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Thank You!!

I want to thank the people of Thompson, the church Staff Parish Relations Committee, for the wonderful send-off you gave to me on May 4th. I very much like the beautiful plaque that was made for me, and I am overwhelmed by the generous cash gift, and the many heartfelt expressions of good will. Every time I have received thanks from you as a pastor, I have felt like I do not deserve it. Any glory, and any praise belongs to God. That is so very true this time, as well. Thanks also to those who put special work into the evening. Thanks especially to Becky Barton, who has been faithful to her call as SPR chair this year of transition. It has been a joy and a blessing to serve you, I love you all.

Pastor Harley



Worship Schedule

- 06/05 Jim Rudesill & The Gospel Quartet
Holy Communion
Worship at Austinburg Rehabilitation
Center at 3pm
- 06/12 Sunday of Talents
- 06/19 John Tsironis
- 06/26 Quincy Wheeler & Jefferson's Praise Team
- 07/03 Holy Communion Sunday
Rev. Tom Gruver

Pastor's Note

May 1st was Pastor Harley last Sunday, he is currently on vacation and sabbatical until he begins work in Minerva (correction from last month which said Berea). It is understood in the Methodist connection that departing preachers do not return to do pastoral work of any kind for at least one year.

Please contact the church office, 298-3033 and leave a message or contact Sheryl Roessner during regular office hours, if you have a pastoral emergency, and we will arrange to help.

Community Bible Study

Bible Study Wednesdays at 7pm. We will meet in the month of June at Grace Lutheran Church, 8091 Plank Road, until further notice. Pastor Don Coulter will be leading the Study in God's Word. Weather permitting we will gather under the pavilion and enjoy the spring/summer time. All are welcome and encouraged to come!

Church Work Day June 11th

Round 3 - We want to make this our last work day for this year's spring clean-up, IF we can get enough helpers. So Please consider coming on **Saturday June 11th** from 8am till 2pm. There is work for all ages, inside and outside. Lunch will be provided.

Please see *Welcome Pot-Luck Dinner* on page 4

June Birthdays

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 Judy Schafer | 15 John Garrabrant |
| Pam Byers | 16 Dan Miller |
| 2 Bev Nash | 18 Tom Gabor |
| Heather Cantrell | Corey Toth (2010) |
| Doug Gibson | 19 Lauren Garrabrant (2004) |
| 4 Jennifer Beck | 20 Verna Scott |
| 5 Michaela Childress (1999) | Henry Webber |
| Emily Yoder | 21 Courtney Garrabrant (2006) |
| Winnie Reed | Bill Robak |
| Megan Huber | 22 Wes Burn |
| 6 Liz Wheeler | Nathaniel Self (1990) |
| 7 Sally Coe | 24 Jacob Byers |
| 8 Dale Umbel | 25 Gigi Umbel |
| 9 Matthew Byers | Fred Wilber |
| Kolt Medvec (2005) | Patricia Price |
| 10 Sherry Hawes | 26 Bud May |
| 11 Shawn Dean | 27 Kermit Spencer |
| 13 Travis Cantrell | 28 Antonija Fowler |
| 14 Rachel Nash | 29 Alex Toth (2008) |
| Ford Battles | 30 Mike Dill |
| Jerry Umbel | |



June Anniversaries

- 6 John & Judi Carter (1999)
- 8 Erwin & Lynne Leffel (1973)
- 9 Glenn & Joan Huber (1979)
- 14 Harold & Glynn Howle (1969)
- 20 Jim & Judy Schafer (1964)
- David & Bethany Toth (2009)
- 23 Rich & Sandy Turner (1962)
- 24 Jim & Phyllis Rudesill (2000)
- 28 Paul & Nancy Moseley

July Birthdays

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Connie Robak | 16 Grace Nash |
| 2 Doug Schwartz | 17 Leah Rowell |
| 3 Connie Orosz | 19 Leanne Sidley |
| 4 Bill Buterbaugh | Noah Bannister |
| 5 Quincy Wheeler | 20 Lynne Leffel |
| 6 Madeline Losh | Richard Harvey |
| 7 Nathan Moseley | 21 Ron Raul Jr. |
| Heidi Pecuzok | 23 Teri Simpson |
| 8 Ray Dillworth | 24 Kim Pecuzok |
| 9 Dixie Childress | 25 Gilda Spencer |
| Karlee Stevens | 26 John Musacchio |
| 10 Debbie Rohrbaugh | Bill Simmons |
| 11 Colton Cantrell | 27 Dorothy Battles |
| 12 Marissa Paul | 28 Ralph Self |
| 13 Rachel Self | Diane Hart |
| 14 Debbie Cowger | 30 Jacob Buterbaugh (1997) |
| 15 Marlyn Sullivan | |
| Tammy Lewis | |



July Anniversaries

- 2 Dennis & Jane Battles (1966)
- 6 Bud & Martha May (1963)
- 7 Joe & Debbie Coffman (1979)
- 8 John & Carol Musacchio (1961)
- 10 John & Andrea Garrabrant (1999)
- 12 Larry & Sharon Carr
- 15 Don & Margaret Byers (1956)
- 18 Bill & Connie Robak (2009)
- 21 Mike & Becky Barton (1990)
- 30 Ross & Boby McElligott (1955)
- 31 Terry & Pam Byers (1982)



Hannah's Home is a maternity home in Northeastern Ohio for single, pregnant, young women through the age of 25. We offer a safe and structured environment that allows a young woman to make a positive life plan for herself and her unborn child.

The program includes option counseling and we support her decision to parent or place for adoption. Hannah's Home provides for her basic needs and places an emphasis on continuing her education. Due to the generosity of our supporters, these services are given free of charge. At Hannah's Home young women are encouraged and offered the skills needed for a healthy future.

Announcements

Sunday of Talents

“Romans 12: 4-6a: For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.”

We're asking anyone to sign up to share their God-given talents as the message at the service on June 12th. You can sing, or do a favorite reading from scripture or thought provoking literature or even put together a skit! We will be doing both services and different people will present at both services, so be sure to mark your calendars and be there for both services on the 12th even if you don't put together a presentation. **See Nadia Wheeler to sign up. Please sign up no later than June 5th. Thank you!**

2011 June Fresh Produce

Tuesday, June 21st from 3-5pm
(or until the produce is gone)

First come, first serve. Rain or Shine!

2011 Mission Offering for June

May 8th thru June 19th

Baby Bottle Boomerang
(Mother's Day thru Father's Day)



Monday, June 6th

Mission Meeting @ 6:30pm

Christian Education Meeting @ 7:30pm

Monday, June 13th

Trustee Meeting @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, June 14th

SPRC Meeting @t 6:30 pm

Monday, June 20th

Council Meeting @ 7:30pm

Young Adult Group (YAG)

YAG is meeting at the Thompson Church on Saturday, June 11, 18, & 25, 7 - 9pm. Bring a friend and come for fun, food, and fellowship.

All are welcome!
Contact David Toth
440-223-8065
for more information.



JUNE – Lunch Ladies

will be meeting at Bob Evans in Mentor, Friday June 3rd at 11:30 am.

more *Announcements* on pages 4

Announcements continued...

Change is the order of business for the next few weeks. The parsonage will be getting some long-overdue attention and the worshipers are seeing new faces behind the alter each week. Thanks to Jeanine Markgraf for all her hard work organizing quality worship each Sunday.

Welcome



Dinner

Pastor Tom Gruver and his wife Gail will be here July 3! Since this is right in the middle of Fourth of July celebrations, our "Welcome to Thompson" pot-luck lunch will be Reverend Gruver's second Sunday, July 10, after the second service. We are all excited to begin this next chapter at TUMC.

Take a flight to discovery and excitement this summer with TUMC's
"Missionary Adventure" Vacation Bible school!

July 17th-22nd, 6:30PM-8:30PM

Come to learn about the amazing things God has done in the lives of some of the world's most famous missionaries. Explore the jungles of Africa, take a trip to China, see how Christians lived in the early church, and SO MUCH MORE!! Enjoy games, crafts, snacks and a special "World Fair" carnival on Friday the 22nd. Then wrap up the week with a program of music and fun during Sunday morning worship on the 24th at 10AM.

Vacation Bible School is open to Children of all ages!

We also offer special youth activities and an adult Bible class!

Come and join us as we set out on an amazing adventure this July!

Vacation Bible School at Thompson United Methodist Church
 7658 Madison Road (On the Square) in Thompson, Ohio
 For more info call 298-3033

Ladies Tea Party – I love our ladies, mother, child tea. We always have a nice theme and good food. This year thanks to Bill Robak who wrote a script for this annual event called, "Things heard at a Tea Party". A good time was had by all. Our young girls could not be there to play their parts so guess what? Jeannine and Sharon played two parts, the young girls (Ha Ha) and the older women. To do this they had to Keep changing their hats so everyone would know which part they were playing, which added extra fun. But we all took a back seat to Cortney Garrabrant who played her part exquisitely. She won everyone's hearts.

Thanks to all who attended and to all the ladies who had parts in our play.
 Farmville WHAT?? - *UMW*

UMW Sunday – Each year we have a UMW Sunday which is always good but I think this year out did all years in the past since I've been involved.

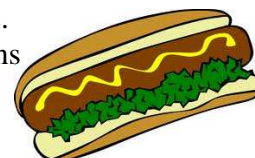
Thanks to our soloists, Norma Bethany and Andrea (who made me cry with her song.) But a special thanks to Bev Nash who gave a stellar sermon. I just wish everyone could have heard it. (Contact the church office for a copy on CD)

Also, I'd like to thank all the ladies that were honored because they are mentors to all of us. Such beautiful and knowledgeable ladies.

Thank again for letting us have a Sunday to be blessed – *Sharon Moon*



TUMC Annual July 4th Rummage and Bake Sale will be held in the church gym. The UMW will be selling a variety of baked goods, drinks, and Hot Dogs. The Drama and Bible Quizzers will be managing the Rummage Sale. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be brought to the Church during the last two weeks of June. Please call the church office will any question or for more information, 298-3033.



Article Hey, it's Quincy Wheeler, here, giving you an update on the finish to this year's season of Bible Quizzing, and 4th-6th Grade Club! First, Bible Quizzing... We were blessed this year to go to the National Bible Quiz Tournament with Family Life Ministries, centered in Bath, New York. Our quizzers mixed in with theirs and together we came up with 4 teams. I was the coach of Blizzard, our top team, which included Austin Gelhuasen, Angelina Huber, Colin Simpson and Elizabeth Wheeler from Thompson, as well as Mara Adam, Tim Alianello, and Grace Mullen from New York. Nadia coached the team Tempest, which included Leah Nash and Ryley Baker from Thompson, as well as Haley Church, Sam Mast, Phoebe Mast and Kayleigh Orcutt from New York. Anthony Romero and Gino Salim quizzed with Maelstrom, which also included Mitchell and Skyler Schapp, Christian and Sam Wild from New York. We also had a team entirely of New York quizzers called Cyclone.

Blizzard performed excellently at Nationals on the first two days, achieving a record of 13 first places, 4 second places and 1 third. In the first two days, you quiz for your placement going into the elimination round, and that excellent record was good enough for a 5th place seating, which is the highest seating any team I have coached or quizzed on has ever achieved. Saturday, as usual, was a tough day of quizzing, and we ended up finishing 12th out of 46 teams, but that involved winning the lower bracket and competing in top sites all day long. Elizabeth was a dominating quizzier in 80% of the quizzes, and averaged 78 points per quiz, which was good enough for 2nd place individually - an incredible achievement that cements her place as one of the 50 greatest quizzers ever, and the best quizzier Thompson's quiz group has ever had. Angelina achieved a 38 points per quiz average, which is also very hard to do, and quizzed better at Nationals than ever before. Colin struggled a bit on Friday, but he stuck with it and got an average of 33 points per quiz, and, as usual, pulled out some clutch answers for us in tough quizzes, including the last quiz in which he got four right. Austin averaged 26 points a quiz, while doing a lot of time on the bench as well, which was an incredible achievement on his part. He never let us down in any quiz, and was possibly our most consistent

quizzier overall. Maria averaged around 45 points a quiz, Tim got about 20 points per quiz, and Grace contributed as well, quizzing on a difficult selection of chapters. I was very proud of our team, and I encourage you to congratulate any of these members on their amazing performance next time you see them.

Tempest finished 42nd out of 46, with a tough run of quizzes to end the day on Saturday, but both Leah and Ryley contributed strongly to their team's success. Maelstrom finished just one place below, at 43rd, and I was proud of the way Anthony and Gino quizzed on a team of new friends and in difficult circumstances. I am excited to see how all four of these quizzers improve next season. Perhaps most exciting of all events at Nationals were the reports I heard of the quiz Tempest and Maelstrom played against each other. The power went out at the hotel, and the quizmaster for the quiz, Johnny Williams, led the group in a singing and sharing time, in which Anthony gave a powerful testimony about his relationship with Jesus. I am constantly amazed at how interacting with the Word transforms our youth, and my heart could burst with joy over the strides I see all of them making in their life with Jesus. Sure, there are bumps in the road, and more to come, I'm sure, but having a solid foundation in the Word is so incredibly crucial to weathering the storms of life. Thank you to ALL of you at Thompson UMC for supporting the Bible Quiz program with your gifts and service! Your investment yields a bountiful return!

Finally, I wanted to mention our 4th-6th Grade Club. Machia and I, with the approval and support of John Tsironis, started 4th-6th Grade Club on a monthly basis, in which we invite 4th-6th Graders to come for a Wednesday night of fun, fellowship and faith. We finished up the season on Wednesday, May 11th with Pizza and watched the Monster Movies we had filmed at the last club meeting. We have had attendances between 8 and 18 at the last 3-4 meetings, and our attendance last night was 14 kids. We are hopeful that this club will lead to a strong core of children and families for our youth group program as the students get older and continue to attend our programming. We appreciate your prayers and service in connection with these events!

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In Loving Memory...

Joyce Ellis
 Patty Wilson
 Edna "Nan" Stone
 Margret Byers' cousin
 ...Prayers for Family and Friends

At Home

Sally Coe
 Eleanor Dillworth
 Jim Furr (Florida)
 Jean Klinger
 Bud May (Kentucky)
 Pauline Moseley
 Bruce Remley
 Fran Rauth

And Away

Blossom Hill, Huntsburg
 Donna Tinta
 Eva Gibson
 Briar Cliff, Middlefield
 Murial Moseley
 Cardinal Wood, Madison
 Mamie Spicer
 Geauga County Home
 Wes Burn
 Geneva Pointe
 Patricia Price
 John Childress
 Heather Hill, Chardon
 Dennis Spicer
 Mentor Way
 Richard Perine



call & remember to send cards
 to our Friends!
 For more information about
 someone hospitalized please call
 or send 968-3696

To start a Prayer Chain at
 Thompson United Methodist Church
 Please call
 Fay VanGorder 298-1140,
 Verna Scott 298-3258,
 & Shirley Childress 298-3483



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Sharon Moon

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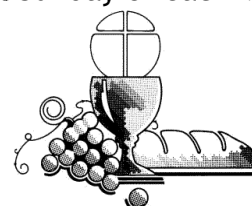
Ivan Garrabrant

Trustees

David Toth

Church Services
 9:30am & 11:00am
Sunday School
 For all Ages
 10:00am
Jr. Church
 at 11:00am service
 on 2nd, 3rd, & 4th
 Sundays

Holy Communion
 First Sunday of each Month



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To make Disciples of Jesus Christ

MISSION STATEMENT

To Live Our Faith
To Share our Faith
and To Serve

[Matthew 5:45](#) that you may be children of your **Father** in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.



June 19, 2011