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# Second Saturday service projects take off!



Second Saturday Takes Off! November 10 is our next Second Saturday local service mission opportunity. This is an opportunity for people of all ages to take a few hours to serve their neighbors. We will hit the streets at 8:30 (don't be late!) to the different service projects and be back to the

church by Noon. This is also a great opportunity to invite friends who may have no church home or even interest in a church home, but who would like to do some good by helping out their neighbors. Our first Second Saturday saw several people serving elderly and disabled

neighbors who needed assistance cleaning up their lawns and landscaping; trimming trees that hung in the way and bushes that grew up against the house; cleaning gutters and fence lines of debris. In the process, we began building relationships with our neighbors. It was a great opportunity and God held off on the rain as we worked outside. Plan to join us every Second Saturday!



#### Plans in motion for UMW's craft show.



#### Connect





#### Unleash



The UMW's 18th annual craft show is Saturday, Nov. 10, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The craft show, while providing opportunities for people to whittle down their holiday shopping lists, also has a higher purpose: raising funds for ministries that benefit women's and children's ministries through United Methodist Women's and the church's global work. Last year, groups involved raised \$4,653 for mission. We are renting more booths than in 2011.

You can help with the success of the craft show. What's needed?

- <u>Volunteers</u> to help set up on Friday, Nov. 9, at 9 a.m., during the show on Sat., 10th or afterward to clean up at 2 p.m.
- Donations of baked goods are needed - i.e. whole pies or cakes to smaller packages of cookies or brownies. These all sell out. Leave on the bake sale table in the Café Court on Friday or by early Saturday.
- Shoppers. Bring your friends. Help get the word out. You can find small flyers on the UMW bulletin board outside the Café Court on the south side or we can email to you.
- Donations for food court: We need soda in cans -12packs each (Diet & Reg. Coke or Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, 7Up or Sprite); 16 oz. jar of relish; small bottles of ketchup, mustard, & small jar of mayo; 3 large bags of chips; or a donation to purchase any of the Food Court items so that more goes to missions. Food items can be left in the kitchen if they're marked for UMW. Advise Kathy if you are willing to purchase any of these items by Nov. 5 and she'll cross off the shopping list.

Need more information? Call Kathy Maynard at 443-2624 or kjmaynard@mchsi.com, questions, food items to donate or with offers of help.

#### Welcome to the new staff to join CUMC



Please welcome two new people to the CUMC support staff – Childcare Coordinator Elise Porter, and Business Administrator Eric Wright.



Elise began work as our new quarter-time Child-care Coordinator in mid-July. Elise brings several years experience

Elise Porter in childcare ministry at Community UMC,

and a passion for providing the best childcare for our infants and young children. Elise works closely with staff at CUMC to coordinate childcare at church events, and is developing ideas to renovate the current and

future nursery to provide the best and safest environment for our children.

Eric comes to us with over 10 years experience in office and financial administration. Eric and his wife Shannon joined our church this past summer, and Eric started work in this new position on September 17. Eric is working with volunteer

Business Administrator John Stafford to ensure a smooth transition of financial services for the church.

A special thank you to John Stafford for his great work as our interim Business Administrator since May.

> A special thank you to Nancy Ankeney for her many volunteer hours of work in the finance office. John and Nancy are wonderful assets to our church!

— Rev. Kevin Shelton Pastor



#### Eric Wright

#### Counters fulfill task for CUMC finance and attendance

Each Sunday we fill out the blue attendance slips and make donations to the church as the offering plates go around. We see our commitment to God being fulfilled as Rev. Kevin blesses the offerings while we sing the Doxology. We have access to monthly reports about church attendance and donations, but what happens between the time we put money in the offering plate and the time the reports are generated? Counters.

Every Sunday two church members count money and collect attendance slips. Their motto is "if you can balance your checkbook and are good with numbers, then you can be a counter," according to counter coordinator Kathy Farmer.
Each weekend, counters separate checks, cash and attendance slips into three piles. The blue slips go to Rev. Kevin and are confidentially handled.

The cash and checks are tallied; and then, Financial Secretary Nancy Ankeny has the tedious task of entering all this information in the accounting system. Each donation is compiled and is then shown on our quarterly giving statements.

By having two counters, everything is verified and signed for that day as

a check-and-balance for church records. "It's just a matter of attention to detail and confidentiality that allows us to work behind the scenes and serve Community and our commitment to God," says Farmer.

To make the counters' job easier, we can do some simple things. These include laying checks, money or blue slips flat and unfolded in the offering plates, and writing clearly on checks and attendance slips.

"I feel blessed to have been asked to coordinate the counters, and we are always willing to add new team members to participate," said Kathy Farmer.

—Tanya Heath

# PET ships 40 foot container to Paraguay

Who knows the location of Paraguay?

Follow the PETs! Some 200 PETs, 48 Mini-Marts, 35 sewing machines and other such items are headed that way to a Mennonite mission. Seventy-six will be child-

sized PETs for children, many of whom have cerebral palsy. The load leaves Columbia November 15, goes through the New York port, then to Buenos Aires, Argentine, and finally, on December 1 to Asuncion, Paraguay.

Now, another 50 child sized PETs have been requested for a PET partner called Med-Share. Volunteers at PET have job security.

- Mel West

#### **November Worship at Community**



Worship in November continues with the series

where we explore how we can share our spiritual and financial gifts to better serve our neighbors locally and around the world. The first weekend of the month will feature a message from Rev. Kendall Waller, Director of Financial Ministries for the Missouri Conference. Holy Communion will also be served at every service, led by Rev. Waller and Rev. Kevin. Special music for the weekend will include the Dayspring Youth Praise team singing "Stronger" on Saturday at 5pm, and

the Celebration Handbell Ensemble ringing at both services on Sunday.

A God-Sized Dream stewardship series will end with Consecration Weekend on November 10/11. The worship theme is "Nothing Is Impossible" and the theme song is "What Faith Can Do."

The Community Instrumental Ensemble and choirs will also glorify God through music at both Sunday services. A celebration meal will be served on Sunday evening as part of Consecration Weekend.

Special music for the rest of the month includes the Celebration ringers, along with Stephanie Thomas, flute; Kaye Miller, viola; and Bill Miller, cello playing "Be Thou My Vision." The choirs will sing "All Good Gifts," and "O Worship the King," and Bill Gibson will lead worship with "Voice of Truth."

Remember there are four opportunities to worship the Lord each week: Saturdays at 5:00 p.m., Sundays at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., and Tuesdays with The Branch college-age ministry at the parsonage – 2620 Walther Court.

—Julie Gibson Worship Leader

# What's Happening with Community Kids?



**Sunday School-** We are off to a great start this fall. Last week we finished up our module on respect. The CUMC kids learned about Respecting Authority, Respecting

Everyone, Respecting Themselves, and Respecting God's Creation. It has been a great month. Our next unit is on Bible Heroes. We will learn about Moses, David, Elijah.

and Daniel. We will have a Bible Hero day on November 18th, kids will come dressed as their favorite Bible Hero. Adults are welcome to participate too!

Please mark your calendars....December 9th will be our KICK Christmas performance as well as a Community Kids Creativity Show. We are working really hard during KICK to memorize lines, sing songs, make crafts, hear about missions and have time to just play some games. During November we will be working on practicing the story of Jesus' birth, so that we are ready for our December 9th performance. We are always looking for volunteers to help with set design/building and costumes. Let Tawnya know if you are interested.

I just wanted to say what a blessing it is to be able to work with the children here at CUMC. They are enthusiastic, respectful, and always willing to get involved in whatever they can. I have been so thankful to all of you for welcoming me, and helping me through these beginning stages. It is obvious that Jesus is the center of your lives. That trickles down to the kids. Thank you for making an impact in their lives. It is really important that kids are able to see just how much of a difference Jesus makes. Thanks again, and I look forward to getting to know all of you more. —Tawnya

#### Event for all ages to discern where God is leading.



Ever wonder what you think God is calling you to be when you grow up?

Check out this opportunity to discern God's call on your next steps in learning and work related fields.

November 16-17, the Missouri

Conference will sponsor and overnight event called "MO EXPLO"

at Camp Wilderness. It is for persons of all ages, from juniors in high school to 69. Through a series of worship and affinity-group discussions, person will be challenged to consider their own next steps in their communities and through future vocations in ministry. For questions, contact the

Conference office and ask for Karen Hayden or Jenny Gragg at either <u>573-777-1217</u> or toll free <u>877-736-1806</u>. Or you can contact Tammy Shelton, Director of Youth and College Age Ministries at <u>tshelton@communityumc.net</u>

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# Scoop about the Youth Group



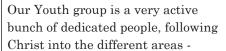
Any student interested in going on the summer 2013 Youth Mission Trips (Oklahoma and/or Nicaragua) should attend either of the following meetings with their parents – Monday, November 5 or Thursday, November 8 from 6-7:30. Information for registration, fees

exploring, connecting, growing and unleashing. Check out the following link: <a href="https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?">https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?</a>
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and trip agendas will be shared. Cost estimates are: \$300 for the Oklahoma/Cherokee Nation trip (July 7-13); \$2,000 for the Nicaragua trip (July 13-20). Fundraisers will be discussed at the meeting.

This information is also linked to the Community web page at <a href="www.communityumc.net">www.communityumc.net</a>. Feel free to forward info to friends as we keep reaching outside the walls of our church to share, live and love!

# Community Youth Calendar on-line.



### Finals gifts to be sent to College Students



It's the time of year our college students find "VERY STRESSFULL" Finals are

approaching and Community will be sending small packages of love to all students we have contact information for. If you know of a CUMC college student, please send their mailing address to Tammy Shelton, <a href="mailto:tshelton@comunityumc.net">tshelton@comunityumc.net</a>. We also need help to pay for gift cards and postage. If you would like to make a

donation, please go to the church website and click on "online giving" and then "College finals gift". Or you can drop your check off with Tammy or Whalen at the church.



# November 2012

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