

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 18, 2010

This Week at Hope:

Sun., 4/18	9:30 a.m.	Worship – Sanctuary
	9:40 a.m.	Children's Sunday School – Upstairs Classroom
	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Appeal Gathering with Box Lunch – Fellowship Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Faithlink Adult Sunday School – Choir Classroom Topic: Creative Conflict Next Week: Imprisonment and Justice
Tues., 4/20	7:00 p.m.	Appeal Finance Meeting – Fellowship Hall
Wed., 4/21	6:30 p.m.	Choir - Sanctuary
	7:15 a.m.	Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall
Thurs., 4/22	9:00 a.m.	Lenten Study – Fellowship Hall
	12:00 p.m.	Bag Ladies – Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
Sat., 4/24	8:30 a.m.	United Methodist Men – Fellowship Hall

*If you are using the church but not attending the above A.A. meeting, please do not use the door to Fellowship Hall.



Prayer Concerns: Joan Crotty, Carol Cawvey, Dorothy Overbey (sister of Joan Crotty), Naomi Search, Edith Tibble and Family, Shari Blackwell, Dave Baldwin, Jeanne (Nancy Mitchell's sister), Jeff Wigton, and Bill Hess.

Continued Prayers: Doris Douglas, Nola Owen, Arlene Campagna, Marge Dernulc, Joel Farish, Laura Megown and her family after the death of her father (friend of Joan Crotty), Bruce Mather (son-in-law of Carole Blackwell), Jack Breen (father of Trish Nash), Jay Zupancic, Ann Applebee (Aunt of Jacqui Slaughter and Becky Gilliam), Jack Danford, Rhonda Schraer, George Gauden, and Greg Konskey (friend of Annette Craven).

In the Military: Major Bert Rakdham (friend of Jeff and Aimee Wigton), Tim Halberg, Frankie Juarez, Mike Montello (son of Sharon Becker), Jamie Zupancic (grandson of Shirley Zupancic and nephew of Sue Wietlispach), Peter Knight (son of Wayne and Jana Knight, grandson of Jack Danford), Don Beahm (son-in-law of Carole Blackwell).

Carol Cawvey has been admitted to **Meadowbrook Manor** in **Bolingbrook** for rehabilitation following her recent surgery. She is expected to be there for at least one month. Cards may be sent to her at Meadowbrook Manor, Room 107C, 431 Remington Drive, Bolingbrook, IL 60440.

Graduate Recognition – Graduates of Pre-School, Kindergarten, Junior High/Middle School, High School, College, Graduate Programs, Certificate Programs, Trade/Vocational Programs, and any other programs, **will be honored during the worship service at Hope United Methodist Church on Pentecost Sunday, May 23.** We need your help to gather the names of graduates. If you have a graduate in your family, please fill in the bulletin insert and place in the offering or the church secretary's mailbox. Inserts will be included with bulletins through **Sunday, May 9** and are due in the office by **May 10.**

Hope United Methodist Church will have a **BBQ PULLED PORK DINNER** on **Friday, May 21**, from **4-7 p.m.** The profit will go for the kitchen. The cost will be **\$9 for adults** and **\$3.50 for kids under 12.**

It's time to check the attic, garage, crawl space, and storage unit for items for our **All-Church Spring Yard Sale!** This year's Yard Sale will be held on **Saturday, June 5.** Items may be brought to church on **Sunday mornings** and on **Thursdays from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m.,** and must be checked in by either **Linda Hess** or **Trish Nash.** **Please do not bring dirty or broken items – they will be returned to the owner.** See **Linda Hess** with questions.

The DEADLINE for the May Circuit Rider is TODAY, April 18. Items may be e-mailed to hopeumc.1@sbcglobal.net, faxed to 436-2209, or a disk or paper copy may be left in the secretary's mailbox. **Please put your name on all submissions** in case there are questions regarding your material. *Items submitted without a name will not be used.*

The church is in need of an individual to take over the job of scheduling **Liturgists, Greeters, and Hosts** for Sunday mornings. Please see **Pastor Glenna** if you are willing to serve in this ministry.

Safe Sanctuaries Class will be held on **Saturday, May 22**. **Pat Michalik** and **Sue Ritts** will be leading the session. This is a requirement for those working with children in the church. See **Jacqui Slaughter** if you would like to attend.

All are invited to join with the **United Methodist Women** in the Sanctuary on **Sunday, April 25, at 11:00** for the program portion of their meeting. **Sam Wietlispach** will be presenting a report on his experiences with the **Appalachia Service Project**, where he and other youth from **Grace UMC** served during a Mission Trip last summer. At **11:30** the **UMW** will move to Fellowship Hall for the business portion of their meeting. See **Florence** with questions.

Please keep bringing your **aluminum cans** to church. Proceeds will be used to purchase material for the Bag Ladies. See **Linda Hess** with questions.

Haiti/Chile Relief - Recovery efforts will continue in Haiti and in Chile for an extended time, so additional money and supplies will be welcomed at any time. Please make your check out to the **United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)** to directly aid these stricken nations.

The Joliet Cluster is continuing to support the **Ridgewood United Community Pantry**, an outreach ministry of **Trinity United Methodist Church**. In **April** we are asking for donations of **Unsweetened Cereals**. Please place them in the blue bin in the narthex.

Thirty-five years after starting, Church Secretary **Roberta Drake** is (finally) graduating from **Joliet Junior College** with an **Associate in General Studies Degree** on **Friday, May 14**. On **Saturday, May 15**, all are invited to celebrate with her at an **Open House Reception** here at the church from **1-5 p.m.** See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

Christ United Methodist Church
United Methodist Women
Missionary Luncheon

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 - 12:00 noon - \$7.00

Guest Speaker: Rev. Donna Trinko
On her African Missionary Trip

Christ United Methodist Church
224 Bruce Road
Lockport, IL 60441
815-726-1041

Upcoming Events at Hope:

April 25	UMW 11:00 a.m. in Sanctuary. Program by Sam Wietlispach
May 8	Trustee's Work Day,
May 9	Acolyte Training Class, 9:40 a.m. - Choir Classroom
May 15	Graduation Open House for Roberta Drake in Fellowship Hall - 1-5 p.m. All are invited.
May 16	Commitment Sunday
	Prayer Vigil for Building Fund Appeal
May 21	Pulled Pork Dinner, 4-7 p.m. - Fellowship Hall
May 22	Safe Sanctuaries Class
May 23	Pentecost Sunday
	Acolyte Commissioning
	Graduate Recognition
June 5	All-Church Yard Sale - Front Lawn
June 14-18	Vacation Bible School Theme - "Hero Headquarters"





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Every member of our church will be asked to consider a significant gift to our special building fund appeal to fund our building plan.

As you pray, think and talk about your building fund financial commitment, we hope you will consider an Initial Gift. Initial Gifts are given at the time you make your financial commitment.

Initial Gift money may come from accumulated financial resources (savings, certificates of deposit, stock, mutual funds, bonds, property). One possibility, the donation of stock has advantages for both the church and the donor. For the church, the stock represents a gift that can be converted to cash. For the donor, there may be tax advantages since the donation of appreciated stock does not produce taxable income and may be deducted by the amount of the fair market value on the date of the contribution. Stock that has depreciated since it was purchased is also a viable gift. However, unlike appreciated stock, it is better to sell the shares and then donate the proceeds. This allows the donor to declare a capital loss in addition to claiming a deduction.

If you are interested in donating stock and need assistance, please contact Larry Wilkinson by phone at (815) 725-1446 or by email at lwilkin685@comcast.net.

Please consider making an Initial Gift as a portion of your building fund commitment.