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March 2010 Newsletter



Audubon United Methodist Church
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A Christ-centered, Biblical, Caring church, making a difference.

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March newsletter is sponsored by,

Margaret Kolasa “in loving memory of my husband, Stoch Kolasa”.

Sunday Worship Opportunities

Contemporary Service 8:15 am

Sunday School 9:30 am (All ages)

Traditional Service 10:45 am

Youth Group Jr./Sr. High (meets September to June)

6:00 – 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Church Staff:

Rev. Dr. Walter Jesuncosky, III, Pastor

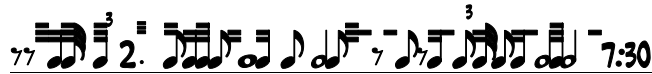
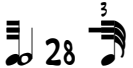
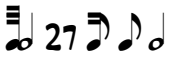
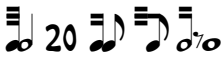
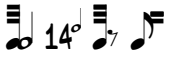
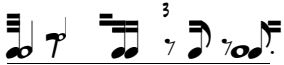
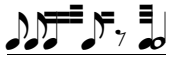
Marilyn Radley, Music and Choir Director

Jesse Deal, Pianist

Marge Watson, Organist

Helen Orfe, Nursery

John Bowdoin, Custodian



Regular Monthly Meetings For March

Koffee Klatch	Sunday	21 th	Fellowship Hall	9:15 AM
Trustees	Tuesday	16 th	Church House	7:00 PM
Church Council	Tuesday	23 th	Conover Parlor	7:30 PM
Finance meeting	Tuesday	23 th	Church House	6:45 PM

Friendly Senior’s Luncheon is always the last Wednesday of the month. March meeting is the 31st at Crystal lake Diner @12:00 noon. See Joan Windston for more details)

Weekly Meetings

Youth Group meets every Sunday at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. All 7th to 12th grade children are welcome to attend.

Seekers Bible class meets every Monday night at 7:00 pm in Conover Parlor. If you can’t make Sunday school, this is the place to come to study the Bible. Everyone is welcome.

Choir Rehearsal, Wednesday evening @ 7:30 in the Sanctuary.

Cheney Handbell Choir, Sunday, after service when announced.



Church Etiquette

A number of folks have recently asked, “What is proper church etiquette for those attending Sunday Worship? Children, youth and folks new to church are watching us so here are some suggestions to help us be good examples of worshipping Christians.

1. Arrive on time.....8:15 am or 10:45 am (like you didn't know!)
2. Greet those around you with a smile, especially visitors. You only have one chance to make a first impression.
3. Pup prayer requests in the offering plate; don't make an usher walk yours up to the pulpit during prayer time.
4. If you are ushering, come in to the sanctuary for the worship service when not actually ushering. You wouldn't want to miss anything.
5. Stay until the benediction unless you have a medical/physical need or an emergency. Don't ; the Baptists won't beat you to the 3 Golden Corral or the ACME. Their church services go longer than ours.
6. If you have a church job (like counting or locking up), it will keep until after the service. Leaving early makes people think you are mad at something or really hungry.

Newsletter deadline is March 14th.

If you have a completed announcement before the deadline, feel free to submit it early.



Shut-in of the Month

Myrtle A. Jones, 1056 S. Black Horse Pike, Apt. D-4, Williamstown, NJ 08094

Please remember Myrtle in your prayers and to send her a card to let her know we are thinking of her.

Food pantry



If your family's last name begins with:

A-F Please bring 2 cans of soup

G-R Please bring paper

S=Z Please bring 2 cans of veggies

*1 pkg. toilet paper, 1 roll paper towels or 1 box of tissues



With the Friendly Seniors

time on March 31st at 12 noon at the Crystal Lake Diner. Won't you come along and join the fun. We'd love to have you.



Anniversaries

Birthdays

Elaine Soulliard	1	Nicholas Conley	18
Alexis Kitchmire	2	Tim Bouch	18
Miriam Blaisdell	2	Mikey Johnson Jr.	19
Natalie Florich	2	Laurie Bouch	22
Blake Hager	3	Anne Simpson	23
Connor Sargent	3	Don Canning	23
Charles Mrowczynski	4	Anthony O'Toole, Jr.	24
Maggie Bouch	5	Mary Begley	24
Mark Knight	7	Scott Ryan	24
Barbara Cunane	9	John Bowdoin	27
Holly Focht	9	Sam Arcaini	29
Kevin Fennimore	12	Tracy Bradshaw	29
Tracy Schnyer	12	Amanda Batchelor	30
Rose Arcaini	13		
Maryellen Hager	15		
William Betts	15		
Becca VanArnam	16		
Peggy Kolasa	16		

Anniversaries

Maryellen & Dean Hager 1



Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 27th.

11 – 12:30

There will be crafts, face painting

Refreshments will be served.

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We need assistance with the Easter Egg Hunt!

Here is what is needed:

Filled plastic eggs with candy – please fill them before hand

All ready dyed hard boiled eggs.

Needed someone to face paint

Volunteer to do crafts with the kids

Volunteer Easter Bunny

Volunteer to help out with the food

Volunteer to direct the kids during the Easter Egg Hunt
I would appreciate any help!

Please call Ruslana.

1:00 we will start out with crafts, then following the crafts, we will have the Easter Egg Hunt.



FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Now that you have your new box of envelopes, we hope you will pick up a packet of yellow envelopes in the Narthex to contribute to the “Building & Major Repairs Fund”. This is the fund which will pay for the repairs to the stained glass windows and other major repairs that are too large to be included in our regular budget. The envelopes are in packets of 12, but you may of course take as many as you will use. We currently have enough funds to repair one window, but have 8 more that need major repairs and 3 that need minor repairs. The cost is approximately \$3,500.00.



Building Fund and Major Repairs

If you would like to contribute to the Building and major Repairs Fund through electronic giving, see Sandy Albrecht or Carol Tait and let them know that you would like to give to the “Capital Campaign”.



AUMC Chick-fil-A Spirit Night, Thursday, March 4, 2010, 5-8PM. Come out and help AUMC raise funds. We receive a percentage of the sales for anyone who identifies themselves to the cashier as being there to support AUMC.



“SECOND ANNUAL AUMC TALENT SHOW”

Come share your talent with us as we present our second annual talent show on Saturday, March 20th. We will begin with dinner at 6:30 to be followed by the talent show beginning at 7:30. If you have some talent to share that evening, please complete the following form and place in the box in the Narthex. Dinner will include baked ziti, rolls with butter,

salad, dessert and beverage. Cost will be \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5-11, under 5, free.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Talent: _____ & time required _____

If under 18, please have your parent sign below:

I give my child, _____, permission to perform in the
AUMC Talent Show on Saturday, March 20, 2010.



“APRIL SHOWERS”

After enduring a snowy, cold winter, we all look forward to Spring and sharing with our Senior friends at the Collingswood Manor.

Since folks are living longer these days, it's possible that some residents may not be able financially to stay in a retirement home. Even if funds are short, no one is ever put out of a Methodist Retirement Home.

We will again be celebrating “April Showers” at the manor on the 2nd Tuesday, April 13th. In past years, the Audubon Auxiliary has been happy at our members generosity. There will be a box in the Narthex for donations such as: Tissues, Toiletries (tooth paste, tooth brushes, soap, etc. for men and women. Thank you from the Audubon Auxiliary

Edith Ward, President

“2010 EVENTS for the UNITED METHODIST WOMEN”

All the women who attend Audubon United Methodist Church are welcome to participate in UMW activities.

April 5th	Monday @ 7:30 pm	Meeting in Fellowship Hall
May 1st	Saturday @ 6:30 pm	Mother Daughter Banquet In fellowship hall/entertainment after dinner
October 4th	Monday @ 7:30 pm	Meeting in fellowship hall
November 8th	Monday @ 7:30 pm	Ingathering Fellowship Hall Bethal Church providing entertainment
December 4th	Saturday 9am – 2pm	Christmas Bazaar in basement of Church and Fellowship Hall

SPECIAL PROJECT ON APRIL 18, 2010: for Camden Neighborhood Center. We are collecting canned goods, boxed foods, and other requested items will be posted in the Narthex. Due to the recession, a 50% increase in the need for food and services has occurred.

Please contact Marilyn Steadman (546-8347) or Joan Windston (546-6150) if you want to assist with the planning or implementation of our activities.

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Monthly Assignments

If you are unable to perform your assignment any given week, please call a substitute or your chairperson.

<u>March Ushers</u>	<u>April Usher</u>
Frank Cunane	Tracy Schnyer
Barbara Cunane	Sandy Hook
Mark VanArman	Chuck Hook
Ruslana Snyder	Cheryl Laxton

<u>March Greeters</u>	<u>April Greeters</u>
Sandy Albrecht	Lindsi & Dan Arcaini
Wendy Doughty	

<u>March Closers</u>	<u>April Closers</u>
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Chris Fitzgerald

Tracy Schnyer

We are in dire need of counters for the rest of the year.

Anyone interested in helping out, please call Sandy Albrecht

@ (856)546 6161. Thank you

Women's Retreat at Willow Valley

We've been invited to a women's retreat! The women of Westmont UMC, Clarksburg UMC, and Audubon UMC are all invited to a retreat at Willow Valley Conference Center in Lancaster, PA. The date is Friday evening, May 21 to Sunday May 23. (The weekend before Memorial Day) The theme is Sun Catcher/Johnson Catcher. It will be a time to connect with God and others and an opportunity for rest and renewal. The leader is Rev. Anna Smith, an experienced retreat planner, who is currently pastor at Westmont UMC. ! The cost is \$108 (for quad occupancy), \$121 (for triple occupancy), \$150 (for double occupancy) and \$270 (for single occupancy) . This includes lodging and breakfast smorgasbords. Lunch and dinner are on you. This promises to be a great event! A \$50 deposit is due the first week of April. See Diane Stanley (310-1830) for more info.

New Adult Sunday School Class

A new 12 week study on 1st Corinthians will begin on Sunday, March 6 at 9:30 in the upper room of the church house. Topics will include God's wisdom revealed, serving Christ, temptation, liberty and love, and the body of Christ. We will be using a study guide from the Max Lucado series Life Lessons on 1 Corinthians. The class will be led by Diane Stanley. Please pre-register by calling Diane at 310-1830 as books need to be purchased in advance. All are welcome!

Last Audubon United Methodist Church Newsletter

It has been decided that after this month (March, 2010) the newsletter will no longer be mailed to members and friends of our church. However, it can be viewed on the website at audubonumc.com. We want to accommodate everyone; and if you do not have on-line access to the website, we will mail a copy to you at your request. Copies will also be available in the Narthex.