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of Munholland United Methodist Church

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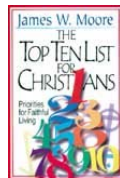


Munholland will recognize all 2009 high school graduates on Sunday, April 26th.

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 and high school 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.



TOP TEN LIST FOR CHRISTIANS

This new bible study presented by Caroline Sanders begins on May 3rd from 4:30 pm until 6:00 pm. Mark your calendars for these class dates: 5/3, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31, 6/14, 6/21, and 6/28.

This Jim Moore study offers a "contemporary" Top Ten list of important things for Christians to remember as we make our way through life's journey.

Jim Moore offers ten witty and wise reminders of the real priorities in life - God's priorities for faithful living. These uplifting reminders - along with a number of warm, inspirational stories and anecdotes - will encourage you to live each day with faith, hope, love, joy, trust, and commitment, so that you may live purposefully and in celebration, trusting in God's faithfulness.

If you have any questions, please contact Caroline Sanders at 837-7425.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Day Circle meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21st at 10:00 am at **the home of Lorrie Dobrovolny, 3224 Iowa Street, Kenner** (instead of Ethel Melvin's home).



Our UMW Annual Salad Supper will take on a Mexican theme this year. It will be held on Tuesday, May 5th, Cinco de Mayo, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Our salads, appetizers, desserts, etc., will have a Mexican flavor to them.

You will learn what Munholland's mission team did on their recent trip to Galveston. They will present a power point presentation and talk about their experiences.

Please mark your calendars for this fun and informative night.

(Note: We will not have any Executive or General meetings scheduled that morning)

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Phyllis Zansler



UMW Hope
Circle

Our next meeting will be held May 5th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall - UMW Annual Salad Supper.

The Light of Hope

"For many people who attend Relay for Life, one of the most moving parts of the event is the Ceremony of Hope. As the light dims over the campsites and team members complete laps, the night is brightened by the glow of lighted bags called luminaria."

If would you like to honor someone, donate in memory of someone or support someone with a luminaria light at the Relay for Life Ceremony, please fill out the pink forms found at the table near the Parlor. The donation amount is \$10.00.

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Bourgeois at 231-8470 or roadmom@cox.net.



Camp Istrouma Summer Camp

Are you looking for a Christian adventure for your children and youth this summer? Camp Istrouma offers an excellent choice located on 167 acres approximately 15 miles northeast of Baton Rouge at 25975 Greenwell Springs Road in Greenwell Springs, Louisiana.

The week long sessions offer a wide variety of activities and opportunities, including Bible study, crafts, talent show, skits, small group character building sessions, many recreational activities, including hiking, low ropes course, swimming, fishing, blob, zipline, 100 ft. waterslide, 32 ft. climbing wall, other group games and events.

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.

Camp Sessions

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| Jesus Explorers Kindergarten, 1 st & 2 nd Parents are Welcome! | June 15-16 or July 10-11 |
| Journey with Jesus 2 nd , 3 rd , & 4 th | June 17-19 or July 6-9 |
| Discovering God 4 th , 5 th , & 6 th | June 8-12 or July 27-31 |
| Pathfinders 6 th , 7 th , & 8 th | June 22-26 or July 20-24 |
| Senior Sunrise 8 th , 9 th , 10 th & 11 th | July 13-17 |
| Developing Disciples, Forming Friends, & Impacting Lives Forever. Camps are based on the grade the camper has completed. | |

Forms can be found on the table in the Elmeer hallway or register on their website www@campistrouma.com.

MUNHOLLAND'S SAFE SANCTUARY NEWS

Check-In/Check-Out procedure for all kindergarten aged children and younger:

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.

Janet Miller-Schmidt, Safe Sanctuary Point Person

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

*VBS MEETING FOR ALL
CENTER LEADERS
April 22nd at 6:00 pm
in room 200*

*CHILDREN'S COUNCIL MTG
April 15th at 6:00 pm
in room 201*

*SHAWL MINISTRY
April 18th at 10:00 am
in the Fellowship Hall*

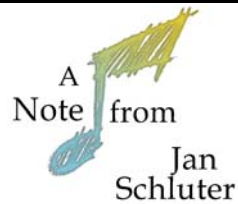
*CARE TEAM MEETING
April 21st at 6:00 pm
in room 211*

*SOUTH AFRICAN TEAM MTG
April 23rd at 6:00 pm
in room 200*

CHURCH-WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on May 23rd for a church-wide clean up day! We will have lots of small jobs to choose from and when your job is complete, you may leave or take another job...

All ages and abilities are welcome as we clean up "God's House"... watch for further details.



I would like to thank all of our Sunday School children for their help in making Palm Sunday's 11:00 Worship so wonderful and energized.

We had "No Wimpy Palms" as the children, their parents, and their teachers walked into the Sanctuary to "All Glory, Laud and Honor." They all waved their palm fronds with pride and joy. What a great start to Munholland's Holy Week celebration!!!!!!!

The Littlest Angels: Alexis Alvares, Mary Clark, Jacob Dykes, Diane Hailey, Anna Heebe, Sarah Heebe, Hunter Richardson, Allison Chevis, Ella Chevis, Sophie Chevis, Carolina Dykes, Paul Emonet, Ellen Hailey, Lily Smuck and Sophia Zollinger.

The Altar Choir: Caitlan Bagnetto, Nathan Bourgeois, Carter Carey, Grant Carey, Allison Chevis, Caroline Chunn, Spencer Chunn, Alex Coit, Nicholas Dellacroce, Sydney Ford, David Herbert, Jenni Lloyd, Sarah Lloyd, Tommy Rau, Camille Scandurro, Benjamin Schluter, and Alex Schomaker were our singers.

Schedule of Ministry Event

Meetings and Special Events

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| Apr. 15 | 5:15 pm 6:00 pm | Midweek Meal Children's Council Meeting (201) |
| Apr. 16 | 7:00 pm | GNO Photo Soc. (FH) Cursillo Retreat (4/16 - 4/19) |
| Apr. 18 | 10:00 am | Shawl Ministry (FH) |
| Apr. 21 | 9:30 am 10:00 am 11:00 am | Staff Meeting UMW Circle Mtg Service of Prayer & Healing (Sanc) |
| | 6:00 pm | Care Team Mtg (211) |
| Apr. 22 | 5:15 pm 6:00 pm | Midweek Meal VBS Meeting for all Center Leaders (200) |
| Apr. 23 | 6:00 pm | South Africa Team Mtg (200) |
| Apr. 26 | | Youth Sunday & Senior Recognition |
| Apr. 28 | 9:30 am 11:00 am | Staff Meeting Service of Prayer & Healing (Sanc) |
| | 6:00 pm | Trustee Meeting (Parlor) |
| Apr. 29 | 5:15 pm | Midweek Meal |

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 (Elementary Music Rm)
 12:00-2:00 pm Discovery Club (every other month)
 12:00-2:00 pm Young Youth (every other month)
 4:00-6:00 pm Disciple and related Bible Studies (various classrooms)
 5:00-6:30 pm MUMY (200)

Monday

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

Tuesday

9:30 am Staff Meeting
 11:00 am Service of Prayer & Healing

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Due Date

The next edition of *The Messenger* goes to print on, **Monday, April 27th**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** on Friday, April 24th. 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

| | Mar. 22 | Mar. 29 |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Sunday | | |
| 8:30 am | 79 | 67 |
| 9:45 am | 61 | 72 |
| 11:00 am | <u>154</u> | <u>171</u> |
| Other | 15 | 15 |
| Svc or Prayer & Healing | 22 | 25 |
| Total | 331 | 350 |
| Sunday School | 175 | 173 |



**MUNHOLLAND UMC
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
Monday, June 22nd – Friday June 26th
8:45 am – 12:00 noon

Don't miss out on this wonderful event for your children. If you have not signed up yet, please fill out the forms found in the Vestibule or by Metairie Road entrance. We welcome children ages 3 ½ (3 by 12/31/08 and potty-trained) through 6th grade (completed).

There will be a \$25.00 VBS fee. The fee covers craft materials, daily healthy snack, daily music and recreation (fee nonrefundable after June 8th). we are still in need of the following items: Cereal boxes and Kleenex boxes.



APRIL'S CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels – Wednesday

(Rehearsal- Rm. 111)

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| 04/15/09 | Choir Time | 6:00 pm–6:45 pm |
| 04/22/09 | Choir Time | 6:00 pm–6:45 pm |
| 04/29/09 | Choir Time | 6:00 pm–6:45 pm |

Altar Choir – Sunday

(Rehearsal-Elementary Music Room)

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| 04/19/09 | Choir Time | 10:15 am–10:45 am |
| 04/26/09 | Choir Time | 10:15 am–10:45 am |

Chancel Choir – Wednesday

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| 04/15/09 | Choir Time | 6:30 pm–8:00 pm |
| 04/22/09 | Choir Time | 6:30 pm–8:00 pm |
| 04/29/09 | Choir Time | 6:30 pm–8:00 pm |

KIDS DAY OUT

**Theme for April:
SPRINGING INTO SPRING**

We are still collecting for the "Ronald McDonald House Wish List". If you are interested in donating any items, such ziplock bags, tooth brushes, toiletries & other household products, please contact Pitrinia Messina at 834-0920.

Mark your calendars: Class Pictures are scheduled for Wednesday, April 22nd.

MUMY CALENDAR

**(Munholland United Methodist Youth)
April 2009**

- Apr. 19 We will work on the Youth Sunday program. Dinner by the Barkates
- Apr. 25 On Saturday, we will practice for Youth Sunday (check for time). Dinner by the Lancasters.
- Apr. 26 Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition

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 Elmeer 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.



Gwynne Bowman
Stephen & Christine Berry

Randel Wright
Bay & Melissa Salmeron

Elizabeth Hayes
Richard Keeney

Welcome Back:

Randy & Margie Wiles

Andrew Herbert, III

Ann DeViney



Are you a 2009 college graduate or know of someone associated with Munholland who will graduate this spring from college?

If so, please contact the church office at 834-9910 and let us know by Monday, May 4th.

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