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INSIGHTS

July 2005

**It is our mission to
"Make Disciples of
Jesus Christ"**

SUNDAY WORSHIP
8:30 AM
10:00 & 11:30 AM

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Congratulations!

Director of Youth Ministry Hired

Please join the Search Team, Staff Parish, Ad Council, James and the HUMC staff in welcoming Brian Saunders as our new Director of Youth Ministry.

Brian Saunders has been a member of HUMC for almost 20 years. His time here has included serving on the Staff Parish and Education Committees, leading Sunday School and Adult Bible studies, participating in drama (many of you know him as Ron from the 40 Days of Purpose clips), and also being an active volunteer in the Youth Ministry.

Brian is married to Karie Saunders. He has two children, Callie and Jacob, as well as a step-daughter, Mari Elghoul.

With high regard for quality and customer satisfaction, Brian and his brother, Jeff, have been long-time partners of Colonial Motors in Milford. Though Brian will be turning the

business over to his brother, he will continue to offer his support.

Brian's call to the Youth Ministry began many years ago as he worked with youth on Sunday mornings; it wasn't long before he was also involved midweek.

Throughout his years of volunteer service, Brian has experienced the joy of being involved in their lives. As his

faith and love of God grew so did his passion and heart for youth.

With loving support from his family, Brian responded to the call saying, "I believe in God's ability to use a willing man, and I am definitely a willing man."

And so it is after this long search... trusting in God's perfect timing, His plans and His purposes, and with great faith in His ability to do all things, we move forward on this amazing journey.

Congratulations Brian! May God lead your every effort as you lead our youth.

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Special Worship Services Coming Up...

July 3rd



This Holy Mystery:
A United Methodist
Understanding of
Holy Communion
Luke 24:13-35

July 31st

Celebrating New Life:
A Practical Guide to
Baptism in the United
Methodist Church
Romans 6:1-4



Baptism by Immersion ~ Family Picnic & Celebration

There will be an opportunity for Baptism by Immersion, or for Reaffirmation of Baptism on Sunday July 31st in the afternoon. The event will also include a family picnic. Please join us for this holy proclamation of faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Watch your mail for further instructions!

Learn to Tell the Story

Learn to tell the story through: Drama, Video, Photography, Dance, Testimony, and Scripting. Coming this September – Monday nights.

2005 Annual Church Conference

This year's annual church conference will be held on Tuesday, December 13th at 7:30pm. Please consider attending. The church conference is open to everyone. It is a time of reflection on the year past and a time of vision for the year ahead.

Planned Giving



If a special friend or relative precedes you in death, consider commemorating this individual through a memorial gift to the Church. This will show your appreciation for this treasured relationship and help the Church. An acknowledgment card will be sent to the surviving family, letting them know of your gift, without disclosing the amount.

CHURCH FORMS & DOCUMENTS

The following forms and documents can be found at the Information Station and on the humc.us website:

- Children's Ministry – Star Seekers Newsletter, Parent Release, Photo Release, VBS form
- Youth Ministry – Youth News, Parent Release, Photo Release
- Personal Info Forms (*required for volunteers working with children, youth and/or special needs ministries*)
- Motion Proposal Fact Sheet (*required for making requests to Ad Council*)
- Fix It Ministry Applications
- Morley Picture Photo Samples and Order Forms
- Church Van Use Request

Plus more coming soon!

www.humc.us

SIMULCAST SCHEDULE



Disciplines of Greatness: Seven Disciplines That Transform Good Leaders into Great Leaders

Thursday, July 14, 2005 ~ 11:30AM - 2:00PM

When leaders put these disciplines into regular practice, they chart a course towards greater leadership effectiveness.

Among the key disciplines you will learn are:

- The Discipline of Self-Awareness
- The Discipline of Self-Development
- The Discipline of Self-Management

Join us for this practical seminar and give yourself, and your leadership teams, the chance to stretch from good to great!

Boundaries in Leadership

Part of the “Ultimate Leadership” Training Series
Tuesday, July 19, 2005 ~ 12-1, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 PM

In this broadcast you will learn:

- The keys to setting and keeping your boundaries
- The triggers which allow you to be controlled or pulled off-track
- The steps for gaining more freedom and control in your leadership

Join us again on the road to **Ultimate Leadership** as together we learn how to build good **Boundaries in Leadership!**

Building a Highly Contagious Church

Thursday, July 21, 2005 ~ 11:30AM - 2:00PM

Through video clips and Marks' infectious enthusiasm, you'll discover the six stages in making a church an effective incubator of evangelists.

You'll learn how to get your church to:

- embrace evangelistic values and instill those values in your people
- empower an evangelistic "point person" to lead the charge
- liberate and equip natural evangelists
- develop a diversified team
- run high-visibility outreach events in your community

Join us on July 21 for a seminar that will make your church contagious!

Anyone interested in attending these simulcast presentations can view them in the discipleship room in the east wing of the church. Simply turn on the television, have a seat, and enjoy!

High School Graduate



“O Lord, you are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand...

Oh, look upon us, we pray, for we are all your people”

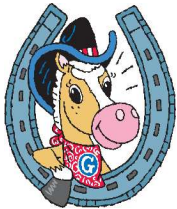
Congratulations Leanne Boshaw,
daughter of Wally & Ansera.

Isaiah 64:8,9

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
DON'T MISS OUT – Reserve Your Space Now!

“Adventure of the Open Door”

Join the Ranch House Kids at the Circle G Ranch



July 25 - 29, 2005
6:00 - 8:00 PM



Registration Forms are available
online, at the Information Station, and in the Kids Super Church hall.

Many helpers are still needed: props, crafts, snacks, leaders, and more!
Contact Sue Cole to find out how you can help: scole@humc.us



BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, August 16th (at the church)
2:00 - 8:00 pm

one pint of blood can save three lives...

Sign Up to Give Blood

Family Camping Weekend

The **Double R Ranch in Smyrna, Michigan** is looking forward to this year's HUMC Family Camping Weekend – and so are we!

The schedule for this year's weekend is July 22, 23 and 24.

This is a great recreational area for families. Everyone is encouraged to come camp. There's horseback riding, river rafting, golfing, and more! They also serve the biggest ice cream cones in the state.

Reservations are required.
Please contact Louise Hall as soon as possible.
She can be reached at 517.540.0700



Honest -
They're BIG!

PLEASE
SEE INSERTS
For More
Ways to Get
Involved!

Up, Up & Away! HUMC Country Fair

August 28th - 8:30am to 2:00pm

Fresh Food, Family Fun & Fantastic Friends!
Horseshoes, Miniature Golf, Balloon Volleyball, Moonwalk & more!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~ More details coming soon!



“MY TIME”

Special Needs Ministry

Informal community outings are being planned for the months of July & August. The regular 2nd and 4th Wednesday gatherings will begin on September 14th. For details, please contact Kym Juntti at (248) 889-7699 or kjuntti@humc.us.

Youth Ministry and Children's Ministry UPDATES

Please check the www.humc.us youth page, your Youth News letter, OR the youth bulletin board (located in the Youth Room) for the dates and times of all of your gatherings and events.

The Children's Ministry Board (located just beyond the double doors in the children's wing) is a great place to check for Children's events, There's also the website and the Star Seekers newsletter.

U.M. Men

This month's Men's Breakfast will be on **Saturday, July 9th at 8:00am** and will include comedian Brad Stine via DVD. All men are welcome – bring a friend!

There is still a short time to register for the 9th National Gathering of United Methodist Men at Purdue University. The gathering is July 15-17, 2005 and promises to be a life-changing event. Please consider attending.

Visit www.gcumm.org for additional information and registration details.

For more UM Men info, contact Vern Rife at (810) 632-6846 or vrife@humc.us.



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Sundays at a Glance

- July 3rd –
Holy Communion: a special service
- July 10th –
What Does God Say About You?
- July 17th –
Guest Speaker
- July 24th –
Guest Speaker
- July 31st –
Celebrating New Life: Baptism
- Aug 7th –
Hearing God's Call to Adventure
- Aug 14th –
Faith: Be Authentic
- Aug 21st –
*Pastor John Gunn &
The Power Company*
- Aug 28th –
Calling: God Calls, We Answer



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“You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the cheek, turn to him the other also. And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.” Matt. 5:38-42 (NIV)