

# The Circuit Writer

## Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church



### How Do You Say Farewell Without Saying Goodbye?

Pastor Ken, Beth and Brendon have been a part of our church family for four years. We have experienced their sincere smiles, love, abundant energy and joy. Our church has been blessed during their time with us. Sometimes people come into our lives for a only season or for a reason. When someone comes into our lives for a season, it is because your turn has come to share, grow or learn. They may bring you an experience of peace or make you laugh. They may teach you something you have never done. They usually give you an unbelievable amount of joy. Believe it! It is real! But only for a season.

When someone is in your life for a reason, it is usually to meet a need you have expressed outwardly or inwardly, or spiritually. They may seem like a godsend and they are. They are there for the reason you need them to be. Sometimes these people might have to leave your life for one reason or another. What we must realize is that our need has been met, our desire fulfilled; their work is done. The prayer you sent up has been answered and it now time to move on.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven." God has an eternal plan that includes the purposes and activities of every person on earth. We must give ourselves to God as holy sacrifices and allow the Holy Spirit to accomplish God's plan for us.

Pastor Ken has listened to God and His perfect timing for his new purpose in life.

June 26, 2011 will be Pastor Ken's last day serving our church. With mixed emotions let us not say goodbye, but farewell for now. They will remain in our prayers, thoughts and hearts as they start another part of their journey walking with God.

Some people come into our lives and quickly go.. Some people become friends and stay awhile leaving footprints on our hearts and we are never quite the same because we have made a friend.

May today there be peace within you. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use the gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content in knowing that you are a child of God. Let His presence settle into your bones, and allow

your soul the freedom to sing, dance and to bask in the sun. It is there for each and every one of you.

*Joan Towe, Lay Leader*



### Happy June & Early July Birthdays!



06/01 Dana Black  
 06/02 Mary Anne Miller  
 06/12 Howard Hackenbracht  
 06/18 Richard Orndorff  
 06/19 Larry Ambrose  
 06/19 Jane Thomas  
 06/19 Betty Luse  
 06/20 Rose Shaffer  
 06/20 Melissa Driver Hilliard  
 06/21 Lloyd Neff  
 06/22 Carl Mishler  
 06/27 Emily Rexrode  
 07/03 Shirley Bock

### And Happy Anniversary

06/17 Howard and Jennifer Hackenbracht



### Email Alerts



If you would like to receive updates  
about

MJUMC events via email,  
please send your email address to  
Barry Davis at  
[barry8360@yahoo.com](mailto:barry8360@yahoo.com)

All future Newsletter articles  
should be emailed to  
our new Newsletter Editor  
Joan Towe at  
[vjtowe1950@yahoo.com](mailto:vjtowe1950@yahoo.com)



## ***Mark Your Calendars!***

**#1**

**The date for the 2011  
Local Mission Work  
has been set for July 11-16.**

We need your help during that week  
for any amount of time you can donate.  
More details to follow.

**#2**

**The Church will be having a covered dish farewell  
luncheon for Pastor Ken and family on Sunday,  
June 26, 2011, right after church service.**

*PPR Committee*

**#3**

**We also will be having a covered dish welcoming  
luncheon for Pastor Michael Dettmer and his wife,  
Gabriella on Sunday, July 3, 2011, right after  
church service.**

**Please attend and make our new pastor and wife  
feel welcome as we get to know them.**

*PPR Committee*



***United Methodist Women  
May 5, 2011***

We would like to invite all women of  
the church to our monthly meeting held on the first  
Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The following is  
a synopsis of our May 5 meeting.

President Betty Luse called the meeting to order  
with 12 members present.

Joan Towe did a devotion. Betty read a thank  
you card from Karey Rexrode.

Freddie Forster read the Minutes from the April  
7 meeting and they were accepted as read.

**TREASURER:** Shirley Hackenbracht read the finan-  
cial reports for March and April and a thank you note  
from RESPONSE for our \$100 donation. She also  
thanked everyone for the thoughts and cards she re-  
ceived during her recovery from a foot operation.

**SUNSHINE:** Get Well cards were sent to Shirley Hack-  
enbracht and Roland Walters.

**KITCHEN:** Jean Estep will report to Joe Williams that  
we will not be serving the Mason's in May, due to other  
commitments, but we will service the Mason's in Au-  
gust and November. We will plan those dinners at the  
next meeting. The UMM May 18 dinner will be pot  
roast, carrots, potatoes, sunshine salad, bundt cake and  
ice cream.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The May 13 Mother/Daughter Ban-  
quet setup will be Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m.  
Tammy Estep volunteered to emcee the banquet. We  
will draw names after dinner and prizes will be avail-  
able to take away from each table. Joan Towe will do  
the devotion.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The Lawn Party to be held Satur-  
day, May 28 was discussed. This is a joint effort by the  
UMM and Women. The UMW committee members will  
be Freddie Forster, Jean Estep, Jennifer Hackenbracht,  
and Shirley Hackenbracht. This committee will meet  
soon with the UMM to do the planning.

Prior to closing the meeting, each member present  
spoke about their Mother. Joan Towe closed the meet-  
ing with a prayer.

*Freddie Forster, Secretary*



***Mt. Jackson  
United Methodist Men  
Minutes of April 20, 2011 Meeting***

The United Methodist Men of the Mt. Jackson  
United Methodist Charge met Wednesday, May 18,  
2011, in the church social hall with 18 members and one  
guest present.

The invocation was given by Pastor Ken.

Following a delicious pot roast dinner served by  
the women of the church, the business meeting was  
called to order by the President, Steve Forster.

Devotions entitled "Hero's in Sports" were given  
by Roger Miller. Sports are an example of life lessons,  
e.g. hard work, dedication perseverance, winning and  
losing. Roger referenced Psalm 146: 3 and 84:12 and  
closed with prayer.

Mike Showalter introduced Mr. Brad Dellinger,  
Superintendent of Shenandoah County Landfill, who  
gave a very interesting program on the facility and the  
various functions it performs serving the citizens of the  
county. The landfill covers 214 acres plus there are 16  
satellite sites over the county for collecting waste and  
recycling. The landfill is a home for nearly everything  
and tires are the only thing charged for. It is estimated  
the present site will last until 2032, perhaps longer.

The minutes of the April 20, 2011, meeting were read and approved with one revision: Judge Hupp will speak at the June 12, 2011 worship service instead of June 5.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$1,276.46. The Sunrise Service breakfast netted \$227.52.

**Old Business:**

1. The next Fellowship Breakfast will be held June 5<sup>th</sup>. All men in the church are encouraged to c o m e whether you attend Methodist Men or not.
2. June devotions: Pastor Ken.
3. June head usher: Barry Davis.
4. June meeting program: unconfirmed, Howard Hackenbracht will try to get Randy Lonas to talk about Mt. Jackson's town maintenance program.
5. Programs are needed for July, October and November.

**New Business:**



1. Discussion and final plans for the lawn party on May 28<sup>th</sup> was held. We are to meet at 2:00 pm to set up. The committee met recently and every thing is covered. This is a joint project between the UMM and UMW and all proceeds will go to the general fund.

2. Richard Orndorff reported the annual golf tournament to benefit Camp Overlook will be held June 4<sup>th</sup>. Howard Hackenbracht moved we sponsor one hole at a cost of \$125.00. Motion seconded by Richard Orndorff. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Pastor Ken led the group in prayer and the meeting closed by singing the Doxology.

*Ken Hackenbracht, Secretary*

~~~~~


  
**We**  
**Lovingly Remember**  
**Gene Harris**  
**who passed away**  
**May 26th, 2011**
  


~~~~~

***The United Methodist Committee on Relief  
(UMCOR) is supporting relief through***

***Japan/Pacific Emergency #3021317***

***And***

***U.S. Spring Storms #3021326***

If you wish to donate to these causes through your church offering, please put UMCOR and the specific relief number on your contributions.

## **Church Calendar for May 2011**



<b>6/5</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>7th Sunday of Easter, White</b>	9:45 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Children/Youth SS 11:00 AM Worship
<b>6/6</b>	<b>Mon.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library 7:00 PM Choir Practice
<b>6/8</b>	<b>Wed.</b>		6:30 PM Church Council
<b>6/10</b>	<b>Fri.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library
<b>6/12</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Pentecost, Red</b>	9:45 AM Sunday School 10:00AM Children/Youth SS 11:00 AM Worship
<b>6/13</b>	<b>Mon.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library 7:00 PM Choir Practice
<b>6/15</b>	<b>Wed.</b>		6:30 PM UMM Dinner
<b>6/17</b>	<b>Fri.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library
<b>6/19</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Trinity, White</b>	9:45 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Youth/Children SS 11:00 AM Worship
<b>6/20</b>	<b>Mon.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library 7:00 PM Choir Practice
<b>6/24</b>	<b>Fri.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library
<b>6/26</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>2nd Sunday after Pentecost, Green</b>	9:45 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Children/Youth SS 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM <b>Covered Dish Luncheon for DeWitts</b>
<b>6/27</b>	<b>Mon.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library 7:00 PM Choir Practice
<b>7/1</b>	<b>Fri.</b>		8:00 PM AA, Library
<b>7/3</b>	<b>Sun.</b>	<b>3rd Sunday after Pentecost, Green</b>	9:45 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Children/Youth SS 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM <b>Covered Dish Luncheon for new pastor!</b>