



The Outreach

March 2010—Milford, NH

Help the Mission Teams raise funds:



by purchasing an apron, t-shirt, sweat shirt, hoodie. Watch for cost and purchasing details, soon to be posted. Contact Rita Lines or anyone on the Mission Trips Fund Raising Team.



Come Saturday March 6th

To enjoy a delicious Spaghetti Dinner here at MUMC with your church family and friends. Cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for kids under 10 years of age. All proceeds will help fund Adult and Youth Mission trips.

Walk-ins are welcome. Reservations can be made by calling 672-4644.

The meal will include spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert, coffee, tea.

Message from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Sometimes we hear people talking about sins of omission and sins of commission. But how about the sin of “Nomission”? That’s the question asked by Dan Dick, Director of Connectional Ministries for the Wisconsin Conference of the United Methodist Church in a recent post on his well-worth-reading blog, *Methodeviations*. He argues that one of the primary reasons so many churches are struggling has to do with the fact that many of these same churches are not engaged in ministry beyond their own walls. According to Dick, “about one-in-five (20%) of our churches do nothing or next to nothing for those outside the church. Another 20-30% limit their missional focus to whatever good is done through apportionments [mission shares in New England Conference parlance], and a significant number of our congregations support mission work passively — giving money so that other people might do it. The important correlation here, however, is that our healthiest congregations are those that have active, widespread, committed engagement from a large number of people in a large number of good works.”

I agree with Dan on this point. In fact, if I had to come up with one reason why the Milford United Methodist Church is bucking the trends towards decline, it is this: we encourage, enable, and empower our members and friends to be in mission beyond the walls of our church. In the process, we not only enable those members and friends to discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ through serving the community and world, but our active engagement also allows us to encounter and build relationships with people who are not about to enter the doors of our building.

Too often churches turn their focus inward, whether in an attempt to simply survive during hard times, or because they feel the need to be “separate from the world.” But to turn

inward when threatened is, in fact, to hasten our demise. And while the Bible calls us to a life that is different from the prevailing habits and values of the surrounding culture, it also calls us to be “in the world” even as we are not “of the world.”

I love the way Dick describes healthy congregational life. “I have often likened congregational life to breathing, and ask the question, “which is most important? Breathing out or breathing in?”...Sustainable health depends on balance — inhaling (inward practices that develop us in our faith and abilities to serve) and exhaling (applying what we learn in service to others). Inwardly we build faith, while outwardly we express that faith as a witness to others of the grace and goodness of our God.”

Lent is one of those times when we take some time to inhale—to take some deep breaths through practices like prayer, fasting, study, and giving. And it is important for us to do this sort of work. But just as our bodies must exhale in order to be healthy, so our spirits also need to exhale in the form of service to the world around us, living out our mission to make disciples and help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ.

Friends, we need to guard against the sins of omission. Keep breathing, and then let the breath of God, God’s Holy Spirit, empower us to be about God’s work in the world.

Still discovering the joy,



Worship Opportunities

By Vivian Balam

The Worship Committee would like to extend an invitation to all Girl Scouts within our church family to attend the March 14th church services in their uniforms so that they can be recognized.

We are planning to decorate our sanctuary with a variety of tulips and a limited number of lilies for the altar on Easter. Because of the strong fragrance of lilies, which cause some people allergies, we will limit the lilies to the first SIX ordered. We appreciate your understanding.

To honor or remember a loved one this Easter, please fill in the order form and return to the church office by Monday March 22nd with your payment of \$15.00 for each plant.



Easter Flower Order Form

Type of plant: Tulip_____ Lily_____

In Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

In Memory of: _____

Given by: _____

Choir Notes:

By Sally Landis, choir director

Many folk over the years have listed "How Great Thou Art" as one of their favorite hymns. If this is true for you, you will not want to miss the Chancel Choir's presentation of the David Clydesdale Easter Cantata, "How Great Thou Art". Using the theme of that great anthem, the cantata takes us through an emotional journey from Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday to Easter and beyond. With dramatic solos, beautiful choral work, moving dances and stirring narration, this promises to be an event that will touch your heart and soul.

We are departing from our usual Sunday evening concert time to a Saturday evening, April 3rd at 7 pm. I hope that you will plan to attend and to invite your friends and family to come also. As always, we thank the church leadership and congregation for supporting our music program so that events like this can happen.

Quilting Ministry



L to R: Hospice nurse, Rick Westergren, Marley Gale and Rita Lines.

The above quilt was made by the Quilting Ministry team here at MUMC and donated to the Community Hospice Home in Merrimack in memory of Gail Westergren. The Quilting Ministry will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of March and April at the home of Marley Gale. All who are interested are welcome.

Donation of Altar Flowers

Would you like to honor or remember a special person in your life or would you like to celebrate a special occasion? Please consider signing up to purchase altar flowers for your special occasion. The flower chart is posted on the wall across from the church office. Contact and payment instructions are on the flower chart. Standard arrangements are \$25. Thanks for helping to beautify the altar and sanctuary for Sunday worship.

Milford Area Seniors

The Senior Activity Center meets at MUMC every Tuesday, 10 am—2 pm. The seniors enjoy speakers on all kinds of topics, games, craft projects, music, health screenings, and of course-Bingo. They would love to have you join the group, volunteer, or plan an activity. This group is open to everyone 55 and older, from anywhere in this region. Invite a friend or neighbor. And don't forget to bring a sack lunch. If you would like more information, please see Claire Place, or Susan Drew.



What Is The Difference Between A Stephen Ministry Relationship And A Friendship?

A Stephen Minister is different from a close friend and it's important to understand the distinction. In a time of grief or crisis, the care receiver benefits from the care of both a Stephen Minister and close friends. Stephen Ministers have a lot in common with close friends. You can depend on them; you can trust them; you know they'll keep confidential whatever you tell them. They'll be there for you and help you through a rough time. But a Stephen Ministers role is different from the role of a close friend.

A Stephen Ministry Relationship Isn't A Mutual Relationship As A Close Friendship Is.

Close friendships are mutual. Friends are there for each other; they share the good times and the bad times and support each other. A Stephen Ministry relationship is one-sided. Stephen Ministers listen, reflect thoughts and feelings, and care. They don't share their own problems with the care receiver as a friend might. They focus only on the care receiver's issues, and they bring in their own experience only when they sense that they might be able to shed some light on the care receiver's situation. But such sharing is rare and always geared toward the care receiver's needs, not the Stephen Minister's.

You play an important role in our Stephen Ministry. Here's what you can do.

- Pray for God to bring hope and healing to hurting people through our ministry.
- Accept care from a Stephen Minister during your time of need.
- Tell a hurting friend, neighbor, co-worker or relative about our Stephen Ministry.
- Prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister.

For more info, check out our new MUMC web page or contact any of our Stephen Leaders

Michele Bossie (Referral Coordinator)	672-4556
Rita Lines	673-0398
Pastor Tom Getchell-Lacey	673-2669
Ben Lambert	672-1425

What's Happening with Christmas Fair 2010?

By Barb Reed

We are proud to announce that Kristi O'Shaughnessy, Candice Swanson, and Liane Wright will be our new MUMC Christmas Fair coordinators. Pat Rafter and Barb Reed are stepping down from the coordination of the fair; however, they will still be crafting. There are many talented people in our congregation and each year people step up and take on responsibilities to make the fair a success. We ask that everyone continues to do what you have done in the past. Your continued involvement will make the fair better each year. If you have not been involved in the fair experience, please consider where you can help. We are always looking for new helpers and ideas. Our community raves about the MUMC fair and we want to continue to do our best to provide this Christmas atmosphere for our community. It is a wonderful way to begin the Christmas season.

Watch for upcoming workshop announcements.

Fair contacts: Kristi O'Shaughnessy 249-5199
Candice Swanson 249-5017
Liane Wright 672-6851

Friday Night Ladies Bible Study

"Beautiful Things Happen When a Woman Trusts God" By: Sheila Walsh

Most Christian women live with a deep sense that they can't seem to get things right, that if only they could be a little better, life would straighten out. Through her own personal hardships, Sheila has learned that the Christian life is not about getting things right or back to "normal". She writes, "Christ comes not to get us out of our difficulties but to live in us through them." She wants to show women that God has a stunningly beautiful moment of redemption for them that leads to a lifetime of peace and joy.

Sheila's book was just released in February. She will also be speaking here in NH at the Calvary Bible Church in Derry, NH on Friday March 26th and Saturday March 27th. Several of the women in our congregation plan to attend. See p. 9 for details.

If you would like to join us in this upcoming bible study, starting on Friday March 5th at 7 pm, please come to the church. We meet in the youth room at the end of the office wing. The cost of each book is \$15.00. Hope to have you join us for the study and event!

Youth Choir News

By Scott Heinlein

Staff Parish Relations is sad to announce that Shannon Ward has turned in her resignation as youth choir director effective immediately. Shannon is completing her work in Hillsboro and will be moving farther south into Massachusetts, making it very difficult to make the trip to Milford for rehearsals, church, and performances. Please direct questions to any SPR committee member.

Liturgist Training – for Experienced AND Brand New!

By Diane Jaquith

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to bring your lay-reading to new heights! Leslie Coates will be leading the workshop: "I Love to Tell the Story" from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on both Saturday, March 13 and Sunday, March 14. Les promises to show you how to breathe life into reading the scripture out-loud. It doesn't matter if you are a nervous beginner or a seasoned pro. All participants will be equipped with tools for preparation and delivery of Sunday morning readings and other public speaking.

Please note that each workshop is limited to 15 participants max, so that everyone will have time to practice at the microphone. We strongly urge those wishing to participate in the Maundy Thursday service, to attend one of the workshops! Sandwiches will be available on Sunday for participants in the room off the kitchen. Beverages and apples will be available on Saturday.

You can sign up on the left bulletin board sign-up sheet in the lobby or on-line at djaquith@safe-mail.net. The workshop is being sponsored by the Evangelism committee, as part of their ongoing commitment to Liturgist training. Please note that this workshop will in no way duplicate what was presented at the Liturgist Training workshop in March 2009. For questions, please speak to Les directly, or call Diane Jaquith at 673-8093.

SHARE Food Pantry

By Carolyn Momonee

For the month of March, MUMC will be collecting the following items to donate to SHARE: Canned meats (chicken, beef and Spam) as well as brown paper bags and cloth bags. Please place your contributions in the big basket in the lobby.

Bread Loaves on Communion Sunday, March 7th. Remember to bring a loaf of bread (plain or wheat, no specialty breads) to be placed in the basket at the altar on Communion Sunday. The bread loaves are delivered to SHARE, the local food pantry, on Monday morning.



Greetings Wanakee Friends and Campers (past, present and future)!

We hope that by now you've received the new Wanakee brochure for the 2010 camp season. If not, there are extras in the church narthex, and the new summer season information is now on the Wanakee website : www.wanakee.org

We'd like to update you on news of the Wanakee Scholarship fund and related fund raising activities. Wanakee Benefit Concert Series begins this coming Sunday, February, 28, at 3:00 PM with a concert by: The Eclectic Woodwind Quintet (including MUMC's Nancy Tong, bassoon and Kim Thibodeau, oboe; plus Joy Iaquina, flute, Dale McDonald, clarinet, and Stephen Taylor, horn). They will be performing a program including works by Persichetti, and Rameau. The concert will also include a Trio by Mozart for Clarinet, Viola and Piano (with Beth Keltz, viola)

The other concerts in the Wanakee Concert Series are:

(Note that except for this week's concert, starting time is 2:00 PM)

March 28: Temple Dance Band

April 11: PB&J (directed by Cecil Rowlette)

April 25: Two Jims (guitar duo)

May 23: Bells, Brass, and Dance

Thanks go to Mary Tyler-Wall for initiating and organizing this concert series. We continue to raise money for our scholarship fund so that we can meet our goal of offering a half scholarship to each MUMC camper.

But we need your help! How can you help?

- 1) Attend the concerts and invite friends who might be interested. The concerts are all different, so there is something for everyone. Admission is free, but an offering is taken for the Wanakee Fund.
- 2) Bring or drop off baked goodies for the reception after the concert. These can be dropped off ahead of time and left in the kitchen, marked for Wanakee Concert. If possible, let one of us know, so we can plan accordingly.
- 3) Sign up to shake a can. We continue to hold the noise offering each 2nd Sunday of the month after both services. The same kids get asked each month, and they're good sports about it, but it would be good to take turns. Please let us know which Sunday and which service you can help.
- 4) Buy Moxie Roby's soups which are sold after services on most second and fourth Sundays of each month. All profits go to the Wanakee Fund.
- 5) If you have other ideas for fundraising, let us know.

There are many other groups and causes within the church who are raising money, so we try hard not to bombard our church family with requests for money any more than necessary. The above activities have been pretty successful the last few years, along with some additional gifts from some Wanakee Angels. We've been able to assist all those who have asked for help. Con't on page 10

Women's Ministries of Calvary Bible Church, 144 Hamsptead Rd, in Derry
will be hosting its Eighteenth Annual Ladies Day Apart

Again this year it will be a one day event, but held on two consecutive days.

You may come either:
Friday, March 26th
or
Saturday. March 27th

We are thrilled to announce the speaker this year will be

SHEILA WALSH

"Beautiful Things Happen When Women Trust God"

As many of you are aware, Sheila is a featured speaker with "WOMEN OF FAITH" with over 4 million women in attendance. Sheila has a powerful testimony, immense biblical knowledge, is a recording artist gifted with a beautiful voice, an author, and a powerful inspirational communicator.

There is a brochure available to take on the Welcome and Information table in the MUMC narthex. Another copy is available to view on the bulletin board outside of the office. Several ladies from our congregation do plan to attend, so if you are interested in carpooling, please contact Rita Lines. Also see details of the upcoming study by Sheila Walsh with the Friday Night Ladies Bible Study on p. 6 of this newsletter.

Seasoned Generation By Roberta & Richard Randlett

The popular Movie Night will be held on March 20th in the Sanctuary at 7:00 PM. Under the direction of Bill Wrocklage and Claire Place. As of this writing, the movie has yet to be announced, but we are assured that it will be a popular Hollywood creation. Come one, come all... Please bring finger foods for the social that will follow in the Narthex.

Financially Speaking

As of January 31, 2010

Income toward Budget accounts	
	\$22,232.80
Expense-budget accounts	\$23,216.11
Balance in General Fund	\$ 1,357.16
Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 8,578.50
Outreach and Mission giving	
Discretionary Fund	\$ 809.00
Afternoon Off Program	\$ 152.00
Special Offerings-Haiti releif	\$ 2,010.00
Total	\$ 2,971.00

Sunday School News

By Shelly Frost

In the month of March the children's rotation grades pre k - 6th grade have begun to learn Peter's stories. As the 7th - 12th grade continue there "Claim the Life" series. Watch for exciting news regarding Children's Sunday, plans are already being made, and it will be amazing.

Adult Sunday school - if there is anyone interested in teaching or have any topics of interest, please contact Deb Mentch or anyone from the Education team. As we continue our support for Haiti, monetary donations will continue through Sunday school. There is a lot of help that is still needed, so for the next few months our Sunday school Mission project will be to support Haiti and the Haitian people.

Thank you in advance for your support, everyone can help the Sunday School kids with there mission, please see Ed Team members for any questions.

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To those of you who help out regularly a big THANK YOU. To those of you who maybe haven't known about these opportunities, we need your help. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board near the choir room where you can sign up for the Noise Offering and for concert refreshments.

Registration for this year:

If you would like help sending your kid(s) to camp this summer, let Kerri-Lynn or Nancy know by email or in writing, as soon as possible (if you mention it in passing on a Sunday morning we might forget). It's important that

you let us know, because we don't have access to the camp's registration records, and we need to be sure we have raised enough money.

You should register with the camp yourself to make sure you get into the event you want. (The early registration deadline is March 15) Let the camp know on the registration form that you attend MUMC. Before camp starts, you should get a check from MUMC for half the camp fee. Feel free to call or email either of us for more information.

Since this year will be our first attempt at email communication, and we hope to use this method for more Wanakee info in the future, please send us an email with your correct contact information so we will know that we have your correct email address.

Nancy Tong 673-7180
wlctongn@hotmail.com

Kerri-Lynn Kimner 673-9911
skkimner91@comcast.net

The Wanakee Boosters exist to promote and provide information about the joys of attending summer camp at Wanakee United Methodist Center along the shore of Lake Pemigewasset, in Meredith, New Hampshire. The Wanakee Boosters raise money throughout the year to provide scholarships for those who want to attend summer camp.

Liberty House—A Dry Transitional House for Homeless Veterans

The Liberty House in Manchester helps all homeless ex-servicemen and women who were honorably discharged and who are committed to changing their lives. They offer a structured program with case management to guide veterans towards permanent housing, meals, clothing, household goods, employment services, assistance with medical and dental care, assistance in education and training programs, and much more. Thank you to Mr. Nolan who has provided us with a brochure and complete wish list of items that the Liberty House can use as donations. They include all types of kitchen items, cookware, non-perishable foods, spices, baking pans, coffee makers and filters, towels, and more.

Please see the bulletin board in the lobby for the brochure and wish list. If you wish to contact the Liberty House about making a donation, please call 669-0761.

Volunteer Computer Teachers Wanted

By Susan Drew

Our computer lab offers us a great opportunity to reach out to our community. I would like to start a program to help teach and/or update people's computer skills, help people learn more about the web and how to use it for job searches, and update resumes. If you have any interest in helping with this possible new ministry, please give me a call (672-4877). As the Welfare Director in Milford, I come across many people who could really use these services. Thank you.

******* How to stay safe in the World today *******

- 1. Avoid riding in automobiles because they are responsible for 20% of all fatal accidents.**
- 2. Do not stay home because 17% of all accidents occur in the home.**
- 3. Avoid walking on streets or sidewalks because 14% of all accidents occur to pedestrians.**
- 4. Avoid traveling by air, rail, or water because 16% of all accidents involve these forms of transportation.**
- 5. Of the remaining 33%, 32% of all deaths occur in Hospitals.
So,.. above all else, avoid hospitals.**

But You will be pleased to learn that only .001% of all deaths occur in worship services in church, and these are usually related to previous physical disorders. Therefore, logic tells us that the safest place for you to be at any given point in time is at church! And....Bible Study is safe too. The percentage of deaths during Bible Study is even less. So, attend church, and read your Bible IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Anniversaries and Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Greg Cyr	March 5
Keith Taylor	March 6
Sabrina Logue	March 13
Pat Rafter	March 14
Tom Getchell-Lacey	March 14
Bronwyn Tyler-Wall	March 14
Leslie Ryan	March 15
Nicole Masters	March 15
Kevin Cyr	March 17
Rick Westergren	March 26
Robyn Metcalf	March 28
Charlie Kaufold	March 30

Anniversary's this month

Robert and Dorothy Ledger-50 yrs.	March 5
Kevin and Susan Drew	March 26

If you would like to be included in the birthdays and anniversary list, please contact the church office.

Haiti Giving as of 2/19

Thrilled to announce that MUMC members and friends have already donated over \$2,000 towards Haiti earthquake relief. In addition, over \$1,200 was collected on a frigid Saturday on the oval by the Barefoot Disciple Home Group on behalf of Haiti relief. Over 355 health kits have been assembled and sent from MUMC so far, with additional ones being assembled at SHARE February 27, after this newsletter will be mailed. Look in the April newsletter for the tally from that.

Winter Storm Policy Winter has arrived and so has the snow and ice. The winter storm policy is that we do everything humanly possible to have Sunday worship every Sunday. Rarely, though, it might be better to cancel services. In the event of bad weather, Pastor Tom will make the decision by 7:00 am at the latest if we need to cancel so that we can alert WMUR to be included in their list of cancellations. You can watch the list of closing at the bottom of the screen on WMUR (channel 8 for most area residents) or go to WMUR.com.

On Sundays when there is snow on the ground and worship is on, please use your discretion as to whether you should be out and about.

Church Office Hours Monday's 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Tuesday's and Wednesday's 10:30 am-5 pm
Thursday's from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Most days there is someone in the office before and/or after these hours, but it would be best to call ahead to check if you need to get into the building.

***Please note that there are no office staff hours on Friday's.**

Church Email addresses

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Marian Kopp, Office Support:	office@milfordumc.org	please submit bulletin info
Carol Brooks, Office Manager:	carol@milfordumc.org	please submit newsletter info
Leslie Coates, Ministry Director:	leslie@milfordumc.org	

March 2010 Calendar

	1 Evangelism 7 Outreach 7 Home Group 7 Newcomers Training	2 10-2 Milford Area Seniors 7 Trustees	3 9:30 White Tops 1 pm Lamp- lighter's Bible Study 6:30-8 Soup and Bread Supper with activity	4 5:15 Kids bells 6 Adult bells 7 Home group 7 Cantata 8 Chancel choir	5 12-3 pm After- noon Off 7 Women's Bible Study 7:30 Praise Team	6 9-10 Lenten Study 10-11:30 Cantata Rehearsal Sanc- tuary 5:00-6:30 Spa- ghetti Supper
7 8:30 Contempo- rary Worship 9:30 Sunday school 10:45 Traditional Worship 4:30 Jr Hi Youth 6 Sr High Youth	8 7 Finance 7 Newcomers Training 7 Home Group	9 10-2 Milford Area Seniors 7 Worship 7 SPR	10 9:30 White Tops 1 pm Lamp- lighter's Bible Study 6:30-8 Soup and Bread Supper with activity 7 Master Planning (Trustees) 7 Stephen Minis- try Supervision	11 5:15 Kids bells 6 Adult bells 7 Home group 7 Cantata 8 Chancel choir	12 12-3 pm After- noon Off 7:30 Praise Team	13 9-10 Lenten Study 9-12 Christmas Fair Sewing Workshop 10-11:30 Cantata Rehearsal Sanc- tuary 1-3 Liturgist Training 2Newcomers Training
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Worship times

8:30 Contemporary Worship

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Traditional Worship

Free childcare

Change Service Requested

Milford United Methodist Church *Discover the Joy!*

Our Mission: The Milford United Methodist Church exists to help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: We will help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ by:

- Providing joyful and meaningful worship experiences.
- Establishing and encouraging small groups for study, support, prayer, fellowship and service.
- Empowering people to discover, develop, and deploy their gifts for ministry.
- Reaching out beyond our congregation in Christian love and service.

Our Values: We commit ourselves to:

- Know scripture and live it.
- Act with integrity.
- Be faithful to Jesus Christ, our families, and our church family.
- Strive for excellence in all we do for the Lord.
- Celebrate the ministry of all Christians, lay and ordained.
- Treat all people with respect and sensitivity.
- Encourage people to grow in Christ.
- Care for the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of all people.