

**Baked goods** are needed for the 10 a.m. Fellowship Time on Sunday mornings between Sunday School and Worship. Please sign up on the Welcome Table.

**LADIES:** Remember to see Mary Rappole and check to see if there are any spots left for the Women of Faith Conference on October 8 and 9. It will be a weekend well spent!

**CSI (Christian Service International):** Donations for Anderson support of Health Center Haiti can be made directly in care of CSI Ministries, 1714 West Royale Drive, Muncie, IN 47304-2240. Please mark your checks accordingly.



Hi, it's Charlie sending you summer greetings from the belfry at the PUMC - boy...is it hot up here! I guess it's time to look for a pool somewhere! I wonder if I need a new life jacket?

What an exciting month this has been and what a flurry of activity around here! A new family has moved into the parsonage. People have been cleaning and painting both at the parsonage and Pastor Steve and Kathy's offices. I think I heard Pastor Steve say at Church Council the other night that when they get settled in, there may be a parsonage open house - that would be a lot of fun!

Barb T. and her team are busy working on VBS - that is always such a busy, fun-filled, Christ-centered week! I think there is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Table for donations. I'll have to check that out and see if there is anything I have stored away that they can use.

I've never been asked to volunteer at Camp Findley for Royal Family Kids Camp, but I've heard that the week there is one of the best that people have ever spent. We sure do have a lot of people who have such big hearts - full of love for those less fortunate, troubled children of God. Maybe Susie will let me do something next year.

I've also never been golfing but would love to ride one of those carts at Timbercreek. That would really be a fun way to spend an afternoon. Maybe I can hitch a ride in Bill's golf bag.

I'm hoping for some crumbs left over from the men's breakfast on the 14th. The food that people bring to the PUMC is fabulous! Hope there is a good turnout.

Well, guess I'm running out of room so I'll sign off for now. I hope to be back next month to see what is happening next at the PUMC.

Love,  
Charlie

**From Pastor Steve's Desk...**

Welcome to this August edition of Grace Notes! I ended my article last month by saying, "Until we meet face-to-face..." Well, what a joy it's been to meet you all face-to-face, and I look forward to meeting those with whom we have not yet connected!

In some ways, this transition has been a trying time. In other ways, it feels like a natural and God-inspired time. As I reflect on this, now three weeks into this new ministry relationship, I'm reminded of Paul's words in Romans 12:9-13, "*Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.*" Through good times and bad, we can trust God and trust each other. Thank you all for welcoming us and initiating us into the Panama UMC family. Stacy, Ben, Abby, and I are energized by the passion, grace, and desire to serve the Lord in this place.

Over the next few months, I will share some of my story in this column and hopefully begin to share my heart and vision for PUMC. I was raised by two school teachers in Lancaster, NY, who taught in the district in which we lived. Being a teacher's kid came with benefits and challenges (not too much unlike being a Pastor's kid). When I got in trouble, my parents knew before I did. When I needed something while at school, they were there to help. I was baptized as an infant, was confirmed at 12 years old, and was active in youth groups, Christian camps, and music. Although my family had a modest income, I don't ever remember not having what we needed (and sometimes, what we wanted). Church (Bowmansville UMC) was an important center in our lives and we spent many days and nights serving the Lord there. It's with that foundation, that I went to college and onto married life. I'll touch on that next month...

As your pastor, I desire to engage in as many forms of communication as I can to lead us into deeper levels of holiness and connection with Christ, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. My personality profile informed me that I'm a *creative perfectionist*, which may explain a lot of how I work and lead.

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I love to preach and lead worship, and, each week, am becoming more comfortable leading this congregation. My favorite form of communication is email, which comes with some drawbacks, which I try to fill with phone calls, one-on-one meetings, and letters. I will try to send a weekly email to anyone for whom we have email addresses, as a way to connect with all of you during the week. Jody Marsh and I will continue the visitation schedule for our folks who aren't currently able to join together in worship. I am thankful for Jody's ministry in this community.

All of this is my attempt to live out Paul's marks of Christianity in Romans 12. When we love each other, are as honest and transparent as we can be, and serve God together, the body of Christ is equipped and strengthened, and the Kingdom of God is advanced. As we join together in faith, God will send us out in love. Seek first His kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you...

Shalom,  
Pastor Steve

### Welcome Reception

*You are invited to attend an ice cream and cake welcome reception for Pastor Steve, Stacy, Ben and Abby. This will be held on August 29, following the 10:15 service. Please plan to stay for a few minutes and get to know our new Pastor and his family.*

### "Heart for Haiti"

The premise of this campaign is 'Together we can help rebuild, empower, and give hope'.



**HOW CAN WE HELP?** The PUMC Ad Board approved a motion to support this campaign. We have been challenged by the Ad Board to raise \$20,000 in 6 months, from July 1 through December 31, 2010. The Ad Board believes we can do it...what do YOU think? You may give through your regular offering envelopes, marked "Heart for Haiti." Updates of our progress will be found in each edition of Grace Notes. The Ad Board, and the people of Haiti, thank you in advance for your generosity.

**JULY UPDATE:** Donations for the month of July amounted to \$2,337. Total giving to date is \$3,332.

Check out the giving thermometer in the Narthex for weekly progress.

Band of Brothers  
Men's Group

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Men's Breakfast  
Saturday, August 14  
8 a.m.

PUMC Fellowship Hall

Come and spend some time with  
your Christian brothers.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Duane and Emily Baker  
469 Hunt Road  
Jamestown, NY 14701

Sunday Morning Worship Team

*Last Sunday of each month.....*

This is a gentle reminder of the opportunities we have before us on the last Sunday of each month. Campbell's labels are collected to help support the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. Donations of non-perishable foods are needed for the PUMC Food Pantry. Pennies are also collected and donated to the Salvation Army Abuse program. Thank you for your continued support of these projects.

Every Sunday, we will be collecting loose change for the Food Pantry.

**Graduation**

**Congratulations to Genesis Tremblay on her recent graduation from E2CC BOCES School of Nursing. Gen received her LPN Degree. Gen will begin working on her RN Degree in the fall. We're very proud of you and your accomplishments.!**

August

Lay Readers

August 1 - Everett Bensink  
August 8 - Doug Weise  
August 15 - Ted Passarelli  
August 22 - Paula Komarek  
August 29 - Tory Irgang

Ushers

Tim and Tena Dills  
Sam and Carm Catanese

Nursery Helpers

August 1 - Yvonne Calcaterra and Emily Waller  
August 8 - Thea Kester and Corinne Edwards  
August 15 - Yvonne Calcaterra and Alyssa Jaeger  
August 22 - Karen Morton and Brittany Lenart  
August 29 - Kelly and Sarah Osborne

September

Lay Readers

Sept. 5 - Dawn Sard  
Sept. 12 - Kyle Hinsdale  
Sept. 19 - Cindy Weise  
Sept. 26 - Adam Irgang

Ushers

Joe and Kelly Osborne  
Jan and Howie Wheeler

Nursery Helpers

Sept. 5 - Julia Nelson and Corinne Edwards  
Sept. 12 - Adam and Tory Irgang  
Sept. 19 - Barb and Lauren Tordella  
Sept. 26 - Carol Hay and Emily Waller

## Tape Ministry

### August 1

Gerrie Simmons\* LSS A116  
Phyllis Patterson\* HGreen  
Kathy Smith TW 218  
Van Luther TW 208

Art & Jeanette Osborne  
Lester & Wyona Wevers  
Thea Kester  
Thea Kester

### August 8

Gerrie Simmons\* LSS A116  
Phyllis Patterson\* HGreen  
Kathy Smith TW 218  
Van Luther TW 208

Diane Johnson  
Jack & Linda Sturges  
Jean Edwards  
Jean Edwards

### August 15

Gerrie Simmons\* LSS A116  
Phyllis Patterson\* HGreen  
Kathy Smith TW 218  
Van Luther TW 208

Barbara Hart  
Pam Ireland  
Bill Peck  
Bill Peck

### August 22

Gerrie Simmons\* LSS A116  
Phyllis Patterson\* HGreen  
Kathy Smith TW 218  
Van Luther TW 208

Sharon Passarelli  
Trudy Anderson  
Julia Nelson  
Julia Nelson

### August 29

Gerrie Simmons\* LSS A116  
Phyllis Patterson\* HGreen  
Kathy Smith TW 218  
Van Luther TW 208

Thea Kester  
Eloise Smith  
Everett King  
Everett King

### \*No Tape - just a short visit and a bulletin

If you are interested in being a part of the  
Tape Ministry, please see Bill Peck.

## UMC GOLF OUTING

### When?

Saturday, August 14

1 p.m.

### Where:

Timbercreek Golf Course  
Blockville, NY

### Price:

Walk-\$10

With Cart-\$15

### RAIN DATE—August 21

Please bring a dish to pass.

Hot dogs and hamburgers will be  
provided.

Sign up at the Welcome Table

Sponsored by the Evangelism and  
Outreach Team.

Questions? Contact Bill Peck



### **Royal Family Kids Camp**

**RFKC is being held from  
August 8 through August 12.**

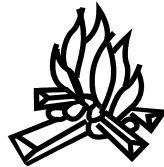
**Please be in prayer for this important ministry,  
in which so many from the PUMC are involved.  
Keep the children, their counselors, and all  
other staff in residence at Camp Findley  
in your prayers.**

# Campfire for Christ

Friday and Saturday, August 6 and 7

## FRIDAY:

- 6:30 - 7 p.m. - Dinner: Dish to pass; burgers, Hotdogs, lemonade, iced tea, and water provided—Don't forget your lawn chairs.
- 7 - 7:30 p.m. - Praise and Worship, lead by the Taylors
- 7:30 p.m. - Speaker, Mike Trenchard
- 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. - Ventriloquist, Bruce Weaver And Friends
- 8:45 p.m. - Campfire, fellowship, testimonies, and.....S'MORES!

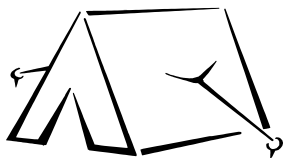


## SATURDAY

- 8 - 9 a.m. - Breakfast by Julia; monetary donations are gratefully accepted
- 9 - 9:30 a.m. - Speaker: Matt Trusso
- 9 - 9:30 a.m. (for the kids) - crafts and activities

Come and pitch your tent in the side yard of the PUMC! There is sure to be fun, food, and fellowship! Don't miss out on the tent decorating contest! If you don't care to camp, come anyway and be part of the event of the summer! Contact Buck and Kristine, Dave and Yvonne or Jack and Linda for further information.

Order Campfire for Christ T-shirts at the Welcome Table for \$10 each.  
We hope to see YOU there!



## Prayer Chain

If you have a concern you would like others to pray for, please call Susie Davis (782-4611) or Jean Edwards (782-2800). Your prayer request will be passed down the chain to 20+ others who will pray, and continue to pray, about your situation.



## Because of your faithfulness...

Because of your faithfulness, we received \$18,564.50 during the month of July for the general fund. This is an average of \$4,641, 13 per week. Offerings for Sunday School were 324.00.

We received \$690.00 for Missions in July. Designated monies received are as follows:

- \$100 - Anderson support in Haiti
- \$200 - Funeral Dinner Donation
- \$165 - JOY Center
- \$12.50 - Music Ministry
- \$100.00 - Hart Button Scholarship Fund
- \$50.00 - VBS
- \$20 - Camping Scholarships
- \$55.00 - Softball Team
- \$50.00 - Food Pantry
- \$2,337.00 - Heart for Haiti

To date, there is a balance of \$16,785.14 in the Trustees' account.

We thank you for your faithful giving in support of the ministries of the Panama United Methodist Church.

## *Yummy Dessert from the Parish Nurse*

### Angel Food Cake Trifle

1 angel food cake (best if day old)  
2 small boxes Jello, any flavor - sugar free  
Cool Whip - fat free or lite

Break cake into pieces and place in serving bowl. Prepare Jello according to directions. Pour liquid Jello mixture on top of cake. Push cake down until it absorbs the Jello. Top with Cool Whip. Refrigerate to cool before serving.

Note from Jody: Very....very....very....low fat/calorie, too!

### **Children's Church**

Children's Church will continue to be held during the 10:15 service this summer.

Parents are asked to assist the children in the practice of Christian love by collecting coins for the Hearts for Haiti project. Envelopes were sent home with those in attendance June 20. Children who missed that week may pick up envelopes when they are in attendance. They can collect money through recycling bottle returns, doing chores around the house, saving found coins, or whatever else moves their hearts and then bring the money in on Sundays in their envelopes. The envelopes will be returned for continued collection.

Thank you for assisting your children in this project.

Thea Kester

## VBS—Summer 2010

### Sign up for VBS snacks can be made at the Welcome Table.

Bugles (1g. bag or 3 regular bags)	Crescent Rolls (7 cans)
Cheese Balls (large bag)	Lg. marshmallows (6 bags)
Pretzel Sticks (Large bag)	Marshmallow crème (3-7 oz. jars)
Hot & Spicy Cheez It (1 box)	Cream cheese (3 - 8 oz. pkgs)
Regular Cheez It (1 large box)	Butter (1 lb. box)
Tostitos Scoops (1g. bag-no substitutes please)	Wheat bread (2 loaves)
Sugar cookie mix (enough for 5 doz.)	Blocks of cheese (6 blocks)
3 bunches of bananas	Dill pickles (1g. jar - spears)
1 lg. bag of grapes	Lunchmeat (enough for at least 100 cubes)
Bag of apples (NOT red delicious)	Grape tomatoes (4 containers)
Mandarin oranges (4 cans)	Graham crackers (3 boxes)
Strawberries (2 lg. containers)	Hershey's chocolate bars (at least 12 bars)
Blueberries (2 pints)	

### Craft items needed (sign up on the Welcome Table)

Assorted colors of plastic pony beads  
Quart jars with lids (80)  
Wide colored wooden craft sticks (at least 160)  
Black jewelry cord (240 Yards)  
Colored card stock  
Assorted colors curling ribbon  
Assorted colors paper sacks (30)

**Studio GO! Game Show**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



Panama United Methodist Church  
Sunday, August 8  
Through  
Thursday, August 12  
6 - 8:30 p.m.

***Baptisms***

Claire, Matthew, Caroline and Andrew,  
children of Clint and Jennifer Apthorpe,  
were baptized by Rev. Stephen Wiggers on June 20, 2010.  
We officially welcome these children into our church  
family. We pray God's richest blessings upon the  
Apthorpe children as they grow and mature  
in their Christian walk..

**MARRIAGES**

Congratulations to the following couples who were  
married during the months of May, June, and July:  
May the joyous occasion of your weddings be the  
beginning of a long, loving relationship  
with God at the center of your lives.

Kati Pegan and John Park  
Camp Findley  
May 22, 2010

Amy Young and Maxwell Bailey  
Married at Chautauqua Institution  
May 29, 2010

Rachel Wheeler and Matt Steffan  
Married in Buffalo, NY  
June 16, 2010

Daniel Cartwright and Anna Czerniawski  
Married in Webster, NY  
July 17, 2010