

The Messenger

of Munholland United Methodist Church

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For United Methodist pastors, a new year begins the Sunday after Annual Conference. At conference, we receive our appointments for the year. For those pastors who are moving to a new appointment, moving day is the Tuesday after Annual Conference. I am grateful to the Munholland Church and Bishop Hutchinson for my reappointment to this wonderful church. Also reappointed was Rev. John Deschner. Rev. Janet Cavalier is not appointed by the Bishop, but her assignment is confirmed by him. It is hard to believe I am entering my sixth year as pastor here. It has certainly been a five year span in my ministry unlike any other five year span, and I can honestly say there is nowhere else I would rather have been. I look forward to this coming year, and hopefully years to come.

As you know, Rev. George Duerson decided to re-retire. It has been a privilege for me to have worked with George on our staff for these five years. George has had a distinguished career in our conference, and we have been fortunate to have had him as part of our pastoral staff. The good news is that George and Linda are remaining here, and George is willing to help where needed.

I want to thank our lay delegation at Annual Conference: Dr. Reggie and Caroline Sanders, Diane Jurisich, and Susan Richards. In addition to these who officially represented Munholland, we also had six other church members who were either District delegates or delegates by virtue of other offices held. Dr. Sarah Kreutziger was elected Lay Leader of the Annual Conference. It was decided to hold next year's Annual Conference in Kenner.

I also want to thank Ed McGee for serving as our web master the past two years. Ed has done an excellent job of keeping our web site up to date with lots of helpful information. It is truly one of the most important ways we have to tell our story to the world. If you are not familiar with the site check out: munhollandumc.org. Ed and his wife Kathy are moving to Georgia where Kathy will be in medical practice. Rev. John Deschner is assuming responsibility for the web site.

On a personal note, Janet and I will be traveling to Fort Steward in Savannah, Georgia on June 30 to welcome home the 3rd Squadron, 7th Cavalry, 3rd Infantry Division of the United States Army from Baghdad, where they have served for the last 14 months. Included among those returning is 1st Lt. Robert Brock Schmidt, who you have supported, along with those in his Squadron and Platoon, with your prayers and gifts over this period they have been stationed in Iraq. Janet and I will breathe a little easier once Brock is back on American soil, but we keep in our prayers military personnel and their families who serve throughout the world. Brock will continue to be stationed at Fort Stewart.

Remember, Vacation Bible School, June 23-27. It's going to be a blast. Check the web site, there are lots of other things happening here at Munholland this summer.

Sincerely,

Gene Finnell



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

There are no Executive or General meetings scheduled in July...

The next UMW Executive Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5th at 9:15 am in the Parlor. The General meeting will follow at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

There will be no Circle Meetings scheduled for June, July, or August. The meetings will resume again in September.



Summer Midweek Meals

Mark your calendars for: June 18th, July 9th, July 30th, August 13th, and August 27th for summer midweek meals from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm.

The cost of the meals will remain the same: \$7 for adults and \$5 for children ages 12 and under.

Janet Miller-Schmidt is our wonderful chef. If anyone is interested in cooking for other dates or would like to help, please contact Janet at 835-8253.

Everyone is welcome to join us for a great meal and good fellowship.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

*June 16th at 7:00 pm
in the Fellowship Hall*

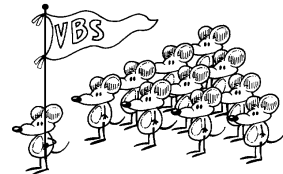
**Vacation Bible School
is almost here...**

**Monday, 6/23/08 through
Friday, 6/27/08**

8:45 – 12 noon

Fee: \$25.00

**ages 3 ½ (3 by 12/31/07 and potty
trained) through 6th grade
(completed).**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
RECRUITMENT**

We are still looking for volunteers.

**If you are interested in
participating in this fun
experience, please contact Sara
Scandurro at 738-3029.**

2008 VBS Training Dates:

Thursday, June 19th 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Sunday, June 22nd 4:30 pm (Youth Training)

**We will also decorate for VBS on Sunday,
June 22nd and have a hot dog supper. For
more information, please contact Sara
Scandurro at 738-3029.**

nursery provided

Shawl Ministry

The Shawl Ministry will meet on Saturday, June 21st at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

For more information, please contact Carol Ruholl at 828-6096 or ruhollf@msn.com; or Joan Hall at 779-5598 or drhjrh@bellsouth.net.

CARE TEAM MEETING

June 17th at 6:30 pm
in room 211



NEON PUPPET SHOW

There will be a neon puppet show held at Munholland on **Wednesday, July 16th** at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

It is performed by PFC (Puppets For Christ) from Van Dyke UMC in Tampa, Fl.

PFC is a teen ministry that seeks to spread God's word through the entertainment of puppets and creative arts.

It should be a lot of fun for the entire family...

MUNHOLLAND is the No. 1 CONTRIBUTOR IN 2007

Thanks to your generosity, Munholland is the number one contributor to the Youth Service Fund (YSF) for 2007. YSF is the United Methodist mission

fund supported by youth and provides a way for youth to be in real ministry with each other. Munholland was also the number one contributor in 2005 and 2006.

Top 10 Giving Churches in 2007

MUNHOLLAND UMC ***	\$1,887.00
FIRST UMC/MONROE *	\$745.00
FIRST UMC/DENHAM SPRINGS	\$646.00
ALDRSGATE UMC	\$492.00
ASBURY UMC/LAFAYETTE *	\$447.00
FIRST UMC/ALEXANDRIA *	\$427.00
PHARR CHAPEL UMC	\$323.00
NOLLEY MEM UMC/JENA	\$281.00
BETHANY UMC/NEW ORLEANS	\$200.00
SUMMER GROVE UMC	\$181.00

* = also top 10 in 2006

++ = No. 1 in YSF giving 2005, 2006, 2007



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

presented by
Custer Road UMC, Plano, TX
Revelation Choir
(a 125-member youth choir)

Wednesday, June 18th at 7:00 PM

please be present at this fabulous musical performance celebrating the Bible story of Joseph and his brothers

Schedule of Ministry Event

Meetings and Special Events

June 15	4:30 pm	Bible Study "Reaching for the Invisible God" Happy Father's Day
June 16	7:00 pm	Church Council Mtg (FH)
June 17	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting Care Team Mtg (211)
June 18	5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Summer Midweek Meal Youth Concert (Sanc)
June 19	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	VBS Training Greater NO Photo Soc Meeting (FH)
June 21	10:00 am	Shawl Ministry
June 22	4:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Bible Study "Reaching for the Invisible God" Youth VBS Training VBS Decorating/Hot Dog Supper
June 23-27	8:45 am-noon	VBS Week
June 24	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
June 29	11:00 am 4:30 pm	VBS in Worship Bible Study "Reaching for the Invisible God"

Every Week at Munholland

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

9:30 am	Sunday School
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 Summer Program
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Tuesday

10:00 am	Staff Meeting
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Wednesday

9:30-1:30	Kid's Day Out Summer Program
5:30 - 6:30 pm	Summer Midweek Meals held on 6/18, 7/9, 7/30, 8/13, & 8/27
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 Summer Program
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 Summer Program
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, **Wednesday June 25th**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** on Tuesday, June 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

	May 11	May 18
Sunday		
8:30 am	79	75
9:45 am	62	50
11:00 am	<u>195</u>	<u>187</u>
Other	15	15
Total	351	327
Sunday School	172	162

JUNE'S CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels – Wednesday
(Rehearsal-Columns room)

There will be no choir practice during June or July

Altar Choir – Sunday
(Rehearsal-Elementary Music Room)

There will be no choir practice during June or July

Chancel Choir – Wednesday

06/18/08	Choir Time	7:00 pm–8:30
06/25/08	Choir Time	7:00 pm–8:30

MUMY CALENDAR

(Munholland United Methodist Youth)

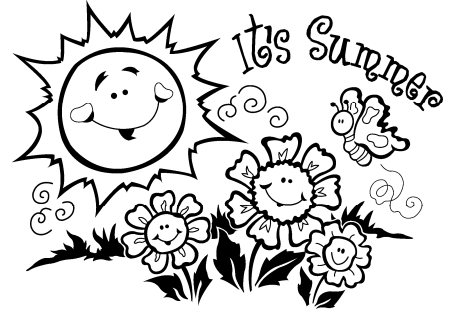
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June 15	Youth Meeting
June 22	Youth Meeting
June 28	Movie Night

Mark your calendars for July 24th – 27th for Weekend of the Cross ...

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.

KIDS DAY OUT



KDO is having fun in the summer sun!

We will have nursery Rhyme Time from June 16th – 20th.

We will be closed the week of June 23rd though June 27th for Vacation Bible School.

Don't forget to wear your sunscreen when camp resumes on June 30th.

If you need more information, please contact Pitrina Messina at 834-0920...

Discovery Club and Young Youth

Mark your calendars:

Neon Puppet Show
Wednesday, July 16th @ 7:00 pm
in the Fellowship Hall

WORK GROUP UPDATE

JUNE 29 – July 5

John Creek UMC Youth Group, Duluth, GA (50)

JULY 12-19

Jarrettown UMC Youth Group, Dresher, PA (25)

JULY 27- AUGUST 1

First UMC, Houston, TX (30)

YOUTH work teams will be coming to stay with us during the next two months. 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 at 220-6541 or mark your check to MUMC "for volunteers Midweek"...

Thank you all for your "welcoming" presence and sharing our space with the MANY, MANY volunteers over the last few months!

Betsy White
Volunteer Housing Coordinator

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