

ENDWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAY 2010 JOURNEY

Our Vision: *“To be a caring Christian community on a journey to follow Jesus.”*

Dates to Remember

(Find details inside)

Bring a Friend to Church This Sunday

May 2nd

Mother/Daughter Dinner

May 11th

Pastor José and Nan Valencia's
15th Wedding Anniversary Party

May 15th

Sky Lake Open House

May 16th

Pentecost—Confirmation

May 23rd

Pastor José's Retirement Sermon

May 30th

Summer Schedule begins

June 6th

Pastor Roger's Retirement Party

June 23rd

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AN OPEN INVITATION
To
YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
To Attend
NAN & JOSÉ'S
FIFTEENTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2010
7:00 p.m.

ENDWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
3301 Watson Blvd.
Endwell, New York 13760

PROGRAM
VIOLIN CONCERT
Featuring José Loren Valencia

RENEWAL OF VOWS

REFRESHMENTS

Served and Provided by the Ladies of Endwell United Methodist Church

RSVP

By Monday, May 10th

Phone - (607) 785-6416 (please leave a message if no one is home)

E-mail: josenan@stny.rr.com

**PLEASE. . . NO PRESENTS. . . ONLY YOUR PRESENCE WILL BE
JOYFULLY & GRATEFULLY WELCOMED**



Update....

American Cancer Society Relay for Life Team -
“Jean’s Kids”

Please help us support cancer research through the “Relay for Life”. Here are some upcoming activities:

Luminaria Sale: One of the highlights of the “Relay for Life” is the Luminaria ceremony. Thousands of Luminaria line the track in memory of cancer victims and in honor of cancer survivors. Luminaria will be on sale for \$5 each in the Fellowship Hall after both services beginning May 23rd. These Luminaria will be displayed during the ceremony at MacArthur Park and the names will be scrolled on a giant screen during the event.

Coins for Cancer: Bring your loose change to church during the month of May and look for the “Coins for Cancer” receptacle in the Narthex.

Coffee Sale: Purchase some delicious “Java Joe’s” coffee and help support cancer research at the same time! Team members will have order forms. See Kathy Webb for more information.

Cans and Bottles: Donate your redeemable cans and bottles! The team has accounts at both “The Can Man” (Olive St. in Johnson City) and “Nickel Back-and-More” (3218 Main St. in Endwell). Just mention Endwell United Methodist Church when you take your cans and bottles to either of these locations and “Jean’s Kids” will receive the credit. Pick up is available! Please call Barbara Crowle (754-3902) to make arrangements.

May 26th Wednesday 10 a.m.

Doug Peters, one of our newest members, as well as a meteorologist at WBNG, will tell us all that goes into his job.

Please join us and make Doug feel welcome. Lunch will follow at a local restaurant.

All are Invited!



JOY!



Join us for Roger's retirement celebration

Staff Parish invites you to a dinner to celebrate Roger's retirement. Help us send Roger off in grand fashion. Three hours of food, fellowship and maybe even a few Roger stories. For reservations complete the form below and return it to the Church office or call Karen in the office, money due by Thursday June 17th.

Date: Wednesday June 23rd.

Time: 6:00 – 9:00 PM (dinner at 7:00)

Where: Atrio Banquets (Hooper Road in Endwell – next to the Galley)

Menu: Buffet dinner

Cost: \$26.00 per person (includes gift & gratuity)

Pastor Roger's Retirement

Name: _____

Attending: _____

Phone #: _____



The adult Sunday school class that meets in the back of the Sanctuary has spent the year discussing many topics. We started in the fall with studies on stewardship and evangelism. During Advent, we learned as individuals and as a group how we can best make wise and compassionate decisions when helping the poor. In January, we began studying the 3 Simple

Rules and how to practice them in our daily lives. During Lent, we spent 7 weeks studying the last 24 hours of Jesus' life and we are finishing the year with a study on becoming a Good Samaritan.

As we work through our studies we connect what we learn to how we live. In December the class helped provide the food for the Birthday Party for Jesus. We initiated a collection of hats, scarves and mittens that were given to the people who come to our Monday night dinners in January. We recently filled purses for the YWCA Mother's Day event. We are also putting together birthing kits to take to Annual Conference.

The class was asked to consider what they do or could do to improve their carbon footprint and better tend to God's creation. Have you done any of the following-leave your car at home and walk, bike, or take public transportation, stop using pesticides, lessen your junk mail, eat more meals at home, pack your lunch in reusable containers, stop using plastic water bottles, start a vegetable garden, compost, install a rain barrel, or hang your laundry outside to dry? How about turning off the T.V., computer, game-system, I-pod, or cell phone one day a week?

Our last class for this year will be on May 16th. It has been my pleasure to lead this class as they are a great group and have much to contribute. We hope you will consider joining us in the fall when we start with some new topics that connect our faith to life.

Diane Alexander

**Deborah
Circle**



**Rebekah
Circle**

**May 12th -
10:30am**

Fireplace Room

Book reviews presented by Janet Ottman from the Johnson City Library. Lunch Following. All are Welcome!

**May 5th - 7pm
Mary Lou Kinsey's home**

The program will be presented by Bev Scudder and Florence Legenhausen. Carpooling - meet in the Church parking lot at 6:30pm

IT'S TIME FOR GARDENING

We will be working in the church vegetable and flower gardens each Thursday evening, weather permitting. The vegetables will be served at our Monday night dinners. Please join us for planting, weeding, harvesting, and fellowship.

If you have any questions, contact Dave or Diane Alexander.





Endwell Nursery School:

The Endwell Nursery School is accepting registrations for the 2010-2011 school year. The registration fee is waived for church members. Programs are available for children age 3 or 4 by December 1, 2010. For more information or a registration form please call Jennifer Anderson, ENS Director and Registrar Assistant, at 748-9505.



Childcare:

Just a reminder that we do have Mrs. Natalie Leotta in the nursery from 9:15 -10:15 am to care for your child birth to 3 years old. Please take advantage of her services and join us in an adult Sunday school class.

In May, we will continue to offer a program during the 10:30 service. After children's time, children K-3rd grade are welcome to join us in rooms 3 and 4 (across from the nursery) for a message and activity. May date: May 9th, this will be our last release time.

Nursery Care is also available for children birth to Pre-K in the nursery during the 10:30am service every week.

Nursery Care Position Filled:

As of July 4th, 2010 Morgan Allen will be heading our childcare in the nursery during the 10:30 am service.

Just a reminder:

The **last Day of Sunday School is May 23rd.** Please join us for the 10:00 am service on Sunday June 6th for Sunday School Recognition as well as UMW Sunday with a picnic immediately following.

Have you ever thought about teaching Sunday School? This is your chance to share your gifts and graces with god's children. If you would like to be part of the teaching team at EUMC this fall please let me know; Tracy (748-8979).



May 1: Sky Lake Work Day, youth interested in helping should meet at RÉSUMÉ by 7:15 am to car pool.

May 23: Sunday School Movie Event, sponsored by the youth group, at Cinema Saver 2 pm

Our Sympathies to



.....John & Debbie Zdimal and family on the death of John's father, John, Sr., on March 30th.

.....Camille & Vincent Natale and family on the death of Camille's sister, Susan Kelly, on April 13th.

.....Ron & Bonna Swarhout and family on the death of Ron's father in Jamestown, NY.

.....the Kenien families on the death of their brother-in-law, Douglas Spitz, Sr., on April 23rd, in Iowa.

Congratulations to

.....Allan & Jessica Eagles on the birth of their son, Ryan Townsley, on Jan. 14th and his baptism on May 9th. Ryan's grandparents are Bob and Connie Gault.

.....Great Grandpa John Black and family on the birth of John's grandson's baby daughter, Ava Charlotte Black, on March 13th in Georgia. Ava's great aunt and uncle are Nancy & Jim Green.

.....Larry & Jody Butts on the birth of their daughter, Jordyn Debra, on April 8th. She has a proud little brother, Cameron.

Trip to West Africa by

.....Sarah Finney, church youth attending Messiah College in PA, will be leaving June 2nd and returning June 17th with three other students and two chaperones for West Africa to work on the college's Mali Water and Disabilities Study project. They will be conducting an initial in-country assessment of existing conditions for disabled persons. May God be with you and your group, this important project, and every one's safe return home. Sarah is the daughter of Mike and LuAnne Finney and sister of Lora.

GALACTIC BLAST VBS

July 11-15 6-8 p.m.

Registration Form

Child Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Numbers Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Age Information Date of birth _____

Age _____ Last school grade completed _____

Home Church _____

Allergies/Medical Information/Other

Emergency Contacts

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Dismissal Information

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS _____

Other Information (church use only)

Cadet Group _____

Are parents helping with GALACTIC BLAST VBS? _____

We need GALACTIC BLAST VBS volunteers!

VBS Dates _____ Time _____

Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

I can help BEFORE GALACTIC BLAST VBS.

- _____ Pray for VBS _____ Coordinate publicity _____ Paint backdrops
- _____ Distribute publicity _____ Make costumes _____ Make phone calls
- _____ Help with pre-registration _____ Provide supplies _____ Gather donations
- _____ Create decorations _____ Prepare craft packets _____ Help with kickoff event

I can help DURING GALACTIC BLAST VBS.

- _____ Be a Group Leader _____ Bible Storyteller _____ Music Leader
- _____ Craft Leader _____ Recreation Leader _____ Discovery Time Leader
- _____ Assembly Time _____ Snack Leader _____ Take Photos

I would like to help AFTER GALACTIC BLAST VBS.

- _____ Send thank-you cards _____ Take down decorations _____ Return donated items

*Place this form in the offering plate or return to the church office.
Thank you for helping!*

MAY 2010



Connections

Highlighting the shared ministry of the people of
The Wyoming Annual Conference

Haiti Partners Serve in Pilot Project

Great Fifty Days offering supports continuing work in Haiti and in Zimbabwe

Wyoming Conference VIM Coordinator, Chuck Gommer will be part of the GBGM Volunteers in Mission Team to travel to Haiti, May 10-17, to begin developing a pilot program, involving Haitians and VIM Teams coming to Haiti. The program will focus on housing, health, education and pastoral services.

The Haiti Partnership of Wyoming Conference has been asked by UMCOR to organize a VIM (Volunteer in Mission) Team to Haiti May 20-29, 2010, as one of the first groups working on a pilot project.

Following guidelines from UMCOR and those developed by the Executive Committee of Haiti Partnership, members selected for this first team have to be experienced in going to Haiti, at least 21 years of age and trained to serve as a VIM.

Patty Kauffman of the Hawleyton Charge and Barb Gay of Tunkhannock Church will serve as Co-Leaders. Jim Kells from Mountaintop Church will be the On-site Supervisor. A total of 12 persons will be going.

We anticipate their work will be to deconstruct the heavily damaged church in Mellier and provide VBS type experiences for children in the community, although flexibility is required because plans may change at any time.

We had a previous team in that community in January 2009. Because UMCOR is scheduling VIM teams into Haiti from all over the country and has to restrict the number of teams so that it is not overwhelming for the Methodist Church of Haiti, there are limited possibilities for teams to go to Haiti in the near future.

However, we have requested subsequent teams in late summer, fall and winter and will have to wait to see when UMCOR can schedule us.

In the meantime, everyone is asked to pray for this first team into Haiti from our Conference following the earthquake.

There is also a great need to support the Great Fifty Days offering which provides support for our continuing work in Haiti and in Zimbabwe.

Mission Kits for Annual Conference

In addition to the health kits that churches have already prepared, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) reports a need for birthing kits and layette kits. The supplies needed and instructions can be found at:

Birthing Kit: <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/birthingkit/>

Layette Kit: <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/layette-kit/>.

Wyoming Conference volunteers during the past several weeks have transported nearly 5000 kits to Mission Central! We have been able to respond to these needs because of the generosity and hard work of our local churches, members and friends.

The needs will be with us for some time. Please encourage individuals and groups in your church to continue to respond. Cash donations for the kits and for shipping are also welcome.

Given that annual conference is now only several weeks away, please hold onto any remaining kits and have them brought to the conference session in Scranton. The Disaster Response Team is again arranging for a designated area to receive them and a trailer which will take the kits to Mission Central on June 5. This will get them there in a timely fashion and at a significant savings in time, fuel and money.

GREEN FOR LIFE: A CALL TO ACTION

(UMNS)—Humankind's first job was to tend the garden. That job hasn't changed, and people still aren't doing all they can as stewards of God's creation. But more people are making lifestyle changes to help protect the earth. From simple to dramatic, people of any age can practice environmental stewardship. United Methodist News Service is offering a series of report exploring various ways young and old can "tend the garden."

For many young people, caring for the Earth is second nature. Their voices were important as church officials worked on "God's Renewed Creation: Call to Hope and Action," the first official statement on environmental issues adopted by the church since 1986. Hodges represented the "young adult voice" on the writing team.

The United Methodist Council of Bishops endorsed the document and wrote a pastoral letter urging all congregations to read it and to renew their commitment to God's creation. The bishops added teeth to their endorsement by making nine pledges to commit themselves as faithful leaders in the denomination and in their own communities.

You can follow the series at: www.umc.org/umns



Executive Meeting	May 4th	7:00pm	Perry Room
Mother/Daughter Banquet	May 11	6:00pm	Fellowship Hall
Book Club	May 16th	7:00pm	Perry Room

**Annual Mother / Daughter Banquet
May 11 at 6:00 p.m. / Fellowship Hall**



The entertainment this year is a quartet The Young and Reckless. These Ladies are affiliated with the Carousel Chorus. We look forward to a night of great musical entertainment. The dinner will be catered by Orlando's. The cost remains the same \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

Sign up in the Narthex.



The book for this month's Book Club is What About Religion and Science: A Study of Reason and Faith, by Paul E. Stoble. Read it and decide for yourself.

United Methodist Women **Thank** everyone who donated goods and/or worked at the Rummage Sale in April. Proceeds totaled \$1,578.90.

Bake Sale proceeds totaled \$263.25 - Thank you to all the bakers.

(Our next Sale will be on September 22nd.)

**Big
Thank
You!**

To all the volunteers
who worked the Roast Beef Dinner
on Saturday, April 24th, and to those
who enjoyed the dinner.

Over **\$1,600.00** was raised
for the Building Fund.

Cheryl Strauss



**Sunday, May 16th
Open House at Sky Lake
from 1:30 to 5 p.m..**

Come to the Open House
and support the
Chicken BBQ and
members of our Church
who will be working the
BBQ from 1 to 2:30 p.m..



PRAYERS + PEOPLE + GOD = MIRACLES

During April, our Congregational Prayer Group and prayer chain members included the following church members in their daily prayers: Betty & Doug Oakey, Pat & Larry Vesely, Mary Ann Buttermore, Elin Schaller, Judy Clark, Bette Paul, Tom McAdon, Ed Gadecki, Laura Jones, Joyce Hotaling, June Dekar, Ethel Nosal, Virginia Mallery, Doris Morgart.

Also during this same time frame, the following people were included as well: Abe Freeman, Martha Vennini, Barbara Fraunhofer, Bill Brock, Earl Plate, Julia Spencer, Roi Karsten, Dave Palemiti, Adrienne Twombly, Helen White, Steve Petrovski, Paul Roske, Benjamin Alexander, Jason Gilbert, Elizabeth Scheibner, Mary Cannon, Joan Larson, Barbara Cecala, Kevin Petrosky, Charles Taylor, Sue Wagner, Nellie Spitz and family.

(Names given for need of prayers will be listed for one month only. If prayers are needed beyond a month, they will be included in our Long Term Prayer Listing. Please advise Bev Scudder, 754-5735, when a current status is known.)

Included in our **Long Term Prayer Listing** were **83 entries**.

Prayer requests can be advised either by calling the church office (754-5735) or contact any prayer member. If an address of the person needing prayers is also advised, a letter is sent to them, letting them know we have included them in our prayers.

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Each week, we also pray for the men and women serving in our Armed Forces: Joe Hranek, Tom Macky, Ryan Mahany, Kevin Taylor



.....there are cassette tapes of our 10:30 services recorded every Sunday by Pete Hatton. If anyone would like to borrow them, they are in the church office.

April Finance Report

We received \$26,031 for our Ministry Plan in April (compared to \$26,793 for the same month in 2009). Our expenses were \$23,167 for the month although we did not pay a Ministry Share to the Conference in April. Our expenses for April in 2009 was \$34,557 (although that included \$4,220 to Conference).

Our total receipts for 2010 are \$103,498 (compared to \$102,205 in 2009) and our total expenses for 2010 are \$118,215 (compared to \$135,557 in 2009).

Your continued support of our various ministries and programs is appreciated as the Finance Committee and Church Council continue to track our financial situation carefully.

In addition, we made a profit of about \$1,600 on the Roast Beef Dinner which was used to help pay for the two sets of glass doors installed (one at the Hall St. entrance and one to the playground). The balance on the two doors was paid from the Building Fund.



Piano Recital
2 pm - Sunday, June 13th.
 EUMC Sanctuary
 All are Welcome!

WORSHIP IN MAY

May 2nd—5th Sunday of Easter;

Communion

Sermon: Green Eggs and Ham
 Text: Acts 11:1-18
 Acolyte: Jarod Fetherolf
 Crucifer: Nathaniel Short
 Liturgist: Ernie Fischer (8:15)
 Cheryl Labban (10:30)

Communion

Servers: Marie Foster
 Pat Howe
 Peg Norcutt
 Usher teams: Jerry Harris (8:15)
 Don Reichley (10:30)
 Greeters: Barry/Susan Fetherolf
 Fellowship: Rich/Julie Purtell

May 9th—6th Sunday of Easter

Sermon: When It's Not Planned
 Text: Acts 16:9-15
 Acolytes: Nicholas Yacovoni and
 Michael Yacovoni
 Crucifer: Lauren Bonitz
 Liturgist: tba (8:15)
 Kelly Bonitz (10:30)
 Usher teams: Jerry Robinson (8:15)
 Jack Rifenburgh (10:30)
 Greeters: Bill/Florence Legenhausen
 Fellowship: Kurt/Nancy Legenhausen

WORSHIP IN MAY

May 16th—7th Sunday of Easter

Sermon: Causing Trouble
 Text: Acts 16:16-34
 Acolyte: Nate Holland
 Crucifer: Nick Short
 Liturgists: Kristina Harrington (8:15)
 Lisa Richards (10:30)
 Usher teams: Gale Smith (8:15)
 Larry Vesely (10:30)
 Greeters: Grace Finch, Pat Howe
 Fellowship: Cathy/Chuck Hatton

May 30th—Trinity Sunday

Sermon: Lest We Forget
 Text: Revelation 7:13-17
 Acolyte: Aaron Thomas
 Crucifer: Anna Crandell
 Liturgist: Bev Scudder (both)
 Usher teams: Chuck Gunther (8:15)
 Alan Anderson (10:30)
 Greeters: Frank/Janice Miller
 Fellowship: Dave/Tracy Savidge

May 23rd—Pentecost; Confirmation; Communion

Sermon: A Public Relations
 Nightmare
 Text: Acts 2:1-21
 Acolyte: Morgan Kittle
 Crucifer: Erich Bonitz
 Liturgists: Nettie Williams (8:15)
 Jim Short (10:30)
 Usher teams: Ed Dewar (8:15)
 Frank Miller (10:30)
 Greeters: Laura Teuchler,
 Carole Somers
 Fellowship: Rodney/Linda Peterson

Summer Schedule begins June 6th

8:15 Early Worship with Communion

9:15—10:00 Fellowship Time

10:00 Late Worship



*This is your May
Journey!*

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Sunday Worship at 8:15 & 10:30

Sunday School at 9:15