 led by Rev. Nancy Feild.

Our next UMW Circle Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. The program, "Making Peace with Mother Earth", will be led by Lyndy Messersmith.



**Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

is the UMW Annual Salad Supper in the Fellowship Hall. New this year will be covered dishes to the menu. Our program will be lead by Barbara Harris. She will give a presentation on her recent VIM (Volunteers in Mission) trip to India. The cost is \$7.00 for adults/youth and \$4.00 for children. All monies collected will be equally divided between the UMCOR Advance for Japan and to the Baby Fold Orphanage in India. Donations are also accepted.

Saturday, April 30th, New Orleans District, UMW, Spiritual Day Apart. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend. Registration begins at 9:00 am, a continental breakfast will be provided. Program will be from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, with a short break about 11:00 am. More information in next Messenger. Hope to see you there, circle the date.



Join us for the UMW Salad Supper held on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm (for more info see the above).

Our next Hope Circle will be held on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm in room 208.



## 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...*

*Munholland would like to extend our  
deepest sympathy to the following families:*

*Clayton & Abbie Clark and family on  
the death of his mother, Janice Clark*

*Fina Doyle and family on the death of  
her sister, Ana Maria Spina*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers...*



**2011 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday June 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**8:45 am – 12:00 noon**

Don't miss out on this wonderful event for your children. We welcome children ages 3 ½ (3 by 12/31/10 and potty-trained) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade (completed). There will be a \$25.00 VBS fee. The fee covers craft materials, daily healthy snack, daily music and recreation. The fee is non-refundable after June 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you are interested, forms can be found in the Vestibule and also on our website – [www.munhollandumc.org](http://www.munhollandumc.org).

If you have any questions, please email Melissa at [melissac@munholland.org](mailto:melissac@munholland.org) or call 834-9910.



Come join us for some fun this summer by volunteering for our VBS program! VBS is scheduled Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm. This is also a great way to earn some service hours.

If you are interested, please fill out a Volunteer form which can be found in the Vestibule, table near the Metairie Road entrance or our website at [www.munhollandumc.org](http://www.munhollandumc.org).

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Chailland at 606-0797.

**VBS LEADER MEETING**  
**Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 pm Rm 201**

# THANK YOU

On behalf of the UMW and all of Munholland's Chefs, we extend a big **THANK YOU** to our very talented DON HALL.

Don crafted a beautiful chopping board for the church kitchen. It's not just an ordinary one, but one that was size specific. It had to fit over the dividers of the sink and large enough to balance on them without tipping over.

He even made a cutout for a handle and provided mineral oil and instructions to keep it looking new for years to come.

## CAMP ISTROUMA SUMMER CAMP

The camp is approximately 15 miles northeast of Baton Rouge at 25975 Greenwell Springs Road in Greenwell Springs, Louisiana.

The weeklong sessions offer a wide variety of activities and opportunities: including campfire & smores, swimming, cool bible stories, fun worship, climbing wall, low ropes, the blob, talent show, messy games, yummy food, zipline, canvas slide, messy mud pit, hiking, camp friends, Christian counselors, & tons of fun!

Our air conditioned lodges with separate facilities for boys and girls are modern with individual bathrooms and carpeted floors. Our camp is open to all children and youth and is supervised 24 hours a day by trained counselors.

Journey with Jesus	3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 30-June 2
Discovering God I	4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	June 6-10
Discovering God II	4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	July 11-15
Pathfinders I	6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	June 13-17
Pathfinders II	7 <sup>th</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	June 20-24
Pathfinders III	6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	July 18-22
Senior Sunrise	9 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>	July 25-29

For more information or to register, please visit their website. Camp Istrouma offers an excellent choice located on 167 acres [www@campistrouma.com](http://www@campistrouma.com).



Congratulations to Jason & Ami Falterman and family on the birth of their son, Gage. He was born on 1/28/11 at 19" and 7 lbs.

Congratulations to Daniel & Emily Burke and family on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte. She was born on 3/2/11.



**PALM SUNDAY EGGSTRAVAGANZA**  
**APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> 12:00-2:00 PM**

**HOLY THURSDAY COMMUNION SVC**  
**APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> 6:00 PM**

**GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST**  
**APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> 8:00 AM**

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**  
**APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> 6:00 PM**

**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES**  
**APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> 8:30 AM**

**9:45 AM**

**11:00 AM**

## Weekly Worship Attendance

	Mar. 06	Mar. 13
Sunday		
8:30 am	73	63
9:45 am	28	42
11:00 am	<u>110</u>	<u>96</u>
Svc of Prayer & Healing	15	15
Other	20	20
Ash Wednesday		86
Total	<b>246</b>	<b>322</b>
Sunday School	78	106

The next edition of *The Messenger* goes to print on, **Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Every Week at Munholland

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

9:30 am Sunday School  
 9:30 am Cross Roads SS (210)  
 10:15 am Altar Choir  
 5:00 pm Youth Group

**Monday**

9:30 am Staff Meeting  
 9:30 am KDO

**Tuesday**

11:00 am Service of Prayer & Healing with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)  
 3:00 pm Luke's House Homeless Ministry At Mt. Zion  
 6:00 pm "Motion for Life" Fitness Exercise Class (207)

**Wednesday**

9:30 am KDO  
 5:15 pm Midweek Meals  
 6:00 pm Littlest Angels Choir  
 6:15 pm Communion (Parlor)  
 6:30 pm Cursillo (Parlor)  
 6:45 pm Chancel Choir (113)

**Thursday**

9:30 am KDO  
 8:00 pm A.A. (Parlor)  
 8:00 pm N.A. (209)  
 8:00 pm Al-Anon.

**Friday**

9:30 am KDO  
 12:00 pm Friday Friends Bridge  
 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 7 (201)

**For Meetings & Special Events see Church Bulletin Calendar...**

# THE KIDS' PAGE

## DISCOVER CLUB & YOUNG YOUTH (1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade)



### EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

12:00 - 2:00 pm...

Join us on the green space and playground to hunt for Easter eggs and ride ponies (see page one of this Messenger for more information). If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Chailand, Director of Children Ministries, at 834-9910 or [melissac@munholland.org](mailto:melissac@munholland.org).

#### ARPIL'S CHOIR SCHEDULE

##### Littlest Angels – Wednesday (Rehearsal- Rm. 111)

04/06/11	Choir Time	6:00–6:45 pm
04/13/11	Choir Time	6:00–6:45 pm
04/20/11	No Choir	
04/27/11	No Choir	

##### Altar Choir – Sunday (Rehearsal-Elementary Music Room)

04/03/11	Choir Time	10:15–10:45 am
04/10/11	Choir Time	10:15–10:45 am
04/17/11	Choir Time	10:15–10:45 am
04/24/11	No Choir	

##### Chancel Choir – Wednesday

04/06/11	Choir Time	6:45–8:15 pm
04/13/11	Choir Time	6:45–8:15 pm
04/20/11	Choir Time	6:45–8:30 pm
04/27/11	No Choir	

#### KIDS DAY OUT



Class pictures will take place in April. Your class teacher will give you more info.

**We will be closed for Easter Holidays  
April 21 – 27 ....**

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

#### MUMY CALENDAR

(Munholland United Methodist Youth)

April 2011

April 1-3 Sr. High Retreat at the Conference Center for 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders

April 3 Program & Practice for Youth Sunday

April 10 *Youth Sunday & Senior Recognition Day*

Meetings begin at 5:00 pm and end at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise noted. **Please bring \$2** for supper.

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](mailto:laxbagotricks@yahoo.com).

## THINK ABOUT IT

Time after time, as God's people encountered an enemy, God showed Himself strong on their behalf and delivered them. God always makes a way where there seems to be no way for those *who trust His Word* to triumph in the battles they face.

God is the "way-maker". He will reveal Himself mightily to those *who follow Him closely*. When we trust and rely on our own human ability, we are unable to even see when God sends good things our way. The prophet Jeremiah delivered the Word of the Lord in 17:5-6: "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord. He will be like a bush in the desert; he will not see prosperity when it comes". Then comes the contrast in v. 7-8: "But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water – trees that are not bothered by the heat or worried about drought. Their leaves stay green and they never stop producing fruit."

Notice the difference in the results of those who trust the Lord and those who trust in human ability. Not only are they unaffected by the heat and drought, but they never cease to produce fruit. During times of pressure, the results are determined by *whom we trust*. Many times we may fail to look to Him because we are so consumed with the battle that we get in the habit of trying to fix things ourselves. When we look to Almighty God and acknowledge His ability and desire to fight on our behalf, He will prove Himself mighty in our situation. When we make His enemies our enemies, He will make His victory our victory.



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**Munholland will recognize all 2011 high school graduates on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**The graduates will be honored at the 11:00 am service. The graduates and their families are invited to attend a luncheon at noon. We will print the names of all graduates in the bulletin that Sunday, as well as in the Messenger.**

**Please call the church office at 834-9910, with the name of any graduate that is a part of our church family. Please let us know if the graduate will be present for the service and/or the lunch and how many will attend the lunch.**

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