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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Go into the world and share
the light of Jesus Christ with
Worship
Study
Service
Spiritual Growth”

*Adopted by Church Council
Oct. 2009*



LOOKING AHEAD

- Oct. 2 – World Wide Communion
- Oct. 2 – Fresh Start Classes begin
- Oct. 5 – Nursery School Parent Tea
- Oct. 9 – 3rd Grade Bible Presentation
- Oct. 12 – UMW Fall Gathering
- Oct. 14 – No School
- Oct. 16 – Youth Sunday
- Oct. 16 – Youth Laser Tag Outing
- Oct. 28-29-Women’s Retreat @
Camp Asbury
- Oct. 31 -- Halloween

Sunday Worship
9:00 & 11:10 a.m.

Sunday School
10:00 a.m.

From Rev. Larry Marshall:

Dear Friends,

For the past 2 or 3 years we have heard a lot about the jobless rate. The concern is that this has been running close to 10% since 2008. Certainly, one of the keys to economic vitality is finding ways of getting people back to work. Periodically I read stories of persons who used job loss as an opportunity to do something they have always dreamed of doing.

Obviously, only a small percentage of people have the means to pull this off and certainly there is great risk. But, doing something we love can be very satisfying which makes it worth the risk.

As Christians, God continually gives us the opportunity to serve. This is not considered a job, it is a calling. The motivation to answer God’s call is living out the two best commandments: “Love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength,” and “Love your neighbor as yourself.” It is one thing to do something, but it is another thing to love doing it whether we are called to teach, sing in the choir, lead mission trips or serve on a committee. Loving God and loving people can really bring us satisfaction. Psalm 100 tells us to “Serve the Lord with gladness.” Part of our Vision Statement says “We are a place where people serve joyfully.” God does not call us to “Do it all,” God calls us to love others through our love for His son Jesus. So let us answer Gods call and experience joy through serving Him.

Yours in Christ,

From Rev. Paul Beal:
Congregational Care



October 2011

Dear Friends,

“Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” (Galatians 6:2)

This instruction and challenge from the Apostle Paul to the Church and to our congregation is being fulfilled in several ways. We pray for one another. The Prayer Chain is made up of more than 100 persons from our membership. Judy Markwell is currently our contact person at prayerchain1@windstream.net. The pastors and staff and any church member may contact Judy via email at any time there is a need for prayer. This is one of the marvels of modern technology that make it possible to rally the members of our Prayer Chain to immediately send up prayers for whatever may be the crisis or need. If you are not currently a member of the Prayer Chain and would like to be, notify Judy at the above email address or tell one of the staff. Each Sunday we have a time of prayer during the worship services with a Prayer List of current persons both from our membership and extended church family whom we hold up to God in prayer. We have a UMW Caring Committee which provides meals to persons and families undergoing some kind of situation for a short term or even longer term when needed. These are just two ways in which our congregation cares for one another. I’m sure there are many more. One of the most important goals for our church, I’m sure, is to be a caring church where every person is valued, affirmed and loved.

Yours in Christ,



MANAGING TRANSITIONS, MAKING THE MOST OF CHANGE

By William Bridges

According to author William Bridges, PHD,
Speaker, Consultant and lecturer:

“It isn’t the changes that do you in, it’s the transitions.”

Change is situational while transition is psychological. Bridges sees transition as a 3 phase process that people go through as they internalize it and come to terms with the details of the new situation that change brings about. Change without transition is “just a rearrangement of the chairs.” Look at Moses’ leadership in leading the Israelites out of Egypt.

THE THREE PHASES:

1. Letting go of the old ways and old identity. This really results in an ending during which people need to name and deal with their losses.
2. Going through a “neutral zone” in which the old is gone and the new is not yet fully operational. This is a time of great opportunity in which psychological realignments and re-patterning take place.
3. Coming out of the transition into new beginnings as people discover their new identity and experience new energy in a refocused mission.

**From the September
Canal District Newsletter**



COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Rev. Paul would be glad to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member who is unable to come to services during the month of October which is the month for World Wide Communion.

Please call 330 650-2650, ext. 23 if you would like this service.

OUR CHURCH

FRESH START

A Fresh Start Class will begin Sunday, October 2, 10:15 a.m. and will run for 4 Sundays for those interested in learning about HUMC and the possibility of joining our church. For information contact: Amy Pendergrass 330-801-1673

HUMW – NURTURE MEALS



The HUMW Nurture Committee coordinates meals to serve as a blessing to our church congregation throughout the year. Meals are provided for new babies, family medical conditions, family deaths, or other special needs. If you could use a meal or you know of someone in our church family who could use a meal, please contact one of the following Nurture Coordinators: Melanie Balash (330 655-2843), Sara Campbell (330 541-2225), or Tracy Zappone (330 342-5757).



A Note from you Librarians:

As many of you know, our **Children's Library** opened on Sunday, September 18th, in Room 113. It was wonderful to see this room full of children reading books, playing with puzzles, and doing crossword puzzles. FYI, there were more children's books checked out on Sunday morning than in the entire past year! This room is a resource for all of the children of the church and their families; we have books and materials for Pre-K – Grade 5. *Please feel free to use the Children's Library during the week even if a librarian is not on duty.* The checkout/return instructions are posted at the green circulation desk.

Donations: We will happily accept donations of new and gently-used books, DVD's, puzzles, and games. More recent than 1990, please. Any items that we find that we don't need will be donated to the Friends of the Hudson Library Sale (books) or our church attic sale.

We are currently looking for:

- Religious books, general fiction/non-fiction, and award winners (all types) for ages 6 – 12
- Games with few pieces that can be played (relatively!) quietly and in a short amount of time, i.e. Go Fish, Barrel of Monkeys, Dominoes, UNO, etc.

Finally, **thank you!!** to our Church Council and the Board of Trustees for making this gift to the children possible. Happy Reading!! Paula Wagner, Barb Woodworth, Co-Librarians



CAR WASH TOKENS FOR SALE

Leigh Conti has car wash tokens for sale for \$15.00 each. They include under carriage, tires, wheels and polymer wax. All profits are going to reimburse the church fund that paid for the sanctuary piano so get yours soon.

JESUS STUDY

Care to join the Jesus Study on Wednesday nights but need child care? Just give the church office a call 24 hours ahead and we will see that your needs are met!

SEARCH FOR THE CHRIST CHILD

Planning has begun for the 4th Annual production of the "Search For The Christ Child," which will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2011, from 5-7 pm. Spread the light! Be the fire! Share the joy! Be a part of the experience as we journey to Bethlehem to find the Christ Child. This event takes many volunteers. Please consider being a part of the planning team or participate in the cast or production crew. To be a part of this moving experience, please sign-up on the poster in the Gathering Area. You can also contact Cheryl Gamble at 330-655-0629, or by email: markg@en.com

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild will be meeting Wednesday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Check the dry erase board for room assignment.

NEW BIKE RACK

A new bike rack has been placed on the entry sidewalk at the Stow Road entrance. A very grateful thank you goes to the Memorial, Endowments, and Gifts Committee and the generous donors to these church funds! Get to church with a smile on your face – ride your bike!!



MUSIC

At Hudson United Methodist Church we offer a wealth of musical opportunities for all ages and skill levels. We want anyone who has an interest in singing in a choir, playing in a band, playing in a bell choir, or just playing your own instrument during the service.

From the Crusader Choir for pre-schoolers to Adults there are many opportunities to serve the music ministry. See the green informational sheet by the Stow entrance for contact information.



FILL YOUR SPIRITUAL CUP

How has HUMC helped you to feel closer to your faith? Have you attended a Sunday school class and made friends who have supported you in your faith? Have you received a meal or delivered a meal from the Nurturing Committee? Have your children participated in choir, RAD or Youth Group? Have you served others in the name of God and HUMC through Habitat for Humanity, Open M, Feed My Sheep, ASP? These are just some of the many opportunities available to us at HUMC to “refill our spiritual cups” daily, weekly or monthly and move closer to God through our gifts, our talents and our services.

Soon, the Stewardship Committee will be asking each member of God’s faith community to consider how HUMC will be able to “Fill Your Spiritual Cup”. We hope that you prayerfully consider how to continue to build your faith and grow your involvement in Christ’s ministries by reflecting on all the church has done with you and through you and all the memories you have received in return. We hope that with the generosity of your pledges we will be able to continue to serve God’s community and add to the opportunities available within the walls and outside of the walls of HUMC.

So, please prayerfully consider your stewardship throughout the upcoming weeks. Pledge to fill the HUMC SPIRITUAL CUP which will energize yourself and those your generous pledges will serve also.



WELCOME MISSIONARY KATHY DICKRIEDE

On Sunday, October 23, Rev. Kathy Dickriede will join Larry in leading our 9 and 11:15 AM worship. Kathy serves as an educational missionary at the Camphor Mission Station, a United Methodist mission in the Liberian Annual Conference in West Africa. Hudson UMC supports Kathy, pledging \$2,000 annually through the East Ohio Conference. Camphor Mission Station is part of our Bishop’s 3C Initiative of “Clinics, Classrooms and Churches.”

HUMW HOSTS ANNUAL FALL GATHERING
The HUMC Women’s Board invites all women of the Congregation to attend our annual HUMW Fall Gathering on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. You will not want to miss a special performance of “Life with the Flaps Down”, featuring stand-up comic, mother of 4 and breast cancer survivor Lynn DaCosse. Please join us for an enjoyable evening about the absurdities of motherhood. Cookies and punch will be served. Please RSVP on the board in the Gathering Area or email Cheryl Gamble at markg@en.com.

OUR MEMBERS

We received this note:

Rev. Marshall & HUMC Congregation, Thank you all for giving and participating in such a beautiful Baptism. All of my family enjoyed themselves and felt very welcomed. Thank you also for the plentiful gift basket; it was very gracious and unexpected. Thank you all again for making her glorious day perfect! Love, Ashley & Brandylynn Andersen

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Rosemary and Rev. Larry Marshall announce the birth of their grandson Asher Lee Marshall. The baby boy was born on September 19, 2011 to Erik and Amanda Marshall.

OUR COMMUNITY



POPCORN SALE

Boy Scout Troop 327 is currently selling their world-famous Boy Scout popcorn! Don’t miss the chance to stock up on your favorite microwave popcorn. Chocolate, caramel and cheese popcorn flavors are also available. Free samples will be available in the Gathering Area after each service on Sunday, October 16. Orders will be taken that day or you can contact Ann Coleman at 330 653-8686 for more information. October 25 is the last day to order.



www.openm-ministry.org

Seven or eight volunteers are needed to serve a meal at OPEN M on Monday, Oct. 17 for about 175 people. Donations needed are **Sloppy Joe barbequed beef** (This can be made ahead and stored in the freezer at Church), hamburger buns, potato chips, cookies, fruit (bananas, oranges and grapes). Contact Elisha Burr at 330-963-3727 or elisha1566@windstream.net if you can help.

FEED MY SHEEP



Please join us for Feed My Sheep as we distribute clothing and toiletries from 11:30 to 1 pm. on October 14.

NEEDED: hotel/travel size toiletries, regular sized bar soap, shampoo, deodorant and gently used men's and women's seasonal clothing (pants, shirts, jackets & athletic shoes), **new** socks, briefs & t-shirts for men and women. We will also use coupons for these select items, which can be left in the church office.

Donation bins are located in the closet where name tags are stored, in the narthex area. Questions: contact Nancy Kralik, 655-5361 **-THANK YOU!**

VOLUNTEER IN MISSION (VIM)

A Volunteer in Mission trip to the Holy Land is planned for February 4-18, 2012 for volunteer service work with a UMC project of your choice. You will also visit Holy sites: Jerusalem's Old City, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum and more, as well as worship with a local congregation. The cost is \$2999 and includes air fare, tourist class hotels, guide, transport and full board. For complete information contact: Jllewis@diyar.ps.

PART TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Streetsboro United Methodist Church is seeking a part-time church secretary for 3 hours a day. If you are interested or know of someone who would be please call Eleanor Kline at 330 626-4992 for further information.

ACME COMMUNITY CASH BACK PROGRAM

The Acme Community Cash Back Program has begun and will run through Friday, February 11, 2012. Only register tapes dated 9/24/11 through 2/11/12 will qualify. You'll earn 5% on Acme store brands. -The Community Cash Back amount is noted on the register tape below the date. The Acme register tape collection bag is located on the mission bulletin board in the Gathering Area. HUMC will direct the money we earn to UMCOR programs in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, Camphor Station Liberia, Palestine/Israel and the McCurdy School, New Mexico. Thank you!

OUR PRESCHOOL



The first month of school is already behind us when we were meeting new friends and welcoming back old ones; it went so fast. We also started Music, Library, and Lunch Bunch. It is always exciting to get these programs underway!

In addition the four and five year olds have visited Beckwith Apple Orchard where we got to see how they make cider and how they pick the apples. The hay maze is always a BIG treat!

In October the fours are looking forward to a visit to the Hudson Fire Station where we will see "Miss Ginger" and learn about fire safety.

We will also go to Hudson Springs Park for a walking fall adventure and end the month with our Halloween parties. As you can see we are very busy here at school.

We still have several openings in our 2/1/2 Toddler program and three year old programs. If you know of anyone looking for preschool please have them call the office at 330-650-4091.ext. 2.



WOMEN'S RETREAT

DATE: Friday, October 28, 2011 5:00 p.m.
October 29, 2011 until 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: CAMP ASBURY – HIRAM, OHIO

COST: \$75.00 per person (Scholarships available, contact Rev. Larry Marshall) (Includes overnight lodging, three meals, snack, gift bag and journal)

See "Women in Motion" page for registration form

Focus on Youth!



**OCTOBER
2011**



Sarah

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Daisy43906@aol.com

Office: 330 650-2650,

Ext. 34

Cell: 330 770-7778

All are welcome to contact Sarah Hennessey at any time during the day via her cell phone. If you have to leave a message she will return your call as soon as possible. Best times and hours to reach her are:
Monday 9:00 – 4:30
Tuesday 9:00 – 5:00
Wednesday 9:00 – 3:00
Thursday 9:00 – 5:00
Sunday 9:00 – 12:30 and
4:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Junior High and Senior High Youth Group 2011-2012

After a (hopefully!) restful and relaxing summer, the Youth Leaders and I are gearing up for another year of awesome Youth Group Gatherings on Sunday evenings! Sunday, August 28th will be our first official Youth Group of the 2011-2012 year!

What is Youth Group? If you are a 7th grader, or have not been to a Youth Group before, it's okay to ask, "What is Youth Group?" Youth Group is a time set-aside especially for Junior High and Senior High to re-charge and re-fuel before the week begins.

Youth Group is a place where you are wanted, where your friends are waiting for you to walk in the door! Youth Group is a safe place where students can talk about faith; to open up about doubts, questions or things that just do not make sense in our world. Youth Group is also a place where we can share where we have seen God at work or how our faith in Christ is growing. Every youth is welcome, no matter what their background or what where they are coming from.

Youth Group is all about just being together, and we want YOU! Our Youth Leaders for 2011-2012 are: Bill Centrello, Terri Johnson, Katie Kelly, Joel Davidson, Rick Schmeichel, Sarah Hennessey, Vic Emerick and Steven Rillero!

Jr. High & Sr. High Youth Group Schedule for October 2011

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| October 2 nd | Jr. High: Grapple - Did Jesus Sin?
Sr. High: Who Am I? - Beyond Vocation |
| October 9 th | Jr. High: Grapple – Was Jesus All That (and a Bag of Chips)?
Sr. High: Who Am I? – Beyond Sin |
| October 16 th | 4 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Jr. & Sr. High Laser Tag Outing |
| October 23 rd | Jr. High: Grapple – What if I Don't Fit in?
Sr. High: The Messiah (New Series) |
| October 30 th | Jr. High: New Grapple series, "Is It All About Me, Me, Me? – Why Did God Make Me This Way?"
Sr. High: The Messiah – Light of the World |



Sarah Out of the Office

Sarah Hennessey's last day in the office until October 30th will be Thursday, October 20th. When she returns, she will be Mrs. Vic Emerick! Please feel free to contact any of the Youth Leaders if you have any questions or emergencies during this time.

Youth Sunday 2011 October 16th

Each year our Youth spend a Sunday leading the family of faith in worship services, and once again we are inviting all our youth to participate in Youth Sunday 2011. Parts of worship that are available to be let by students are: Greeting and Announcements, Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, Ushers, Joys and Concerns of the congregation, the Message, Special Music and others! If your student has not participated in a Youth Sunday previously and would like to, please do not hesitate to let Sarah Hennessey or Len Stusek know.



**Next Youth Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 12th at 7 p.m.**

October Radically Active Disciples!

Sunday, October 2nd from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. will be Hudson UMC' October

R.A.D. Event! We are going to talk about the stress and pressure "tweenagers" feel from starting school, obligations at home and to "fitting in" with friends. We will look at an Old Testament character, Elijah, who faced some very stressful situations and how he trusted God to get him through it. We are also going to look at how Jesus teaches us to pray and respond to stress in our lives. Finally, the R.A.D. students and leaders will bake rice-krispy treats together in the kitchen! We look forward to seeing all our 5th and 6th grade students on October 2nd!!



New Books: Resources for Parents on Kids and Faith

1. **99 Thoughts For Parents Of Teenagers** by Walt Mueller. Inside this book are 99 quick thoughts to inspire and refresh the hearts of parents from one of the leading experts on youth and family culture. It is filled with age-old adages to new insights that parents may not have thought of before. Group magazine says, "It's an easy read and a must-have for every parent in your ministry." 99 Thoughts for Parents of Teenagers is available at simplyyouthministry.com.

2. **Sticky Faith** by Sr. Kara E. Powell and Chap Clark, Ph.D. Post-high school students struggle with their faith. Dr. Kara E. Powell and Chap Clark have written "Sticky Faith" with the hope of helping parents nurture and teens cultivate a lifelong faith. Group magazine says, "Sticky Faith has the potential to help every child in America, by helping every parent and youth worker become more intentional about discipling their kids into a faith that lasts. Stick Faith is available at zondervan.com.

3. **What Jesus Said** by Greg Stier

"At the core of becoming 'like Jesus' lies an active commitment to his overarching cause – THE Cause of making disciples who make disciples. Jesus said, 'The Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.' If you really want your teenagers to become like Jesus, then their hearts must be broken for their lost friends, and they must do what it takes to reach them. Evangelism must be more than a casual outcome of your discipleship strategies. It must be the driving force behind them. The more your teenagers live out THE Cause in the power of Christ, the more they will be transformed into Jesus' image."

Student Volunteer Opportunity - Feed My Sheep



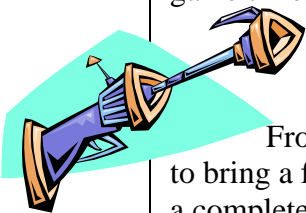
On Friday, October 14th, some school districts have no school! October 14th is also Hudson UMC's day to serve at Feed My Sheep located in Redeemer UMC. Volunteers meet at Redeemer UMC at 10:30 a.m. to sort clothes, supplies and set them out for the individuals to look at. Redeemer UMC provides a free hot lunch and then encourages those in attendance to check our room for things they may need. If you are interested in volunteering with Feed My Sheep, please let Sarah Hennessey or Nancy Kralik know. Thank you!

Laser Tag Outing for Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group, October 16th!

Hudson UMC Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group outing for October is Sunday, October 16th to Laser Quest Akron! The Jr. & Sr. High will have ALL of Laser Quest for a Triple-Play! Arrive at Hudson UMC at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 16th – Youth and Youth Leaders will carpool to the facility. "Laser Tag training" begins promptly at 5 p.m. Game time will be divided into three game times:


- Game 1 - 5:20 p.m.
- Game 2 - 6:00 p.m.
- Game 3 - 6:40 p.m.

From 7 - 7:45 we will have Donatos Pizza in the Party Room! All students are welcome to bring a friend. The cost is \$17.50 per student; please bring a check made out to "HUMC" and a completed Parent Consent Form to the event. Forms are available in Sarah's office or on the Hudson UMC website. Questions? Contact Sarah Hennessey.



UMW
Annual Fall Gathering
 Wednesday, October 12
 7:00 p.m.
Life with the Flaps Down
 by Lynn DaCosse.

WOMEN IN MOTION

UMW
 MISSION. . .OUTREACH. . .FELLOWSHIP
 Visit Hudson United Methodist Church on our new Facebook page 

UMW BOARD MEETING – This group usually meets the first Thursday morning of the month, but sometimes the Wednesday evening before. Karen Kelly (234 380-5228) is the president of the Board. The next board meeting will be Thursday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m.
 Please let her know if you need child care.

MARY-MARTHA CIRCLE – This group usually meets the second Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. The leaders are Nancy Kralik (330 655-5361) and Karen Kelly (234 380-5228 & khkelly5@gmail.com). The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13. Meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. to create gift baskets.

PRICILLA CIRCLE - This group is scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month. The leaders are Sandy Wristen (330 656-1471) and Amy Lunn (330 653-5849) and are available for questions. The next meeting will be joining the UMW Fall Gathering.

BOOKS FOR BREAKFAST – This group is a book discussion group that has been meeting the fourth Thursday of each month from 9:15 to noon for 15 years and is open to all women of the church. Attend as many meetings as you wish and finishing the book is *not* a requirement. The next meeting will be Oct. 29 at Cynthia's to discuss *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom.

NOVELS AT NIGHT – This group meets on the third Friday of the month (excepting Dec. 10 and Mar. 18) starting at 6:30 p.m. with supper, followed by the discussion. Call Deanna Page (330 425-8166) for information. The October 14 meeting will be a viewing of the movie *The King's Speech* at Joanne's.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

We all deal with people who are a joy to love and those who are difficult to love. Come join us for a fun-filled weekend as we learn how to love well. Through video we will hear from best-selling author and teacher Beth Moore, enjoy fun fellowship with other women, laugh our heads off, shed a few tears, eat, stay up late, make new friends, and enjoy old friends. It's a weekend you don't want to miss.

DATE: Friday, October 28, 2011 5:00 p.m. – Saturday, October 29, 2011 until 5:00 p.m.

LOCATION: CAMP ASBURY – HIRAM, OHIO

COST: \$75.00 per person (Scholarships available, contact Rev. Larry Marshall) (Includes overnight lodging, three meals, snack, gift bag and journal)

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW AND RETURN TO HUMW NO LATER THAN MONDAY, OCTOBER 17,



2011.

Loving Well
WOMEN'S RETREAT

Name: _____

No. Attending ___ @ \$75.00 per person = \$_____

Address: _____

Please make payable to HUMW (Memo: Retreat)

Phone & Email: _____

Registration Questions:
 Cheryl Gamble 330 655-0629

**Hudson United Methodist Church
Church Council Meeting Sept. 19, 2011 at 7:00 pm**

In Attendance: Steve Hannah, Rev. Larry Marshall, Judy Holman, Linda Schmeichel, Doug Slife, Debbie King, Tom King, Karen Kelly, Nancy Van de Motter, Bob Van de Motter, Sarah Hennessey, Terry Miller, Amy Lunn, Bob Kinsey, Jill Centrello, Carol Wilke, Kris Stoehr

Review of August 15, 2011 Minutes: Tom King moved to accept the Aug. 15, 2011 minutes; Doug Slife seconded: all in favor.

2. Nursery School Parking Lot Sign

Once again this year, the nursery school is having problems with kids from the high school cutting through the church parking lot or parking at the church. Both are concerns because the high school students are dismissed at the same time nursery school parents are picking up their little ones, causing safety issues. The high school and police department are aware of the situation but cannot enforce any punishment without signage in the HUMC parking lot forbidding outside parking and cutting through. Bob Van de Motter said this is something the Trustees can take care of with its Care and Repair budget. He will follow up with this committee. A second concern was expressed about school buses parking in HUMC lot between routes and what sort of damage it could cause to the pavement. Larry said he would call the parking garage about buses using the HUMC lot.

3. Stewardship Update

Tom King said the stewardship campaign will be titled "Fill your Spiritual Cup." The aim of the stewardship campaign is to help members of the congregation see the connection between the ministries and outreach at HUMC and the budget. Tom said people are more apt to support events and activities when the outcome is explicit, such as paving the parking lot. In order to come up with some specific goals for HUMC, which could be fulfilled in the next budget cycle, he asked Council members to share a few things their committees would like to see happen. Ideas shared included: sending a Stephen's Minister to leader's training and having more resources for the Stephen's Ministry; improving HUMC's visual impact in the community by cleaning up the inside and outside of the church; redoing the youth basement to make it more tech friendly; paying musicians at the second service to ensure we keep quality talent; adding a Sunday school class devoted to spiritually nurturing the parents of teenagers; and expanding the congregational care role at the church. Tom asked Council members to forward any more ideas they have so they can be incorporated in a letter being drafted by the Stewardship Committee, which will also highlight some of the things the church has done this year with their support.

4. Faith, Family and Friends Follow-Up

Planners of the Faith, Family and Friends event said they were pleased with the event's attendance and support doing the event again next year. One suggestion was the event be held on Rally Day next year. Carol Wilke said the Worship Committee will be meeting later in the month to discuss what changes and/or precautions can be put in place to forestall future accidents like the one that occurred toward the end of the event, but does want to see the event happen again next year. Council members agreed that the accident is a learning opportunity, and should not be brushed under the rug. Carol assured Council the committee will discuss appropriate precautions.

5. Search for the Christ Child Update

There are still lots of blanks on the volunteer board for Search of the Christ Child. Cheryl Gamble has found a co-chair for the event, but congregation members are invited and encouraged to take a role.

Important Dates

October	November	December	
2 Communion Sunday	6 Communion Sunday		
17 Church Council	21 Church Council	18 Church Council	

October

Hudson United Methodist Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
World Wide Communion 2 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school 10:00 Fresh Start Class 11:15 Worship 4:00 Youth Bells 5:00 Aldersgate 6:30 Youth Group 6:30 RAD	3 6:30 Men's Study 10:30 Staff Meeting 7:00 Trustees 7:00 COE	4 9:15 Disciple III 12:00 First Tuesday @ LL 7:00 Missions @ LL 7:00 Youth Advisory Council 7:00 BS 327 - CAC 7:00 BS 327 - classroom	5 8:00 Breakfast Club 9-11:00 NS Parent Tea 10:30 Morning Glories 7:00 Jesus Study 7:00 UMW Brd 7:00 Altar Guild 7:00 Lay Leadership	6 9:00 NS Parent Tea-CAC 6:00 Joyful Noise 6:00 Wesley Bells 6:30 Crusaders 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:30 Praise Team	7 6:00 GS 91154 6:00 BS 3327	1 7:30-4:30 MOE district BS leaders 8:30-4:00 Habitat Work Day
3rd Grade Bibles 9 9:00 Worship 10:00 Sunday school & Fresh Start 11:15 Worship 1-5:00 CAC - Jones 4:00 Youth Bells 5:00 Aldersgate 6:30 Youth Group 6:30 GS #834	10 Columbus Day 6:30 Men's Study 10:30 Staff Meeting 7:00 Finance 7:00 MC&E	11 9:15 Disciple III 6:30 Stephen Ministry Supervision 7:00 BS 327 - CAC	12 8:00 Breakfast Club 10:30 Morning Glories 6:00 UMW Fall Gathering in CAC 7:00 Jesus Study	13 9:30 Mary Martha - gift Baskets 3:30 NS staff meeting 6:00 Joyful Noise 6:00 Wesley Bells 6:30 Crusaders 6:30 CS - Tiger Den 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:30 Praise Team	14 No School 10:00 Feed My Sheep w/Sr & Jr High Students	15 10/11:00 Youth rehearsal for Youth Sunday <i>Paul Beal on vacation</i>
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