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

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September newsletter is sponsored by: Laura McCauley,
“In loving memory of my daughter, Judy”

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 an Choir Director

Marge Watson, Organist

Jesse Deal, Pianist

Helen Orfe, Nursery

John Bowdoin, Custodian

Meetings and Events for September and October

Events for September

4th, Thursday	Chick-fil-A, Audubon shopping center, 4 to 7 PM, pick up voucher before ordering.
13 th Sunday	Youth Ocean City week-end trip. See Shawn Seppanen.
13 th Sunday	Start of Sunday school and youth Group
18th & 19th (Fri & Sat.)	Women of Faith, a two-day event, see Elaine Soulliard.
19 th Saturday	United Methodist Women Meeting 11 Am to 1 PM
20 th Sunday	Missions Luncheon 12 to 1 PM see Linda Holonia

Regular monthly meetings for September

Koffee Klatch	Sunday	20th	Fellowship Hall	9:15 AM
Trustees	Tuesday	22 nd	Church House	7:00 PM
Finance	Tuesday	22nd	Church House	6:45 PM
Church Council	Tuesday	22nd	Conover Parlor	7:30 PM
Friendly Senior's ... Luncheon	Wednesday	30th	Crystal lake Diner	12:00 noon (See Joan Windston for more details)

Events for October

3 rd Saturday	Square Dance@ 5:30. See Ruslana for more details.
*4 th Sunday	Youth Group 6:00 PM
5th Monday	UMW, Fellowship Hall @ 7:30
17 th Saturday (reserved)	Eric Lore's wedding
18 th Sunday	Laity Sunday Luncheon
24 th Saturday (reserved)	Jen Carter Wedding
25 Sunday	Mission speaker See Linda Holonia

Regular Monthly Meetings For October

Koffee Klatch	Sunday	18th	Fellowship Hall	9:15 AM
Trustees	Tuesday	20 nd	Church House	7:00 PM
Church Council	Tuesday	27th	Conover Parlor	7:30 PM
Friendly Senior's ... Luncheon	Wednesday	28th	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. If you can't make Sunday school, this is the place to come to study the Bible. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Scrip is for everyone

Have you taken advantage of the Scrip gift card order program yet? If you haven't, you have missed an opportunity to help us raise funds here at Audubon United Methodist Church without spending anymore money than you normally would. You can order gift cards for almost any purpose such as groceries, gas, restaurants, department stores, etc. You purchase the cards at face value; there are no extra fees. Then each participating retailer donates a percentage of the card value to our church! Lists of participating retailers and order forms are available in the Narthex (right behind the sanctuary) of the church. Why not pick one up and look it over? Orders placed on Sunday are available the following Sunday. But if you are in a pinch and need your order sooner, they are usually available on Friday. Just give me a call and we can arrange a delivery/pick up time. It is so easy, and a great way to help the church raise funds. Another way to help the church raise more funds is to take an extra order form for a family member or friend who you think might like to take advantage of this program. If you have any questions or comments regarding this program, please see Linda Holonia. You can reach her at lhologia@yahoo.com or at 546-7067.

Chick-fil-A

Help Audubon UMC raise money by participating in our monthly Chick-fil-A spirit night. On the first Thursday of each month, between 4:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M., Chick-fil-A at Audubon Crossings Shopping Center is offering us a percentage of purchases at their restaurant. All you have to do is ask for a voucher at the door or from your clerk, and a percentage of your purchase will be credited to Audubon UMC. Driving through? No problem, just tell them when you place your order. Take the family; tell your friends and neighbors.

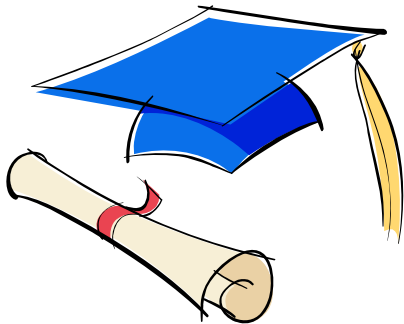
We started participating in this fun way to raise money this summer. There have been a few glitches (I think we were guinea pigs for them), but they have been

ironed out. Come out September 3rd and have a great meal for a reasonable cost, especially if you are leaving town for the Labor Day week-end. You don't want to cook a meal before leaving town. Another benefit is seeing friends from church and enjoying a meal with them.



Joe Corbi's Pizza is back!!

We will be holding a Joe Corbi's Pizza sale beginning September 20, 2009 and ending October 5, 2009. Pick ups will be on October 15, 2009. Many of you have been asking when we will do this again, and the time is now! Pick up the order forms on September 20th. Ask everyone you know if they want to order some of these delicious pizzas and other items. Bring the order form and money to church on October 5th, and then pick up your order on October 15th.



Scholarships:

This year we awarded the Leon Walker Scholarship to Julie Soulliard who is attending Stockton State College to study chemistry. Julie aspires to be a chemistry teacher and is a member of the National honor Society.

The Jeffrey Bowen scholarship was awarded to John Meyer who is active in his own church, St. Rose Catholic Church. John has been a youth leader and has participated in worship at his church. He is a member of the math National Honor Society, and is attending York College studying engineering.

It was a pleasure for the committee to meet with these young people and hear of their plans for the future. We were glad to be able to be a part of helping them achieve their goals by providing the scholarships. However, we were sad that we

were only able to award each student one-half of the \$1,000.00 we have given in the past.

We are hoping that donations to the scholarship fund increase this year. You could be a big part of the effort by just committing to give a dollar each week to either or both of the funds. You would be surprised how quickly this will add up. You may use the pink- pew envelopes for your donation; indicate on the front of the envelope that it is for the scholarship fund. We are also going to promote the scholarships periodically to remind you that they are here. We know from experience how easy it is to forget about things that only occur once a year. You might even see a fund raiser or two to help fund the scholarships.

We also have a student attending a Christian college, who had the opportunity to receive a matching grant from her school. The school will match any contribution the church makes in a student's name, up to \$1,000.00. The student is Rose Arcaini who is studying education at Eastern University. If you have not sent a child off to college recently you may not be aware that tuition, room and board can approach \$40,000.00 per year. It is no surprise that this is a lot of money for any of us! We had no money in the budget to help fund this matching grant. We did however, hold an Avon fundraiser and were able to send \$327.00 to Eastern, and they matched that amount for Rose. To everyone who supported the effort, thank you. We will be looking for other ways to fund this effort for any student who is offered the matching grant by their Christian college.

Friends Helping Friends

Friends Helping Friends is an effort by Boscov's Department Stores to help the community. Boscov's has given us discount coupons. The coupons sell for \$5.00 each and offer discounts up to 25% on October 6, 2009, which is the designated Friends Helping Friends day. Additionally there will be special events at the Boscov's stores on that day, including drawings for prizes. So, for a donation of \$5.00 you can receive a discount all day long and take part in special drawings and other events at the stores. The coupons are available from Linda Holonia, Joan Windston and in the church office. Contact Linda or Joan to purchase coupons.



Missions:

This month marks the beginning of a new mission program at Audubon UMC. Each month we will focus on a specific mission. There will be special displays, guest speakers and an opportunity for each of us to support the missions each month. In September we will learn about a mission to international college students when David and Cathy (MacCulloch) Mannon share with us about the mission field they have been called to. You won't want to miss hearing them at church on September 13th. They will be at both services and will make a presentation during the Sunday school hour as well.

As an update, we had a special mission focus during vacation Bible school this summer. The children were in competition, boys vs. girls. The mission focus was Indian children on a reservation in Oklahoma. The area is so impoverished that the children do not have appropriate school clothes and the churches do not have money for vacation Bible school programs. The money our children raised went to help the Indian children in both of these areas. The children raised \$225.00 for the effort. As an incentive, we teased them each night telling them that if the girls won the competition, one of the male VBS leaders would get a pie in the face on Friday evening and if the boys won, a female leader would be the recipient of the pie. I am happy to announce that the girls won by a landslide and

Chris Stanley took one for the boys! Thanks Chris, and thanks Kyra for being the willing representative for the girls. We are very proud of the children and their willingness to help.

