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The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24–26)

Dear Friends,

The words of blessing, found as noted above in the book of Numbers, were given by the Lord to Moses to be pronounced over the people of ancient Israel. We continue to proclaim these words today!

But what exactly does it mean for God to “bless” us? What is God’s blessing, and how do we experience that blessing in full today? This will be the subject of a summer sermon series, beginning this month, entitled, Bless You—experiencing God’s blessing in a life full of challenge. It will hopefully be a journey during which we are truly blessed by God!

Our worship this month will contain the following elements:

June 5 Communion—Rev. Douglas Denton will be preaching.

June 12 Sunday School Teacher recognition; Summer sermon series begins

Sunday School teachers and nursery caregivers during the 2015–2016 academic year will be recognized during the 10:30 worship hour.

June 19 Father’s Day, VBS children sing, Youth Works Commissioning

Our Vacation Bible School children will sing some of their favorite songs from VBS week, and we will be commissioning our Youth Works mission team, which heads out the following Saturday on a mission trip to a Native American reservation in Minnesota.

June 26 New Member Reception

This is one of two Sundays this summer when persons have an opportunity to join the church. See the relevant article below!

We rejoice in the many ways in which God is working with blessing among us!

In His Service,

Dr. David Palmer

Youth Ministry News

June 2016

As you may be aware this year the Kent school district altered its calendar, starting school in mid-August and ending in late May. As a result we have altered the youth calendar to match the changes in the school year. While this makes May a very busy month as we seem to rush to get everything in, I feel the changes in the calendar and switching youth group to Sunday have been very successful.

I am also happy that the business of the end of the school year and its many school activities has done little to slow down the activity level of our youth group. On May 15, eight members of our seventh grade class officially finished confirmation and became members of our church. Also on May 15, the new members of our Mountain TOP team officially finished tool training in preparation for our trip to Tennessee on July 9. We also will be sending a team of sixteen to Minnesota to the Leech Lake reservation June 25–July 2. Saturday May 21 the winning team from our 30 hour famine scavenger hunt spent an hour “trapped” in Cleveland as they tried to use their intellect and teamwork to escape the impending approach of a masked chainsaw murderer. And on May 22, we officially concluded the year with graduate recognition and our end of the year youth picnic.

Overall, I couldn't be happier about how this year has gone. We successfully altered the youth schedule, moving youth group to Sunday evenings. In the fall the youth hosted 5th Quarter and Halloween parties that drew over 100 students each. In February we raised over \$1,700 for World Vision during our famine event and collected hundreds of canned goods for Kent Social Services. The youth also performed a Christmas play for the 9:30 worship hour; put on an excellent Youth Sunday; hosted a successful auction; and over the summer will be sending 40 to Mountain TOP and 16 to Minnesota. When adding in all the nights of special times of worship and the confirmation of our seventh grade, I think you will agree our youth have been very blessed this year. I can't wait to see what God has in mind for next year!

Shalom,
Rick ☞

June Acolyte Schedule

JUNE 5	Abbey Poole	Olivia DeVries
JUNE 12	Faith Kaminski	Josh Thompson
JUNE 19	Rhiannon Lewis	David Richardson
JUNE 26	Brandon Harvey	Nathan Palmer

JUNE

5	6–7 Minnesota training event
	7–9 Mission trips chaperone meeting
13–17	Vacation Bible School
19	Youth Works commissioning service and parent meeting
25– JULY 2	Youth Works trip to Minnesota

Now Seeking Interns

Starting late summer/early next fall our church will again be supporting two ministry interns. These interns will focus on youth ministry, and Christian Education respectively.

The goal of this program is to offer college age students and young adults the opportunity to explore ministry in a hands on way, answer questions about ministry as a vocation, and explore the idea of "call" in a person's life. And better still, they get paid to do it!

If this sounds like an opportunity you would like to learn more about or if you know of someone who you feel might be interested in this opportunity please contact Rick Stout on his cell 330-283-4838 or at the church office 330-673-5879, ext. 12, to learn more about this exciting program!

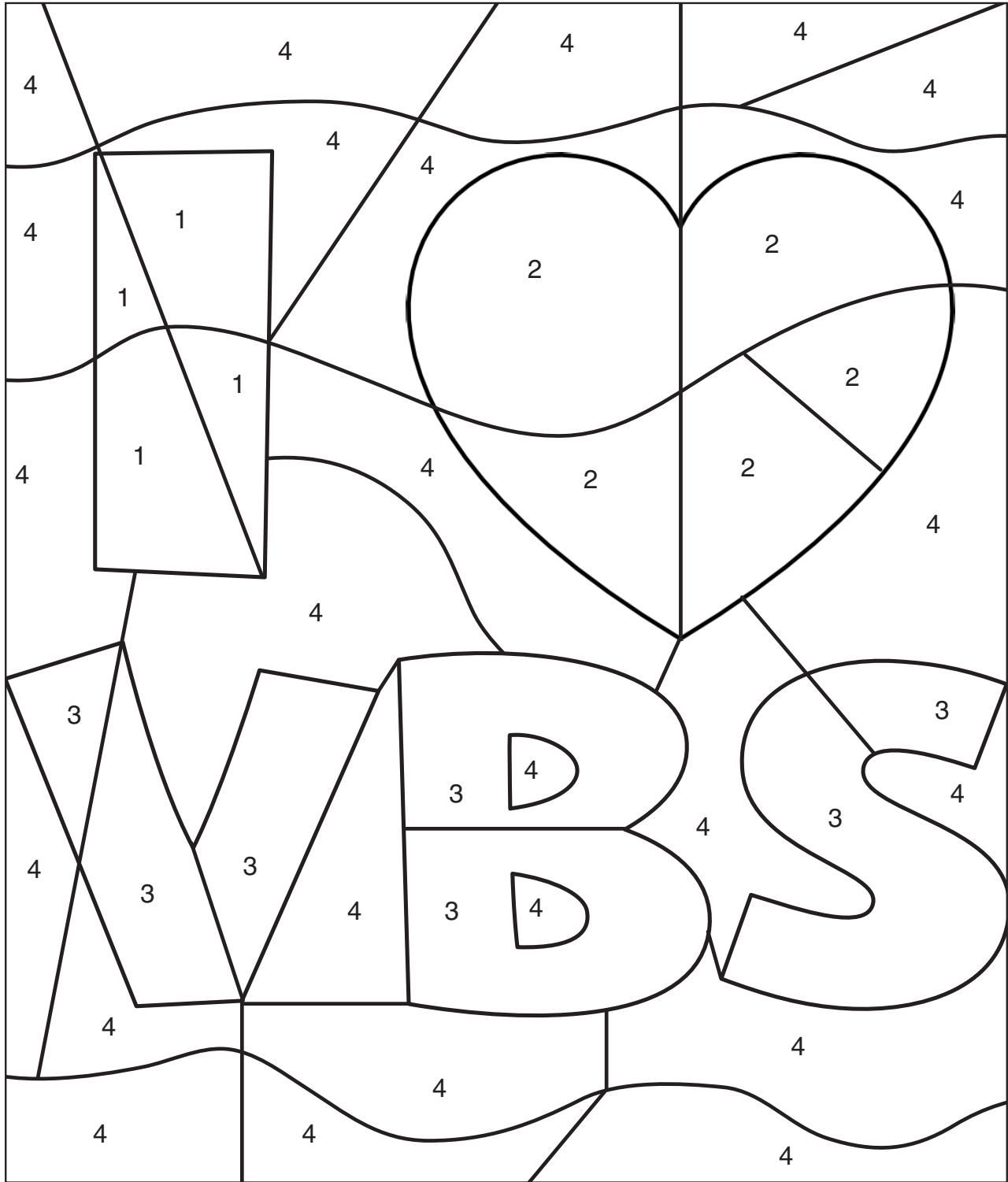
Vacation Bible School News

There will be a leaders meeting on Sunday, June 12 at 11:30 AM in the conference room for all those teaching a class or leading an age group at this year's Vacation Bible School. Please plan to attend this important meeting.



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Join us for Surf Shack VBS - Summer 2016



New Member Registration Form

Use this form to register for one of our upcoming New Member Orientations, which provide a helpful overview of our church life and who we are as United Methodists. The New Member Orientation, led by Dr. Palmer, takes place on a Saturday evening from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. Child care is provided, and there is also a dessert, but eat supper before you come! New members are received into membership on Sunday morning at any of our three worship hours. Turn this form into the church office, or simply place in a church offering plate/basket.

NAME (couples can fill out the same form together)

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

NAMES AND BIRTH DATES OF CHILDREN:

DO YOU NEED CHILD CARE AT THE ORIENTATION? Yes ___ No ___

PLACE OF CURRENT CHURCH MEMBERSHIP *If you are currently on the membership roll of another church, please indicate the name and the city of the church; we will contact the church to have them transfer your membership. If you are not a member of another church, simply mark none.*

SPONSOR SUGGESTION *The sponsor is someone who will introduce you to the congregation when you join. It can be any member of the church that you know or have just casually met. The sponsor will take part in the latter half of the orientation event. Please indicate here the names of people you can think of who might be a sponsor for you. We will contact the person(s) on your behalf. A couple can be sponsored by one individual or another couple.*

ORIENTATION DATE YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: Sat., June 25 ___ Sat., July 16 ___

Orientation is 6:00–8:30 p.m. in the church parlor. You will be welcomed into membership the next morning.

Prior to the orientation, please visit our church web site at kentmethodist.org/join and review especially the sections on What We Believe, Our History, and Our Missions.

Summer Activities Planned for Kent UMW Circles

Miriam Circle of Kent United Methodist Women will hold a "Lunch Out" at Longhitano's Restaurant, 1225 West Main St. in Kent, at 11 AM on June 1.

At noon on June 1, Mary Reed Circle will meet for lunch and fellowship at Eddy's, 4185 Kent Road (Rt. 59). Gretchen Laflin will serve as Hostess and lead Devotions.

Kent UMW's Rebecca Circle members and their spouses will meet at 6:30 PM on June 1 at the Kent Garden Club's "Ode to Joy" Center at the corner of Ravenna & Seasons Road. A catered picnic will be served. Members are invited to bring desserts. Judith Nedel will lead Devotions and Beth Jordan will present the Mission Moment.

There will be no meetings of Janus Circle during June, July, and August. The Mary Reed, Miriam and Rebecca Circles will not meet in July and August.

On August 24 at 7 PM the Kent UMW Executive Board will meet in the church Conference Room. President Denise Mote will preside.

Graduation Party

Eighteen years ago, our church held a surprise baby shower for Rachel Palmer. Now the Palmer family would like to invite the entire congregation to the party celebrating Rachel's graduation from high school! The party will be on Sunday, July 3, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM in Pierson Hall.

THANK YOU

Dear sisters in Christ,

Your caring hearts make all the difference! For the hungry families who will receive some of the 4,166 servings of fresh, healthy fruits and vegetables you are sharing through your \$100 gift to the Society of St. Andrew, your gift means they will go to school or work well fed. It means their chronic illness will be better managed through healthy eating. It means the light bill can be paid this month, because you've put nourishing food in their refrigerator. All this because you cared to give.

You make this ministry possible. Thank you, Kent UMC United Methodist Women!!

With you in Christ's service,

Lynnette Johnson, Director of Church Relations

Become a Member of the Church

Have you been attending for a while but have never actually joined the church? There are two opportunities this summer to take the step of becoming a full member!

You join the church by attending a New Member Orientation, which takes place on a Saturday evening from 6:00 to 8:30 PM. The orientation, led by Dr. Palmer, provides a helpful overview of our church life and who we are as United Methodists. Those attending the orientation are then received into church membership at any of our three Sunday worship services the following day.

We are offering a New Member Orientation on Saturday, June 25 (new members received on Sunday, June 26) and on Saturday, July 16 (new members received on Sunday, July 17). Child care is provided during the orientation, which also includes a dessert.

You register for the New Member Orientation by filling out a New Member Registration form, which you can find on page 4 of this issue of the Mosaic. Please fill this out yourself, or share with a friend who hasn't yet become a member. The form can also be filled out on-line at www.kentmethodist.org/join, where you can begin to learn more about our church. For more information, please contact Dr. Palmer at 330-673-5879, ext. 21, or davepalmer@kentmethodist.org.



June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6 pm Yoga/Parlor 7-9 pm Praise Band Rehearsal/Gym	2 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH	3 2-7 pm Red Cross Blood Drive/Gym	4
5 Summer Schedule Communion	6	7 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	8 6 pm Yoga/Parlor 7-9 pm Praise Band Rehearsal/Gym	9 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH	10	11
12 Summer Schedule 11:30 am Ed. Committee/ Conference Room	13 9:30 am-12 pm VBS	14 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 9:30 am-12 pm VBS 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 7-9 pm Leadership Committee/Room 207 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	15 9:30 am-12 pm VBS 6 pm Yoga/Parlor 7-9 pm Praise Band Rehearsal/Gym	16 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 9:30 am-12 pm VBS 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH 7 pm Trustees Meeting/ Conference Room	17 9:30 am-12 pm VBS	18
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USHERS AND GREETERS

Date	8:30/10:30	9:30
June 5	3	4
June 12	4	5
June 19	5	1
June 26	6	2

If you are unsure of which team you are on, please call the office at 330-673-5879 x10 or email Adam at adamalderson@kentmethodist.org.

VIDEOTAPING SCHEDULE

JUNE 5	Eric Wertz
JUNE 12	Jack Miller
JUNE 19	Brittany Brode
JUNE 26	Gary Mote

Altar Flower Sign Up Available

The sign-up sheet for altar flower sponsoring is available in the Atrium. The cost is \$35 per week. The altar flowers will be displayed during the 8:30 and 10:30 services with your dedication in the bulletin. After worship on Sundays, the flowers are delivered to ill or grieving members of our congregation by volunteers from our UMW Circles. Please contribute to this important ministry by signing up for an upcoming Sunday. Payment can be made by writing "Altar Flowers" on your check or envelope.



Our Sympathies Go to:

- Family and friends of Anna Marie Faber
- Shirley Beaumont on the death of her sister-in-law
- Joanne Stuart on the death of her daughter, sister of Kathi Smith

Recent Hospitalizations and Surgeries:

Dick Abbott, Sally Hershiser, Kathryn Lucken, Bob Meeker, Tom Pierson, Earl Somoskey

- June 5-Sharon Coia
- June 12-Don Ashton
- June 19-Betty Sweet
- June 26-Janice Anderson



JUNE LAY READERS

JUNE 5	Morgan Closs
JUNE 12	Donna Stiller
JUNE 19	Judy Smith
JUNE 26	Beth Jordan

From the Kitchen Hostess:

The Kent Rotary will be meeting this summer on Tuesday's in Pierson Hall. As a result we will need volunteers to staff these luncheons during the summer months. Please contact Staci Stout or sign up in the kitchen if you can help out during the summer with this important UMW fundraiser.

You're Invited!

Friends of Mike and Kathy Hardy are invited to a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 25 from 1:00-3:00 PM. It will be held at the old Kent Jail at Fred Fuller Park on Middlebury Rd.

Digital Ministry Update

Starting June 6, we will hold a new Instagram contest we're calling "Psalms of the Summer." We want all our members with Instagram accounts to connect in and participate! The contest rules are simple: First, take a beautiful, inspiring photo and post it to your Instagram account (you probably do that all the time!); then, in the caption, quote a passage from your favorite psalm, tag us (@kentmethodist), and add the hashtag #PsalmsOfSummer16. The winner each week will have their submission featured during the prelude of all three Sunday worship services. We will announce the winner of the week on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram each Friday. Join in the fun



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Vacation Bible School is June 13-17!

Worship Calendar

Date	Sermon	Scripture	Preacher	Special Event
June 5	"Fragile"	Psalm 116:1-7; II Corinthians 4:7-5:1	Rev. Doug Denton	Communion
New Sermon Series Begins: "Bless You—experiencing God's blessing in a life full of challenge"				
June 12	"Blessed by God"	Genesis 12:1-3	Dr. David Palmer	Sunday School teacher recognition
June 19	"Blessed Are the Lowly"	Matthew 5:1-10	Dr. David Palmer	VBS Children's Choir
June 26	"What Are You Hungry For?"		Dr. David Palmer	New Member Reception



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