

## *From the Heart of the Pastor*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One of the wonders of Jesus coming to earth and living with us is the fact He lived in very ordinary ways. Although His ministry and miracles were extra-ordinary, His daily living was much the same as ours: walking, working, resting, as well as talking and eating meals with friends. Jesus showed us faith is lived in ordinary ways with an extra-ordinary spirit. We may consider a picnic as an “ordinary” event. However, with Jesus’ blessing it becomes an opportunity to share his love, laughter, and life with one another. We encourage you to come to the “extra-ordinary” Westwood Community Celebration picnic after our worship service (10:00 for worship, 11:15 for the picnic) on August 16!

Most of our days are spent in surroundings we may consider ordinary. However, with God’s Holy Spirit the ordinary becomes extra-ordinary. The same is true with our marriages and other relationships. We may become so used to seeing a person that we expect they will always be there, we take them for granted, or may even see less of the extra-ordinary in them. The relationship may be endured rather than cherished. Yet, Jesus can make the ordinary extra-ordinary.

It begins by taking the initiative to live Jesus’ extra-ordinary love by being the person in the relationship to be gentle, patient, bearing with the other in love, and keeping unity with a commitment to peace (Ephesians 4). All of this is done to build up the body—the relationship. (The book the “Love Dare” is a great way to live Jesus’ love).

We are ordinary people, and in order to live the extraordinary love (and experience God’s extraordinary life), we need the power of God. Paul understood this truth and that is why his prayer for the Ephesians was:

Out of His glorious riches may He strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and how long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3:16-19

In the next month I will pray this prayer every day for our church and I would like you to join me in praying it! Jesus can do more than we ask or imagine (Eph. 3:20). So, imagine what He can do in your heart, in your relationships, and in our church; then know He can do even more. Please keep our Church Council in prayer as they prayerfully prepare for the Vision Retreat on August 28 and 29.

Gratefully serving Jesus with you!

Pastor Wayne

P.S. Keep reading your Bible! God’s Word is blessing our congregation!

## The Alpha Course



What is the point of **life**?

What happens when you **die**?

Is **forgiveness** possible?

What relevance does **Jesus** have for our lives today?

**What is Alpha?** The course is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, non-threatening manner over ten, thought provoking weekly sessions. There is a meal together at the beginning of each session which gives you an opportunity to get to know each other. Listen, learn, discuss and discover. Ask anything. Alpha is a place where no question is too simple or too hostile.

### A Wonderful Gift!

It is said by many that the greatest gift one human being can give another is the gift of Jesus Christ. One of the ways that many try to give that gift is by bringing someone in their life to an Alpha Course. How about you? Do you have a friend, coworker, neighbor or relative that just might be ready to give such a gift to? If so keep reading. If not will you keep looking?

### Alpha Invitation Promotion

Please look over the Promotion Plan here in the Messenger and then look for the ads and billboards around town. I think you will be impressed with the coverage. When you talk to people ask if they have seen them and then point out where they are. You just never know how this might influence them to talk to you more about your faith and the Alpha course. Please invite someone to the Celebration Dinner September 8<sup>th</sup>!

Please know there are still Alpha yard signs & car magnets available!

### Come to Alpha for:

Good Food, Good Fun, and Real Answers

The Next Alpha course @ WUMC begins Tuesday September 8, 2009.

Please contact Mike Turner (207-6150) for answers to your questions concerning the Alpha Course.

## **2009 Southwestern Michigan Alpha Invitation Promotion Schedule**

### **Highway Billboards:**

- 1) I-94 near Renton Road (Battle Creek) south of highway facing west (size: 14' x 48')
- 2) I-94 near Sprinkle Road (Kalamazoo) North of Highway facing east (size: 14' x 48')
- 3) US-131 just north of Schoolcraft east side of road facing south (size: 12' x 24')

We will be posting August 10<sup>th</sup> for four weeks.

### **Local Posters** (all are 12' x 24'):

Battle Creek: Capital Avenue, Dickman Road & Porter Street.

Kalamazoo: Kings Highway, Stadium Drive & West Main Street.

We will be posting August 10<sup>th</sup> for four weeks.

### **Print Media:**

Battle Creek: Scene Magazine- August issue, The Battle Creek Shopper News (3 weeks August 13, 20 & 27)

Kalamazoo: Kalamazoo Gazette Ticket (Thursdays for three weeks August 13, 20 & 27), Kalamazoo Gazette Front Page Stickie Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Internet:**

Battle Creek Enquirer- One month or 25,000 hits rotating on home page starting August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Kalamazoo Gazette- Kalamazoo & Van Buren Counties News Section for three weeks beginning August 10<sup>th</sup>.



## **Breakfast to Support Our Covenants**

Join your church family on Sunday, August 23 for a breakfast of pancakes (ala Larry Oppliger), sausage, and fresh fruit. Breakfast will be served between 9:15 and 10:15 a.m. so you may come after 8:30 worship or before 10:00 a.m. worship. Your donation will help support our covenants with Paul Webster in Zambia and Resurrection UMC/ pastor Irina Mitina in Russia.

## **News From the Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Beginning next week, the Prayer Shawls will be at the church and available to anyone who wants to take them and give them to friends or relatives who need them. The cards that go with the Shawls will also be available. It is impossible for the Prayer Shawl Team to know all the concerns of the congregation and to get the shawls to everyone who needs them - so we are turning this over to the congregation.

Remember - the Shawls can be given for any joy or concern.

Beth Mitchell  
Coordinator for the Prayer Shawl Ministry

## **Westwood Celebration Picnic**

Please join your church family on August 16<sup>th</sup> for one service at 10:00 a.m. (featuring the Children's Summer Musical) and then for a special church picnic from 11:00 am to 1:00 p.m.. The church will provide the meat for grilling, and we ask that everyone bring a dish to pass. There will also be special games to play.

Please save the date and we'll see you there!



## **Westwood Celebration Picnic**

## *News from Worship & Fine Arts*



Through the Arts and Worship, we Dance with God And Give Him the Lead.

### **Musical Offerings In Worship**

Date	First Service 8:30	Second Service 10:00
August 16	No First Service	Musical – Check Out That Star
August 23	Tina Egan Women's Ensemble	Tina Egan Women's Ensemble/ Praise Team
August 30	Jazz Service – John Chamberlin	Jazz Service – John Chamberlin

### **Check Out That Star!"**

#### **Summer Musical "Camp Westwood"**

The Musical is in full swing and with over 30 volunteers to help things run smoothly, Westwood folks are truly ministers in action for these two weeks. Thanks to ALL who are helping. Please join us for the final production of "Check Out That Star" on Thursday, August 13 at 7PM and on Sunday, August 16 at 10 AM. The children will share the message of Christmas, and why it is important to keep the true meaning in Christmas for all of us. Come and meet O'Hare Epstein Bar who has a lot to learn about that, and Three Kings of the "disoriented" sort, not to mention a little angel with an attitude who is trying to be true to her duty as a messenger from God, in spite of several distractions!

### **Special Jazz Service August 30**

John Chamberlin and company will be musically leading us in worship on Sunday August 30 at both services. Be sure to invite friends, neighbors, those who might be interested in finding out more about Westwood UMC. This will be a wonderful & unique day of worship! We are so very thankful for John and his talent.

### **Ministry Opportunity**

Ushering is critical to connection at Westwood UMC. Do you enjoy helping people? Do you like to smile? This could be for you!! There is a desire to secure 11 more people who will volunteer to usher for the 2<sup>nd</sup> service – once a month. If you are interested, but wonder about whether you could actually do once a month, there is a list provided of the ushers, and it is pretty easy to find a sub for yourself if you know you will be absent on your Sunday. Ushers are asked to be in place 10-15 minutes ahead of worship to hand out bulletins and greet folks as they arrive. They collect the offering, count people present, and help usher people to the front of the church on communion Sundays (first Sundays). Ushers distribute attendance pads during worship and collect them after worship. They also help tidy up the sanctuary after worship. It is a very important ministry, as our ushers are some of the very first encountered by any of our guests, and you can be a warm smile to some who really need it, as they enter worship. Can you help? Please let Jane Wright know or leave word in the office. Thank you.

## Job Board At Westwood UMC

Got a Job? Need a Job?

We thought it would be a good idea if we, the congregation of Westwood, began to network with one another regarding available jobs and the need for jobs within our community. If you, or someone you know, needs a job, be sure to visit the job board – near the elevator entrance next to ALPHA. There are cards to fill out and post on the board. If you know about a job that is available, fill out the same card and post that as well. If you don't need a job and don't know about any right now – please visit the board and find out who does need a job and also become aware of what job postings you see there. Keep your eyes and ears open for jobs around the area, and keep others in mind as you go through your week. Pray for jobs to become available for those who need them, and if you hear about something, contact someone on the board with information, and also post the information on the board. Together, we can change lives and make a difference! Thank you.

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## New Books

The church recently received a very generous donation of materials to the library. Listed here are the items that have been added so far. Check the library frequently and watch the Messenger for more new titles each week.

Couples Who Cope by Jane Ives  
Preparing to Marry Again by Dick Dunn  
Breaking and Mending: Divorce and God's Grace by Mary Lou Redding  
Dimensions of Prayer: Cultivating a Relationship with God by Douglas v. Steere  
Heart Whispers by Elizabeth J. Canham  
Journeymen: A Spiritual Guide for Men by Kent Ira Groff  
Transforming Ventures: A Spiritual Guide for Volunteers in Mission by Jane Ives

## Thank You

To all my dear friends at Westwood Church, Thank you so very much for all the lovely cards and phone calls I received from you on my 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday. They helped to make that day very special for me. I know that God has richly blessed me. Thank you for thinking of me.

Sincerely,  
Irene E. Dutton

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### Summer Reading of the New Testament

#### August 9 – August 15

M	Galatians 4-6
T	Ephesians 1-3
W	Ephesians 4-6
T	Philippians
F	Colossians 1-3
S	1 Thessalonians 1-2 Colossians 4

#### August 16-August 22

M	1 Thessalonians 3-5
T	2 Thessalonians 1-3
W	1 Timothy 1-3
T	1 Timothy 4-6
F	2 Timothy 1-3, 1-4
S	Titus & Philemon



## Calling...

### All Young People Interested in Fun, Fellowship, and Song!

Do you like to sing?  
Do you like to hang with friends?  
Are you 4<sup>th</sup> grade up through 10<sup>th</sup>?

Westwood Singers is for you!

Be There Wednesday, September 2, at 6:00!

Westwood Singers will meet September 2, 2009, for pizza, soft drinks, and ice cream! Where? At the church in Simpson Hall. RSVP 375-9580.

Bring your appetite and a friend. You need not have sung in a group before. Singers rehearse Wednesdays 6:00 – 7:45 p.m. We sing in Worship Service 6-8 times a year, and in some special church events.

Questions? Call Karen at 375-9580 or email [kbow6456@charter.net](mailto:kbow6456@charter.net)

## Alpha Yard Signs and Car Magnets

Yard Signs and Car Magnets are still available for purchase to display during August and September. By purchasing these items you will help support the Alpha course in our community. Please call Mike Turner at 207-6150 if you are interested.

## The New Adventurers are going to the New Vic Theatre

Saturday, September, 26  
Dessert & Theatre

The New Adventurers are going to the "New Vic Theatre" on Saturday, September 26 to the "The Best of Times". This is a musical odyssey of the popular folk music era of the 60's and 70's. We will meet at the church at 7:00 p.m. for dessert before going to the musical. Please call Joyce Branch at 372-7688 for information or reservations. Tickets are \$25.00. Deadline is September 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Kingdom Kids

This September our children will begin exploring this year's theme which is the Covenants God has made with us, beginning with the Exodus out of Egypt, the Ten Commandments, and Isaiah preparing the way for the Christ Child.

Please check out the Signup Board in the Narthex for the 2009-2010 program year.

Ways to be involved on Sundays: \*Storytellers for the Gathering (each week for 4-6 weeks) from 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. \*Workshop Leaders (2 weeks in the area of your choice) 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Ways to be involved "behind the scenes": \*Paint Kingdom Kids hallway in August (help decide when) \*Prayer partners (your own devotional time) \*Administrative Jobs, such as copying, compiling notebooks, and more.

The Task Force meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month (usually) at 7:00 p.m. Contact Karen Bowman for more information.

## Church Directory

The photos for the pictorial directory will be taken on Sept. 24 – 26 and Oct. 12 – 14.

Below is a scheduling form. Please mark off the top three choices of dates and times for your photo sitting (mark 1st, 2nd, & 3rd choice) and turn in the form below to the Messenger mailbox beside the church office. If you would like a sitting of extended family in addition to your directory photo, you are more than welcome to do so. If you have any questions about scheduling or your photo sitting, please contact Beth Arbogast at 343-3937.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons in your party \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, Sept. 24

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4:40 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6:40 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 25

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4:40 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6:40 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 26

\_\_\_\_\_ 9:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11:50 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:50 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 12

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4:40 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6:40 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4:40 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

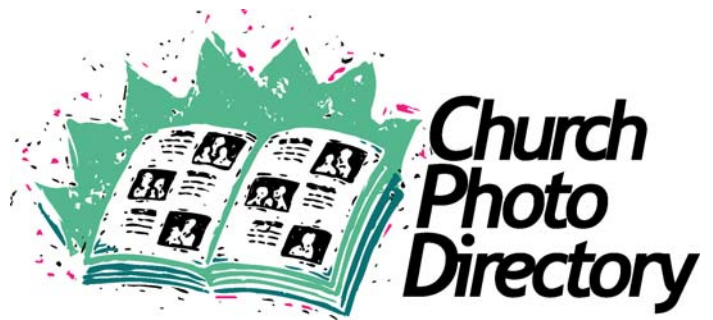
\_\_\_\_\_ 6:40 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

\_\_\_\_\_ 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4:40 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6:40 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.



## Caring for our Earth...

*The land is mine and you are but aliens and my tenants.  
Throughout the country that you hold as a possession,  
you must provide for the redemption of the land.  
– Leviticus 25:23-24*

### Simple Suggestions We All Can Follow to Reduce Our Environmental Impact...

- Return wire hangers to the dry cleaner.  
BECAUSE: More than 3.5 billion hangers reach landfills each year, amounting to 200 million tons of steel that could be put to new use.
- Tighten your gas cap until it clicks three times.  
BECAUSE: Each year in the United States, 147 million gallons of gasoline literally evaporate into the atmosphere because of loose, damaged or missing caps.
- Drive with cruise control on the highway.  
BECAUSE: Keeping a steady pace burns gas at a constant rate, which lets you drive as much as 10 percent farther on a single tank.
- Set your home page to [ecosearch.org](http://ecosearch.org), a search engine that supplies Google results.  
BECAUSE: EcoSearch donates all its per-click ad profits to eco-groups such as the Sierra Club, and the National Resource Defense Council.
- Keep your freezer's temperature at 0 degrees Fahrenheit.  
BECAUSE: Adjusting a too-cold freezer by five degrees can cut its energy use by 20 percent.
- Use soft-white compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFL's), not traditional incandescents.  
BECAUSE: If every american household replaced one standard bulb with a CFL, we could save enough energy to power three million homes a year.
- Leave bar soap by the sink.  
BECAUSE: Most liquid soap comes in nonrenewable plastic packaging. Substituting one bottle with a bar in each US home would keep 2.5 million pounds of plastic out of landfills.
- Stash a pitcher of water in your fridge.  
BECAUSE: A faucet releases a gallon a minute. Letting the tap run while the water cools wastes a resource that's often in limited supply.
- Donate your old cell phone to charity, or return it to the manufacturer for recycling.  
BECAUSE: Electronic trash amounts to 70 percent of America's toxic waste.
- Plug your devices into power strips, and turn off the strips when you're not using them.  
BECAUSE: Some plugged-in appliances and strips use electricity even when they're turned off. But one 6 outlet strip, when shut down, uses 87 percent less energy than devices left in six individual outlets.

# *Golden Gazette*

Newsletter of the OLDER ADULT COUNCIL

Sallie Platt, Editor

55 Plus will resume meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 2 with a catered meal at 12 noon in Simpson Hall. A free-will offering helps to cover food expenses and reservations help Jim Jameson plan how much food to prepare. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office by August 30. Following the meal, a program about the Food Resource Bank will be presented by Norm Braksick. Everyone is welcome.

New Address: Cena Herder is now living at Courtyard at Hewitt, Room 119, 8836 Mars Drive, Hewitt, TX, 76643.

## **Golden Birthdays Send a Card - Make a Call - Say a Prayer**

- 9/3 JoAnn Freeman, 175 Cedarview, Portage, 49024, Ph. 329-4050
- 9/3 Carolyn Mesara, 239 Westview, 49009, Ph. 375-3752
- 9/6 Bill Krasean, 4126 Grand Prairie, 49006, Ph. 388-3742
- 9/7 Bob Kent, 1126 Nichols Rd., 49006, Ph. 345-4989
- 9/8 Steven Brown, 3324 Marlane, 49006, Ph. 385-3049
- 9/10 Lois Mallinson, 5700 Vintage Ln. #627, 49009, Ph. 552-4540
- 9/14 Bob Reed, 3512 Croyden, 49006, Ph. 385-1760
- 9/15 Harriet Warburton, Director's Hall, 600 Golden Dr., 49001
- 9/28 Mary Faupel, 6740 Riverview Dr., 49004, Ph. 381-7216

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## **Reservation Form**

55 Plus  
September 2, 2009

I/We will attend \_\_\_\_\_  
Names

Please return to the church office by Aug. 30.

## Ongoing Prayers for Westwood Members

*Prayers for comfort, healing and strength*

### Homebound

Julian Blair, 22979 Canary Avenue, Mattawan, MI, 49071

### Comfort, Healing and Strength

Beth Arbogast, 2639 Hazelnut Lane, Kalamazoo, 49004

Gary Babbitt, 47040 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Mattawan, 49071

Pat Bailey, 1855 Quail Cove, Kalamazoo, 49009

Edna Mae Beck, 2603 Ayrshire, Lansing, 48911

Thom Carrington, Sojourner House, 1490 E. Beltline SE, Grand Rapids, 49506

Jolie Ann Corda, 617 Flamingo Avenue, Portage, 49024

Gary Cumming, 4867 Sweet Cherry Lane, Kalamazoo, 49004

Lois and Arlo Dunkelberger, 1390 Ewing Way, Kalamazoo, 49009

Irene Dutton, 918 Nichols Road, Kalamazoo, 49006

Herb Ellinger, Friendship Village #191, 1400 N. Drake Rd., Kalamazoo, 49006

Norma Fort, Life Care Center-Plainwell, Room 123, 320 Brigham, Plainwell, 49080

Lynn (Ethlyn) Graebner, Upjohn Community Care Center, Heritage Community of Kalamazoo,  
2400 Portage, Kalamazoo, 49008

Vicki Hale

Dick Harrison

Mabel Hillis, 3014 Winter Wheat, Kalamazoo, MI, 49004

Julie Lancaster, 1629 Turwill Lane, Kalamazoo, 49006

Reverend Jerry Lewis (*Pastor of Westwood Church of God*)

Jim Parker, 5939 N. Westnedge, Kalamazoo, 49004

Mary Penn

Jean Marie Peters (*Pastor Wayne's sister in California will undergo further treatment for cancer.*)

John and Betty Pick, The Fountains at Bronson Place, 1700 Bronson Way, Kalamazoo, 49009

Betty is at the Springs.

Patricia Smith

Emily Strong, 3504 Iroquois Trail, Kalamazoo, 49006

Betty Thompson, 1400 N. Drake Rd., Apt. 189, Kalamazoo, 49006

Nancy Wallus, 717 Kendall, Kalamazoo, 49006

### Protection from Harm in Iraq and Afghanistan

Anthony Earl

Nicholas Heystek

Ryan Mitchell

John Moser

Carl Williams

Christopher Wilson



## Calendar of Events




<b>Sunday, August 16, 2009</b>	
	One Service Today
10:00 AM	Camp Westwood Musical Presentation
11:00 AM	Westwood Celebration Picnic
<b>Monday, August 17, 2009</b>	
5:00 PM	Staff Parish Meeting
6:00 PM	Spiritual Formation
7:00 PM	Staff Parish Meeting
7:00 PM	Courters
7:00 PM	Missions
7:15 PM	Board of Trustees
<b>Tuesday, August 18, 2009</b>	
TBD	Worship Team of Lay Leaders/Staff
6:00 PM	Stewardship & Finance
6:30 PM	Early Eves
<b>Wednesday, August 19, 2009</b>	
10:00 AM	Adult Bible Study
11:30 AM	Staff Meeting
12:30 PM	UMW
6:15 PM	4th Day Women
<b>Thursday, August 20, 2009</b>	
12:00 PM	4th Day Men
<b>Friday, August 21, 2009</b>	
7:00 PM	Civil War Roundtable
<b>Saturday, August 22, 2009</b>	
	No events scheduled.
<b>Sunday, August 23, 2009</b>	
	Alpha Sunday
8:30 AM	Worship Celebration
9:15 AM	Missions Breakfast
9:30 AM	Praise Team
10:00 AM	Worship Celebration
<b>Monday, August 24, 2009</b>	
7:00 PM	Courters
<b>Tuesday, August 25, 2009</b>	
TBD	Worship Team of Lay Leaders/Staff
10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
6:30 PM	Quilters and Crafters
TBD	Worship Assistant's Meeting
<b>Wednesday, August 26, 2009</b>	
10:00 AM	Adult Bible Study
1:00 PM	Prayer Fellowship
6:15 PM	4th Day Women
<b>Thursday, August 27, 2009</b>	
10:00 AM	Cooperation Meeting
12:00 PM	4th Day Men
<b>Friday, August 28, 2009</b>	
6:30 PM	Church Council Retreat
<b>Saturday, August 29, 2009</b>	
9:00 AM	Church Council Retreat
<b>Sunday, August 30, 2009</b>	
	Jazz Worship Service
8:30 AM	Worship Celebration
9:30 AM	Praise Team
10:00 AM	Worship Celebration

**Worship Celebrations at  
8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.**  
Nursery care is provided  
during both celebrations.



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*There really is more to life!*

At Westwood United Methodist Church, we seek to connect:

-  with God, seeking a spiritual center for our lives
-  with each other, creating friendships that last
-  with our community, serving the needs of our neighbors

**Come and see!**

*Messenger Deadlines:*

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*Upcoming Publications:*

Aug. 24  
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