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## *Put Some Spirit In Your Summer!*

*Summer Worship: June - August*  
*Morning Worship & Children's Sunday School - 10:00 AM*  
*Adult Sunday School - 9:00 AM*

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### **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!**

On Sunday, May 27, during worship,  
we celebrated the accomplishments of  
our graduates of 2007.



KATIE LYNN CHAMBERS received her High School Diploma from Delcastle Technical High School from the Nurse Technology Program on May 31. She plans to attend Deltech in the fall to major in the Radiologic Technology Program. Her mother is Donna Chambers and her grandparents are Harold and Elaine Spedden.

ERIC PAUL EVELAND will receive his High School Diploma from A. I. DuPont High School on June 2. He plans to attend Deltech or Goldey Beacom in the fall. His parents are Elwood and Susan Eveland and his grandparents are Dave and Sandy Swain.

ALLIE HEATWOLE will receive her High School Diploma from Concord High School on June 3. She plans to attend the University of Delaware in the fall. Her parents are Kim and Al Heatwole and her grandparents are Ed and Sandy Ide.

KIRSTEN PRZYWARA OPALACH will graduate from Drexel University in Philadelphia on June 9 with a Master's Degree in Health Science for Physician Assistant. Her parents are Edward and Barbara Przywara.

ALICIA ANDRAYA OTT will receive her High School Diploma from The Charter School of Wilmington on June 2. She plans to attend the University of Delaware in the fall with a major in History/Biology. Her parents are Steven and Annette Ott.

AMY PRZYWARA will graduate from Harris School in June with a degree as Licensed Massage Therapist. Her parents are Edward and Barbara Przywara.



**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Bette Farra	6/3
Brisa Peterson	6/5
Michael Pytel	6/8
Julia Maybroda	6/11
Billy Sorensen	6/11
Trish Williamson	6/11
Miles Keogh	6/12
Ruthann Will	6/13
Chase Stout	6/14
Yvonne Mitten	6/15
Anna Latourney	6/16
Jeannine White	6/18
Kayla Brown	6/19
Robert Anderson	6/21
Keith Coleman	6/22
Alicia Ott	6/23
David Pruitt	6/23
Earle Snapp	6/23
Carolyn Swain	6/23
Charlene Workman	6/23
Kaitlyn Adams	6/24
Jarrett Miles	6/26
Ida Burgos	6/29
William Cathell	6/29
Brian Maher	6/29

**NOTE: If your name is not listed on our birthday calendar, please call the church office at 654-0961. Thank you.**



***RPUMC's Organ!...  
We love the sound  
but did you know?***

***Did you know...***that RPUMC has the largest church pipe organ in Delaware, with 57 ranks of pipes?

***Did you know...***the previous organ was a Hammond electronic? The pipe organ construction started in 1956 when Branson Frye and Jay Cummings wanted to build a pipe organ.

***Did you know...***that one of the original builders of the pipe organ, Jay Cummings, repairs and tunes the organ today? Tuning requires two people -- one at the keyboard to play every key, black/white and every pedal. The other individual crawls up into the storage area of the pipes and adjusts the pipes to the correct pitch. The number of man-hours required for one tuning is 20 hours per person each occurrence.

***Did you know...***that temperature and humidity of the building affect the tuning of the organ?

***Did you know...***that many people have contributed lots of money to purchase the pipes, the console, chests, electrical motors and blowers to build and maintain the organ?

***Did you know...***maintaining the organ on a weekly basis is done by a **VOLUNTEER?**

**Please be sure to thank our dedicated volunteer and organ builder, Jay Cummings!**

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

In June, Rebekah Circle will take care of the flowers in the church.

### Circle Meeting

Ruth Circle                      Wed., June 6, 11:00 a.m.  
Lunch – Michael's Restaurant



### MISSION TREE



On Sundays in **June**, we will be hanging "**Sailboats**" on our Mission Tree. Hang a Sailboat on the tree in honor or memory of someone special to you. Minimum donation is \$1.00. Our tree is located in the Extension.

### WESLEY TOWER BANKS

**May 2007    \$185.70**

Thanks to everyone for remembering to bring your filled banks to church the first Sunday of each month. Your change is really adding up. Our total to date for 2007 is \$1,058.46. Remember to pick up an empty bank as you leave the altar area on the first Sunday of each month.

### ZINGO TAPES

Don't forget to bring your Zingo tapes to worship on Sundays. Place them in the offering plates or in the wicker basket on the window ledge in the vestibule. Thank you to all of our church family and community friends for your generous support of this program.

### FROM A CHILD'S VIEW

**Palm Sunday:** It was Palm Sunday and, because of a sore throat, five-year-old Tommy stayed home from church with a sitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm branches. The boy asked what they were for. "People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by." "Wouldn't you know it," the boy fumed, "the one Sunday I don't go, he shows up!"

**Children's Sermon:** One Easter Sunday morning, as the minister was preaching the children's sermon, he reached into his bag of props and pulled out an egg. He pointed at the egg and asked the children, "What's in here?" "I know!" a little boy exclaimed. "Pantyhose!!"



## CHANCEL CHOIR

### **Summer Schedule**

The Chancel Choir will sing the first Sunday in July and August. Practice will be held at 9:30 a.m. on these Sundays.



We thank the entire Richardson Park United Methodist church family for all the support given to Naomi Pugh during the last few years of her 95 years of life. She always appreciated all the prayers, cards, phone calls and visits. Her families especially want to thank everyone for their support during her passing. A special thank you to Pastor Bill, Betty Swain and to the United Methodist Women.

God Bless You All!  
Franklin and Patricia Pugh and  
Bill and Shirley McCauley

Many thanks to Pastor Bill and Pat Cummings for hospital visits and for the cards and encouragement received. May God continue to smile on us all.

Bettie Smith

Rev. Bill and church family – I greatly appreciated all your prayers for my son, Dave. Your caring and concern during this difficult time have been a comfort to us.

Eve Thomas and family

### NAMES AND ADDRESSES NEEDED!

We are extending our mailing list for our Centennial events and request names and addresses of friends and family members, especially adult children, who have been a part of our church family in the past and may no longer be in the area and/or attend church elsewhere but might be interested in coming to Founders Day/Homecoming and other events.

# 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

*Terri Weaver, Chair*

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee met in April to continue planning details for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Our theme, **Rooted and Growing in Christ,** now has a logo and YOU can help by wearing the colors. You can wear your RPUMC colors at our kickoff event in September and at other celebrations throughout the year.

The order form, located in this newsletter, will guide you in ordering T-shirts or Golf shirts with our theme and colors. **The deadline to order is July 30** and payment is due when the shirts are delivered on 8/27/07 and 9/2/07 -- just in time for the September 9<sup>th</sup> celebration.

The following dates are part of the Centennial celebration:

- **September 9, 2007 (Sunday) *Outdoor Church Service and Picnic under a tree.*** In case it rains, the event will be held indoors. T- Shirts and Golf Shirts will be worn to kick off the meeting “under a tree.” ***Covered Dish event with hamburgers and hot dogs, too.***
- **September 30, 2007 (Sunday) *Founder’s Day/Homecoming Service.*** Invitations to former ministers, organists, members of the church past and present. Church open house with exhibits, tours of the church, Christmas gift ideas. **Guest speaker will be Tom McKelvey, guest harpist, Jeffrey D. Brown and guest organist, Marc Cheban. *Appetizers and a catered luncheon by the Greenery will follow.***
- **November 3, 2007 (Saturday) *UMW Tea Party*** - tea party with women wearing period costumes. ***Tea, Sandwiches, Desserts.***
- **December 16, 2007 (Sunday) *Family Advent Day*** During regular service, youth, chancel choir and chancel bells will feature a program with a sing-along. (Family Advent Night during regular service.) ***Covered Dish Luncheon after the service.***
- **January 26, 2008 (Saturday) *Silent Movie Night*** In 1907, going to the movies was silent pictures. With that in mind, “**Ben Hur**” will be the movie theme. Marc Cheban will be featured at the organ. ***Reception of light refreshments served after the movie.***
- **April 26, 2008 (Saturday) *Music Concert*** - youth, chancel bells, chancel choir and a possible community choir, plus other musicians to play in a themed concert. ***Reception of light refreshments.***
- **May 2008 *Youth Concert*** – “Outside” concert with community youth. More details to follow.
- **June 21, 2008 (Saturday) *Community Open House*** Exhibits including Vacation Bible School, video tapes with history, tours of the church and Sunday School areas, new member welcome packets. ***Food items: bar-b-que, hot dogs, soup, etc. to be sold by the youth.***

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary kicks-off with a celebration under a tree. It builds momentum starting with our members, adds homecoming and founders who have moved away, reflects on the past and looks to the future with youth and community. (Plus they all involve food!)

Look for Christmas in July. A customized memento will be available for sale. (Sponsored by the UMW) In August look for reservation forms for the luncheon on 9/30/07 when Tom McKelvey will be our guest speaker. **The Greenery** will be preparing appetizers as we share fellowship and remember the past. A guest harpist, Jeffrey D. Brown, will provide some ambiance in the music room while you enjoy the exhibits and appetizers. Limited seating is available in Fellowship Hall. Make your reservations early for 9/30/07!

Many other ideas are gathering momentum. You can help to work on a scrapbook, order Christmas gifts and “other” gift ideas, dress in period costumes, sing at a concert, go to the movies and celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, **“Rooted and Growing in Christ.”**

**100<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee:** Herb and Mary Ann Atkinson, Mary Alice Bair, Tammy Brindle, Pat and Jay Cummings, Sandy and Ed ide, Marlene Johnson, Yvonne and Tod Mitten, Brenda Tucker and Beth Warfel.

**RPUMC**



**1907 2007**

**Rooted and Growing in Christ**



## MUSIC NOTES

*Terri Weaver, Director*

### **Reminder for workshop**

June 3 is the day to sign up for handbells/chimes workshops. If you wanted to learn how to ring handbells and chimes but don't know how to read music, now is the time to learn. Two-hour workshops will be offered over the summer to teach music and rhythm and to learn how to ring.

### **Special Music for the Summer**

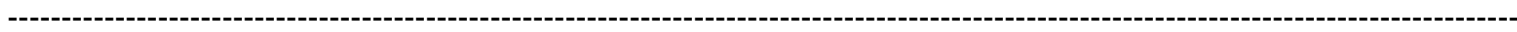
If you play an instrument, like to sing solos, duets or other ensembles, bring your calendars on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a brief planning session to schedule special music as Preludes, Offertories or Postludes. We welcome all types of music.

### **Favorite Hymn/Music**

Use the form below for your favorite hymns or religious music. Some of your requests could be in the Methodist hymnal, some may be stored in your memory. Submit your requests on the following form and submit it to an usher, the office or Terri Weaver. We will play your requests in June, July and August.

### **Warm Thank You**

A warm and gracious THANK YOU goes to: the Chancel Bells, the Chancel Choir, Youth, 4-in-hand ringers, duets and soloists who have contributed to the music at RPUMC. There are many hours of practice and preparation time. We are grateful for your talents and thank everyone for sharing them with us. The joyful noise we make is always in Glory to the Lord.



**MUSIC NOTES**

**“FAVORITE HYMNS AND SONGS”**

**PLEASE LIST YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS BELOW AND WE WILL SING THEM OVER THE SUMMER MONTHS.**

**HYMN TITLE**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN TO: Terri Weaver, the Church Office, or place in the offering plate.**

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

# RPUMC



## 1907 2007

### Rooted and Growing in Christ

### Order Your Colors Now!

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic 9/9/07  
Founders/Homecoming 9/30/07

Orders are being taken for T-Shirts and golf shirts for the upcoming anniversary events. Wear your colors to the picnic, homecoming and other events. Sample sizes will be available for you to see after service on May 27 and June 3.

#### T-Shirt                      \$10 each

Color: Green with white RPUMC logo

Size **Adult**

S    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
M    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
L    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
XL   # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
2 XL + \$1.00    \_\_\_\_\_  
3 XL + \$1.00    \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Child**

M    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of T-Shirts \_\_\_\_\_

#### Golf Shirts                      \$15 each

Color: White with green RPUMC logo

Size **Adult**

S    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
M    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
L    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
XL   # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_  
2XL + \$1.00    \_\_\_\_\_  
3XL + \$1.00    \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Child**

M    # of shirts \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Golf Shirts \_\_\_\_\_

**Order deadline is July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007.** Payment is expected 8/29/07 when shirts are delivered.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Return form to: Paul Weaver, the church office or an usher. Thank You!



**UPDATE FROM RICHARDSON PARK COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM – “CAP” MAY**  
**14, 2007**

**CAP thanks the generous business leaders who support  
our programs of service to the community:**

**Major Supporters (\$250 and up):**

Cosmos Restaurant  
ShopRite Stores  
Zingo’s Market

**Gold Level Supporters (\$100 to \$249):**

Delaware School and Office, LLC  
Clark & Sons, Inc. Overhead Garage Doors  
Ralph A. Cicconi, Inc.  
Sath Amara, M.D.  
Homalite

**Silver Level Supporters (\$41 to \$99):**

Dr. Joseph Goldberg and Dr. Karen Darrell, Optometrists  
Landis Ltd.  
Maryland Avenue Shell Station

**Bronze Level Supporters (\$40):**

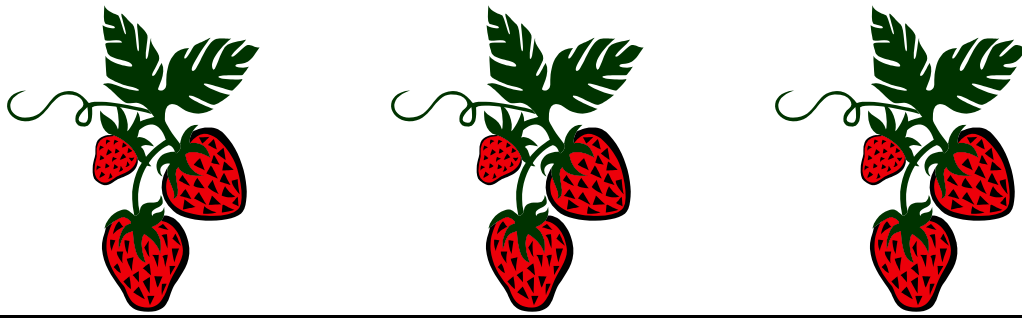
Jeffrey K. Bartels, Attorney  
McDonald Safety Equipment Inc.  
Vince’s Glass Service, Inc.

**Other Special Friends and Supporters:**

Quick Mart, Academy Printing, Curves of Newport, Charlene’s Hair Crimpers,  
Family Dental Center, BEK Automotive, Paul R. Phillips Glass and Insulation,  
Patricia A. Pugh of Prudential Fox & Roach, Buckley’s Auto Care,  
True Value Hardware of Price’s Corner, Ron Wary Contracting Services,  
Wilmington Trust Company, Hentkowski Heating, Willow Tree Antiques

**And thanks to everyone who attended community services during the Easter season.  
You raised \$452 for CAP !**





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**CAP STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL  
AT  
RICHARDSON PARK UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

**Saturday, June 2, 2007**

**9 AM - 3 PM (Rain or Shine)**

**Come and Join Us!**

- **Flea market tables available - \$15**
- **Luncheon served**
- **Strawberry shortcake for sale**
- **Bake table**
- **CAP flea market table – donations appreciated**
- **Help wanted**

**Contact:**

**Sandy Ide, Richardson Park U.M.C.**

**798-8664**

At the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Church Council, items surrounding the Centennial Celebrations were reviewed and, while the time is growing short, we believe it is coming together.

VBS approaches and the team is enthusiastic about this year's theme "Avalanche Ranch." Remember to check your schedule and volunteer if you can help. And invite your neighbors, friends, and grandchildren to enjoy this event.

The audio/visual system approved in April is being installed. It hopefully will be operational before VBS. Trained operators will be needed for Sunday services and special events. Talk to Sandy Swain or Janet Dickerson if you are interested.

We will begin summer worship schedule June 3, so mark your calendar. We also will be experimenting with the social (change of time and fare) this summer. We will survey for ideas going forward. There will be a need to broaden the social crew so, if you would like to help, please talk to Sandy Ide.

As you can tell by the Trustee report, we have some real challenges ahead of us in keeping our church facilities in good condition. Prayerful consideration of how special gifts can help keep our buildings and grounds in good condition is requested. If you would like to designate funds for a specific project, you may simply state that on your gift and those funds will be applied to the project.

The Council and Trustees will meet jointly on Sunday, June 10. A light brunch will be served.



### ***"The Trustees' Times"***

***Kathy Russell, Chair***

"Look up, look down, look all around!" That's what the "AFLOAT" committee and your Trustees have been doing. Why? We want to show off our beautiful building and grounds not only for the upcoming Centennial, but for all those (including us) who come here. We are working hard to prioritize the most urgent needs, but there are so many it won't be easy. Recently, we had the stained glass windows surveyed for condition and repair estimates. While overall the large sanctuary windows are in good condition, the small ventilator windows above the sills are in need of repair. The windows themselves are showing evidence of leaks, traced to needed repair/replacement of guttering and missing mortar in the surrounding stonework. Carpeting, floor refinishing, ramp repair, painting -- the list goes on. The job would seem overwhelming but for the fact that we have accomplished what was once deemed "impossible" -- the Wesley Tower. We soon will list the priorities along with estimates and as mentioned in the CC "Digest" need lots of praying. If you would like to work on any of the "in-house" projects, just let our BMG leader Jay Cummings know. While we are routinely scheduled every Thursday AM, other times can be available. Also, if you know of a skilled mason that would like to be considered as a bidder to re-point the stonework, let Trustee Chair Kathy Russell know. Together we can make our entire building a testimony to our faith.

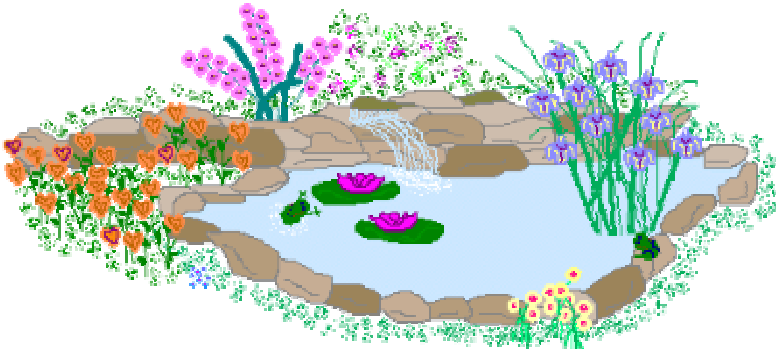
## KIDS KORNER

Hi everybody! It's that wonderful time of year - summer is upon us! Summer Sunday School hours begin June 3 with the children meeting in a combined class during the regular church service at 10:00. Miss Marlene has graciously agreed to teach this summer and she always has wonderful plans and fun times in store.

Please come and bring a friend!

God's Little Angels planted some flowers in the John Wesley Tower garden and, though no vegetables were planted, we bring this little article to your attention. It gives great advice for our own gardens at home:

*First, you come to the garden alone,  
while the dew is still on the roses....*



**FOR THE GARDEN OF YOUR DAILY LIVING,**

**PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS:**



1. Peace of mind
2. Peace of heart
3. Peace of soul

*WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE AND  
CULTIVATE WITH LOVE.*

*THERE IS MUCH FRUIT IN YOUR GARDEN  
BECAUSE YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.*

**PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH:**



1. Squash gossip
2. Squash indifference
3. Squash grumbling
4. Squash selfishness

**PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE:**



1. Lettuce be faithful
2. Lettuce be kind
3. Lettuce be patient
4. Lettuce really love one another

**NO GARDEN IS WITHOUT  
TURNIPS:**



1. Turnip for service
2. Turnip for meetings
3. Turnip to help one another

**TO CONCLUDE OUR GARDEN WE  
MUST HAVE THYME:**



1. Thyme for God
2. Thyme for each other
3. Thyme for family
4. Thyme for friends
5. Thyme for ourselves

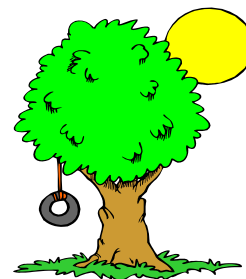
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Bill Green, Pastor



### LAY READERS

June 3	Ed Ide
June 10	Sandy Swain
June 17	Richard Sutor
June 24	Melanie Mitten

### ALTAR FLOWERS

June 3	Tod & Yvonne Mitten
June 10	Available
June 17	Richard & Alvretta Crozier
At the Cross	Robert & Joyce Collins
At the Lectern	Ruth Gibney
June 24	Rob & Michelle Anderson

### FLOWERS

For the month of June, **Rebekah Circle** is responsible for the **flowers**.

Please submit your articles for the July/August Messenger to the Church Office by June 11. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING FOOD FOR CAP THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

*The purpose of Richardson Park United Methodist Church is to help people experience the amazing love of God and develop a vital relationship with Jesus Christ.*