



Redlands Reporter

September 2011

Redlands United Methodist Church

"Love God, Learn and Live!"



9-11 SPECIAL MEMORIAL SERVICE PLANNED

On September 11, 2001 a tremendous tragedy occurred in our nation as we were attacked by terrorists. It is an event that everyone will remember, including where they were and what they were feeling, when they got the news.

This September 11, 2011 is the tenth anniversary of this tragedy and we want to pay tribute to all the heroes who responded and to the families who lost someone on that day.

So, on Sunday, 11 of September, the Redlands UMC will have a joint service with both worship groups together beginning at 9:11 a.m. It will be a blended service with time for prayerful remembrance and honor to both those involved and our God. We will also use this as a time to see the hope that is our future as Christians, as a church and as a community and nation. We will reflect on the importance of a positive outlook that God is placing before us. Because of this special event, the service will be a little longer than just one hour, but the occasion calls for more time to honor our Lord.

As a way to conclude, we will invite everyone to come join us for a brunch potluck where everyone can join together in fellowship, memories and food. We're asking everyone to bring a potluck dish for the brunch that can be shared with everyone else. It is the spirit of what the Church is all about and the gift that God has given us through the Church.

Set September 11, 2011 aside, mark your calendars and plan on a different time for worship where God's healing love can be felt and expected for our future. And, bring a friend. They'll want to share this time with us, as well!

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REDLANDS REPORTER

Published each month, with the **next deadline by Sunday, Sept. 18.**

Please submit your concise articles in these ways:

- By e-mail if possible to secretary@rumcgj.com (preferably as a Word document attachment)
- By bringing article (typed if you can!) to the church office and placing it in the yellow folder on the reception desk.



Cheryl Holbeck
Editor/Designer



PRAYER REQUESTS

Note: Check the "Prayer Board" for current requests. Always remember our military, especially those overseas.

CONCERNS:

CHURCH FAMILY

Randy Bogart—serious illness, Univ. of CO Medical Center; Minnie Koele—not doing well, no longer able to drive; Jack Frost—8/23 surgery

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Anna Grimsby's daughter, Monika Wooley—critical condition, Porter Hospital; Olyn Carlson's grandson, Mason—broken arm; Michelle Krug's mother, Aileen—heart attack; Deb Grein's mother, June—needs complete healing; Jodie Grein's grandmother, Wilma Smith—cancer, etc.; Don Dove's aunt, Hazel—Larchwood for therapy; Maxine Warren's great-granddaughter, Madison—surgery; Ginny Bultman's mother-in-law, Carol—hospital, blood clots; Jack Bowden's sister, Frances—hospital, fell, broken ribs; Anabelle Miglia's father, Bob Kindig—pancreatic cancer; Humphrey's request for Marty—hospice, not doing well; Chet Jones' friend, Bill—hospital, seriously ill; Zanski's friends, Bill & Katie & family; Dotti Miller's requests for Doris (heart problems) and Dave (chemo); Kristy Armour's request for Emma—8/15 tests; Kathy Hillman's request for Loren & Sandy—both cancer treatments; Kevin Yake request for Dawson's mother—recovering surgery;

Doris Anderson's requests for Ann Brown (ALS) and Lorraine Mortensen; Ruth Jacob's friend, Sue Niblett—cancer; Kathy Hillman's, Alicia—on bed rest, expecting twins; Jimmy—custody issues; Keith—recovering

CONTINUED PRAYERS

Walt & Pat Boigegrain; Nancy Emert; Bob Richardson; Karl Zeynep; Patrick Brown; job seekers, those who have quit looking and all of their families; all family and friends with cancer and/or other serious illness; students returning to school and off to college; those dealing with all forms of natural disasters

CELEBRATIONS

Born 8/23—Carter Steven Crum (Parents: Crystal & Steven Crum, Grandparents: Teresa & Cliff Anson)

Anniversaries:

8/16 Jack & Char Frost, 58th
8/24 Bill & Nancy Kowal, 54th
8/26 Les & Pat Theissen, 55th
8/28 Walt/Pat Boigegrain, 62nd

DEATHS

Recently—Joe Saad, the Armour's friend

THANK YOU

From Amy Baker (see note on church office door)

PRAYER TREE REQUESTS

Do you have a Prayer Request during the week, or on Sunday afternoon? Contact: Esther Foster, 858-9888, anytime between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and **leave a message** please if no one answers.

Email or call: Doris Anderson, 243-0171, gjanuck436@cs.com.

PLEASE if you are turning in a yellow Prayer Request form, we need **YOUR NAME** on the slip as well in case of any questions about spelling, etc. Thanks for your help, *Esther*

News & Views From Our Pastor ...

Dear Friends,

On Sunday, September 11, 2011 it will be exactly 10 years since the tragedy occurred when the twin towers were destroyed, the Pentagon attacked and another plane was brought down in Pennsylvania by terrorists hijacking passenger planes. It was a horrible event that took more than 3,000 lives early that morning. We will never forget it!

On this year's Sunday, the 11th of September, we will have a special worship service that will be combining both Traditional and Contemporary worship services. Instead of the 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship services we will have **one which will start at 9:11 a.m.** On that day we will remember the lives of those that were lost and their families. But, we will not stop there. We will move on to remember the greatness of our God as the Lord brought rescue, recovery and hope to all of us. We're asking everyone to wear red (your "Impact Your Community" t-shirts if you have them!?) which is the color of passion and the Holy Spirit and afterwards join us for a potluck brunch. Please bring a dish to be shared with others as we celebrate the hope and promise of God's love for us in the future. Ministry Teams will be around the Fellowship Hall sharing their hopes, dreams, challenges and focus for the next year or more. Please bring your friends and neighbors. It should be both a sobering and hope-filled time for our country as well as our church as we look to the promises of tomorrow.

I remember, ten years ago, when people flocked to the churches to find some hope, peace or answers. I know we all did what we could to give them that hope found in our Lord's promises to us all. But, I also know that a large number of those people did not find what they were looking for and the number dwindled quickly of those seeking answers in our churches. I think I know what they were looking for now. And it's the



same thing that our Church Council has accepted as The Redlands United Methodist Church's Mission Statement. They were looking for a chance to, "*Love God, Learn and Live.*" With that approval vote, we will be ready for them in the very near future.

When they come to "*Love God*" they will find worship that has a variety of styles and opportunities. They will find worship that is passionate, energetic, relevant, hopeful and responsive. To "*Love God*" we will be working on providing that kind of worship where people can freely be in a passionate love affair with God. That may seem strange to us now, but I want you to know that God is already in a passionate love affair with you. God just wants you to join our Lord. We are looking to provide that worship that loves God completely.

When they come to "*Learn*" we will have many opportunities for them through small groups that will be available for everyone. They were looking for ways to share and process their grief and, unfortunately, those opportunities were not there. We are going to emphasize the power and connection that only small groups can have. These will be groups where you can get together with people you know or who are like you in some ways. They will be gathering in the name of Jesus, the Christ, and remind us of the loving grace of our Savior to support, encourage, strengthen, hold accountable and empower our own spiritual journeys without judgment, coercion, guilt or manipulation. We are looking to provide that opportunity for small group interaction that allows us to practice our faith with loved ones before we try that out on strangers.

And when they come to "*Live*" out their hopes and dreams we will have opportunities for mission. We'll have plenty of opportunities within the church for service, but that was available when 9/11 happened, too. We need more and more opportunities to do meaningful service and work for

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those in need that will truly make a difference in people's lives. They want to have "hands-on" service and we will continue to provide those opportunities as well as set-up more ways to serve others as the hands and feet of Christ. We are looking to provide the many mission events we do now and many more so that church becomes something that we do and not just a place.

I am so excited about our future at the Redlands United Methodist Church because I see God moving through us to bring about the Kingdom of Heaven in real and powerful ways. I hope you will join us as we continue to grow and strengthen our spiritual journeys. I know that as we do this, we will not miss the next opportunity we have to offer the world the power and love of our Savior in relevant and compassionate ways.

God bless all of you and I look forward to serving Christ with you.

Love,
Gary

RUMC "SUPPER CLUB"

3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

It looked like Jesus with some of his disciples, only down on their luck. On my way to Walmart I passed several men who looked like the pictures in the children's Sunday School Bible. Some had long brown or grey hair, sandals on their feet, and patched clothes. That image stayed in my mind and I wondered if they were trying to reach out to us, but we were too busy to make time.

A few days later I was facing the same men while serving food for Homeward Bound. They were friendly, grateful, and smiling...yes cheerful. It's easy to wonder about somebody and just keep on driving; it's another thing to truly be face-to-face.

Many folks, myself included, scorn the idea of volunteering at a Homeless Shelter. It seems so trite ... something wealthy

families do on holidays or church youth groups do to teach teenagers that their lives aren't so bad.

We all know local families struggling to survive after the loss of a job, children who are hungry, folks who work all day but need to eat that night and have somewhere to sleep.

So a small group of us agreed to coordinate serving a meal once per month at our local homeless shelter. We didn't know what to expect the first few months. We had to plan a meal for 120-150 children, young adults, women, men, and those who have served our country in the military, folks with disabilities.

We had to purchase all the food! Some of us had never planned a meal for more than two people. Thankfully, the folks at RUMC stepped up to the plate and are willing to help, whether it is shopping, serving, cooking, donations, transportation, etc. Each month a different group or committee from church "hosts" the meal. The group worries, frets, scratches their heads in puzzlement, the evening comes! It is so like when Jesus fed the 5,000... we have food, servers, sometimes music entertainment, we joke around, we feel humbled, and sometimes we too sit down and share the meal prepared by RUMC.

It was not an inexpensive endeavor and we were fortunate to have generous and gracious people at RUMC and friends of RUMC. Asking for donations isn't always easy, but neither is showing up for a free meal.

We host it and enjoy it! We discovered that Homeward Bound is more than a soup kitchen. It's a way to know our community on a different level, to break bread with our neighbors and to connect with others who care.

Hours: 5:15 to 7:00 p.m., 3rd Tuesday of each month

Where: Homeward Bound Homeless Shelter,
2853 North Ave.

Volunteers: See Kathy Hillman, Jolene Flowers,
or Tracey Klaver

We Worship Together



SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

10:30 a.m.—ACOLYTES

Sept. 4-25 Billy or Carissa or
Royanna Crawford

9:00 am COMMUNION STEWARDS

Sept. 4: Jolene & Rob Flowers,
Vera Wagner

10:30 a.m. —

Sept. 4: Bob & Donna Spencer

9:00 a.m.— GREETERS

Sept. 4: Dave & Sharon Gartner,
Marion Bestle

Sept. 18: Gary & Carolyn Gerstner,
Doris Anderson

Sept. 25: Jerry & Jan Cortez,
Susan Zanski

10:30 a.m.—

Sept. 4: Bob & Donna Spencer

Sept. 18: Mary Jo Humphrey,
Ruth Trowbridge

Sept. 25: Marj Richardson,
Minnie Koele

9 a.m. WELCOME BOOTH

Sept. 4: Susan Zanski

Sept. 18: Vera Wagner

Sept. 25: Patty Halligan

10:30 a.m.—

Sept. 4: Marj Richardson

Sept. 18: JoAnn Roemer

Sept. 25: Ruth Trowbridge

9:00 a.m.— USHERS

Sept. 4: Wayne & Patty Halligan

Sept. 18: Dotti & Tony Miller

Sept. 25: Sharon & Dave Gartner

10:30 a.m.—

Sept. 4: Marj Richardson

Sept. 18: Royanna & Carissa
Crawford

Sept. 25: Lois Bogart
Jeff Geest

SERMONS AND SCRIPTURES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sept. 4— “On Being a Christian: How Do We Learn to Forgive?” We’ll finish this series by talking about forgiveness and how to do that. *Jeremiah 31:31-34, 2 Chronicles 7:14, 1 John 1:9, Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-22, Acts 3:19* **HOLY COMMUNION**

Sept. 11— ONE SERVICE AT 9:11 A.M. with 15-30 minutes of remembrance of 9/11 and 45 minutes of Revival, Renewal, Regeneration.

Sept. 18— “Being Fearless: Why Are We Afraid?” We begin a 6-week series on Fear and how God can help us become fearless. *Luke 12:32*

Sept. 25— “Being Fearless: Fear of Not Mattering.” #2/6
Ephesians 2:10



SEPTEMBER 11 @ 9:11 a.m. SPECIAL COMBINED SERVICE

GREETERS: Vera Wagner, Dave &
Kristy Armour, Minnie Koele,
Nanette Graham, Donna &
Ashleigh Gardner

WELCOME BOOTH: Jolene Flowers,
Royanna Crawford

USHERS: Jolene & Rob Flowers,
Jeff Geest, Lois Bogart

LITURGIST: JoAnn Roemer

HOSPITALITY: Jan & Jerry Cortez

10:30 a.m.—LITURGISTS

Sept. 4: Tim Graus

Sept. 18: Lois Bogart

Sept. 25: Ruth Trowbridge

10:00-10:30 a.m.-HOSPITALITY

Sept. 4: JoAnn Roemer, Jeris Young

Sept. 18: Catherine Welty,
Marion Bestle

Sept. 25: Nancy & Bill Kowal

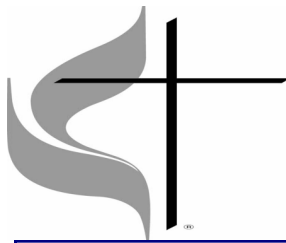
RUMC SUGGESTION BOX

We would welcome your constructive suggestions, recommendations, input, and creative ideas to help Redlands United Methodist Church be the best church that we can be.

As you have been able to deduce from our multitude of articles and information for you regarding the “Simple Church” and “Rethink Church,” every effort is being made to collaborate on solutions toward growing our church and helping it to be vital in your lives and our community as a whole.

To that end, if you would like to discuss your “feedback” further with Gary, the Church Council, the Staff Parish Relations ministry, or any of our ministry chairpersons, please note so when you deposit your input in the Suggestion Box located in the entryway of the Narthex. They would be more than happy to meet with you! Thank you!





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>SUNDAY WORSHIP <u>9:00 am—Contemporary Service</u> <u>10:30 am—Traditional Service</u> *9:00-10:00 am—Adult Sun. School *9:15-10:15 am—Children’s Sunday School *10:30-11:30 am—Youth Sun. School *10:00-10:30 am—Coffee/ Fellowship <u>Above Schedule Each Sun. Below</u> <u>Unless Otherwise Noted:</u></p>			
<p>4 Sacrament of Holy Communion (See Sunday Worship schedule above.) Children’s/Youth Sunday School & UMYF on summer hiatus</p>	<p>5 LABOR DAY CHURCH CLOSED PRESCHOOL CLOSED</p>	<p>6 1:30-4:00pm UMW Caring Friends 6:00-8:30 pm Worship & Music Ministry Meeting 6:00-10:00 pm Sweet Adeline’s</p>	<p>7 4:00 pm Sunday Bu 5:30-6:30 pm Redlan 6:00-8:00 pm GVW 6:30-8:30 pm “Love 7:00-8:30 pm Chanc</p>
<p>11 9/11 10-YEAR TRIBUTE Combined Worship Service 9:11 am Mission Moment Children’s Sunday School Kickoff 10:45-Noon 9/11 Potluck 4:00 pm UMYF Parent Meeting 5:00-7:00 pm UMYF Kickoff</p>	<p>12 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:00-7:00 pm Girl Scouts 6:15-8:45 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>13 10:30am-1:30pm UMW Meeting 1:30-4:00pm UMW Caring Friends 6:00-9:00 pm Finance Meeting 6:00-10:00 pm Sweet Adeline’s 7:00-8:30 pm Cub Scout Admin. Meeting</p>	<p>14 1:00-3:00 pm GVW 5:30-6:30 pm Redlan 4:00 pm Sunday Bu 6:30-8:30 pm “Love 7:00-8:30 pm Chanc</p>
<p>18 Witness Moment (See Sunday Worship schedule above.) Youth Sunday School Kickoff 1:00-3:00 pm Christian Seekers Dessert (membership class) 5:00-7:00 pm UMYF 5:00 pm <u>NEXT MONTH’S</u> <u>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</u></p>	<p>19 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:00-7:00 pm Girl Scouts 6:15-8:45 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>20 1:30-4:00pm UMW Caring Friends 6:00 pm Supper Club Project 6:00-10:00 pm Sweet Adeline’s 7:00-8:00 pm Church Council</p>	<p>21 4:00 pm Sunday Bu 5:30-6:30 pm Redlan 6:00-8:00 pm GVW 6:30-8:30 pm “Love 7:00-8:30 pm Chanc</p>
<p>25 Stewardship Moment (See Sunday Worship schedule above.) 5:00-7:00 pm UMYF</p>	<p>26 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:00-7:00 pm Girl Scouts 6:15-8:45 pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>27 10:00-11:30 am UMW Newsletter Assembly 1:30-4:00 pm UMW Caring Friends 6:00-10:00 pm Sweet Adeline’s</p>	<p>28 1:00-3:00 pm GVW 4:00 pm Sunday Bu 5:30-6:30 pm Redlan 7:00-8:30 pm Chanc</p>



Quarterly Deadline for
 RUMC Goods
 Receipt Submission

Donations of Books, Videos, CDs for the RUMC October sale will be accepted Tues.-Fri., 9am-4pm, thru Oct. 14 at the church office.

SEPTEMBER 2011

To schedule other events/meetings, please call the church office Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For room assignments for scheduled events/meetings, please consult the weekly calendar posted in the church office window nearest the front door.

DAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<p><i>1</i></p> <p>9:30-11:00 am TLC Meeting</p> <p>Noon-1:00 pm Covenant Disciple</p> <p>1:00-2:00 pm Prayer Group</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7:00-9:00 pm Messengers of Praise</p>	<p><i>2</i></p> <p>1:00 pm Sunday Bulletin Assembly Volunteers</p>	<p><i>3</i></p>
<p>Bulletin deadline</p> <p>Hands Ringers</p> <p>C</p> <p>& Logic”</p> <p>el Choir</p>	<p><i>8</i></p> <p>1:00-2:00 pm Prayer Group</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>6:00-9:00 pm Finance Ministry Mtg.</p> <p>7:00-9:00 pm Messengers of Praise</p>	<p><i>9</i></p> <p>1:00 pm Sunday Bulletin Assembly Volunteers</p>	<p><i>10</i></p> <p>5:00-7:00 pm Emmaus Gathering</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm 9/11 Set-up</p>
<p>C</p> <p>Hands Ringers</p> <p>Bulletin deadline</p> <p>& Logic”</p> <p>el Choir</p>	<p><i>15</i></p> <p>Noon-1:00 pm Covenant Disciple</p> <p>1:00-2:00 pm Prayer Group</p> <p>5:30-10:00 pm Sweet Adeline Team Meeting</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7:00-9:00 pm Messengers of Praise</p>	<p><i>16</i></p> <p>1:00 pm Sunday Bulletin Assembly Volunteers</p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>9:00-11:30am Joint Service Project with the Mormon Church</p> <p>9:00am-Noon Banner/Chrismon Project</p> <p>11:30am-2:00pm Joint Service Project Potluck</p>
<p>Bulletin deadline</p> <p>Hands Ringers</p> <p>C</p> <p>& Logic”</p> <p>el Choir</p>	<p><i>22</i></p> <p>1:00-2:00 pm Prayer Group</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7:00-9:00 pm Messengers of Praise</p> <p>Registration Deadline—”Walk to Emmaus” Men</p>	<p><i>23</i></p> <p>1:00-5:00pm “Walk to Emmaus” Training Set-up</p> <p>1:30 pm Sunday Bulletin Assembly Volunteers</p>	<p><i>24</i></p> <p>8:00am-4:00pm “Walk to Emmaus” Training</p>
<p>C</p> <p>Bulletin deadline</p> <p>Hands Ringers</p> <p>el Choir</p>	<p><i>29</i></p> <p>1:00-2:00 pm Prayer Group</p> <p>6:00-8:00 pm Girl Scout Recruitment</p> <p>7:00-9:00 pm Messengers of Praise</p> <p>Registration Deadline—”Walk to Emmaus” Women</p>	<p><i>30</i></p> <p>1:30 pm Sunday Bulletin Assembly Volunteers</p>	



In & About Our Church

RUMC "SUPPER CLUB" AT HOMEWARD BOUND

- Sept. 20** — Staff-Parish
Oct. 18 — Congregation - led by Tracy Klaver, Bobbie McClure
Nov. 15 — Sunday School Teachers (children's)
Dec. 20 — Kathy Hillman, Jolene Flowers, Tracy Klaver, Congregation

INTRODUCING THE NEW RUMC VIDEO LIBRARY!

The choir/library room (#124) is now home to a large amount of movies ranging from action flicks to humor, family, and many more. You are now welcome to check out a no-charge movie via the "honor system" sign-out sheet located next to the video display. Please visit this great new resource area to pick out, take home and enjoy a good video (maximum suggested time of check-out is one week in order to give everyone an opportunity to see the videos of their choice in a timely manner). See you at the movies!

"WILLS AND OUR FUTURE" AT REDLANDS UMC

On October 13 at both 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m. there will be a class called, "Estate Planning Issues in Troubled Economic Times." It will be led by Bill Frey and Jenna Keller from Duford, Waldeck, Milburn and Krohn, L.L.P., a law-firm. They will discuss the importance of making a will and how to do that, how to give to the church and increase giving to your family when you die, and how to prepare for the future in uncertain economic times in the best possible ways.

This is for people of all ages because it's never too early to prepare and it's never too late to start. There will be handouts, time for questions and this is open to the entire community. Please let us know you're coming by October 9 so we can prepare.

MAKING BANNERS AND CHRISMONS

In September and October., possibly November, anyone who is interested in making banners or Chrismons will have an opportunity to do so. Providing that donations come in to cover the cost of fabric, a few Saturdays have been set up as work days over the next few months for this endeavor: *Sept. 17 and Oct. 29, 9:00 a.m.-Noon; Oct. 15, 1:00-4:00 p.m.* A couple of these Saturdays have already been designated as church work days (September 17th and October 15th), so this is an added opportunity to work on something for our church. If you like to sew, trace, cut, iron, eat...yes, I said eat; oh, and fellowship with others...please come and help with this project! It should be fun, and rewarding.

Because of the number of banners and the size of the banners (for our large sanctuary) several yards of fabric are required. And though an economical fabric has been found, the cost for the banners and poles to hang them from will still be around \$500.00. The cost of the Chrismons should only be around \$100.00. If we have enough funds donated, we will make banners and Chrismons. If not, we will still make Chrismons for Christmas.

In addition to those costs, we are in the market for a new Christmas tree. If we are not able to come with the money for a tree that is appropriate in size for our sanctuary (much taller than we have had, hence more Chrismons), then we will be getting a live tree this year.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Roni Haddock at 255-7485, or Cheryl, 245-1478, and let us know if you can help *financially* or *physically*, or *both!* Any checks made to the church should be marked with: "Worship Fund/Christmas."

SEPT. COMMUNITY DONATIONS

Paper goods:
Toilet Paper, Paper towels, napkins

In & About Our Church

CHURCH COUNCIL UPDATE

Exciting times at Redland United Methodist Church are happening NOW! At the last Church Council meeting much of the discussion centered on what we have learned through studying the "Simple Church," from the resources of RETHINK CHURCH workshop and the Vital Congregations Project. And a decision was made to act on defining the focus and course of our future as a church.

The notion was put forth that all of these studies, workshops and projects have a common theme and with the recent study of the "Simple Church" the Council decided to put these things into practice by focusing on only three things. First, to *Love God* by emphasizing worship; next, to *Learn* by developing a new attitude in personal growth via exciting small group learning. Last, but certainly not least, to *Live* through our mission work.

To keep this new focus in front of us at all times, it was resolved to change the Mission Statement of the church to, "*Loving God, Learning and Living.*" Now it is up to us as a congregation to focus on these areas and we will be successful. Still don't know what that means for you or what you can do? Just ask any Church Council member and discover how little you need do to make a difference.

I hope everyone is planning to come to the 9/11 service and "Fall Kick-off Brunch." I think it should be one of the most fulfilling and fun events we have had in a long time. Don't forget to wear RED.

As always, everyone is invited to attend any Church Council meeting on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. or contact me directly at 261-2324.

Please join me in sculpting the success of our church in making an IMPACT on YOUR COMMUNITY.

God Bless YOU and OUR church!

Michael King
Church Council Chairman

UMW TO HEAR ABOUT JOHN WESLEY

The Redlands United Methodist Women will hear an informative talk about John Wesley at the unit's first regularly scheduled meeting of the fall, Sept. 13, 10:30 a.m. at the church. Program presenter is Tracey Klaver.

An autumn brunch will be hosted by Bernita Dove, with members requested to bring a favorite brunch dish to share. There's no need to bring tableware, Bernita said. Pat Cottrell will lead devotions

For details, Ruth Trowbridge, 257-7707.

RUMC YOUTH GROUP ATTEND JULY PURDUE UNIVERSITY "YOUTH 2011"



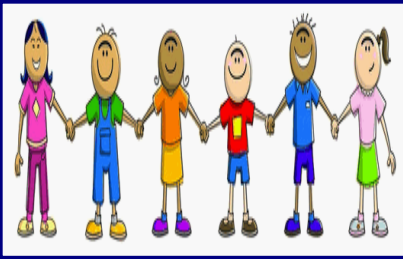
The RUMC Youth Group on their way to Purdue University.

Susan and the Youth felt that the trip was amazing and that they all had a great experience. Everyone was very excited about their faith and the overall event! They especially enjoyed the speakers and all of the varieties of worship music that were presented and, in fact, felt that the Church of the Resurrection was so good that they should have their own CD.

The Youth also learned a great deal about mission work participation, i.e., prison ministries, etc. Everyone is looking forward to implementing some new things learned for both UMYF and RUMC.



Children and Youth



WHAT'S UP AT UMYF IN SEPTEMBER?

(All schedules are on www.rumcgj.com)

Sunday, September 11, 2011; 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Youth Kick-off

Sunday, September 18, 2011; 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Regular UMYF

Dinner volunteer needed

Sunday, September 25, 2011; 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Regular UMYF

Dinner: Volunteer Needed

MOVING FROM THE PAST INTO THE FUTURE

Remembering 9/11 and the hope that we gained from it!

Sunday, September 11, 2011 is the 10 year anniversary of 9/11 and the devastation that came from it. We will be remembering that day and focusing on the hope that we gained from this tragedy.

We will be having one combined service on September 11 starting at 9:11 a.m. We ask that everyone wears red that day. Following the service will be a potluck brunch. Please bring something to share.

Also, we will be highlighting the ministries in this church. It will give you an opportunity to be reminded or introduced to the amazing things that folks are a part of at RUMC. You will also have an opportunity to get yourself active in any of those ministries if you feel God tugging at your heart.

Children's Sunday school will also begin on 9/11 (mid-high and high school will begin Sept. 18).

If you have questions, please contact the church office, 245-1478.

IN-COMING 6TH GRADERS

If you have a new 6th grader and would like to have him/her involved in youth group, please contact Susan Zanski at 245-1478 or e-mail at susan@rumcgj.com.

ALL YOUTH (6TH – 12TH GRADE) ARE INVITED!!

UMYF Kick-Off celebration on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011 @ 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Redlands UMC. Join us for dinner, games, fellowship, music and WORSHIP! Everyone is welcome, 6th -12th grade. Friends are always welcome and encouraged!

The youth would like to invite you to make and serve dinner on Sunday nights for youth group. We eat a snack supper before we get busy with our activities. We are not picky and we are very appreciative of any meal. If you would like to get to know the youth better and spend some time with us, please sign-up to fix us a meal. Contact Susan Zanski at 245-1478 or by e-mail at susan@rumcgj.com.

MYF PARENT MEETING

A "highly encouraged" parent meeting will be on Sunday, September 11, 4:00 p.m. This is an informational meeting and a planning meeting. It is going to be very important to have parents involved in UMYF this year. I hope you, the parents, can be as excited about youth group and the love of God as the youth are! Please contact Susan if you are not able to attend.

YOUTH FACEBOOK PAGE

If you would like to be "friends" of the youth group at Redlands UMC, just ask to be friends with RUMC kids and you can see what we are doing. We have daily scripture, updates on events and even prayer concerns for each other. We would love to be your friend.



We Give Together

“APPLYING BIBLE PRINCIPLES”

How rich are you? Most of us would respond to that question with a recitation of our material possessions. We would list bank accounts and their contents, stocks, bonds, houses, vehicles, and other so-called assets as tangible evidence of our wealth.

But is that how rich we are? Not really. Adrian Rogers said this, “If you want to know how rich you are, add up everything you have that money can’t buy and what you’ve sent on to heaven. That’s how rich you really are.”

There are two ways to send money on to heaven, or as the Bible phrases it, to “lay up treasures in heaven.” One is to give to the work of the Lord. As we do that, particularly through giving our tithes and offerings here at Redlands United Methodist Church, we make deposits in what one writer described as the “Bank of Heaven.” Another way to accomplish that goal is to give to meet the needs of other people. That’s the admonition provided by the Apostle Paul in 1 Timothy 6:17-19 when he instructed Timothy, “Command those who are rich in this present world . . . to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age. . . .”

Compared to many people in the world, all of us — to one degree or another — have been richly blessed by God. That’s why we need to apply Paul’s counsel to our lives. As we follow his instruction, giving in the name of the Lord Jesus to meet the needs of others, we “lay up treasure” for the coming age.

One of the primary reasons God provides material blessings to us, His children, is that we might through those material provisions minister in His name to other people. According to Matthew 25:40, when we do that, even to what Jesus described as the “least” of His brothers, it is as though we have done it unto Him.

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As one writer expressed it so well, “Investing in the lives of others and growing in our relationship with God are spiritual treasures. They are not subject to destruction or thievery. They are fully protected. Their value never diminishes.” Or as an anonymous poet wrote, “Shall the great Judge say, when my task is through, that my soul had gathered some riches, too? Or shall at the last it be mine to find that all I had worked for was left behind?”

As you consider your true wealth and what really counts for eternity, think about this: How much better to be a poor person who is spiritually rich than a rich person who is spiritually poor.

How rich are you?

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS NEEDED

Think back to when you were young and going to church. You probably can remember an adult who made a difference in your life. Whether in Sunday school or youth group...there was probably that one person. Do you think that you can make that same difference in someone’s life now that you are the adult?

We need adults to help lead children’s and high school youth Sunday schools. You don’t have to do it alone, you will have plenty of support.

Please pray about whether you are ready to make a difference for a young person and their faith-walk. Sadly, if we do not get volunteers to help with these programs, we will have to cancel them.

All volunteers must pass a background check. If you think you might be interested, please talk with Susan and get the details (245-1478).





Redlands United Methodist Church

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Pastor: Rev. Gary Haddock

Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am—Contemporary Worship Service
10:30 am—Traditional Worship Service

*9:00-10:00 am—Adult Sunday School
*Children’s Sunday School resumes 9/11
*Mid-high and High School on 9/18. Please see
the calendar on pages 6 & 7

10:00-10:30 am—Fellowship Coffee

*Childcare, handicap parking and
seating are offered at all services.*

NOTE: The church office is closed on Mondays.
Messages: 245-1478. Office hours Tuesday—
Friday, 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

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DUST OFF THOSE VOCAL CORDS!

The 2011-2012 Chancel Choir season begins with rehearsal starting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14. Rehearsals will be from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on most Wednesdays.

By the time you read this, we will have already had our annual music celebration that the Lepisto's host. Don't let that stop you from joining us as we prepare choral music of many styles to praise God during the Traditional Worship services starting on Sun., September 25.

Whether you are a trained musician or just sing in the shower, we would love to have you join our choral ensemble. While our main focus is choral praise, we support one another in prayer and fellowship as we deepen our relationship with God ...and we laugh and have fun too! If you have any questions, please contact Director Cherlyn Crawford at 241-1900, or at billcherianne@bresnan.net.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who have filled in for the “Special Music” at the 10:30 a.m. service for the summer. I have really appreciated it! *Laine Cross*



It's that time again!!! It's time to register for the fall Walk to Emmaus weekends at Camp Cedaredge. The men’s walk will be Oct 6-9 and the women’s walk will be Oct 13-16 (both Thurs. evening thru Sun. afternoon). The deadline to register is Sept 22 for the men and Sept 29 for the women. Please contact either Gary at 245-1478 or Margaret Bestle at 242-2503 for applications. You won't be sorry you did!

Mmmmmm-I can smell the apples already!

DONATIONS OF GOODS TO RUMC

Please turn in receipts for goods donated for church use by September 25, 2011. Make sure your name and purpose are on the receipt. Last quarter, a receipt for the March dinner (Homeless shelter) had no name. Please let me know if this is yours. Thank you.

Kathy Pippenger, Financial Secretary