

FOOTHILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE LIGHTHOUSE-AUGUST, 2010



Dear Sisters and Brothers:

I think that my favorite song for this time of year is the old Nat King Cole rendition of "*Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer*." Sometimes, at least for me, I think it may be the daze of summer as the season seems to fly by and I somehow find myself back in September getting ready for the Fourth of July.

While I don't always take my own best advice, I do follow this: when fortunate enough to be away on a bit of vacation I always maintain my devotional practices and even though I sometimes make myself a little nuts trying to cram in too much while the weather is cooperative I take time to focus on God and God's desire. It helps focus me and when I get a little wound up, the focus helps return a bit of perspective.

So, wherever the season may find you, and I hope that's near a lake, on a seaside beach, by your favorite fishing stream, or hiking trail, or lazin' in a hammock, remember to give thanks for the opportunity and the R&R.

The others I'd encourage you to remember in your prayers are the men and women in our armed forces who are serving far and wide and away from their families. They are not at their favorite fishing holes. In some respects it is astounding that we can have people in harm's way and it isn't even always front page news. Let's keep them in the fore of our prayers.

God Bless, and have a wonderful summer!

Yours in Christ,
Terry



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**NEWS FROM THE EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT**

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**

Sunday School Survey: The pastors and the education committee have put together a brief survey to find out how we might better meet the needs of the families in our church. You will find the survey in the newsletter and it will also be available at the church office and in the bulletins. Please take a moment to fill out this survey and return it to the church or to Lori Bumpus by the end of July. We want to find the best ways to reach out to our youth and children and your input will help us to do this! **Thank you in advance for your time and suggestions! Survey forms are available in the office.**

Next Year...We are in need of teachers and helpers for all of our classes for next year. For safety and security purposes, we really need to have a teacher and a helper in our nursery as well as in each classroom. Please be in prayer about how you might be able to assist in one of these areas next year.

Thank You...We recognized all of our very dedicated and committed teachers and other youth helpers on Children's Day, but if you see one of these people...please give them an extra "thank you" for all that they do for the Christian Education at our church: David Truscott, Amy Fox, Jennifer Van Allen, Nicole Lent, Sharon Lent, Linda String, Bea and Frank Topliff, Ceil Blunck, Joan Clapper, Vivienne Cirillo, Sharon Diefendorf, Don Jeffers (aka "The Cookie Man"), Gar Burlett, Theresa Rhodes, Pastor Cindy and Pastor Terry. I truly hope that I have not forgotten anyone! **We thank God for each and every one of you!**

Wishing everyone a beautiful, peaceful summer!

In His Service,
Lori Bumpus

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STAFF PASTOR PARISH NEWS

Our staff parish committee is very happy to announce that two important music positions in our church have been filled recently. Ed Goodemote will be returning as the church organist. On Sunday, July 11, we had a coffee hour in his honor, welcoming him "home". Ed has a tremendous background in music, having served as the vocal music teacher in Mayfield and then being selected to their Wall of Dedication (called the Hall of Fame in many schools). Further, his expertise as an organist includes being invited to Proctor's to present an organ concert there. Just in the two weeks he has been with us, he has already done some things with this organ that make the services very special.

Vivienne Cirillo has accepted the position of choir director. As we all know, she has done a wonderful job with our youth choir and with the bells and chimes. She has spent her whole life immersed in music, has a deep love of it, and is excited about the opportunity to direct the adult choir. She will be working with our pastoral team and Ed to make the choir a very special part of each service.



KOINONIA KRAFTERS

The One Stroke Painting group continues to meet weekly at my home. We are really turning out some great things which we have displayed in the Milling Room. It's so exciting for all of us to see how much we all improve from week to week.

Feel free to join us any Thursday at 6:30. Give me a little heads up so I can make a spot for you at the table. Just call me at 725-8913. Fee for class is \$5.00. Happy painting.

In faith, friendship and kraftiness,
Sandy Harrington

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MISSION & OUTREACH



**MISSIONS
at home
& abroad**

Are you coming to the Rail Fest on Saturday August 7th, with a rain date of Sunday August 8th from 10am to 8pm to support our table? You are needed! I'll be looking for you. Let's have a good turnout. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the milling room for 2 hour shifts, or just come and spend some time with us.

The Second Avenue branch of NBT Bank, is allowing us to put a collection box at their place of business for the collection of yarn for our knitting and crocheting group. We thank them. A total of 307 children's sweaters have been sent to World Vision for distribution world-wide. We have started another box. When that is full, we will mail them. Thank you to Pastor Cindy who buys the boxes and pays for postage each time.

We collected many many pair of sunglasses and eyeglasses for Sharon Lent. They went with her on her medical mission to Honduras. Thank you to all who helped make this a success. At the present time, we are waiting to hear from Sharon to see if she would like us to continue collecting for her next trip.

I hope you are saving your can tabs to benefit the Children's Hospital in Boston. The tabs are collected and weighted. The money realized from this then goes to the hospital to benefit the children. It is an easy way to make money for them.

A note to Betsy Miller: "We miss you and wish you and Fred lots of happiness and enjoyment on your farm in Vermont. We can not thank you enough for your generous offer on behalf of your mother Marion Rose Bishop and yourself to match whatever amount we were able to raise for the well in Machakos, Kenya." \$3,000 was sent to URI Foundation/SAIWI with \$1182.00 to be put a side for the digging of another well in the future. Much appreciated!!!

A note to Isabelle: "We wish you much happiness and success in your new position.."

Remember: "Help the helpless and give to the needy, but do it out of compassion, not pity."

Yours in Christ's name,

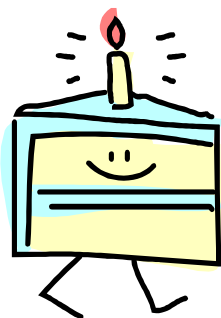
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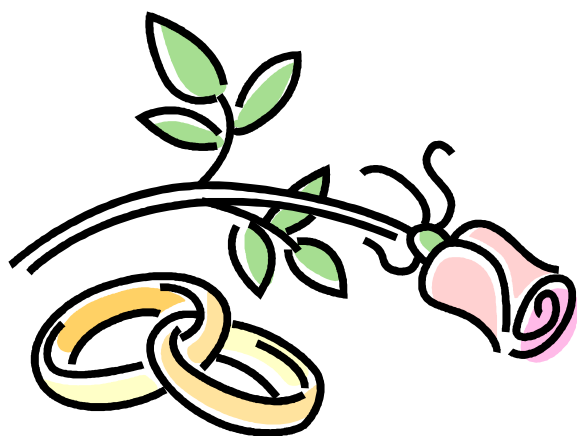
The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Yxlphrm Burke	08/01	Marco DeLilli	08/03
Sherri Opalka	08/04	Thomas Orcutt	08/04
Ian Yucha	08/04	Elizabeth Frizzell	08/05
Chris Johnson	08/05	Helen Reed	08/05
Marion Downer	08/06	Donald Fremont	08/07
Katie Semione	08/08	Kyle Capparello	08/09
Miriam Cole	08/10	Iona Farrar	08/10
Marjorie Batty	08/11	Gregory Sheeler	08/11
Benjamin Reed	08/13	Alona Brae	08/14
Jacob Gage	08/14	Marie Putman	08/14
Elizabeth Rubscha	08/14	Linda Furman	08/15
Ralph Knickerbocker	08/19	Hilda Baker	08/20
Christopher Satterlee	08/20	Gretchen Zeitler	08/20
Ronald Ellis, Jr.	08/21	Mark Norman	08/21
Merle Yost, Jr.	08/21	Lauren Baker	08/22
Kristina Iorio	08/22	Joyce Hodge	08/23
Jennifer Butler	08/25	Douglas Edwards	08/25
Courtney Cirillo	08/26	Heather Kinney	08/26
Marion Bishop	08/27	Shirley St. Andrews	08/29
Carole Snook	08/30	Nancy Fleck	08/31
Killian Horney	08/31	Linda Lavendar	08/31
Steven Santa Maria	08/31	Cynthia VanAllen	08/31



Bridgett & James Olsen	08/02
Melinda & Michael Harrington	08/06
Ginny & Hank Baker	08/14
Lauren & Steven Yucha	08/14
Sandy & Norm Harrington	08/16
Joan & Ernie Clapper	08/20
Jill & John Cassaro	08/25
Vivienne & Peter Cirillo	08/30
Darlene & Charles Vogt	08/31

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No Excuse Sunday

To make it possible for everyone to attend church this Sunday, we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday":

Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in."

There will be a special section with lounge chairs for those who feel that our pews are too hard.

Eye drops will be available for those with tired eyes from watching TV late Saturday night.

We will have steel helmets for those who say, "The roof would cave in if I ever came to church."

Blankets will be furnished for those who think the church is too cold, and fans for those who say it is too hot.

Scorecards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present.

Relatives and friends will be in attendance for those who can't go to church and cook dinner, too.

We will distribute "Stamp Out Stewardship" buttons for those that feel the church is always asking for money.

One section will be devoted to trees and grass for those who like to seek God in nature.

Doctors and nurses will be in attendance for those who plan to be sick on Sunday.

The sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who never have seen the church without them.

We will provide hearing aids for those who can't hear the preacher and cotton wool for those who think he's too loud!

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MINISTRY STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Terrence M. O'Neill
The Rev. Cynthia VanAllen
The Rev. Garry W. Campbell, The Rev. Dick Sears, Pastors Emeritus
Administrative Assistant: Isabelle Connor
Music Ministry: Ed Goodemote, Betty Green, Vivienne Cirillo
Organists Emeritus: Joyce Manning & Marilyn Rhinehart
Maintenance Engineer: Garfield Burlett
Interpreter for the deaf : Jeanne Smith
Please call the office for prayer requests or if you are homebound and would like to receive a visit and/or communion from our Pastoral Ministry Team

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10:00 am (Summer Worship)

Vision Statement

The vision of the Foothills United Methodist Church is to reach out in love to serve, nurture and touch lives in the name of Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement

The Mission of the Foothills United Methodist Church is to serve as a lighthouse, reaching out with God's love and acceptance, sharing our faith, serving our communities, and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people.