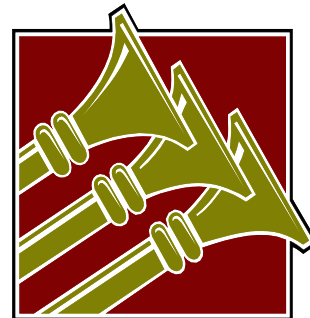
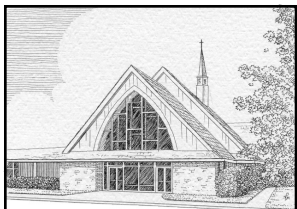


THE VILLAGE HERALD



Worship with us!
Sundays at 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Learn with us!
Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.
United Methodist Youth:
Sundays from 4-6 p.m.

**Share food
and fellowship!**
United Methodist
Village Café
Wednesdays
At 5:00-6:15 p.m.
Prime Timers
Second Thursday at Noon
Friday Breakfast
at 6:31 a.m.
Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



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REKINDLING THE FLAME

**“Stir up the inner fire the gift God gave you....”
2 Timothy 1:6**

A young pastor had rung the doorbell at the home of one of his church members and was waiting to be received, but no one came to the door. He sensed that someone was at home, but repeated ringing of the bell brought no response. As a final departing act he wrote Revelation 3:20 on the back of one of his calling cards and stuck it under the door: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone will hear my voice and open the door I will come in." Two days later the pastor received his calling card back in an envelope with a brief note attached, which simply contained the text from Genesis 3:10: "I heard the sound of Thee in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself."

Yes, there is a Bible verse for about every occasion. Very soon I will have my heart surgery, and my verse for the occasion is Isaiah 40:31: "Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up on wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

I feel so blessed to be lifted up on eagle's wings by so many good friends and loved ones. The prayer blanket I received at the end of worship recently was one of the neatest experiences I've ever had. One of the best ways you can help me while I'm recovering is to carry on as the church and not miss a beat with our mission. Pray for all of our leaders and do what you can to help us keep on keeping on. Jesus is worthy of our best efforts. He is the true Leader of our church and will help all of us soar like eagles. Whenever you get weary, remember Who does the heavy lifting.

I love you all. Until later.....grace and peace to you! Rik

Student Ministries

Kids in Missions

It's time to gather with the children in the church for a local mission project Sunday, September 18. The project involves getting the church facility ship-shape for the Anniversary celebration on the 25th. Wear your grubbies and be ready to be good role models for the little ones. The Lee family will provide snack supper.

what a ministry of the church means to a person until after they move on to another stage in their life. Hundreds of Youth have come through the Youth program at Village UMC and many of them are now grown ups with families of their own.

On the weekend of our church's 60th Anniversary celebration, former Youth are invited to come back to Youth and share what the Village UMC Youth Group has meant in their lives during Youth.

Broiler on Northwest Expressway
Created By: Cindy Frankenfield & former member, Kim Branch Lucas. This is a "pre-event" for all former youth to encourage interest in Sunday's 60th anniversary service & lunch. It began as an event designed for the 70s-80s decade, but has grown to include **EVERYONE** who was ever a member of VUMC MYF or UMYF or was a visitor of the group and wishes to attend, including sponsors. So, come ready to kick up your heels and have a great time. Purchase your dinner & come to the private room in the back. Hope to see you there and at church on Sunday! If you have pictures from youth events, camps etc, please email to me at: CynFrankenfield@aol.com

Village United Methodist Church
Youth Reunion 1970-1980
Time: Saturday, September 24 - 6:00pm - 10:00pm
Location: Johnnie's Charcoal



What Ever Happened to Our Former Youth
1970 1980
1990 2000

It's often difficult to realize

Adult Ministries



Stephen Ministry training continues to prepare our 11 participants to care for others, covering such areas as how to listen effectively, how to deal with feelings, how to use traditional Christian resources in caring, how to maintain confidentiality, how to deal with people experiencing crises, and many other areas of concern. A Christ-centered approach to caring and the need to care for the whole person is stressed throughout the training.

Upon completion of Stephen Series training on December 5, these lay caregivers will be commissioned as "Stephen Ministers" and will become an important part of caring ministry here at Village. These Stephen Ministers will provide

confidential, one-to-one Christian care for people experiencing challenges in their lives such as hospitalization, loss of a loved one, loneliness, divorce, unemployment, birth of a child, and many other life events for which a person could benefit from an effective helping and caring ministry.

If you have questions about Stephen Ministry, contact any of our trainees: Ben Anderson, Peggy Clifton, Annette Fisher, Julie Hayes, Gayla Blakley, Cindy Muns, Steve Muns, Valarie Robertson, JoAnn Fair, Rik Marion, and Patti Pojezny.

This is an exciting time for Village. Stephen Ministry both multiplies the amount of caring ministry that goes on in our congregation and deepens the level of participation by lay-

people in the healing ministry of Jesus Christ.

We love because he first loved us.
- 1 John 4:19



Nancy Baysinger has graciously offered to play the piano during a vigil of prayers for Pastor Rik Marion for the next couple of weeks. She will be in the Sanctuary at 8:00-8:45 a.m. and 6:00-6:45 p.m. most days. The sanctuary will be open to one and all to come and pray for our Pastor, Church, Staff and members.



Children's Ministries

I Am a Promise

22 children and their parents enjoyed refreshments and music activities at the Lighthouse Kidz Singers enrollment party on August 31. The children will be a part of the 60th Anniversary celebration on September 25 as they sing "I Am a Promise." Children age 3 through grade 5 are invited to be Lighthouse Kidz Singers by attending rehearsals on Wednesday evenings. Those in grades 1-5 meet in the Jungle Room from 6 to 6:30. Children age 3-Kindergarten meet at 6:15 in the room next to the nursery.



I CAN HELP

Children in Wee Worship during the 10:30 worship service will be learning about how they can help others as they share experiences in block play, doll play and art projects. Wee Worship is planned by Nursery Supervisor, Jamie Brooks, for preschoolers and toddlers who are in the nursery during worship.



Dig Into the Bible

Learning about the Bible and how to use the Bible is important to all Christians. Children in Amazing Voyage will "Dig Into the Bible" beginning on August 28. They will learn that the Bible is the inspired Word of God written by people like us, for people like us and about people like us. Through art, cooking, games, movies, music, science and storytelling, they will learn about how the Bible was written and how to find inspiration from it. Children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 are invited to Amazing Voyage each Sunday morning at 9:15.

Outreach Ministries



The United Methodist Women District meeting will be Saturday, September 17th at Piedmont Methodist Church.

Circle Meetings:

Martha Circle will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2011.

Susannah Wesley will also meet at the church on September 20, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

Ruth Circle will meet at the home of Nancy Selby on September 20, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Cinnamon Rolls *will not* be sold on Sunday, September 25th, however, they will be sold on the next Sunday, October 2, 2011

Officers Meeting

The next UMW Officers meeting will be held Tuesday, September 27th at 10:00 a.m.

General Meeting

General meeting will be October 4, 2011 with a light lunch at 12:00 Noon and program to begin at 1:00 p.m. **ALL Ladies** of the church are invited.



United Methodist Men

Our next UMM breakfast is on the 17th of Sept. with Dean Couch to tell about Ok. water right discussions which is becoming a very hot subject now, according to the papers. Hope to see you on the 17th at 8AM for breakfast.

Outreach to Pastor Rik Marion

I have offered my services to help drive him anywhere needed after surgery. We need a few more volunteers for flexibility in schedules. So if you could do this, please contact me at 751-4428 or bbuntz@cox.net or contact Julie Hayes at 751-8116 or jhayes@villagemethodist.org.

September 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1 7:00 p Support Group	2 6:30 a Friday Breakfast ALL INVITED!	3
4 8:15/10:30 a Worship 9:15 a Sunday School 11:30 a Trustees 4:00 p U.M. Youth Register for Fall Bible Studies In the Lobby with Julie Hayes	5 No Stephen Ministry tonight LABOR DAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	6 9:00 a Worship Planning 6:00 p UMW Pot Luck Dinner 6:45 p UMW General Mtg. 7:00 p Support Group	7 9:00 a Mobile Meals 5:00 p Village Café 5:45 p Men's Ministry Class 6:00 p LHK Singers 6:30 p Oasis 6:45 p Chancel Choir	8 11:00 a Village Connections 12:00 p Prime Timers Luncheon 7:00 p Support Group	9 6:30 a Friday Breakfast ALL INVITED!	10 8:00 a-1200 Noon Stephen Ministry
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Celebrations and Prayer Concerns



Happy Birthday to:

September 16

Brian Schechter

September 17

Jake Matson

Steve Muns

September 18

Linda Havrilla

Malcom Patterson

Shelby Seitz

September 19

Velma Easton

September 22

John Ferguson

September 23

Andy Greely

Katie Smith

September 24

Cindy Brecheen

Jeannie Couch

Kevin Pojezny

September 25

Tami Fidler

September 27

Mary Ellen Caesar

Eddie Walker

September 29

Bill Noble

Ellen Pederson

September 30

June Reilley

Valarie Robertson

Happy Anniversary to:

September 30

Lynn & Karen Brian

Prayer Concerns:

Bill Bullard Mary Ellen Brown

Megan Clampett Glenys Decker

Shirley Brummett Dorothy Finnell

Dr. Andy Gin Wallace Hoyt

Elsie Huffman Jim Kienholz

Paul Klusmeyer Rev. Rik Marion

Billie Marshall Jeff Marrs

Gary McKelvey

Lois Pate

Marilyn Rothe

Lisa Shoemaker

Garry Thompson

Sandi Mitchell

Chester Physter

Jan Schechter

Jack Steeley

In the Middle East:

Bull Family

Ben Wilhelm



Sympathy:

Our hearts and prayers go out to June Tucker and family on the death of her brother, Nelson Breusing.

10:30 Ushers for



September:

Punk Bonner

Brian Walker

Crystal Self

Philip Farrill

Nursery Workers:

September 18

Jamie Brooks

Jamie McCormack

Austin Elliott

Sarah Jones

September 25

Jamie Brooks Jamie McCormack

Wesley Garroutte Sarah Baer



Join in Ministry at Village Café



Village Café attendance continues to grow each week with many new faces from the community and the church. As

a result, there are more opportunities for ministry. Each week, cakes are donated for dessert. If you would like to provide a cake, please sign up in the lobby. They can be homemade or purchased. Other ministry options include greeters,

servers, clean up crew. You may sign up weekly, once a month or periodically as your schedule allows.

Deadline for next newspaper:

Wednesday, September 28.

Please bring articles to the church and give to Julie or e-mail them to her at:

jhayes@villagemethodist.org



Our Church's Anniversary



VUMC's 60th Anniversary Celebration—

We are looking forward to celebrating Village's 60th anniversary on Sunday, September 25th. There will

be one service starting at 10:30 a.m. with a lunch following. Hope you and former members will be there to celebrate with us. Thank you, Pat Dollarhide



August Revenue	\$41,508.26
August Expense	<u>-43,732.11</u>
	\$ -2,223.85

Year to Date:

Revenue	\$295,317.06
Expenses	\$289,122.53
Net Income	\$ 6,194.53

Back to Church on Wednesday Nights

CONSECRATION SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 2ND



The Finance Committee has set October 2nd as our annual Consecration Sunday. All financial contributors of the church are asked to bring their Estimate of Giving to present at the close of the service. Cards were mailed out last week. You may also pick one up at the church office. Please be praying about how much you might give to carry on the mission of the church in 2012.

Pastor
 Rev. Rik Marrion
 Minister of Worship and Music
 Tom White
 Coordinator of Student Ministries
 Coordinator of Children's Ministries
 Martha Pendleton
 Coordinator of Community and
 Spiritual Growth
 Julie Hayes
 Instrumentalist
 Judy Horne
 Child Care
 Jamie Brooks
 Finance Administrator
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