



# The Methodist Mosaic



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Dear Friends,

One of the great strengths of our church is the *leadership* offered by many members of our congregation in numerous areas of service. In late June at a Church Conference meeting we approved the new slate of church leaders for the coming academic year. You will find the list posted on our web site under the leadership link. Click on the 2014-15 leadership directory to see the list of all the persons in our church who have agreed to be a part of various committees and ministry teams for the coming year. There are more than *200 names* on this list, and it does not include people involved in our choirs, in our greeter or usher teams, in our Rotary or Lions lunch teams, in our Tuesday Work Group, in our teams who assemble mailings, or in our teams of Sunday School teachers or nursery caregivers. We have a great many people who are sharing their gifts in our church in many ways!

The apostle Paul wrote, "*Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.*" [I Corinthians 12:4-7]

We can rejoice in how the Holy Spirit is at work in all of us, to enable us to share together in God's purposes.

If you were contacted this spring by our Leadership Committee about serving on a committee and agreed to serve, you should find your name in the new leadership directory. Most of our committee members are serving three year terms. In the leadership directory, there is a year connected with each name, which indicates that that person's term concludes in the summer of that year. An asterisk next to a name indicates membership on the Church Council.

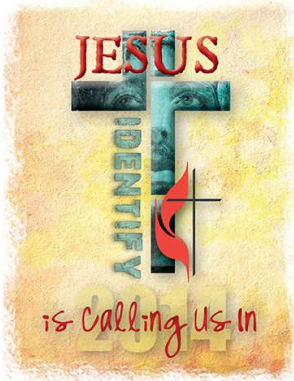
Our leadership positions begin in July of each year, so if you are coming new onto a committee, your term of service starts now! (The only exception is the Staff-Parish Committee, where new members start in the late fall; also the Leadership Committee does not meet until early spring). You will be notified of committee meetings *via e-mail* (please be sure that our church secretary has your e-mail address; you can send her your address by e-mailing her at [erica@kentmethodist.org](mailto:erica@kentmethodist.org)). There are also announcements of committee meeting dates in the Mosaic calendar. If you note an error in the Leadership Directory, please be in touch with our church office.

Those who have completed a term of service are listed in the 2013-14 leadership directory with the year 2014 attached to their name. Leadership terms ending in 2014 are completed at the end of June. Thanks to all who have served and who are rotating off of a leadership position.

Our leadership positions are in three year terms in order that we may have a continuous variety of persons in leadership. Some positions are required to be three year terms by the rule of our Methodist Discipline (the United Methodist rule book). We utilize the spiritual gift inventories that people fill out each year in order to try to identify people for particular areas of leadership; but if you have a specific interest, feel free to contact me or the church office!

In worship this month, the *summer sermon series on the Holy Spirit entitled "Catch the Wind"* continues each week. We rejoice in how the Holy Spirit is empowering so many people for leadership and service in our church!

In His Service,  
Dr. David Palmer



EAST OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

One last song on June 19 and East Ohio Annual Conference faded away for another year. What remains? The results of business conducted, hearts full from meaningful worship, friendships made and renewed, individual resolve for a better future and HOPE for a United Methodist Church seeking to make disciples for Jesus Christ are all outcomes.

Officially 732 lay people and 795 clergy were delegates so Hoover Auditorium on the grounds of Lakeside was packed. Even in the sweltering heat of Tuesday, the faithful were sitting in their seats attending to the business of holy conferencing. You should be proud of our pastor, David Palmer, who chairs the Conference Council on Finance and Administration. Not only did he engage in the day to day

business during the year, he presented a concise, complete report with little or no reference to notes! Plus he fielded questions from the floor diplomatically. Not an easy task but he was superb.

Speaking of holy conferencing, Judith Nedel, a member of this church and a delegate-at-large was part of a hilarious but enlightening skit about how not to conduct church business. She was very funny as was the presentation. We got the point.

Behind the huge semi trailer parked outside Hoover Auditorium one could find Ed and Linda Clark and others collecting items for the Midwest Mission Distribution Center. Lest you think that is not a big job, here is the final list:

Cash contribution of \$9,130  
 Cleaning Buckets- 962  
 Health Kits-2,368  
 Personal Dignity Kits-51  
 School Kits/Bags-1,264  
 Layettes- 266  
 Boxes of Misc. Supplies- 65  
 Sewing Machines- 44  
 Golf Cart- 1  
 Bicycles- 4



You can experience much of the Annual Conference in the comfort of your own home or office without heat or mayflies! Visit [eocumc.com](http://eocumc.com). On the left is a menu of options including resolution results, worship commentaries, business news and archived streaming sessions. Click, read, watch and indulge in some of the business of the church.

Thank you for allowing me to represent the United Methodist Church of Kent as lay delegate. The printed materials collected and used are in a notebook in the atrium. Feel free to peruse them.

Karen Bennett

## **Stan Hywet- Goodyear Band Concert**

The Stan Hywet-Goodyear Band Concert will be inside our beautiful air-conditioned sanctuary. It has great acoustics for the 40 musicians and your listening pleasure! The concert is a wonderful way to share our church with the community.

Come to hear an hour of your favorite concert pieces under the direction of George Martin. Refreshments after the concert will be served in Pierson Hall.

See you here Monday, July 14, at 7 pm, for an exciting concert hour. You'll enjoy this summer interlude!

## **Attention Sunday School Teachers**

There will be a meeting for all Sunday School Teachers and those interested in becoming Sunday School teachers on Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 in the conference room. Additionally, if you are interested in helping out in the Sunday School this year please plan on attending the meeting. We are still in need of some lead teachers, and teacher's aids to work on selected Sundays with lead teachers.

## **Support for People Striving to Get Out of Poverty**

I believe one of the best ways to help people get out of poverty is to spend one-to-one time with them. "Circles" is a program designed to do just that. For the past year, or more, Amy Winter (one of our church members) and myself have been volunteering for the "circles" initiative in summit county. We have been "allied" with persons striving to get out of poverty and would like to encourage others to join us. New "allies" are currently being recruited. Give either myself or Amy a call if you want further information.

Doug Denton- 330-389-0116

Amy Winter – 330- 203-0968

## **Interns Being Sought**

Starting late summer/early next fall our church will again be supporting two ministry interns. These interns will focus on youth ministry, Christian education and worship respectively.

The goal of this program is to offer college age students and young adults the opportunity to explore ministry in a hands on way, answer questions about ministry as a vocation, and explore the idea of "call" in a person's life. And better yet, they get paid to do it!

If this sounds like an opportunity you would like to learn more about or if you know of someone who you feel might be interested in this opportunity please contact me via, my cell 330-283-4838 or at the church office 330-673-5879 x12 to learn more about this exciting program.

Shalom,  
Rick<><

## **Mountain TOP ADULT trip coming soon:**

This year we are again planning an **ADULT TRIP** to the mountain on October 23-26. Participantes will be once again given the opportunity to participate in either the Major Home Repair Program or the Third Annual Fall Festival with Soles for Souls. If this sounds like **YOU** or if **YOU** feel called to be a part of this ministry, please contact Rick Stout about how you can be a part of this amazing opportunity.

## **Building Projects**

Work is underway on our boiler project, our restroom renovations in the campus ministry wing, and the window replacement project in the campus ministry wing, plus the parking lot is being sealed and striped. Our church facility is buzzing with activity.

## Youth Ministry News

July 2014

Summer is a busy time for our youth and with the mission trip right around the corner I'd like to share with you about a new opportunity that our youth will have the opportunity to participate in "Day Camp." Many people ask or wonder just "What is Day Camp" so I'd like to take a moment to share a little about this wonderful opportunity.

Day Camp is a place to spread hope. It is an environment where children come to be loved and challenged in a safe and positive community.

Youth and adults spend a week with Grundy County children, 6-11 years old, participating in activities that take them on a journey throughout the county, learning about such things as the environment, community service, health, and local entrepreneurship.

Each day the children and volunteers have a devotional time where they talk about the theme for the day and work in their prayer journals. In this time volunteers have an opportunity to hear about the children's faith as well as share their own.

This county's story is usually told with grim statistics. 70% of all high school students are considered economically disadvantaged and only 7% go on to higher education. 25% of the county lives in what we would consider extreme poverty. Unemployment is typically 40% higher than the current national rate.

Through the unconditional love from volunteers and the variety of experiences they will have in their community, our hope is to teach resilience and to open their eyes to different possibilities and opportunities in their community.

As you can probably tell "Day Camp" is a very important and meaningful ministry. I am very excited for your youth to be able to participate in the program this year. I look forward even more to sharing with everyone in September testimonies from those who went to "change lives" and wound up changed themselves.

Shalom, Rick <><



### Mission Trip News

#### WE LIKE TO GET MAIL!

It's always exciting to get mail, letters, cards and care packages while you're away on a mission trip and this year is no exception. If you would like to support this year's mission trip through the gift of sending mail please feel free to write us while we are gone. The following is the address where we can be reached.

#### Our Address is:

#### Participants Name

Camp Cumberland Pines  
Mountain T.O.P.  
480 Old Highway 56  
Coalmont, TN 37313

### July Calendar

5-12	Mission Trip Mountain TOP 2014
23	Tubing Clarion River



### DID YOU KNOW?

The Youth Mission trip to Mountain T.O.P., TN is July 5-12. Please be praying for this special group of **34** people and their ministry in the Cumberland Mountains this summer.

## Ushers

July 6 - Team 3

July 13 - Team 4

July 20 - Team 5

July 27 - Team 6

If you are unsure of what Team you are on please check the website at

[www.kentmethodist.org](http://www.kentmethodist.org)

> Calendar > Service Team Schedule

### VIDEOTAPING SCHEDULE

July 6 - Eric Wertz

July 13 - Eric Wertz

July 20 - Gary Mote

July 27 - Jack Miller



Remember  
These  
Members  
in Their  
Sorrow

### Our Sympathies Go To:

Tina Ballentine on the death of her brother William Fordyce.

Doug Long on the death of his brother Herral Long.

Sue Rose on the death of her brother.

Tom Lundberg on the death of his mother

Eunice Lundberg.

### Hospitalized and Surgeries:

Rebecca Biggers, Betty Harrington, Peggy Kurtz, Jeffery Kurtz, Jackson Kurtz, Alice Darr, Richard Nemeth, Eleanor Smith



July 6 - Sharon Coia

July 13 - Don Ashton

July 20 - Betty Sweet

July 27 - April Hinkle

### Lay Readers

July 6 - Donna Stiller

July 13 - Roger Stiller

July 20 - Dottie Emerick

July 27 - Beth Jordan

### Acolyte Schedule

July 6 - Garrett DeVries  
Anna Swan

July 13 - Brooke Harvey  
Josh Palmer

July 20 - Ryan Dean  
Molly Fankhauser

July 27 - Josh Ronowski  
Dylan Kaminski

### Church Pictorial Directories

If you had your picture taken for the Church Pictorial Directory and have not yet picked up your free copy, you can stop in any weekday to get your copy from our church office.

# July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30 am Men's Work Group 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	2 6pm Yoga/Parlor	3 7am Men's Discussion Group/Diggers Rest 12pm Lion Lunch/PH	4 <b>Independence Day!</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	5
6 <b>COMMUNION</b> Regular Sunday/ Schedule	7	8 8:30 am Men's Work Group 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	9 6pm Yoga/Parlor	10 7am Men's Discussion Group/Diggers Rest	11	12 9am - Noon District UMW Missions Committee/ Parlor
13 Regular Sunday Schedule	14 7pm Goodyear Band Concert/ Sanctuary/Pierson Hall	15 8:30 am Men's Work Group 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	16 6pm Yoga/Parlor	17 7am Men's Discussion Group/Diggers Rest 12pm Lion Lunch/PH	18	19
20 Regular Sunday Schedule	21	22 8:30 am Men's Work Group 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	23 8am Youth Tubing Trip 6pm Yoga/Parlor 7pm Gifts, Memorials, Investments Committee Meeting/ Conference Room	24 7am Men's Discussion Group/Diggers Rest 12pm Lions Lunch/PH 7pm Finance Committee Meeting/ Conference Rm.	25	26
27 Regular Sunday Schedule	28	29 8:30 am Men's Work Group 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	30 6pm Yoga/Parlor	31 7am Men's Discussion Group/Diggers Rest 12pm Lion Lunch/PH		



## Thank You Notes

Dear Rev. David Palmer,  
Thank you so much for the use of your building on May 4, 2014 for our annual Celebration of Life. Rick and Staci were so helpful and everything went smoothly. Several people commented on how beautiful the sanctuary is and how nice it was to be there.  
Sincerely,  
Christina Dawson  
Robinson Visiting Nurse and Hospice

Many thanks for opening your space to our crew for the winter! We so appreciate the warm place to land, the kindness of your staff and community, and the way in which our community grew by leaps and bounds by being there.  
Have a beautiful, bountiful summer!  
The Haymaker Farmers Market  
Board of Directors and Vendors

Dear United Methodist Church of Kent Congregation,  
I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for your generous donation of \$100 to the Miller Community House. We are the only homeless shelter in Portage County that serves men, women, and children. Donations such as yours truly help us to serve these individuals.  
Sincerely,  
Lauren Rothenlusch  
Program Operations Coordinator

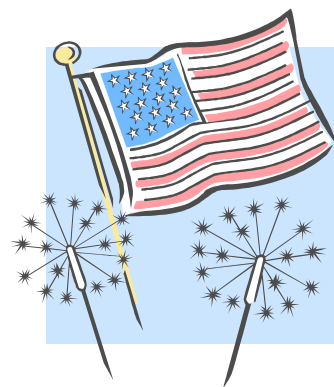
Dear Friends at UMC of Kent,  
Thank you for your recent gift. Your support of the Portage County Association for Pastoral Care and the ministry it provided through the Pastoral Care Department at Robinson Memorial Hospital is deeply appreciated. The gift you recently sent encourages and enables us to provide the services the hospital and our community have come to expect from the Pastoral Care Department.  
We use the contributions we receive to provide secretarial services for the Pastoral Care Office at the hospital and to provide education opportunities for clergy and other pastoral care visitors from the churches of our community.  
As always the Chaplain and the Pastoral Care Department are available to assist you in your

ministry at the hospital by providing patient admission notification and visitation, clergy ID badges, lay pastoral visitor training, and programs on pastoral issues in health care.  
Please keep this ministry in your prayers.  
Sincerely,  
Rev. James Melick  
Director of Pastoral Care

Dear Friends,  
On behalf of the staff, volunteers, and recipients of the Lord's Pantry and Hot Meal Program of Kent Social Services, we would like to express our sincere thanks for your donation. Thank you once again for your continued support.  
Best Regards,  
Christie Anderson,  
KSS Manager  
Maquice Seward,  
KSS Assistant Manger

## INDEPENDENCE DAY WORSHIP

Worship on Sunday, July 6 - July 4th weekend - will include an Independence Day theme and will feature special music by our Holiday Festival Choir at the 10: 30 worship hour.





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**WORSHIP CALENDAR**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SERMON</b>	<b>SCRIPTURE</b>	<b>PREACHER</b>	<b>SPECIAL EVENT</b>
July 6	"How Do We Know What Is Right?"	Jeremiah 31: 31-34, John 14: 26, 15: 26 I Corinthians 2: 9-14	Dr. David Palmer	Communion/ Festival Choir
July 13	"Open Your Gifts"	Exodus 31: 2-5 I Corinthians 12: 2-10	Dr. David Palmer	
July 20	"The Spirit Gives Life"	Romans 8: 5-18 Galatians 5: 15-26 John 6: 63	Dr. David Palmer	Disciple Recognition
July 27	"Justice for All"	Micah 6:6-8 Matthew 23:23-24	Rev. Douglas Denton	Native American Ministries Sunday Brandon Smith Recognition



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