

Dingmans Ferry  
United Methodist Church  
**THE BRIDGE**



May & June

Newsletter



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

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

In the early days of the GREAT depression, my father, in an effort to impress his fiancé, purchased new Elgin bicycles for her younger brothers. After he married my mother and the family entered a survival mode there was no money to acquire new bikes for my brother Dave and myself. Our younger brother, Denny, did have a tricycle.

We were eventually the recipients of hand-me-down bikes lovingly bestowed from Uncles, Harold and Bobby. The bikes were old but with fresh paint and new tires- they were really something to behold.

I named my bike "Horsehead" and Dave named his "Cowhead." We raced those bikes faster than the wind around Onota Lake and all over Lakeway Drive and Pecks Road; I mean we were fast. My Dad was a welder so he would fix them whenever we crashed- which happened all the time. We raised dust on the roads- I mean we were fast!

As I look back sixty five years later, long after "Horsehead" and "Cowhead" were officially retired, I remember with great fondness- the racing. The race was in-itself a joy.

The faith race is similar. Oh yes, we know God has promised us a secure place in the coming life, but listen to Hebrews 12: 1a:

*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."*

You and I are called to run the race with perseverance. Come, let us be the people of God. The Lord wants us to run fast. Come, join in the race. Be a vital part of the racing team. Be the Church!

~Your Servant, Doug Miller, Pastor





## May & June Lectionary Readings

5/5 Psalm 67; Acts 16:9-15; Revelation 21:10-22:5; John 14:23-29

5/12 Psalm 97; Acts 16:16-34; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

5/19 Psalm 104:24-35b; Acts 2:1-21; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17  
Mother's  
Day



5/26 Psalm 8; Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-13; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

6/2 Psalm 96; I Kings 18:20-39; Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10;

6/9 Psalm 146; I Kings 17:8-24; Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

6/16 Psalm 5:1-8; I Kings 21:1-21a; Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3  
Father's  
Day



6/23 Psalm 42; I Kings 19:1-15a; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

6/30 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

7/7 Psalm 30; 2 Kings 5:1-14; Galatians 6:1-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20



*Grace*

*And Peace*

*From God the Father And Christ Jesus*

*Our Savior. ~Titus 1:4*



**The Dingmans Ferry  
United Methodist Church**

115 Myck Road, • Dingmans Ferry, PA  
(570) 828-2288  
Presents.....



**MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY – 7PM**  
Meets at the Ridley Home  
Call church for directions  
All are Welcome!

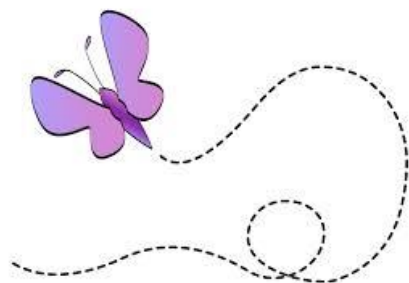
**PASTOR'S TUESDAY MORNING  
BIBLE STUDY 10 - 11:30am**  
Meets at the Church – Room 5  
Come Join Us! †

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**  
7:30 - 9pm  
Meets at the Church – Room 3  
See You There!



**MONTHLY PRAYER SERVICE – 6pm**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each Month  
Meets In the Sanctuary  
Join Us for Prayer & Meditation

*"Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, but let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have the understanding to know me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the Lord. ~Jeremiah 9:23-24*



# Worship

# Servants

## Schedule of Worship Leadership 2013

### 9:00 Service

5/5 Laura Wright  
5/12 Eileen Guyadeen  
5/19 Ginny Malloy  
5/26 Donna Frable  
6/2 Art Ridley  
6/9 Gayla Garren  
6/16 Laura Wright  
6/23 Eileen Guyadeen  
6/30 Ginny Malloy  
7/7 Donna Frable

### 11:00 Service

Carol Birtner  
Eric Kislak  
Kim Greene  
Elaine Cooper  
Art Birtner  
Carol Birtner  
Eric Kislak  
Kim Greene  
Elaine Cooper  
Art Birtner

## Greeters/Ushers for 2013

### 9:00 Service

5/5 Bob & Linda Davis  
5/12 Jim Bois & Anna Curtin  
5/19 Jim Bradley & Volunteer  
5/26 Mike & Pat Brown  
6/2 Al & Lisa Green  
6/9 Marilyn Chasar & Linda Rutledge  
6/16 Gary Stevenson & Sally Pohlman  
6/23 Bob & Linda Davis  
6/30 Jim Bois & Anna Curtin  
7/7 Jim Bradley & Volunteer

## Schedule of Eucharistic Ministers 2013

### 9:00 Service

5/5 Doris Hnida & Donna Frable  
5/12 Ginny Malloy & Linda Rutledge  
5/19 John & Gayla Garren  
5/26 Art Ridley & Pat Pierson  
6/2 Doris Hnida & Donna Frable  
6/9 Ginny Malloy & Linda Rutledge  
6/16 John & Gayla Garren  
6/23 Art Ridley & Pat Pierson  
6/30 Doris Hnida & Donna Frable  
7/7 Ginny Malloy & Linda Rutledge

### 11:00 Service

5/5 Jerry & Linda Schierloh  
5/12 Kim Greene & Elaine Cooper  
5/19 Art & Carol Birtner  
5/26 Connie Squire & Annie Craige  
6/2 Jerry & Linda Schierloh  
6/9 Kim Greene & Elaine Cooper  
6/16 Art & Carol Birtner  
6/23 Connie Squire & Annie Craige  
6/30 Jerry & Linda Schierloh  
7/7 Kim Greene & Elaine Cooper

## Greeter/Ushers for 2013

### 11:00 Service

5/5 Helen Boten & Dave Allen  
5/12 The Kislak Family  
5/19 Cindy DeFederico & Eileen Guyadeen  
5/26 Kim Greene & Deb McGowan  
6/2 John & Philly Viscardo  
6/9 Helen Boten & Dave Allen  
6/16 The Kislak Family  
6/23 Cindy DeFederico & Eileen Guyadeen  
6/30 Kim Greene & Deb McGowan  
7/7 John & Philly Viscardo



## Eucharistic Ministry (Communion Set up & Clean-up)

9am

11am

1 <sup>st</sup> 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





## May & June Birthdays!

5/3	Adista Wightman	6/3	Karli Van Duzer
5/4	Janette Kislak	6/3	Zachary Jewett
5/5	Eric Kislak	6/4	Colton Greene
5/6	David Cowan Jr.	6/5	Art Hnida
5/7	Matt Wright	6/6	Linda Davis
5/13	Rick Vodilko	6/8	Jill Odynsky
5/21	Jane Aber	6/11	Laura Jewett
5/25	George Quinlan	6/15	Danny Balton
5/27	Eric Damstra	6/20	Mirian Hinds
5/29	Alexandra Curley	6/24	Diane Locke
5/30	Teryn Hafner	6/24	Mike Ammerman
		6/30	Benjamin Joseph
		6/30	Sarah Guyadeen

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

*Thank you      Thank you      Thank you*

*I'd like to thank everyone for your cards, phone calls, kind thoughts and, most importantly, your continuing prayers while I recuperated from my recent surgery. I really appreciate having such thoughtful and caring friends.*

*-Dave Ridyad*

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*Thank you      Thank you      Thank you*

*A BIG THANK YOU to all of you who supported the Easter egg project. 6000 candy eggs brought in a little over \$3000.00 profit. And a special thank you to the "egggers" who made the project possible - Linda Schierloh, Caren Shimanski, Lisa Niper and some family, Sally and Gary Stevenson, Pat and Park Pierson, Bob and Linda Davis, Linda Rutledge, Irene Luciano, Mary Balton and Eleanor Hutter.*

*-Bob and Judy*

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL



The next Ad Council meeting is scheduled for  
Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 6pm  
Those serving on Ad Council 2013 are:

Pastor: Doug Miller

\*Ad. Council Chairperson - Pat Pierson

Ad. Council Secretary – Lisa Niper

Church Secretary – Linda Rutledge

Lay Member – Donna Frable

Reserve Member – Holly Bradley

Lay Leader – Holly Bradley

SPRC Chairperson – Connie Squire

Finance Chairperson - Mary Balton

Church Treasurer – Darlene Mihiel

Recording Secretary – Caren Shimanski

Finance Counters – Bob & Judy Brumbaugh

Trustee Chairperson – Jim Bradley

Worship Committee Chairperson – Donna Frable

Music Director: Adista Wightman

Membership/Evangelism – Linda Schierloh

Missions Chairperson – Deb McGowan

Nurture Chairperson – Linda Davis

Sunday School Supt. – Melissa Joseph & Teresa Tarquini

Youth Leader – Will & Melissa Joseph

Theresa & Steve Tarquini & Eric Kislak

Education/Nursery School Board Chair. – Laura Jewett

UMW President – Mary Balton

Communications Chairperson – Pat Pierson

Events Chairperson – Gayla Garren



As you can see, there are lots of things the Trustees are working on both in and around the church. If you can lend a hand, please see Jim Bradley, Chairperson.

Those serving on the Trustee Committee for 2013:

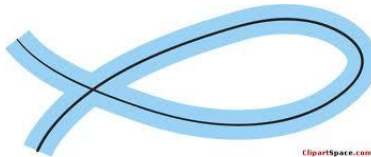
Jim Bradley, John Garren, Dave Cowan, Rob Balton, Caren Shimanski,  
Bob Jewett, Mark Gualandi & Joe Calabria, Steve Tarquini, Sally Pohlman



## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The next 2 Finance Committee Meetings are scheduled for  
May 6<sup>th</sup> & June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 at 6pm.

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



The next Worship Committee Meeting is May 6<sup>th</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 & Carolyn Hood.



## **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...

### May

- 5/5 - Regular Class
- 5/12 - Mother's Day - One Room Sunday School
- 5/19 - Regular Class
- 5/26 - Memorial Day Weekend - 1 Room Sunday School

### June

- 6/2 - Regular Class Followed by Last Performance
- 6/9 - Sunday School Recognition Day & Last Day of Regular Sunday School

Note: Performances are During the 11am Service

### TEACHERS THIS YEAR.....

- Pre-K through Grade 2: Miss Jill & Miss Cassidy
  - Grade 3 through Grade 6: Miss Philly & Miss Pam
  - High School Class: Will Joseph & Mary Balton
- Nursery available for infants & toddlers!



### Youth Ministry

## Join us!!

Meetings are Scheduled for the  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday's  
of the Month  
6:30-8PM  
(Unless otherwise stated)

### We Meet in the Fellowship Hall

- May 17<sup>th</sup> Swimming at D.V. 6-8pm
- May 19<sup>th</sup> No Youth Group
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> Picnic 4-6pm (Bring Dish)
- June 9<sup>th</sup> Roadside Clean-up

### MYF (METHODIST YOUR 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.

Our schedule for May & June:

Belle Reve 2pm:  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>  
June 13<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

Milford Sr. Care 2:15pm:  
May 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>  
June 12<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</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.

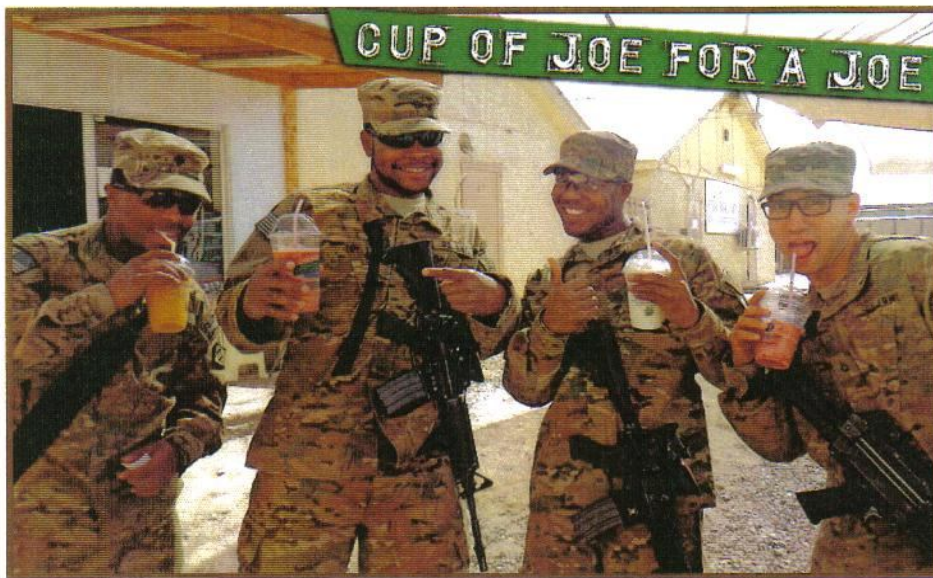
# THE TREE OF LIFE NURSERY SCHOOL

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.





**Feel Like Saying Thanks to Our Troops  
Serving Overseas With a Cup of Joe?**

- \$2. = Cup of Joe for 1 Troop
- \$6. = Cup of Joe for 3 Troops
- \$16. = Cup of Joe for 8 Troops
- \$30. = Cup of Joe for 15 Troops
- \$60. = Cup of Joe for 30 Troops

Collection Boxes will be Located in the Church Sanctuary  
**During the Month of May.**  
All Money Collected Will Be Pooled Together & Sent in One  
Check by the Church Secretary.



# Mother's Day Plant Sale

Hanging Baskets  
Flowering Plants  
Assorted Flats



Saturday  
May 11th  
9am-2pm



Dingmans Ferry  
United Methodist Church  
115 Myck Road (Behind Child's Park)  
call with questions 828-2288.

\* Proceeds Used To Support Vacation Bible School \*

# A UNITED METHODIST WOMEN FUNDRAISER.....

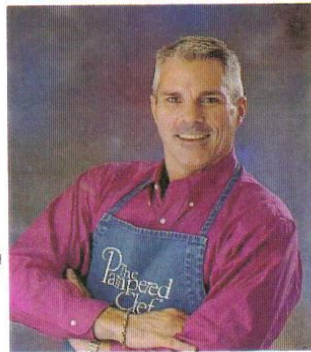
**May 19!**

**The Pampered Chef**<sup>®</sup>  
discover the chef in you™

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon with

**The Broadway Chef**

David J.V. Meenan



**Support our fundraiser and join us  
Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 12pm,  
Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church  
for a fun filled Pampered Chef Party.**

David Meenan is the #1 consultant in the world for The Pampered Chef and his demonstration is unlike anything you have ever seen as he sings and dances his way through the program!

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES or ORDER ONLINE**

If you cannot attend and would still like to help out,  
you can order directly online at

[www.pamperedchef.biz/broadwaychef](http://www.pamperedchef.biz/broadwaychef)

CLICK: **shop online**, enter the organization name as: **UMC**  
Info call: (732) 530-1753 or e-mail [Broadwaychef@yahoo.com](mailto:Broadwaychef@yahoo.com)

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**PRESENTS.....**



**FREE  
HAM**



**DINNER**

**SATURDAY**  
**MAY 25<sup>TH</sup> • 4 - 6PM**

**A LOVE DONATION WILL BE TAKEN.**  
**ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT**

**RED BIRD MISSION**  
**PROJECT**

**DONATIONS OF DESSERTS & SALADS APPRECIATED!**

# MISSIONS • MISSIONS MISSIONS • MISSIONS • MISSIONS

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

## “A PLACE AT THE TABLE”

“... the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast.”  
~Isaiah 25:6



In 1968 a CBS special, “Hunger in America,” shocked viewers and moved Congress to fund federal nutrition programs. In March of this year a new documentary, “A Place at the Table”, revealing the persistence of hunger in America, began showing around the country. Bread for the World has joined with the film’s directors to provide people a way to respond. In addition to letter writing, this year Bread for the World is asking people of faith to sign a petition to President Obama. We are asking the president to set a goal and work with Congress on a plan to end hunger in the United States and abroad. Bread for the World’s goal is to obtain more than 100,000 signatures to show the depth of our support for ending hunger. On Sunday, May 19, we will see a video clip from “A Place at the Table” and have the opportunity following worship to sign the petition. We need a national dialogue about ending hunger, and the church’s voice needs to be heard.



## ...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

## THE MISSION COMMITTEE MONTHLY COLLECTION

FOR THE MERRY MONTH OF MAY

Now's Your Chance!

Bring in your good condition plastic grocery-type bags.  
All bags will be sent to CUMAC  
(Center of United Methodist Aid to the Community)

CUMAC feeds people and changes lives. It works to alleviate hunger and its root causes for those in need in Paterson, Passaic County, and northern New Jersey.

### History

CUMAC has been serving the community for over 30 years. It began in the late 1970s, when then Paterson school teacher Hugh Dunlop recruited his church congregation to collect food for his obviously ailing students. As they met that need, a greater need in the city of Paterson became obvious, and a small pantry was born to provide emergency food to the local community. In 1985, CUMAC was incorporated as the Center of United Methodist Aid to the Community Ecumenically Concerned Helping Others (CUMAC/ECHO) – a name meant to show that while we are an urban mission of the United Methodist Church, we serve all people in need without discrimination.

We currently go by CUMAC - the shortened name the community knows us by - but we have grown physically, financially and organizationally in our 30-plus years of operation. Physically, we began in a borrowed church closet and now own our 28,000 square foot facility in downtown Paterson; financially, we expanded our meager start-up budget thirty-fold; and organizationally we developed from a single-purpose, volunteer run group into a multi-service agency with a staff of 21 and hundreds of volunteers donating thousands of hours of work annually.

Unfortunately, unemployment is at an all-time high and working wages simply have not kept up with the cost of living in northern New Jersey, forcing increasingly more people to seek emergency food assistance. As the largest food distribution program in Passaic County, we regularly feed about 2,600 low-income people a month. About 1 in 3 of our clients are children, 1 in 6 are disabled and 1 in 8 are senior citizens. CUMAC's work relies heavily on donations from individuals and groups, and is also made possible by state, county and agency grants, income from our thrift shop and proceeds from fundraising events.

We continue to serve, and we need your support!

CUMAC/ECHO - PO Box 2721 - Paterson, NJ 07509 - (973) 742 -5518





## **UMW Special Recognition Awards:**

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Art & Carol Birtner and Kathi White have been selected to receive the 2013 Special Recognition Award by the United Methodist Women of the Dingmans Ferry UMC. This award is given in recognition of outstanding mission and community service. On behalf of the United Methodist Women of the Dingmans Ferry UMC, we congratulate you and thank you for your ministry in Jesus Christ.

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## **A COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT.....**

The Delaware Cemetary Association, here in Dingmans Ferry, is a small private cemetary established in 1880. They have been fortunate enough to have had a long history of volunteers helping with small and large tasks. They are presently looking for you or someone you may suggest, who has some free time, and who might be interested in helping with a few things. Your help might be occasional on-cemetary-grounds tasks (setting corner markers, seasonal house-keeping), or might even be helping others at a time of loss. For more information, please contact Jane Neufeld at (570) 828-9789. Look for the cemetary on Route 739 up the hill from the traffic light at Rts. 739 and 209.

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## *A Devotional.....*

### The Secret Chamber

Read: Isaiah 50:4-5

Whatever I tell you in the dark, speak in the light. - Matthew 10:27

2 Samuel 6-8; Luke 15:1-10

People have some needs that are excruciatingly deep. Poet Alfred, Lord Tennyson wrote, "Never morning wore to evening, but some heart did break."

We find ourselves in conversation at times with heartbroken friends and may feel at an utter loss to know what to say. How can we "speak a word in season to him who is weary," as it says in Isaiah 50:4?

Telling people what human teachers have taught us may have some impact on them. But the most helpful or persuasive words are spoken by those who are taught by the Lord Himself.

That's why it's essential for us to sit at Jesus' feet and learn from Him. The more we receive from Him, the more we have to give to others. George MacDonald pictures this time with the Lord as having "a chamber in God Himself." He continues: "Out of [that] chamber . . . man has to bring revelation and strength for his brethren. This is that for which he was made."

It's through our thoughtful and prayerful Bible study, reading, and quiet meditation that God speaks to our hearts. He gives us "the tongue of the learned" (Isaiah 50:4) so that we have something to share with those who are in the depths of despair.

The comfort God has given us  
He wants us all to share  
With others who, with broken hearts,  
Are caught in deep despair.

Listen to God's heart, then speak from your heart to others.

*Taken From Our Daily Bread, April 2010*

## United Methodist Church Continues to Send Relief.



### Donate to the GNJ Sandy Relief Fund

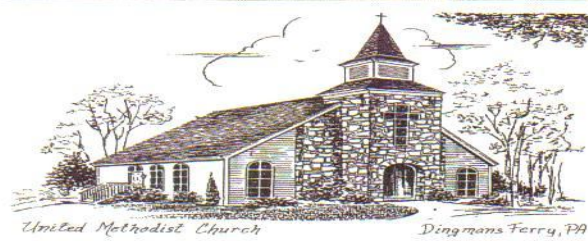
The best way to help right now is by donating to the GNJ Sandy Relief Fund. The Greater N.J. Annual Conference (GNJAC) has established the GNJ Sandy Relief Fund to help with the relief, recovery, rebuilding, and renewal of those affected by Superstorm Sandy, with a focus on the elderly and low-income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

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

## *Up-Coming.....*

- *6/9 Roadside Clean-up - Follows 11am Service*
- *7/9, 7/16, 7/23 & 7/30 -Yoga Instruction 5:45-6:45pm*
  - *7/13 through 7/20 Red Bird Mission Trip*
  - *7/22 through 7/26 Vacation Bible School*
- *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*

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



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People Can Know That We Are  
Followers of Christ By Our Attitudes  
and Our Actions.