

The Messenger

of Munholland United Methodist Church

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Christian Education Sunday



Please be in prayer for the following children as they receive their bibles during the 11:00 am worship service on Sunday, **September 18th**.

Sophie Elizabeth Chevis

Bryanna Marie Price

Mary Clement Clark

Ian Harrington Reily

Diane Elizabeth Hailey

Hunter Cummings Richardson

Sophia Rose Zollinger

The tradition recognizes that our third graders are ready to learn more about God, study the Scriptures, and apply God's word to their lives.



Munholland would like to recognize *all teachers* (Sunday School and Bible Study) on **Christian Education Sunday, September 18th**. There will be a dedication of teachers at all three worship services. We would like to thank all teachers for their hard work, dedication and service.

UMW's WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th, 2011
8:00 AM TO 2:00 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come join us for our annual White Elephant Sale. Expected sale items to include: household, small appliances/electronics, plants, furniture, yard/garden, books, toys, linens, antiques/collectibles, vintage jewelry, and accessories. Food items will be available, as well as desserts, and baked goodies. Low, low, prices.

For more information, please contact Phyllis Zansler at 701-3622, Lorrie Dobrovoly at 443-4641 or the church office at 834-9910.

**Midweek Meal will begin on Wednesday, September 7th
from 5:00 pm * - 6:15 pm.**

Come join us for a great meal and wonderful fellowship.

* Note Time Change



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

We will continue to meet every Tuesday at 10:00 am to prepare for the White Elephant Sale.



If you have some items you would like to donate to our White Elephant Sale, please drop off no later than Monday, September, 19th. We are collecting items during regular business hours or on Wednesdays when midweek resumes. Please place donations on the stage and mark for UMW.

If you have large items to be picked up, please call Phyllis at 701-3622 or Lorrie at 443-4641. All donations must be clean and in working condition.

CALLING ALL SOUP CHEFS! Again this year, we will be selling homemade soups and need your help. If you have a favorite soup you would like to contribute to our *Soup Sales*, please call us. We provide the necessary pint and quart containers and lids, so all are consistent in size. We can also provide the labels (place label on the container before adding or freezing the soup) if you don't have any.

Then join us on Saturday, September 24th for great bargains, wonderful food and fun....

Hope Circle Happenings

Hope Circle will meet on Monday, September 19th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall to view the video "Haiti's Small Miracles."

The 60 minute video tells the story of Haiti through the voices of its children and those who work to save them. We will have a presentation by Mariejo Proux for the October meeting. She is a nurse in Haiti.

We invite all members of our Munholland family to join us for this event.

Pam Eversmeyer

A Note from the Evangelism Committee

We are looking for "a few good men, women, or youth" to help us in the following ways during *September's Open House Month*:

- Help pitch and tear down the tailgating canopy before 8:30 and after the 11:00 service
- "Man" the canopy at the Elmeer entrance before each service to hand out plants and packets to first time visitors, be sure everyone has a nametag. Give directions to classrooms, nursery, and fellowship time, etc.
- Provide extra goodies for Fellowship Time
- Turn power point presentation on before each service and off as the service begins
- Escort early arrivals to Fellowship Time at 10:30 and first time visitors to the Welcome Center

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Eversmeyer at 662-801-8020.



*From Maggiore School
Summer Reading Students*

For I was hungry and you gave me lunch.

I was thirsty and you gave me drink.

I was a stranger and you took me in.

Naked and you clothed me.

I was sick and you visited me.

*I was in prison and ye came unto me,
And the King answered... Verily I say unto you. In as much as you have done unto the least of my brethren you have done it unto me.*

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Summer Lunch Program. There were 675 lunches distributed along with healthy snacks and drinks during our three week Reading Program.

All of your hard work was truly appreciated.

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 jmsmumc@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

Congratulations to: Dr. Al Habeeb

Dr. & Bro. Al Habeeb has received a Certificate honoring him for being a Master Mason for 75 years.

The Grand Lodge of the state of Louisiana issued the certificate and it was presented to him at a ceremony on May 19TH by Worshipful Master Joe Loyacano.

Article provided by *John Batty*

YOUTH KICK-OFF EVENT

September 11, 2011

5:00 to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

All 7th through 12th graders and their families are invited to join us for dinner and find out what our youth program is all about!! A main dish and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share.

After dinner, the youth will enjoy an outdoor obstacle course, while the parents meet with Munholland's Youth Director, Ford Dieth. Ford will hand out a schedule of events, talk about the year and answer any questions you might have about our program.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the church office at 834-9910.

A Note of Thanks from the Mission Committee

Thanks to the participants of Vacation Bible School and Everyone who participated with the Summer Reading Program at Maggiore School.

Through your generosity, we were able to serve the children a snack with a juice box each morning and give them a lunch each day as they exited the school bus.

The children entered school each morning talking about what was in their lunch bags the previous day. Truly their spiritual and physical needs were fed through your participation in this project.

Munholland's generous response to this project put the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:37 into action: "In so far as you did this to one of the least...of mine, you did it to me."

Your willingness to share with these children helped to make this Mission project such a huge success.

Please make sure to notice the Thank You notes the children created for us. They are very special and can be found on the Mission's Bulletin Board.



Congratulations to Chris & Shannon Zink on the birth of their son, Emerson Marshall Zink.

He was born on August 1, 2011 at 7 pounds and 18 ½ inches.

SEPTEMBER is *OPEN HOUSE* month at MUNHOLLAND

- Welcome visitors or anyone you don't recognize and invite them to your small group
- Invite people who arrive early for 11:00 worship to join us in the vestibule for fellowship time
- If you introduce yourself to a first time visitor, escort him/her to the Welcome Center to be presented their welcome gift and information packet. Or present the visitor with one of the plants or packets that will be on the small table under the stairs in the Narthex. Be sure to ask the visitor to fill out the visitor card and return it to the office.
- Be intentional in inviting **Friends, Relatives, and Neighbors** to worship, Sunday School, Bible study, and Midweek (the FRAN plan)
- Encourage new members to join us for our New Member Midweek meal
- Volunteer to lead a youth, or children's Sunday School class or be the "second adult" in one of these classes or groups for a month or one Sunday a month
- Volunteer to join our ushers, greeters, or umbrella brigade
- Leave the Visitor spaces in the Metairie Road parking lot empty
- Invite our church neighbors to join our activities as you walk to and from your cars or accompany your children on the playground
- Visit the playground one afternoon and offer the parents and children who are enjoying our facility bottled water and juice boxes
- Keep in touch with our college and graduate students and members in the military through emails or face book
- Pray for our continued success in being a Welcoming Congregation
- Be on the lookout for more activities and suggestions that encourage our hospitality throughout September and this year

*A special thank you to the ministers, staff,
and friends at Munholland.*

*I appreciate all your cards, thoughts and
prayers, on the death of my sister, Marie.*

Darlene Brown, Church Office

The next edition of *The Messenger* goes to print on, **Monday, September 12th**. We will include in the newsletter, all articles received by **10:00 am** (space permitting) on Friday, September 9th.

Weekly Worship Attendance		
	July 24	July 31
Sunday		
8:30 am	70	89
9:45 am	38	48
11:00 am	<u>156</u>	<u>172</u>
Svc of Prayer & Healing	20	20
Other		
Total	284	329
Sunday School	139	154

Meetings and Special Events		
Sept.01	10:00 am	Bible Studies
	7:00 pm	Gr. NO Photo Soc
Sept. 05	Labor Day	Office Closed
Sept. 06	10:00 am	UMW – work on
		White Elephant Sale
	11:00 am	Service of Prayer & Healing Svc
	6:00 pm	Motion for Fitness Class
	6:30 pm	Mission Comm.
Sept. 07	9:30 am	KDO Resumes
	10:00 am	District Clergy Mtg
	5:00 pm	Midweek Meal Resumes
	5:45 pm	Children' Choirs
	6:15 pm	Bible Studies
	6:15 pm	Communion
	6:45 pm	Adult Choir
Sept. 08	9:30/10:00 am	Bible Studies
Sept. 11	4:30 pm	Bible Studies
Sept. 12	6:15 pm	Bible Study
Sept. 13	11:00 am	Service of Prayer & Healing Svc
	6:00 pm	Motion for Fitness Class
	6:00 pm	Trustees Mtg
Sept. 14	5:00 pm	Midweek Meal
	5:45 pm	Children's Choir
	6:15 pm	Bible Studies
	6:15 pm	Communion
	6:45 pm	Adult Choir
Sept.15	9:30/10:00 am	Bible Studies
	7:00 pm	Gr. NO Photo Soc

THE KIDS' PAGE

Acolyte Training

Saturday, September 17th
in the Sanctuary
at 10:00 am

Calling all kids entering 3rd grade and up who would be interested in being a part of our worship service.

Elementary Clubs

(1st through 6th Grade)
Saturday, September 17th
Water Slide on the green space
11:00 am until 1:00 pm

Please bring a sack lunch, towel and sunscreen. Drink will be provided.

If you have any questions about either event, please contact Melissa at 834-9910 or email melissac@munholland.org.

Melissa Chailland
Director of Children's Ministries

SEPTEMBER CHOIR SCHEDULE

Littlest Angels

(Rehearsal on Wednesdays in room 111)

09/07/11	Choir Time	5:45–6:30 pm
09/14/11	Choir Time	5:45–6:30 pm

Altar Choir

(Rehearsal on Wednesdays in Adult Choir Room)

09/07/11	Choir Time	5:45–6:30 pm
09/14/11	Choir Time	5:45–6:30 pm

Chancel Choir – Wednesdays

09/07/11	Choir Time	6:45–8:15 pm
09/14/11	Choir Time	6:45–8:15 pm

KIDS DAY OUT

KDO would like to welcome back our returning families and new families for the 2011-12 school year.

**Our first day of school is
Wednesday, September 7, 2011...**

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

MUMY CALENDAR

(Munholland United Methodist Youth)

September 2011

Sun., Sept. 04	No Youth Meeting Scheduled – Labor Day Holiday
Sun., Sept. 11	Youth Family Kick-off Event with an Obstacle Course Challenge on the green space meet from 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Sun., Sept. 18	Hang out with Sione at Youth Group from 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Sun., Sept. 25	Digital Scavenger Hunt – bring your cameras, cell phones, etc.

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

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

Solomon, the wisest man of all, wrote Psalm 127. In this psalm, he gives wise counsel concerning what man will build in his earthly life and how he should build it. He says in verse 1, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. Unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain."

Here's the idea. During those all-important early years of marriage, make sure that the Lord your God is the heart and center of your family. When starting a new career, a new project, forming a business, constructing a home for your family, or embarking upon anything to accomplish, let God build that "house". If He is not intentionally placed at the foundation, the whole experience is a study in futility – an empty and counterproductive effort. It will all be in vain. The work of the builder is wasted. The building will eventually collapse. This psalm refutes the idea that hard work alone is the secret of success. The Bible teaches that diligence contributes to prosperity, but hard work in and of itself is not the secret. The idea of God's kind of success is that the building was His blueprint and He is the architect and the foreman of the project – from start to glorious finish.

A family gets started on the right foot when Jesus Christ is invited in to make His home in their home. He then is given room to rule and reign and conform them into His image. So when a couple, a Mayor, a CEO or anyone who wants to succeed in life makes Christ the cornerstone of their house, in the terms of the psalmist, that's when "the LORD builds the house".

Save This Date!!!

What: Mission Trip To Camp Istrouma

When: October 3-8

Why: Camp Istrouma, which is used by United Methodists of all ages for retreats and other spiritual events, needs some repairs.

No really, Why? Did you attend Camp at Istrouma? Did your children attend events? We want those memories to be available to others as well, without the memories of peeling paint or black plastic on windows instead of blinds.

But I am not able to paint, can I still help? Yes! There will be opportunities for almost every skill level or you could provide financial assistance for this mission. (If you have specific concerns, see a member of the Mission Committee or of the church staff for details).

But I have to work / go to school / go to the doctor during that week: The camp is so close to Metairie that you can easily drive there for a single day, or stay the whole week.

Details coming soon!

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