

Pastor's Corner

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17

It was just a card, but it meant the world to me. It was a piece of "home," written from another Believer. Feeling alone and far away, this card brought God's presence and love right to my doorstep. Knowing that someone "back home" was praying for me lightened my own load.

Perhaps you have experienced something like this as well. Maybe you received a card, an e-mail, a text, a phone call, a kindness shown and it brightened your day. When we do or say things to God's glory it makes all the difference...and really is the type of love that makes the world go round. When we do or saying things to God's glory, we are using the gift of ourselves, which is unique and sacred. God, like a smiling parent, takes pride in His creation, which is us.

Saying things or doing things for the Lord doesn't have to be flamboyant or large. It doesn't have to take a lot of time, or cost a lot. It does have to be heartfelt and given with a right attitude.

In September, after Labor Day, is the time when our young people will be settled in their colleges, and children and teachers will be back in school. How about praying for the school year and for the students, teachers and administrators? How about giving a word of encouragement by sending an e-mail or card to a teacher or a student who are away from home? And don't forget the parents who send their children off to kindergarten or college for the first time. It's rewarding to see your child go to school, but at the same time it's very difficult.


















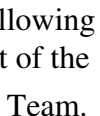
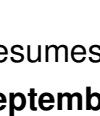
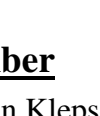
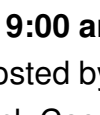
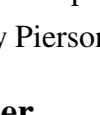
Maybe you could mow you neighbor's lawn, or offer to baby sit for a busy parent. Maybe you could help pick up something at the store for an older neighbor. Sometimes it's the little things in life that can make all the difference.

It might just be a card...but given in the name of the Lord, it can become a ticket to happiness.

Praying for you,
Pastor Jackie




Birthdays and Anniversaries
 September 2011

	2 Alyssa Syms	
	7 Barbara Hadsell	
	8 Anne Cole	
	8 Jim Jensen	
	8 Nancy Morris	
	15 Patti Sulzbach	
	15 Doris Steinmetz	
	16 *Brian & Shelly Lewke (2006)	
	19 Joyce Ailinger	
	21 Christopher Gresham	
	22 Rhonda Grapes	
	26 Dian Klepser	
	26 Audrey Miner	
	29 Molly Kirwan	

If you or someone you know from church are missed, please call the church office.

Thank you.



The following changes have been made to the directory:

Barbara Hadsell: gmaa295@gmail.com
Patricia Stahl: Stahl4523@roadrunner.com
Gary & Christine Spong
 28 Fisher Pond CT; Williamsville, NY 14221

Molly Kirwan-College
 S MC #5850; 1345 Vickroy St.; Pittsburgh, PA 15219
Alyssa Syms-College
 170 Harman St #2L; Brooklyn, NY 11221

If your directory information has changed or you would like something corrected, please either call the church office or e-mail me at asburyamherst@juno.com. Thank you.

Bonnie- Office Secretary



**United Methodist
Men=U .M.M.**



Resumes: **Saturday,
September 10th,
at 9:00 am.**
 Hosted by:
 Dick Casseri and
 George Miner



Worship Welcoming Team

Thank you for the following greeters who are part of the Welcoming Team.

September

Richard & Dian Klepser
 Bill & Shirley Pierson

October

Stan & Karen Polaske
 Bob & Nancy Moore

Dear Friends at Asbury,

Thank you for the many well wishes while I was recuperating. I am still doing PT, but will be happy to be back playing keyboard! I would like to also thank the summer music helpers.

A choir practice schedule will be written up early October, once I have spoken to the choir members—anyone wishing to join should call or email me.

I will be starting up piano lessons again this fall, beginning the last week of September. Classes are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school. Please let me know if you are interested.

Love, Nancy- Music Director

689-0864 or morrisns143@roadrunner.com.



Asbury UMC has \$10, \$20, \$50, & \$100 Tops gift cards available for purchase. **See Merrill Arthur** after service, **or contact him @ 688-9425**. Cash for Causes helps the church to earn FREE money from Tops, just by doing your grocery or gas purchases. For every \$100 in Gift Cards you buy, Asbury UMC earns \$5.00 from Tops!! (You receive full face value of the card).

Even though the back of the card show logos for Stop N Shop, Martins & Giant, the cards can only be used at Tops stores in NY & PA.

Thank you, for your participation in this ministry.

Tops Cards may also be bought during office hours.



FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY September 4th

Collections are for the New Beginnings Food Pantry located in the Amherst Baptist Church on Willow Ridge Drive.

Thank you to all who brought items in this summer. As the Fall is fast approaching and kids go back to school families are still in need. The pantry is in need of bottled juices of any kind. Along with that they still could use canned meats and tuna. The basics are always in need such as: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, paper towels, coffee, tomato products, cereal, and pastas. Some of these items are considered a luxury.

Thanks again for being such a loving and caring congregation.

Items can be placed in the basket in the Fellowship Hall.

Nancy Moore 688-6255



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WESLEY REHABILITATION CENTER

July 25, 2011

Ms. Vergie Oettinger
Asbury UMW
157 Evergreen Drive
Tonawanda, NY 14150

Dear Ms. Oettinger:

Thank you for the donation of \$50 to the 16th Annual Auction and Food Extravaganza, "Spotlight on Beechwood" hosted by the Beechwood/Blocher Foundation.

Proceeds from the Auction will go to the Living Care Fund, which helps supplement our cost of care for residents who have exhausted their personal resources and ensures that once a resident becomes a member of our Beechwood Continuing Care "family," they remain with us for as long as they need our care...regardless of their financial situation.

On behalf of the residents and all of us associated with Beechwood Continuing Care we greatly appreciate the support from the United Methodist Women's Units and Circles.

Sincerely,

Thanks!

RB
Robert R. Meiss
President and C.E.O.

Cheryl *thank you!*
Cheryl A. Wasson
Director of Development

P.S. The Beechwood/Blocher Foundation did not provide any goods or services to you in consideration for your contribution. Please note that your gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law.

United Methodist Women=UMW

We will resume in October.



Join us for this Fall's
clean-up days!!!

We are continuing to keep the road on Millersport Highway clean. Meet at the Church Saturday, at 9:00 am for instruction- **October 1st**. All hands needed! A sign-up sheet will be posted in the fellowship hall as the day comes closer. *Weather permitting.*

Any questions see *Nancy Ott*.

Come make a difference in our community by caring for God's creation.

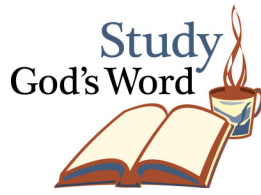
Letters from home

If you would like to send a note to Pastor Jackie, please address as follows:

Towne Pace Suites Clinton at Joint Base Andrews
7800 Ferry Avenue
Clinton, Maryland 20735 USA
Attn: Rev. Jackie Ann Rose Kraft



Fall Bible Study's



Come and join us at **Asbury Pointe, 50 Stahl Rd, Getzville, every 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month at 1:30 p.m.** The next bible study will be: "Christianity and World Religions" by Adam Hamilton. Hamilton's study compares and contrasts Christianity with:- Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism and Islam.

Also, join us, at **Asbury UMC, 850 Dodge Rd., Getzville on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Adult Class Room, and Thursdays at 1:30 pm, at Peppertree Heights Community Room; 285 Peppertree Dr., Amherst,** as we discuss more of Adam Hamilton's series; this one on "Christianity's Family Tree", what other Christians believe and why. There will be eight lessons running September through October. Discussions will be on Eastern Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Anglicanism, Baptists, Pentecostalism and Methodism. *Any questions contact the church office.*

Nancy Moore, Bible Study Leader



Fall Camp & Retreat Ministries

For September and October retreat information contact them at: 855-424-4848 x309, or

E-mail: info@campsandretreats.org or visit their

web: www.campsandretreats.org or

Facebook: www.facebook.com/campsandretreats

The flyer is hanging in the Fellowship Hall bulletin board.



United Methodist Youth Fellowship=UMYF

UMYF is alive and well!! Well, we will be when all the youth come to the first meeting of the new school year! Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 25th** at 6:30PM. Mama Syms and Mr. Arthur (Darty) will be at church that evening to welcome the youth and plan for the coming year! Come with your ideas for the coming year's activities! And, as usual, we will have a goodie to snack on!

Our bottle, can and plastics fundraiser will continue!! Bring all those cans and bottles you have been collecting all summer!! Thank you church!!



Next Scrapbooking Scheduled: Saturday, September 17th, 9:00 am to 12Noon

Our Fall Scrapbooking sessions include instruction provided by *Close to My Heart* consultant Susan Fogle, followed by open time to work on individual or group projects. We meet in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome whether you are a beginner or a veteran paper crafter! RSVP to the Church office two weeks prior so materials can be ordered. Suggested donation is \$5.00.



News from the Outreach Team

September Outreach Update

- I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and enjoyed all our great weather! The Household Treasures and Garage Sale Committee have been hard at work since May pricing, sorting and organizing all the amazing donations - thank you to everyone who donated - the response has been super! *(FYI: Please no more donations after September 1st, Thank you)*
- We have a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for the various jobs the day of our sale - **Saturday Sept. 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** There are two shifts - four hours each; if you can work we are asking you to come fifteen minutes prior to your shift. We will go over every job and what is required prior to the sale. To make this a success we need lots of help! The week of the sale, there will be a meeting at 6:00 –8:00 pm every day, if you are able, to prepare and set up tables. Also, after the sale on Saturday, we will need people to stay and help tidy up the church for Sunday Worship. Hopefully because we will be downsizing and cleaning as items are sold, it won't take too long to get the chairs and tables put back for Sunday.
- We also have a number of crafters who are participating in our sale so start your Christmas shopping early and get some unique items!
- The Men's Group is planning a hot dog sale the day of the event so we can all buy our lunches at church while we work and shop.
- We will be handing out flyers in September for all the church members to pass out to their neighbors, co-workers, friends and relatives. The more advertising the better. We will also be putting ads in the Bee and the Buffalo News and on TV. This should be a big fundraiser for the church!
- Our **September** Outreach Meeting will be **Thursday, September 15th at 7:00 pm**, an other one will be following Sunday Worship **September 18th** to discuss briefly with the congregation, general details of what will be needed as far as volunteers are concerned for the Annual Household Treasures & Craft Show happening **Saturday, September 24th**.
- In **October** we have two fun activities planned - an afternoon at the Erie County Home and our Game Night!! This will be a much needed reward for all our hard work on the Garage Sale!

God Bless and thank you for your support!

Betsy Arthur-Outreach Committee Chair



Upcoming in :

- Asbury's scheduled Church Conference time with our new District Superintendent, Rev. Wayne Butler is on **Sunday, October 23rd**. The SPPRC will meet that day for 1/2 hour from 9:45 am-10:15 am. The Church Conference will meet for one hour following Worship. There will be another SPPRC Meeting scheduled in early October. Watch the Church bulletin for date and time.
- Pendleton Center United Methodist Church is holding a workshop "Reinventing the Church for the 21st Century". A conversation on where God is leading the Church, and how we will get there. **Dates are October 7 & 8, 2011**. If interested a full flyer is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. You may also contact Pastor Jean at: 716-625-8306 or e-mail: PastorJeanE@juno.com by September 23rd.



Asbury United Methodist Church

*Rev. Jackie Ann Rose Kraft,
Pastor*

*Bonnie Boudreault,
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Nancy Morris, Music Director

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Charles Syms, Lay Leader

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FALL Office hours:

Tues., Thurs.

12:30 pm –4:30 pm

Wed. 9:00 am– 4:00 pm

Monday & Friday closed

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SEPTEMBER



Lectionary Readings

These readings are provided for you to use in your daily devotions. May God speak to you through them.

September 4th Exodus 12: 1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13: 8-14; Matthew 18: 15-20

September 11th Exodus 14: 19-31; Exodus 15: 16-11,20-21; Romans 14: 1-12; Matthew 18: 21-35

September 18th Exodus 16: 2-15; Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45 or Psalm 78; Philippians 1: 21-30; Matthew 20: 1-16

September 25th Exodus 17: 1-7; Psalm 78: 1-4,12-16; Philippians 2: 1-13; Matthew 21: 23-32

