



THE PATHFINDER

Little Valley United Methodist Church

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00-12:00

Monthly Newsletter

July 2010

Greetings in Jesus name:

When you read this letter it probably won't be official yet, but as of July 1st I will be your new pastor at Little Valley UMC. My name is Pastor Joseph Pascoe and I have a wonderful wife Leslie, who is currently a speech therapist at The Bradford Manor, and three beautiful little girls. Ashley is 8 years old and will be going into 4th grade, Taylor is 6 and entering 1st grade, and our baby is now 3 and her name is Riley. You may already know that I am serving as the pastor of Napoli UMC where I have been for 2 years, and East Randolph UMC as the youth leader where I've been for the last year also. Some of our passions are camping and exploring the great outdoors. We love spending time together as a family whether it's cheering on the girls at soccer or softball games, or watching TV. Our favorite past time is doing things together. I enjoy trying almost anything but have found great passion in hunting and fishing or doing something outdoors.

Like many of my colleagues my call to ministry took me a little while to listen too. Exodus 3 talks to us about Moses being called by God to lead the Israelites, and mine isn't much different other than we are in America. :) I challenged God and came up with lots of reasons why this couldn't be right, but God answered all of them and proved to me that He is God and can and will use absolutely anyone to serve Him. God has shown me that if I listen to His voice and follow His word that He will lead me in my calling.

In Genesis 12:1 God tells Abram or Abraham to pack his stuff and go where He is leading. My family and I will be packing our stuff and moving to the parsonage on Court St. in the middle of July and are looking forward to this new life that God is calling us to. I am excited to be involved in the community and to do ministry all over Little Valley wherever God provides an opportunity. I am sure that God has great things in store with this transition. We may not always know what those things are up front, but by listening to God and following His lead He is going to transform lives right before our eyes!

We are very excited to be transitioning into your church family and seeing what great things God has in store for us.

My opening prayer for all of us; is that God will bless pastor Steve in his transition to Panama UMC and that He will guide and protect his family, that He will calm his nerves and work mightily through him in his new location. And during our time of change that God will bind us together as brothers and sisters in Christ to share His love and Gospel to all that we come into contact with! Amen.

Until next month!!

Selah,

Pastor Joe

PASTOR JOE'S CALENDAR - July 2010

Office hours will be 9-12 Mon-Fri.

7/3-Sabbath/day off

7/4-community worship at the town park

7/7- 7:30 prayer meeting

7/8- 5:30-6:30 praise band

7/10-Sabbath

7/15- Ad Board meeting

7/11-7/16- Chaplain at Camp Findley

7/17-Sabbath

7/19- 9am worship meeting

7/19-7/20-Moving days

7/21-7:30 prayer meeting

7/24-Sabbath

7/24- 8-9:30 Men's Breakfast

7/25-7/31 – Family Bible Camp

7/26- 6pm trinity house work night

7/31-Sabbath

Worship and Celebration Ministry Team News



Worship!

We look forward to coming together before God and hearing His word. We encourage you to get involved in worship...be an assisting minister or greeter...lead a Children's Moment...volunteer to share your gift of music or greeting others as they enter worship. Call any of the team members below to find out how you can serve.

If anyone has any feedback or comments regarding worship, please contact anyone on the Worship and Celebration Ministry Team (Annette Andrew, Al Ormond, Harriet Schauman, and Pastor Joe). *See you in worship...*



Transforming Lives By Knowing Christ And Making Christ Known

PRAYER TIMES



Sunday – Prayer Time Sunday time and place varies from week to week. See Annette Andrew or Becky Cable for details.

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. – Sanctuary– Prayer Time

The prayer chain may be utilized at any time the need arises. To get a prayer started, simply call Bonnie at 938-6243 or the church office at 938-6150.

We will be meeting in the sanctuary before the service and everyone is welcome to join us. We will be praying for Pastor Joe and the worship service.



Don't forget to keep the Taylor family, our youth and many others in your prayers from June 27-July 2 as they are experiencing a wonderful week at Camp Findley Tent Camp. Pray for great weather.



Missions (by Bill Perkins)

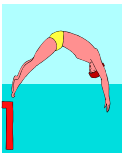
Praise God, the missions team just got done with a 3 day yard sale. We raised over \$600.00 dollars, \$550.00 went into the mission fund and we were able to also donate to the Eric Peters memorial fund and to witness to several people, thank you all who helped make it a success. Next will be the 8th annual yard sale during fair week, there will be a sign up sheet for set up, tear down, etc., please donate some time to God. We need more good items for the yard sale, if you have any large item like a chair, couch, dresser etc., and need help call the church and leave a message, we'll make sure it gets picked up. If you have any smaller things to donate please drop them off the week before the fair after the tents are set up. Please do not send anything that is broken, has parts missing or is dirty, please clean all items up it is impossible for us to do it there, let's see if we can go over \$2000,00 this year. Thank you all for your support over the years.



July 4th is COMMUNITY WORSHIP @ TOWN POOL



On Sunday July 4th, our morning worship will be moved to the Town Pool so that we can worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Worship time will be 10:30am and will be followed by a picnic. Our church has been asked to provide meat, rolls, condiments, and grills for the group. Since we will be purchasing these food items, we encourage everyone to give a small donation to the church to cover the cost. This is in lieu of bringing anything with you for lunch that day. Bring a lawn chair, table service for your family and your offering with you in an envelope marked with the church name. Come and worship...see you there!

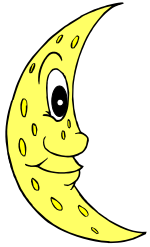


Goodbye to the Taylor's

It's with heavy hearts at the end of the June that we will be saying goodbye to Pastor Steve, Stacy, Ben and Abby as they will be moving to the Panama United Methodist Church. On July 5th we will be having a farewell picnic on the lawn between the Church and Trinity House. We will eat at 6pm, hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided also a large bowl of potato salad is being made. We need more dishes to pass and desserts and please bring your own drinks. Come and say thank you and God Bless to not only our pastor and his family but to great friends:)

Vacation Bible School

Plans are underway for our Galactic Blast VBS Session coming up this summer. Our theme revolves around creation. If you would like to loan or donate things that we can use for decorations or craft projects, please let Stacy know. We have come up with a few needed items at this time and will be adding to the list over the next few months.

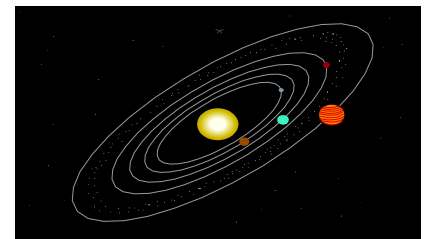


Large Sheets of Poster Board (any color)
Packing Peanuts
Washable Tempera Paint
Glow in the Dark objects
Stickers (rockets, stars, moons, earth, comets, etc.)
Pipe Cleaners
Hot Glue Sticks
Regular Glue Sticks
Sharpies
Pencils
Crayons
Scissors
Washable Markers
Aluminum Pie Plates (any size)
Small Jingle Bells 100
Small Paint Brushes
Glitter
Monetary Donations
Glue Guns (If you have some we could borrow)

Here is the list needed for VBS Snacks

If anyone plans on donating any of these items, please let Geniece know, or if you have any questions they can call me at 938-6053/560-9730 Thanks Geniece

200 - small 6" plates	100 - sandwich ziploc bags
500 - napkins	500 - cups
100 - plastic knives	100 - plastic spoons
3 boxes of square crackers (200 small crackers)	
100 - cheese slices	
bag of apples	
2 lg bags of rope type twizzlers	
200 mini starburst or milky ways	
3 pkgs chocolate sandwich cookies	
5 cake mixes	5 cans vanilla frosting
15 cups Cheerios	15 cups Lucky Charms
15 cups Raisins	
15 cups fish crackers	15 cups oyster crackers
star shaped sprinkles	
100 - english muffins	



DEPOSIT BOTTLES AND CANS

Don't forget, if you hate the messy job of taking back your returnable cans and bottles, donate them to the youth and let them do it. Every little bit will help and they add up fast. It will help them raise money for their activities. Did you know water and juice bottles now have a deposit on them?



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

A huge thank you to all our Sunday School leaders, helpers and substitute leaders and helpers for their dedicated service this past year. A special thank you to the Youth for blessing the younger grades with a carnival in the fellowship hall on our final day of class, June 20th. The kids had a great time. We look forward to a rest this summer with classes to resume on September 12th.

Children's Worship will continue on during the summer with stories about Dorcas; Paul & Barnabas; and Paul's Helpers.

PRAYER WALKING

We'll begin prayer walking again on the streets of Little Valley on Wednesday, June 30th and continue each Wednesday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. throughout July and August. We'll meet at the church and all are welcome join.



Clothes Closet

Summer is finally here along with the warm and even hot weather some times and we're being asked for shorts, short sleeve shirts, capris and other warm weather clothes. We are in real need of men's xl, xxl, and xxxl shirts; in fact boy's shirts size 2t right through youth and young mans shirts to size 16/18. We can also use girl's shirts 2t through 10/12. Men's jeans are always in demand and jeans for kids 3t - 16/18. Thank you for all your donations and please no clothes with holes, rips or tears and please make sure they are clean with no stains.

TEEN GIRLS GROUP

This new group being led by Victoria Campbell on Thursday evenings started on June 10th. If you are interested in attending please talk with her. Any women interested in helping are also appreciated. Come and check us out. Enjoy fun, food and fellowship with girls your age.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The men of LVUMC and other area churches meet for breakfast and study the fourth Saturday of each month at 8:00 AM. The current study is by former NFL player and Super Bowl coach Tony Dungy. Tony invites men to *Dare To Be Uncommon* – to discover your life's mission and live it out to the fullest in today's world. Join us for **Man Food** and *uncommon* discussion.



JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

- 2 H'Keem Fuller
- 6 Gretta Grey
- 6 Kase Williams
- 10 Harold Hensel Sr.
- 17 Harriet Schauman
- 19 Donna Gassman
- 20 Geniece Perkins
- 22 Ruth Gassman
- 30 Jenna Gassman Hendricks

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Jim & Jackie Emborsky
- 3 David & Glenda Campbell
- 9 Jim & Tammy Williams
- 15 James & Maxeen Winship
- 15 Mark & Ruth Gassman
- 20 Pete & Jean Newhouse
- 31 Sam & Mariel Gray



Still another said, "I will follow you Lord; but first let me go back and say good-bye to my family." Luke 9:61 NIV

Looking for 35 mm film containers and powdered laundry scoops as well as used, clean nylons and pantyhose. They can be given to Bobbie Jo.

We are still saving **Campbell Soup labels**. Thank you for your support. mmm mmm good. Included in those labels along with Campbell soups are V-8, Spaghetti's, Pepperidge Farms, Franco American, Swanson, Prego and Market Day products.



Attention! Don't Throw Away That Empty Cartridge! Bring it to church!

Box Tops for Education

The Little Valley and Cattaraugus Elementary schools are collecting Box Tops for Education. You find them on many food, household and personal care products. Laurie has placed a collection box on top of the mailboxes by the glass doors. She will distribute half of those collected to each school. The Cattaraugus Elementary is in need of a playground update and the Playground Committee is using the Box Tops as part of their fundraiser. Little Valley will use theirs when they decide how they will be used. Either way, we appreciate your help.



NEEDED – On a regular basis we use the following things for our dinners, latch and coffee hour. If you are so led to get any of these things now or from time to time, we would greatly appreciate it. Maxwell House regular and Folgers decaf coffee, Swiss Miss instant chocolate in the bulk canister Hawaiian Punch – Gallon Size, 2 Liter size 7up (or the cheaper equivalent). We also could use about a dozen large heavy dish towels and some dish cloths. **Thank you everyone who has donated items in the past!! Bill Perkins**



Wanted: Your input for the *Pathfinder* If you are planning an event for the church, please remember to get the information into the pathfinder. What a better way to get that information out to the many people who receive it. If it is an ongoing event, and it changes, remember to notify us of that change. Send us news of your ministry team, church group, community and personal happenings, upcoming events, original short stories or poems, testimonies, praises and concerns, want-ads. Photos may be submitted with articles. The number of photos and clipart that we can handle in each issue is limited. We will try to include these whenever possible. Photos should be bright and close-up. Dark photos and landscapes do not show up well in the black and white printed edition. Copyrighted material must have the permission of the author to be used. Internet material should have the name and permission of the originator. Articles may be submitted electronically by disk or e-mail [preferred method] to ormondlv@AOL.com, left at the church office or given to Bobbie Jo.

Little Valley UMC website – CHECK IT OUT! Surf on over to www.littlevalleyumc.org

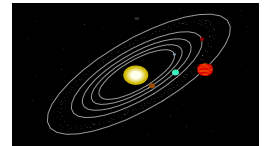
Hi All – we have a feature to help us plan for the events and ministries. **We have a centralized, on-line calendar for everyone to view.** You can link to the calendar from the church homepage (www.littlevalleyumc.org). If anyone would like to add dates/events to the calendar, send an email to the office or to the pastor. If you are a ministry team leader and would like to add events to the calendar, let me know and I will get the login information



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 1 Thu **Canada Day**/Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00
4 Sun **Independence Day**/Community Worship Picnic-Town Pool 10:30/2:52 Venture Teen Boys 7:00
5 Mon Taylor Family Farewell Picnic
6 Tue WIC 8:00/Faith Trekkers Small Group 6:00/Healing Room Training 6:45
7 Wed Praise Band 5:30/Prayer Walking 6:30/Prayer Night 7:30
8 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00/Trustees 7:00
11 Sun Worship 10:30
11-16 Sun-Fri Pastor Joe at Camp Findley
12-16 Mon-Fri Galactic Blast Vacation Bible School 6:00-8:30
13 Tue LV Ministers Meeting 12:00
14 Wed Prayer Walking 6:30
15 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00
18 Sun Worship 10:30/2:52 Venture Teen Boys 7:00
19 Mon Worship Team Meeting 9:00
19-20 Mon-Tue Pastor Joe & Family Moving Days
20 Tue Faith Trekkers Small Group 6:00/Healing Room Training 6:45
21 Wed Praise Band 5:30/Prayer Walking 6:30/Prayer Night 7:30
22 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00
24 Sat Men's Breakfast 8:00
25 Sun Worship 10:30
25-31 Sun-Sat Family Bible Camp at Camp Findley
26 Mon Trinity House Work Night 6:00
28 Wed Praise Band 5:30/Prayer Walking 6:30/Prayer Night 7:30
29 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00



AUGUST

- 1 Sun Worship//Latch/Prayer/2:52 Venture Teen Boys 7:00
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17 Tue Faith Trekkers Small Group 6:00/Healing Room Training 6:45
18 Wed Praise Band 5:30/Prayer Walking 6:30/Prayer Night 7:30
19 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00/Ad Council 7:00
22 Sun Worship
22-28 Sun-Sat Red Bird Mission Trip
25 Wed Praise Band 5:30/Prayer Walking 6:30/Prayer Night 7:30
26 Thu Teen Girls Fellowship (TGF) 6:00
28 Sat Men's Breakfast 8:00
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Finally, brothers, good-by, Aim for perfection, listen to my appeal, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. 2 Corinthians 13:11 NIV

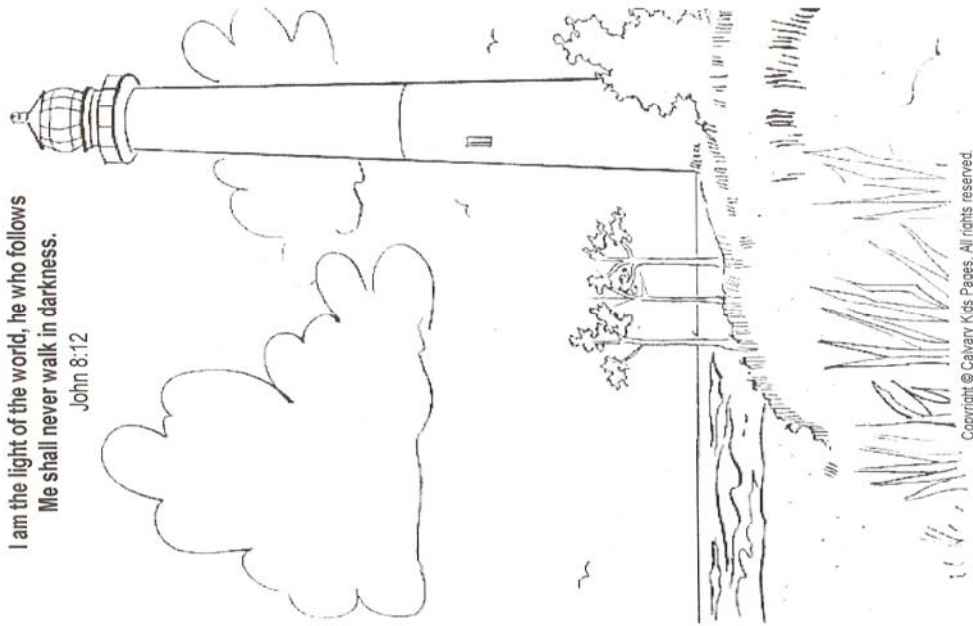


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I am the light of the world, he who follows
Me shall never walk in darkness.

John 8:12



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