

Dingmans Ferry  
United Methodist Church  
**THE BRIDGE**



July & August

Newsletter



**MILLER'S MUMBLINGS.....**

Being raised on the shores of Onota Lake in Pittsfield, Massachusetts was special. I shall never forget the hours spent on "the lake of the white deer."

My Dad acquired an old metal ocean-going life boat. Dave and I practically lived on that boat every summer. This hunk of metal just floated around the "Little Pond." We would swim off the side, and during the heavy storms we hid in the hull. In the evening we cooked hot dogs and marshmallows on the deck, and of course, we slept on the deck every night. On a windy day we would raise a make-shift sail that would push us up all the way to the "Old Road."

Ah yes! The "Old Road" was the dividing point between the "Little Pond" –our territory and the "Big Pond." There was a small entrance between the two ponds. The old road was really a sandbar that separated the "Little Pond" from the "Big Pond"- a place we were told NOT TO GO- it was a pond too far.

A sign of "manhood" for a young man was his ability to swim the three mile lake without touching the sandbar. Everyone wanted bragging rights. My brother Dave and I swam the length of the lake. In order to swim the three miles you had to go into the "Big Pond." This was a real breakthrough for Dave and me. One day we took the life boat through the road entrance-into the "Big Pond. "WOW! New Life for the Iron Lady! She became a craft on the high seas. We lifted her sail. She reached into the wind. She soared across the waves. It was her destiny. She was finally where she belonged.

Many of the folks I know have "old roads." They have boundaries in their lives. They include human relationships, new church ideas and missions, new technological barriers like E-mail, Facebook and FaceTime. For many these are things on the "other side of the sandbar." I know a few folks who have stopped dreaming- "Big Pond" stuff. Some folks have lost hope- too much "Big Pond" for them. Some folks no longer look for the wind at their back.

What is your destiny? I dare you to enter the uncharted "Big Pond." Friends, this is the challenge of our Christian church today. Come into the unknown waters!

The "Little Pond" is shrinking. Jesus said, "Come with me and I will make you fishes of men." Have you not noticed that most of the fish now live in the "Big Pond?"



~Captain Doug Miller and former First Mate, Dave Miller



## July & August Lectionary Readings

- 7/7 Psalm 30; 2 Kings 5:1-14; Galatians 6:1-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
- 7/14 Psalm 82; Amos 7:7-17; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37
- 7/21 Psalm 52; Amos 8:1-12; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42
- 7/28 Psalm 85; Hosea 1:2-10; Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13
- 8/4 Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Hosea 11:1-11; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21
- 8/11 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
- 8/18 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Isaiah 5:1-7; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56
- 8/25 Psalm 71:1-6; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17
- 9/1 Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Jeremiah 2:4-13; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14



**I will praise you, *O LORD*, with all my heart;  
I will tell of your *WONDERS*. ~Psalm 9:1**



Photo: George W. Child's Park

COME JOIN OUR  
**BIBLE**  
  
Study

**MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - 7PM**

On Hiatus for the Summer!  
See you right after Labor day!



**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY - 10AM**

(Pastor Led) Meets at the Church - Room 5  
Come Join Us!



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - 7:30PM**

Meets at the Church - Room 3  
See You There!



**MONTHLY PRAYER SERVICE - 6PM**

2nd Thursday of Each Month  
Meets in the Sanctuary  
Join Us For Prayer & Meditation



**"The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."**

**~1 Corinthians 1:18**

# Worship Servants

## Schedule of Worship Leadership

<u>9:00 Service</u>	<u>11:00 Service</u>
7/7 Donna Frable	Art Birtner
7/14 Laura Wright	Carol Birtner
7/21 Ginny Malloy	Eric Kislak
7/28 Art Ridley	Kim Greene
8/4 Gayla Garren	Elaine Cooper
8/11 Donna Frable	Art Birtner
8/18 Laura Wright	Carol Birtner
8/25 Ginny Malloy	Eric Kislak
9/1 Art Ridley	Kim Greene

## Greeters/Ushers for

<u>9:00 Service</u>	
7/7	Bob & Linda Davis
7/14	Jim Bois & Anna Curtin
7/21	Mike & Pat Brown
7/28	Al & Lisa Greene
8/4	Marilyn Chasar & Linda Rutledge
8/11	Gary Stevenson & Sally Pohlman
8/18	Bob & Linda Davis
8/25	Jim Bois & Anna Curtin
9/1	Mike & Pat Brown

## Schedule of Eucharistic Ministers

<u>9:00 Service</u>	
7/7	Ginny Malloy & Caren Shimanski
7/14	Doris Hnida & Donna Frable
7/21	John & Gayla Garren
7/28	Art Ridley & Pat Pierson
8/4	Ginny Malloy & Linda Rutledge
8/11	Doris Hnida & Donna Frable
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9/1	Ginny Malloy & Linda Rutledge

## 11:00 Service

7/7	John & Philly Viscardo
7/14	Helen Boten & Dave Allen
7/21	The Kislak Family
7/28	Cindy Defederico & Eileen Guyadeen
8/4	Kim Green & Deb McGowan
8/11	John & Philly Viscardo
8/18	Helen Boten & Dave Allen
8/25	The Kislak Family
9/1	Cindy DeFederico & Eileen Guyadeen

## 11:00 Service

7/7	Kim Greene & Elaine Cooper
7/14	Jerry & Linda Schierloh
7/21	Art & Carol Birtner
7/28	Connie Squire & Annie Craige
8/4	Kim Greene & Elaine Cooper
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## Eucharistic Ministry (Communion Set up & Clean-up)

	<u>9am</u>	<u>11am</u>
1st Sunday of Month:	The Frable's	The Birtner's
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Month:	The Davis'	Kim Greene
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Month:	The Garren's	Darlene Mihiel
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Month:	Kathi White	The Schierloh's
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Month:	Linda Rutledge	Annie Craige



Copies of the Worship Servants List are available in the Church Office.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## July & August Birthdays!

7/3	Dana Rutledge	8/1	Stacey Ferdinand
7/3	Michael Guyadeen	8/3	Victoria Odynsky
7/3	Jonelle DiPillo	8/4	Jessica Craige
7/14	Pat Pierson	8/7	Pastor Juel Nelson
7/15	Deb McGowan	8/13	Al Frable
7/16	Lisa Niper	8/14	Cody Fahey
7/18	Irene Luciano	8/14	Jane Ridley
7/20	Dave Cowan Sr.	8/14	Joe Kinney
		8/15	Colleen Green
		8/16	Pastor Robyne Mayer
		8/16	Bailey Kislak
		8/16	Ray Costanzo
		8/20	David Jewett
		8/22	Bob Jewett
		8/22	Mary Balton
		8/27	Linda Schaffer
		8/29	John Garren
		8/31	Bob Brumbaugh
		8/31	Sally Pohlman

May God bless  
you on your  
Birthday and  
all through the  
year!



### Administrative Council

No July Meeting. The next Ad Council Meeting is scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.



As you can see, the Trustee Committee is working on lots of projects around the church. If you can lend a hand, please see Jim Bradley, Chairperson. The next Trustee Committee meeting is July 11<sup>th</sup>.



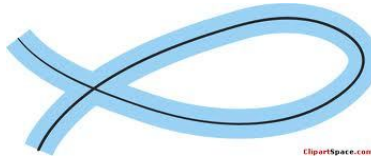
## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Reminder...

Even during the summer the church has it's regular bills to pay. Please remember your commitment to God and try to drop off your offering before you leave for vacation!

The next 2 Finance Committee Meetings are scheduled for July 8<sup>th</sup> & August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Those Serving on Finance Committee 2013:  
Pastor Doug Miller, Mary Balton, Pat Pierson, Darlene Mihiel, Caren Shimanski, Jim Bradley, Holly Bradley, Connie Squire & Dave Ridyard.



## **Staff/Pastor Relations Committee (SPRC)**

Those Serving on SPRC 2013:  
Pastor Doug Miller, Connie Squire, Annie Craige, Michelle Gualandi, Kim Greene, Eric Kislak, Kathi White, Carol Birtner & Susan Ridyard.



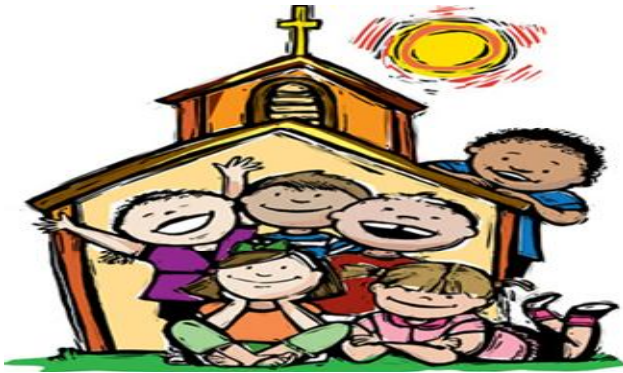
The next Worship Committee Meeting is July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm.

Those serving on the Worship Committee 2013:  
Donna Frable, Elaine Cooper, Clarissa DeFederico, Pat Pierson, Annie Craige, Laura Wright, Harry Lonas, & Kim Greene.

## **COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP** (Formerly Nominations)



Those serving on the Committee on Lay Leadership 2013:  
John Viscardo, Gayla Garren, Carol Birtner, Bob Davis, Dave Cowan, Rob Balton, Kim Greene, Irene Luciano & Colleen Craige



## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE...

Regular Sunday School (which meets during the 11am worship service) is on hiatus until September.

We like to give our Sunday School teachers a much deserved break over the summer.

If you would like to serve this ministry to God's children by volunteering to be an adult leader for a particular Sunday, please see/contact Superintendent, Missy Joseph. She will provide you with an activity, a video lesson & a snack.

**Don't forget.....**

**Nursery is available for infants & toddlers during the 11am Service!**



Youth Ministry

## Summer Events:

**July 13<sup>th</sup> – Chris August Concert & Camp Out at Tuscarora, Mt. Bethel, PA (for 12yr & older)**

**August 11<sup>th</sup> – Sunrise Lake Family Hike (follows the 11am Worship Service)**

**MYF** (METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP)



**JUMP!** (JUST UNITE MY PEOPLE)

REMEMBER TO INVITE YOUR  
FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS  
TO CHURCH & SUNDAY SCHOOL!

## **NURSING HOME MINISTRY**



### **You're Welcome to Join Us!**

During the month we get together with the nursing home residents of Belle Reve and Milford Senior Care for our time of "Hymns & Scriptures". Our monthly visits give us the pleasure and opportunity to visit and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

**COME WITH US!**

Our schedule for July & August:

**Belle Reve 2pm:**

July 11<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

August 8<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

**Milford Sr. Care 2:15pm:**

July 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

August 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

We invite and encourage you to please join us!  
If you have any questions?...Call Kathi White 828-1251.



## **WOODCARVERS**

**Our woodcarving group meets on Wednesday's from 9am – Noon in the Fellowship Hall. If you've never carved before, don't let that stop you! We can teach you enough to get you started. Come & join us!! It's lots of fun! Talk to Gary Stevenson or Al Frable if you want more information.**



**Please Sign-up on the Back Table in the Sanctuary To Host Coffee Hour on Sunday Morning.**



# THE TREE OF LIFE NURSERY SCHOOL

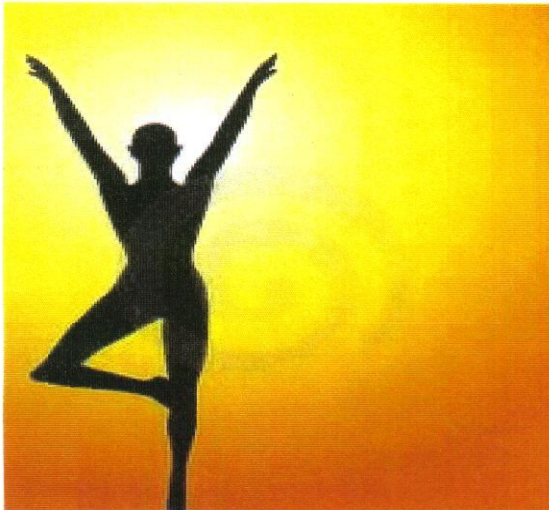
Register Today  
For 2013 – 2014  
School Year

**Still Spaces Open in Our  
2 & 3 Day Program!**

See Linda in the Church Office for a  
Parent Handbook & Other Information.



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*ENERGY*  
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**HARMONY**  
*BODY*  
EXERCISE

**LAURA WRIGHT  
WILL GIVE  
INSTRUCTION IN  
YOGA!  
TUESDAY EVENINGS  
IN JULY (BEGINNING 7/9) 5:45-6:45pm  
FREE! PLEASE JOIN US!  
TELL YOUR FRIENDS!**

**YOU CAN MAKE A DONATION IF YOU WISH.  
ALL DONATIONS WILL SUPPORT CHURCH OUTREACH**

## **MISSIONS • MISSIONS MISSIONS • MISSIONS • MISSIONS**

*O Lord, give us eyes to see, hearts to love, and hands to serve those in need. Amen.*

### **“Speaking Up for Hungry People”**

On May 19, Pentecost Sunday, we participated in Bread for the World’s Offering of Letters, “A Place at the Table,” sending 96 letters to our members of Congress speaking up for funding federal nutrition programs that help families feed their children and for poverty-focused development aid that helps families in the poorest countries.



Our letters were sent as Congress debated the Farm Bill which includes these programs. While we need to support the local food pantry and our area CROPWALK, federal nutrition programs give 23 times more food aid to families in America. Since our letters were sent, the Senate has passed a \$400 million annual cut to SNAP (food stamps) with the House passing a much larger cut. These will have to be reconciled. Go to the Bread for the World website, [bread.org](http://bread.org), to check the progress of the Farm Bill.

We also sent petitions with 35 names to Bread for the World which will go to President Obama encouraging him to work with Congress in setting a goal to end hunger in America and around the world. BFW is seeking 100,000 signatures to show the depth of support for ending hunger. In the church we need a fresh wind of the Spirit to encourage us and move us to act and speak for hungry people. We can counter the voices in society that so often blame, denigrate, or marginalize poor people. May God find us faithful in the task.

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation’s decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad.



## ...CAN YOU HELP?

Pastor Doug uses the Outreach Fund at his discretion to help people in need of help with all kinds of emergencies including heat, electricity, medical, and etc. The Pastor’s Outreach Fund is only made possible by our donations. If you would like make a donation to the Outreach Fund please place a check (made out to DFUMC) or cash into an envelope and mark it “Outreach” and we will be sure to deposit it into the proper account.

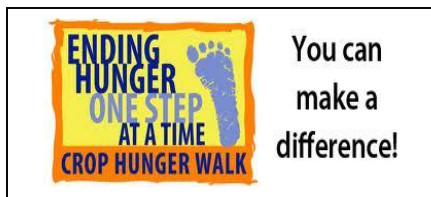
# MORE....MISSIONS•MISSIONS•MISSIONS

## “Encouragement Packages For the Fall”



Again this year, as our college students return to classes, we would like to send them Encouragement Packages. From August 18 through September 29 we will collect small packages of cookies, crackers, candy, trail mix and health bars.

It is important to give the church office any changes in college addresses and/or any new addresses for students. Please participate as we support these young adults and pray for them as they seek God's direction in their lives.



## “Walking to Help Hungry People”

The seventh annual Tri-State CROPWALK will be held on Sunday, October 20 beginning at Airport Park. We will again have 1, 2, and 3 mile routes through the streets of Port Jervis, all returning to Airport Park. The funds raised will support area food pantries and the global relief and development work of Church World Service.

Last year our CROPWALK raised \$12,286. Our group of 25 walkers raised \$1463. Please save the date and plan now to walk or sponsor a walker.

## United Methodist Church Continues to Send Relief..



The best way to help right now is by donating to the GNJ Sandy Relief Fund. The Greater N.J. Annual conference (GNJAC) has established the GNJ Sandy Relief Fund to help with the relief, recovery, rebuilding, and renewal of those affected by Superstorm Sandy, with a focus on the elderly and low-income residents as well as parsonages and church buildings.

For your convenience, you may make checks out to the local church (DFUMC) and our church treasurer will forward all parishioner donations for you. Please make “Sandy Relief” notation on the memo line of your check.



❖ Project Linus” blanket making was a success! About 30 people attended from Joy Circle, 4H Palette of Fun Art Club as well as Project Linus volunteers. Julia Sullivan directed the event. She is the Pike County and Orange County Chapter Coordinator. We made 35 blankets and collected 28 more that volunteers brought with them. Several people picked up kits to make more blankets that they can drop off at the church. We collected \$203 in donations. Blankets will be distributed to local children in need in Pike & Orange County. Thanks to all who participated and to Susan Ridyrd who arranged the whole project!

- ❖ Once again, some of our women went over to volunteer at the Good Shepherd Food Pantry on June 28<sup>th</sup>. The next opportunity to go over & help out is August 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- ❖ Our Annual Summer Picnic will be held at Akenac Lake on August 10<sup>th</sup> (raindate 11<sup>th</sup>). Each person is asked bring a dish to share – There will be no grilling.
- ❖ UMW is happy to announce that Victoria Guyadeen is the 2013 Scholarship Award recipient. Congratulations, Victoria!
- ❖ UMW will be hosting a *Thirty-One* fundraising party on August 4<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall. They have beautiful tote bags, beach bags, pocketbooks & etc. Breeze through their summer catalog online at [thirty-one catalog.com](http://thirty-one.catalog.com) Refreshments will be served. See you there!



**AT THE DINGMANS FERRY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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**JULY 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>TH</sup> 9AM – NOON**  
**PRE-K THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**  
**PRE-REGISTER 828-2288 OR REGISTER AT THE DOOR**

**PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS CAN  
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**PRESENTS.....**

**BBQ**

**FREE**

**LONDON BROIL**

**DINNER**



**SATURDAY**



**July 27<sup>th</sup> • 5 - 7PM**

**A Love Donation Will Be Taken.**  
**All Proceeds Support Church Ministries.**  
**Donations of Desserts & Salads appreciated!**

20th Annual

# RIVER ROAD FAIR

BARRYVILLE, NEW YORK

## Saturday, July 6th

Rain Date, July 7

### 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**A 1/2 Mile of Yard Sales, Antiques,  
Art, Crafts, Jewelry,  
Collectibles and Much More!**

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**FARMER'S MARKET 10 am - 2 pm**

Behind River Market

River Road is located at the Intersection of Routes 55 & 97

For information or to be a vendor Call: (845) 557-3432



## *A Devotional.....*

### Every Word Matters — by Marvin Williams

Read: Deuteronomy 4:1-10

You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God. —Deuteronomy 4:2

Kim Peek was a savant (a person with extraordinary memory) who memorized all of Shakespeare's plays. During a performance of *Twelfth Night*, Peek noticed that the actor had skipped a word from one of the lines. Peek suddenly stood up and shouted, "Stop!" The actor apologized and said he didn't think anyone would mind. Peek replied, "Shakespeare would."

Words matter. But especially when they are the very words of God. Moses warned Israel, "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God" (Deut. 4:2). Moses often reminded Israel of God's mercy and faithfulness to them in the past. But he also stressed the importance of obedience to God's commands as they prepared to enter the Promised Land. He told them that obedience would result in blessings of life and a rich inheritance (vs.39-40). Every command and regulation mattered to God. The value His people placed on God's Word showed their view of Him.

Today, when we value God's Word, handle it with great care, and obey what it says, we give God the reverence He truly deserves.

The Bible stands, and it will forever  
When the world has passed away;  
By inspiration it has been given—  
All its precepts I will obey. —Lillenas  
God's Word needs no additions or subtractions.

*Taken From Our Daily Bread June 18, 2013*





**Congratulations  
And  
Best Wishes!**

**May God Bless You as  
You Journey Into the Future!**

**To Name a Few.....**

**Victoria Guyadeen**

**Victoria Odynsky**

**Jahnae Seabrooks**

**Connie Squire**

*UP-Coming.....*

- *Annual Dinner Theater*  
*Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm*  
*Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm*  
*Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm*  
*Tickets will be available in July.*
- *9/27 & 9/28 Clothing Giveaway*
- *10/5 American Red Cross Blood Drive 9am-1pm*
  - *10/12 UMW Afternoon Tea Noon-3pm*
    - *10/28 Octoberfest*

*Watch for more information & flyers in up-coming Sunday Bulletins.*

**Looks What's Happening.....**

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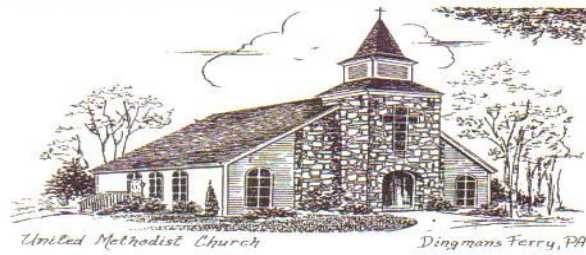
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