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*"Casting all your care upon Him; for
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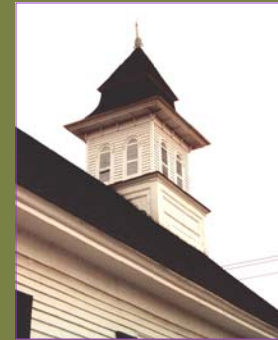
REMINDERS

Annual Pot Pie Dinner

United Methodist Women will host their annual Pot Pie Dinner on Tuesday, November 8th at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00. Contact Loretta Schellinger (609) 886-5138 for reservations. Homemade vanilla extract will be available for purchase for \$12.00 per bottle.



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Harvest Festival



We will once again be participating in the Middle Township Harvest Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd. Rain date October 23rd. Please contact Lori Rosell (889-7526) if you can help.

CAN WE TALK?

Communication is the key to any successful relationship and that includes our relationship as pastor and member or friend of the church. Please feel free to contact me whenever you have a concern, a question, a prayer request or you just wish to chat. I can be reached at home (522-4054) or if I am not there, please do not hesitate to call my cell phone (346-7889) anytime. You may also send me a text message, an email (pastorgerri@comcast.net) or message me on facebook. I can be in the church office daytime or most evenings, if you prefer to meet in person.

I would also be very happy to visit you at your home. I understand that some people are not comfortable with this and so it is my policy to not visit a church member's home without a specific invitation.

The exception to this is when a church member is physically unable to attend worship regularly, a death has occurred in the family, or a church member is in crisis, in which case, I will phone you in advance and ask if a visit is wanted. I respect your privacy and will never just drop in unexpectedly.

As for hospital visits, I attempt to visit all active church members in the hospital. Please be sure to have someone, preferably a family member, let me know if you are hospitalized. I cannot visit you if I don't know where you are. I will visit any inactive members, family members or friends of members as well, if they desire. Please let me know if the patient wishes me to visit.

I also have a regular schedule of visitation and serving communion for those in long term care facilities, assisted living communities and prisons. If possible, I schedule appointments for these visits in advance. Please let me know of anyone whom I should be calling upon regularly.

Please know that as your pastor, I am here for you, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, whenever you need spiritual advice, comfort, counsel, or other assistance of any sort. Just let me know how I can help. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

In Christ,

Pastor Gerri L. Ridings



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Operation Christmas Child

National Collection Week-November 14th-November 21st
Please help us share the love of Jesus this Christmas. Join us in Operation Christmas Child's shoebox collection. You may pack a shoe box or purchase items that may be used to help fill the shoebox. (Ideas for items to include will be posted later or pick up the list in church). You may also donate the funds to purchase items or for shipping costs. Filled shoeboxes must be returned to our social hall by Sunday, November 13th. Questions? Call Julie Crossley at 609 465-8055.
View the report online at <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/>



46th Annual West Cape May Christmas Parade

The 46th Annual West Cape May Christmas Parade is scheduled for 5 p.m., December 3rd. We will begin holding our work sessions in the Social Hall beginning Friday October 17th at 7 p.m. We all know that as the parade day approaches we can be found working in the Social Hall every night.



Vacation Bible School

Congratulations to all our students and volunteers for reviving our Vacation Bible School Program



COMING EVENTS

October

- October 6th 7:00 pm Men's Monthly Bible Study-Social Hall
- October 6th 7:00 pm Women's Monthly Bible Study-Sanctuary
- October 7th 7:00 pm United Methodist Women-Social Hall
- October 8th 10:00 am Blessing of the Animals-Cemetery
- October 9th 10:00 am Second Sunday Brunch after Worship
- October 13th 7:00 pm Bible Study-Social Hall
- October 18th 7:00 pm Pastor Parish Relations Board-Social Hall
- October 18th 7:30 pm Administrative Board-Social Hall
- October 19th 5:00 pm Food Pantry-Basement
- October 20th 7:00 pm Bible Study-Social Hall
- October 22nd 10:00 am Harvest Festival Booth
- October 27th 7:00 pm Bible Study-Social Hall
- October 31st 5:00-8 pm Halloween Hospitality-Social Hall

November

- November 3rd 7:00 pm Men's Monthly Bible Study-Social Hall
- November 3rd 7:00 pm Women's Monthly Bible Study-Sanctuary
- November 8th 4:00 pm Pot Pie Dinner
- November 10th 7:00 pm Bible Study-Social Hall

- November 13th 10:00 am Second Sunday Brunch after Worship
- November 16th 5:00 pm Food Pantry-Basement
- November 16th 6:30 pm Pastor Parish Relations Meeting with the District Superintendent-Social Hall
- November 16th 7:30 pm Annual Charge Conference
- November 17th 7:00 pm Bible Study-Social Hall
- November 23rd 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Eye Service-Green Creek Bethel UMC-Rev. Rodney Longmire
- November 24th Thanksgiving Holiday

December

- December 3rd 5 pm West Cape May Christmas Parade



Blessing of the Animals

This year's **Blessing of the Animals** will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2011 at 10:00 am at the church.

Join us as we give thanks for all of God's creatures and ask for blessings upon the animals in our lives. For their own safety, all animals should be on a leash/lead or in some type of carrier. In instances where it is not possible or practical to bring your animal, you may bring a picture, if you wish. There will also be a time of remembrance for those pets that have died.

