



May 2011

“Given new birth through water and the Spirit”

Confirmation 2011

Four Maple Grove youth have been preparing for confirmation. Confirmation preparation aims to teach confirmands the story of their faith; the traditions of Christianity and The United Methodist Church. Confirmation foster relationships with the confirmands and Christian adults in the congregation. Confirmation give confirmands an opportunity to serve and worship in Christian community, and see the importance of Christian study as a lifelong endeavor. Confirmation is a significant time of study and reflection as young people look for the Holy Spirit’s affirmation on the ministry and mission to which God has called them.



Confirmation ties together God’s act in Christ and our response in faith. It reminds us of the power of the community in the life of faith and promises us the presence of the Spirit on our journey. Confirmation as a lifelong process – not an end unto itself.

Come celebrate Confirmation Sunday with us on May 15th during the 11:00 worship service. As our confirmands say, “yes” to God, we are also invited to share in this covenant by proclaiming that:

*Through confirmation,
And through the reaffirmation of our faith,
We renew the covenant declared at our baptism,
Acknowledge what God is doing for us,
And affirm our commitment to Christ’s holy church.¹*

Please hold Molly Jones, Chase Maston, Aaron Payne and Tanya Radabaugh in prayer as they continue their confirmation journey and discern how God is speaking to them.



Sunday Worship Schedule

May 1, 2011

2nd Sunday after Easter
Laugh It Off
John 16:20-24, 33
Rev. David Trout

May 8, 2011

3rd Sunday after Easter
All in the Family
Hebrews 10:23-25a NLB
Rev. David Trout

May 15, 2011

4th Sunday after Easter
Go Light Your World
John 8:12, Matthew 5:14-16
Rev. David Trout

May 23, 2010

5th Sunday after Easter
In the Middle of the Storm
John 14:1-3, 25-29
Rev. David Trout

May 29, 2011

6th Sunday after Easter
Tell Me Again
John 14: 15-27
Deaconess Linda Frank

ART MINISTRY

New Art Display
Sunday, April 8

BIRTHS

2/14 Megan Walters

BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, May 2, Noon to 6
Fellowship Hall

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

5/04 7 p.m. SPRC
5/11 7 p.m. Trustees
5/18 7 p.m. Admin Council

FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The Fellowship Group will meet at the Kingsdale MCL on Monday, May 16 at 5:15 p.m.

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Sunday, May 8

RECENT DEATHS

We express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of...

...James Machunas, father of Dorothy Croy, who passed away on April 7.

...Margaret Birchfield, sister of Pat Uhrick, who passed away on April 15.

...Carolyn Mumaw who passed away on April 18.

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED

Dick Pelleriti	Evelyn Leslie
Carolyn Hill	Bill Tenney
Dottie Trax	Katie Whitehouse
Julie Wells	Mary Blane

THANK YOU

We at Ronald McDonald House are so grateful for your thoughtful and generous contribution of pop tabs.

To the Angel Ministry
Thank you for your kindness in bringing in a dinner of soup and all the trimmings which we enjoyed. It tasted great.

Byrl & Dorothy Shoemaker

I am not able to attend church but wanted you to know that I appreciate the bulletins you send. May God continue to bless you.
Merle Johnson

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Women's Breakfast will meet Saturday, May 28, at 9 a.m. in the church parlor

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Mornings
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

TM

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.



Thank You & Good Bye

On Sunday, April 17, we said goodbye to Jenifer Ann Schronce, our Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries at Maple Grove since June 18, 2010. We are most grateful to Jenifer for her many contributions to the members of Maple Grove and to the staff. She has performed a variety of tasks during worship services and the administration of the church. At the same time Jenifer has been attending The Methodist Theological School, where she will receive a Master of Divinity Specializing in Church Leadership in May of this year.

Jenifer is headed back to her home state of North Carolina where she expects to take up a position with the United Methodist Church. We wish her well in her future endeavors and congratulate her on graduating from seminary school.

Race for the Cure!

Please join the Maple Grove team at the *Race for the Cure*. The race is on Saturday, May 14.

The team will meet in the Maple Grove parking lot at 7:00 a.m. and ride downtown together to participate in the race. It is a moving and powerful experience to be join with fifty-thousands other people walking and running to show their love and support for those who been touched by breast cancer.

To join the Maple Grove team just go to the website <http://www.komencolumbus.org/> and register at the 'Join A Team' option and search for team name "Maple Grove UMC."

The team password is 'Genesis01'.

Note: May 3rd is the last day to register online *as an individual*.

If you have questions please call Questions? Contact Patti Rottenbillier at 846-3812.



Youth Flower Sale



The Youth Flower Sale orders will be available for pickup on Saturday, May 7, and Sunday, May 8 (Mother's Day). Super-fast pickup service is available on the patio between 8 a.m. and 12 noon. Orders over \$50 will be delivered on Saturday morning, as well. Thank you for supporting the youth mission trip to Charleston, South Carolina!

UMW Luncheon

Wednesday, May 11, 11:30 a.m.

All UMW General Members are most cordially invited!
Maple Grove Church Parlor
Hope to see you all there!

RSVP by May 5 to:

Jean Bell at 882-4571

or

Marjorie Burnham at 451-3603

Cost: Free will offering

Third Tuesday Series

The ACE team (Adult Christian Education) is sponsoring a monthly gathering to stimulate our thinking about religious and social issues of our day. The presentation this month will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the parlor on Tuesday, May 17.

Please join us for

"Water: Necessity of Life." Member David Rutter will share information about the water issues of our area, nation and world.



Congratulations Kyle Radabaugh!

Maple Grove youth and Whetstone High School junior Kyle Radabaugh, who also studies Fitness and Wellness at the Fort Hayes Career Center, placed 2nd in the state on the Health Occupational Student Association (HOSA) test. Kyle will be one of 16 students from Columbus traveling to San Diego, California to participate in a national test the week of June 20th. God Bless you and your studies!



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, May 22, 3 p.m.

All creatures great and small will be welcome at Maple Grove's tenth annual Blessing of the Animals celebration on Sunday, May 22, at 3 p.m. in our Community Park. The service will include music, prayers, and readings from scripture, as well as the blessing of each animal that attends.

Mark your calendar now - please join us!



Stephen Ministry

STEPHEN MINISTRY



When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving much advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a gentle and tender hand.

The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief or bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares.

Henri Nouwen, from *Out of Solitude*

...so if you are in need of such a friend, please reach out for a Stephen Minister. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please contact one of your Stephen Leaders: Nancy Gay at 267-6418 or Cathy Davis at 262-1163.

Community Ministry Minute

United Methodist Community Ministries (District Office) helps people serve in the local community. Our grants support transformational ministries across nine counties in central Ohio, including seven food pantries.

Here is a great example: the East Liberty Caring Neighbors Food Pantry serves 400 people each month in Logan Co. and develops a close relationship with each person.

To learn more about how you can serve, come to our Bridges Out of Poverty workshop on April 30 from 9am to 4pm in Plain City at Sharron Mennonite Church. Cost is \$15. To register go to www.umcommunityministries.org or call; 228-1010.

Barbara Murray, CM Liaison
921-04721; bm nurse7@gmail.com

A Message From The Friendly Patrol

The ministry of welcoming is not the responsibility of only a few people or a ministry team. It is the responsibility of the entire church family.

The congregation engages people they don't know in conversation, even if those people are members. It's as simple as, "Hi, my name is _____. I don't think we've met. What's your name?"

The Friendly Patrol Ministry Team has made this commitment. Part of this commitment is to do the above with anyone within ten feet of us. We are practicing this from the parking lot, where we sit in the congregation, standing in line to greet Rev. Trout to the narthex fellowship time. Feel free to join us anytime and see what happens.



Monday, May 30
Office and Building
Closed





THE KIDS
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CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Once again this summer on the fourth Sunday of each month, children stay in worship rather than go to Children's Worship. This will help them see what we have been learning about in Children's Worship take place in the Sanctuary. We will still do a Children's Moment, but they will return to sit with their parents instead of going to the Chapel. The Sundays that they will stay in worship are June 26, July 3 & 24, and August 28.

It's time to register for summer camp!

Look for brochures outside the Chapel and in the education wing on the different camps that are available through the West Ohio Conference. Also, don't forget that Maple Grove offers a \$150 scholarship to each child who attends church camp! Check with Brenda Buchy for details on how to get your \$150 for camp! Look for a member of the West Ohio Conference Camps here in April to answer your questions about the West Ohio Camps. We hope to see you there!



C.R.O.S.S.

Children's Rotational Sunday School
Join us in the garden to learn:

David, The Boy
May 1 - May 8

<p>May 1- SCIENCE @ Holy Lab Think Fast, A Unique Survey, Measuring Up, You are Unique: DNA Experiment, & Check Your Finger Prints Leader: Kathy Renick</p>
<p>May 8 - STORYTELLING @ Stages of Faith Hooway for Wodney Wat, Three Wolves and the Big Bad Pig, and David & Goliath Leader: NEEDED!</p>



May 15th & 22nd
Ideas & Helpers needed

Sundae School Celebration

May 29th
Helpers needed



Children's Worship Helpers						Children's Ministry Volunteers		
Date	Acolyte	Usher	Prayer Leader	Reader	Communion	Cherubs/ Grace Kids	Children's Moments	Children's Worship
5/1	Max Nauman	Jack Miller	Abby Allen	Owen Rutter	Peri Kargiotis & Lauren Hitt	Mary Graham Julie Wells	Communion	Barbara Law Becky Boord
5/8	Noah Workman	Jamie McDaniel	David Boord	Michael Workman		Judy Weaver Alison Gill	Barb Harrison	Laura Batdorf Cindy Brigle
5/15	Trevor Law	Joey Ponziani	David Maston	Lola Nauman		Mary Ann Hepp Julie Wells	Confirmation	Patty Hitt Kim Workman
5/22	Brendan Scholl	Peri Kargiotis	Emily Miller	Lauren Hitt		Sara Garnes Andrea Reinaker	Janet Thode	Dawn Nauman Becky Boord
5/29	Caleb Brigle	Matthew Hughes	Erin Jones	Kaitlyn Morrison		Alicia Oddi Stephanie Duffy	Kathy Renick	Laura Batdorf Karyn Miller



May Calendar

Sunday, May 1

9:45 a.m. CROSS: David, The Boy - Science
11:30 a.m. Children's Worship

Sunday, May 8 – MOTHER'S DAY

9:45 a.m. CROSS: David, The Boy - Storytelling
11:30 a.m. Children's Worship

Sunday, May 15

9:45 a.m. CROSS: Mission Project
11:30 a.m. Children's Worship

Sunday, May 22

9:45 a.m. CROSS: Mission Project
11:30 a.m. Children's Worship

Sunday, May 29 - SUNDAE SCHOOL PARTY

9:45 a.m. CROSS: Sundae School Party
11:30 a.m. Children's Worship



On Sunday, June 5, Maple Grove will recognize all of those who have helped out in Christian Education this past year! Your support for our programs is so wonderful! Plan on being here that day so we can show our appreciation for all of the hard work that you do to help make our programs get better every year!

Maple Grove UMC invites all children to VBS
Sunday, July 10, through
Thursday, July 14

Potluck Sunday, July 10 at 5:00 p.m.
With the Worthington Chorus
Dinner other evenings at 5:30 p.m.
VBS from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. nightly



Take kitchen fun to your kids! Enjoy a fresh, one-of-a-kind VBS at Shake It Up Café - where kids carry out God's recipe. In this kid-friendly café full of chefs' hats and aprons, pots and pans, checkered tablecloths, and chalkboard menus, kids explore the Bible as a cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's word. Through interactive lessons that are easy for kids to apply to their lives today, boys and girls will celebrate biblical festivals that reveal ingredients for being a follower of God.

Registration is underway, so be sure to check out our website at www.maplegroveumc.org for registration information and details about our nightly meal offering. Register online or pick up a registration form outside the Chapel beginning May 15th.

REGISTER ONLINE NOW!

If you have questions, contact Brenda
Buchy at 263-1163 or
bbuchy@maplegroveumc.org.



Upcoming Events!

Patio Sale June 18th – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Do you want to de-CLUTTER or SIMPLIFY?
We can help!

The Maple Grove UMW will be holding their annual Patio Sale on June 18th. Please consider emptying your garage, basement, china cabinet or jewelry box and benefitting women and children by donating items to the sale. I'm sorry, we can't take clothing or large furniture.

Contact Susan Lowe at 261-0103 or susan5096@yahoo.com if you have questions.

Summer Worship Hours

Summer worship hours will begin the first Sunday in June and go through August. The Sunday service times will become 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. starting on June 5th.

Additionally, there will only be one worship service on June 26th and July 3rd and it will be at 10:00 a.m.

Youth Mission Trip

This year's mission trip will be June 18-25, to Charleston, SC. We will be serving impoverished residents of the Sea Islands through an organization called Rural Mission, Inc. This trip will include participation in our host church's Sunday services, lots of construction time on homes, and sightseeing and cultural activities including the Seafood Jamboree, an event hosted by local families especially for volunteers. There will be an informational meeting in May for trip participants and their families – stay tuned for details. And a BIG THANK YOU goes out to everyone in the church who has supported the youth mission trip, by purchasing subs and flowers, registering their Kroger Plus Card, and praying for this mission team!

June 26th and July 3rd

10:00 a.m. Only Worship Celebrations Goodbye and Hello

Join us on Sunday, June 26th at 10:00 a.m. for our final worship service with Interim Pastor Dave Trout and then gather in Fellowship Hall for a farewell reception for Pastor Dave and Pat Trout.

Join us on Sunday, July 3rd at 10:00 a.m. for our first worship service with Pastor Glenn Schwerdtfeger and then gather in Fellowship Hall for a welcome reception for Pastor Glenn and his family.



If you would like to help setup, provide food, or clean-up for either of these events, please contact Susan Whitney at 261-6362 or at sjemmons@aol.com.

Save The Date

Sunday, July 24th

A **Free!** Concert for Children
Maple Grove Community Park



May Volunteer Schedule

MINISTRIES	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29
Acolyte	E. Workman	K. Morrison	E. Miller	M. Workman	D. Maston
Flower Delivery	C. Notestine	C. Notestine	S. & A. Garnes	S. & A. Garnes	S. & A. Garnes
Greeters	H. & K. Covert	B. Edmundson	G. & M. Hepp	R. & K. Innis	A. Leighty D. Jados
1st Service	E. Davis, B. Dearth	H. Turner, C. Roth E. Fletcher	D. Hirst, R. Hirst	S. & M. Jados	D. & S. Montgomery
2nd Service	K. & L. Nash T. & B. Buchy	R. & J. Dwyer D. Casares E. Brehem	D. Croy E. Cox G. Hoggard D. Brown	M. Lanum C. Dunn S. Law	K. Shaffer N. Bobb W. Blozis J. Eckert
Liturgist 1st	D. Jados	W. Williams	S. Clary	S. Scholl	R. Innis
2nd	N. Manecke	S. Freer	D. Casares	J. Thode	R. Strader
Parish Visitor	L. Nash, M. Mizelle	K. Rutter, M. Hepp	B. & P. Hirst	A. & S. Gill	M. Matthaes, K. Nash
Pew Restocking	D. Brown L. Matthaes	C. Wimer	J. Reinaker	E. Vickers	C. White
Hospitality 1st	G. Bonsecour	N. Fogle	S. & E. Wharrey	M. & J. Burnham	J. & K. Hoppers
2nd	C. & G. Wilcox	D. Nauman		N. Manecke P. Hitt	
Secretary 1st	C. Hill	M. Agnew	B. Cunningham	P. Uhrick	P. Miller
2nd	J. Williamson	D. Trax	Norma Mills	J. Thode	E. Vickers
Ushers 1st	Group 3	Group 4	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
2nd	Group 7	Group 8	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7
Angel Delivery	For the Month of May: C. Notestine				
Angel Food Prep	For the Month of May: B. Morgan & C. Austin				
	April 29	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27
Bulletin Stuffers	C. & M. Wimer	D. Brown L. Matthaes	E. Cox, B. Dearth	B. Edmundson H. Turner	M. Graham C. White
	May 2	May 11	May 16	May 25	
Feed My Sheep	A. Foulger	M. Burnham	P. Hirst	M. Dornbusch	

