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“And now, friends, we ask you to honor those leaders who work so hard for you, who have been given the responsibility of urging and guiding you along in your obedience. Overwhelm them with appreciation and love”

1 Thessalonians 5: 12-13

Worship With Us:

Saturdays at:	Sundays at:	Sundays at:
5:30pm	8:15am	10:45am
Elevation	Traditional	Contemporary

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What do you say to those whom you have loved and shared your life with for such a long time? How do you adequately express the appreciation that you have for a group of individuals who have loved you, nurtured you, been patient with you, and grown with you despite your flaws? What are the words to articulate an amazing, ten-year, adventure-filled, God-inspired journey together?

Those have been some of my questions and thoughts here in recent days as I reflect on how you all have shaped my life and been patient with me and my mistakes through so very much. And while I do not know the “proper” words to offer to such questions, my heart does find solace in these words that Paul himself shared with the church in Philip- pians when he says:

“I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you; I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to com- pletion until the day of Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 1:3-6).

It is so true Second Avenue UMC! I do thank you and celebrate with you the journey that the Lord has blessed us with together. It’s funny, I think I understand a little bit better the phrase in scripture that “A day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like a day (2 Peter 3:8).” Because for me these last 10 years have seemed almost as a blink, like one day. How quickly they have gone.

But my over-riding sense with all of you is one of joy and celebration. The Lord has so blessed my life (and Jenn’s and Alex’s and Josh’s and Zach’s) with ALL of you that our lives will be forever enriched. Thank you for the love you have shown and demonstrated to all of us.

I am also excited, however, for all of you about what lies ahead for the people of Second Avenue UMC. There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that the Lord has amazing things in store for you all as you walk humbly and in faith before Jesus Christ! I have spent time looking back over the pastorates of many of the previous pastors at Second Avenue UMC and each one has brought just what was needed, when it was needed to bring Sec- ond Avenue to the “next faithful step.” I know that this will occur with Pastor Greg as well. Because of who you are and who Christ is, I am so very confident that “he who be- gan a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

I have had many of you ask me in recent days, “Is there anything that I/we can do for you or your family Pastor Matt?” I can’t tell you how grateful I am that you seek to offer us that support. Most of the time I simply ask for your prayers (and I continue to do that!), but as I reflect upon that question, there is one thing that I want to ask of you all. I want to ask that you KEEP GOING... keep going in all the ways the Lord has been

Pastor's Message Cont.:

leading you...that would be the most wonderful thing you can do for our family at this time. What do I mean by that? I mean...

KEEP GOING...In the vision of REACHING SEEKERS, BUILDING BELIEVERS IN CHRIST! This vision is not done. It is the catalyst that that has propelled you all in faith to become a different church and a vibrant body of Christ. This means continuing to shape all ministry around this vision and specifically towards TRANSFORMATION through Dynamic Worship, Faithful Living, and Creating Community. Let this vision continue to be your guide as Pastor Greg offers insight and direction in the next steps of this vision. Expect to reach more people with the love of Jesus Christ and to impact more and more people. Let this be in your DNA.

KEEP GOING...In faith. The moment we feel comfortable is the moment we stop walking in faith and once we no longer walk in faith we become complacent and rely just on ourselves instead of in Christ. Keep asking what the next step of faith is: Is it the next new staff position? The next new capital campaign? The next invitation to someone who has not been connected into the body of Christ? Do whatever requires faith. I recently heard the only requirement for a miracle is that it must be preceded by a step of faith first. How true!

KEEP GOING...In love. Second Avenue UMC, you ARE a people of love at your core. Share that love with ALL you meet, especially those not yet among you. And most especially please share your love with Pastor Greg and Sheri. They have much love to offer you, but please shower them with your love as well. It is who you are.

KEEP GOING...In prayer. Prayer is what sustains us. It must be continuous among you.

KEEP GOING...In humility. If I have a final word to offer, this is it! I cannot stress enough for you all to continue to walk with each other in humility. A lack of humility with each other will tear the body apart faster than anything else in my opinion. It is ok to disagree with one another. It is ok to see things from different angles. It is ok to be frustrated with someone when there has been a break down in communication. BUT it is not ok to gossip, tear that other person down in any way, or consider ourselves better than others. It is not ok to lash out and push our own agenda. Christ offers a different way. A way of humility. Share directly with one another, do not let anger or hurt fester, and practice forgiveness. In short, practice humility. If you do this Second Avenue, your days ahead are brighter than you can possibly imagine.

I suppose that it is summed up best in scripture when we are told in Micah 6:8: "To act justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

What do you say to those you have walked with for such a long time? I'm not sure, but I say to you all, "We love you and we thank you for the privilege of serving in ministry with you. It has been a truly amazing, Christ-inspired time. Your impact on our family and lives will never be lost. Thank you."

Let us all take the next faithful step in wherever the Lord leads us...

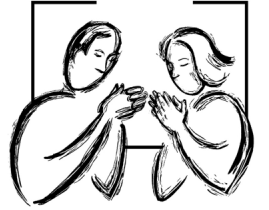
With much appreciation and in the love of Jesus Christ...

Pastor Matt

PRAYER PAGE

Prayer in 2011:

There are a number of different ways we at Second Ave. UMC are trying to be intentional with prayer this year. One of the ways is asking one individual to be in specific prayer for Second Ave., its ministries, people, and outreach efforts, one day per month. Listed below are the individuals being asked for the month of **May**. *You DO NOT need to come to the church to pray (although you are welcome to). You can pray whenever and wherever you wish on that day:*



Few things are as important as prayer

6/1– Shirley Aikens	6/2– Scott Hileman	6/3– Ruth Larderi
6/4– Matt Lake	6/5– Sharon McDowell	6/6– Donald Kling
6/7– Pat Pavlic	6/8– Sue Grove	6/9– Ruth Riley
6/10– Hilda Bickel	6/11– Debbie Phelps	6/12– Kim Ferguson
6/13– Steve Porter	6/14– Gordon Lonsinger	6/15– Jessica Simonis
6/16– Ashley Black	6/17– Karen Sackandy	6/18– Missy Reilly
6/19– Ron Stacey	6/20– Terri Kelley	6/21– Cathy McChessney
6/22– Jean Stevanus	6/23– Marian Rice	6/24– Janet Valentino
6/25– Sherry Koelle	6/26– Justin Trostle	6/27– Don Rice
6/28– Dana Weller	6/29– Jolene Gerlach	6/30– Shirley Trindel

AS ALWAYS: PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Valley View: Mary Coldwell, Margie Grove, Wanda Mann, Nellie Zeiders

Parkview Terrace Independent Living Suites: Vivian Irvin

Bellemeade Manor: Cora Biddle

Hillview Nursing Home: Florence Points

Hollidaysburg Veterans Home: Jim Fedesco, Mary McKelvey

Altoona Center For Nursing Care: Helen Faust

Winds At Mattern Orchard: Mary Bakoss, Doris Brennecke

At Home: Gloria Jackson, Dorothy Liebegott, Pat Pavlic, Ginny Weber, Anna Mae Dobson, Pauline Bollinger, Ruby Robertson, Edna VanZandt, Stella Coldwell, Clesta Slogenhop, and Ruth Larderi

Out of Town Concerns: Sharon Rhoads, Jim Hoover, Betty Meyer, Bill Foster, and Ginny Weber

Baby Bottle Boomerang!

Please take a baby bottle (1 per family please!) to help support the new pregnancy center in Tyrone. The ELM (Every Life Matters Pregnancy Support Services) will be opening their doors this fall to help clients and their families who find themselves in a crisis pregnancy. They will offer peer counseling, education, and resources as a way to encourage families to choose life. Just a little change can really add up. Fill the bottles with your spare change or any kind of monetary donation (checks accepted as well). The ELM has now attained it's non-profit status and can offer you a receipt for your donation if you would like. Take a bottle from one of the entrances to the sanctuary and bring it back on Father's Day for collection. Thank you for investing in providing hope to the Tyrone area! Any questions about the ELM and what they do, please see Jen Harry.

Nerve to Serve! Everyday Transformation!

Nerve to Serve for June!

June Nerve to Serve! This June we will be providing items for York Day Camp which is a part of the Conference's camping opportunities. Providing a safe place for our children, this day camp will offer a program based around the love and grace of Jesus. The children will have the opportunity to experience authentic community, learn team and leadership skills, play and be silly, sing together and learn more about nature through day trips. Here's their wish list! Please put all items on the stage in the elevation room starting in June. Any questions about York Day Camps and what they do, see Mindi or Rachel Ferguson. Thank you!

Gas gift cards for trips (please leave these in the church office if you would like to donate)

Juice boxes

Glue gun and sticks

Parachute

Matchbox cars race tracks

Play-doh

Water color paints (the kind with 8 colors and a paintbrush)

Large bubble wands

Small Dixie cups

Foam stickers

Embroidery thread

Nerf footballs - any size

Basketballs

NEW OR USED Button maker and supplies (to make round pins)



(Reaching Out to Community Kids)

Funny how the smallest things in life can make such a big difference.

My most vivid memory of this fateful day was it was HOT. Actually that whole summer, 2006, was hot. I was new in town. Pretty lonely and very hurt person at that time. It was my second visit to 2nd Ave UMC, a Sunday in late July, early August. I had attended Elevation a few weeks earlier and liked it and kind of felt led back. It is safe to say at that time, I was a "Seeker". At this time in my life it was pretty difficult for me to get the courage up to go out in public and meet people, let alone attend a church. I found my way in and tried to hide over on the right side of the sanctuary, in the back. I figured that this church like most would have a greeting time at the start of the service so I arrived appropriately late. Got through the whole service without having to speak to anyone. The service ended and I figured I could just slip out. No such luck. Across the sanctuary strode a woman with a purpose. I was sure that purpose was me. Uh oh. I had no where to hide. She came up to me and said "Danny, I am so glad you made it here." I was so amazed that someone remembered my name, let alone wanted to speak to me. As I said earlier, I was not the most approachable guy. I knew then and there that I wanted to be a part of this church. That woman was Jennifer Lake. I truly believe that her act of kindness changed my life. I hope no one will think I am boasting of anything here. Paul said something along the lines of "I boast of nothing but Christ." and that is true here. I am pretty much an idiot and could not ever do anything without His help, but think about how things have been. So many lives have been affected by that moment. I will not ever allow myself to think about another direction my life could have gone.

So here we are with Matt and Jenn moving on. In my heart I so much want to thank them. You know something like a gift card or maybe something else cheesy. I have figured out the best, and in my mind, the only way I can thank them is how I, we, live our lives, how we treat others, and how we treat ourselves. I pray I will be able to reflect that kindness that was shown to me.

I do want to thank Jenn for making the effort to remember my name. I want to thank her sharing her family with us. I imagine it can be a little hard to be married to a Pastor sometimes. I want to say well done Jenn. Thank you.

Danny

<p>Dear Friends at Second Ave. UMC, Thank you so much for your out-pouring of love and friendship in providing dinner following Mom's (Marlene Turner) funeral. The food was delicious and the fellowship unforgettable. Thanks again Love, The Millers</p>	<p>To Pastor Matt and the members of Second Avenue United Methodist Church, I want to thank all of you for the payers, concerns, and get well cards during my recent medical and surgical problems. It is very comforting to know that many people are praying for you. Thank-you again for your spiritual support. Ernest W. Carns</p>	<p>Many thanks to our loving church family for their prayers, cards, and delicious meals during a time when they were so needed. A special thanks you to Pastor Matt and Cindy Lamb.</p>
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We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Audrey Hampton who passed away on April 28, 2011.

20/20 Vision Thank You..

~On behalf of the Board of Directors and myself, I would like to thank you for your contribution to the Brian Morden Foundation of the Central PA Community Foundation.

~On behalf of the American Cancer Society, I would sincerely like to thank Second Ave. UMC for your outstanding support of your Central Blair County Relay For Life Team through your 20/20 Vision Initiative.

~Thank you for your friendship to the Alzheimer's Association. Your donation is appreciated now more than ever. Alzheimer's disease is the single, largest looming unaddressed public health threat facing the nation impacting more than 5.4 million Americans today. Your gift allows us to continue to enhance care and support, advance research, and advocate for those with the disease.

The R.O.C.K.

Wednesday, May 18 was the last time the ROCK met for the 2010-11 session. I would like to thank everyone at 2nd Ave for their amazing support for the program. This year was a very successful year for the R.O.C.K. We were able to expand the services we provide by adding a second evening that was focused on homework/school help. This year we had over 170 children enrolled in the program. The average weekly attendance was just over 50 kids. More than 2100 meals were prepared. I lost count of how many crayons were broken. These statistics do not even come close to reflecting the relationships made and the lives impacted.

I want to extend a special thank you to all the volunteers who give so much and so graciously. Showing up after work to spend 2 1/2 hours with a bunch of rowdy kids for 9 months is not the easiest thing to do. Putting up with me can be quite a task as well. It is a joy and privilege to work with you. Danny



We would love to hear from you! If you would like to submit a letter of thanks to the Scroll please call the church office at 943-2072, or email us at 2ndaveumc@verizon.net no later than the 15th of each month. Thanks!

THOUGHTS FROM THE Staff Parish Relations Team...

Dear 2nd Ave UMC,

We are in exciting times! Our days ahead are filled with a sense of bitter sweetness. On the one hand we wish Pastor Matt and his family the very best as they move to where God is leading them. They have meant so much to us and their transitioning will no doubt be a time of sadness. Let us continue to keep them in our prayers.

However, this is also a time of great anticipation for us at Second Ave and a time of new beginnings. As the SPRC chair, I would like to ask for your prayers for Pastor Greg and Sheri who will be joining us officially July 1. I have personally had the chance to meet with Pastor Greg and want to tell you how very excited I am about his arrival. Pastor Greg brings many gifts for ministry along with a sense of deep passion and authenticity. I sincerely believe that his arrival among us is God's plan.

Pastor Greg will be used by God to take us as the body of Christ to our next step as we continue in our vision of Reaching Seekers, Building Believers In Christ. I want to ask us to consider how we can best support Pastor Greg as he prepares to come and serve with us. And specifically I want to ask us to consider the roles that Pastor Greg will fulfill among us. Prior to learning that it was Pastor Greg who would be joining us at Second Avenue, I had the chance to talk with many of you to get feedback on what was "most needed" in our next pastor. Combining that feedback with where we are now in terms of size and ministry as a church we believe that the areas that we want to free Pastor Greg to most focus on to move us to that next step include:

- 1) Powerful, Christ-Inspired Preaching
- 2) Visioning and Leadership Development
- 3) Investing In Staff

Certainly there are many other elements to focus upon (connecting with all age groups, serving with integrity, etc.) but, thanks to the commitment of our staff and lay leadership, we are now in a position to let Pastor Greg focus and flourish in these areas which will most benefit the church as a whole.

I am confident that the Lord has wonderful plans in store for us, Pastor Greg, and our neighbors that we have not even met yet. Should you have any questions for me, please do not hesitate to contact me. It is a joy to serve in this capacity and see what all God continues to do among us.

In Christ's service,
Matt Stuckey

Serving in June

POWER POINT:

Elevation:

06/04 Andrew Bollinger
 06/11 Andrew Bollinger
 06/18 Aaron Smith
 06/25 Andrew Bollinger

10:45am:

06/05 Andrew Bollinger
 06/12 Andrew Bollinger
 06/19 Aaron Smith
 06/26 Andrew Bollinger

READERS: (8:15am)

06/05 Donna Porter
 06/12 Roger Morgan
 06/19 Cheryl Rupp
 06/26 Dave Koelle

SOUND:

Elevation:

06/04 Andrew Bollinger
 06/11 Andrew Bollinger
 06/18 Aaron Smith
 06/25 Andrew Bollinger

Sunday Worship:

06/05 Pat Hopkins
 06/12 Matt Stuckey
 06/19 Eric Mattern
 06/26 Pat Hopkins

GREETERS:

8:15am: Sue Fochler, Bonnie Irwin
10:45am: Rick & Dee Simonis, Jean Tyack

COUNTERS:

TBA

JR. CHURCH

06/05 Danielle Mattern, Rachel Ferguson, Brook McChessney, Aaron Smith
 06/12 Kelly Aharrah, Candy Porta, Brook McChessney, Sandy Putt
 06/19 Rachel Ferguson, Judy Arthurs, Aaron Smith
 06/26 Karen George, Sherry Koelle, Aaron Smith, Judy Arthurs

Every single day of your life God will give you opportunities to serve Him by serving His children. Welcome those opportunities with open arms. They are God's gift to you, His way of allowing you to achieve greatness in His Kingdom!

NURSERY (Elevation):

On call as needed

NURSERY (10:45am):

06/05: Sue Plank
 Jes Zimmerman
 Marian Rice
 06/12: Deb Shawley
 Becky Sellers
 Brigid Dodson
 06/19: Sherri Hileman
 Sue Plank
 Helen Weller
 Jen DeBlois
 06/26: Sue Plank
 Marian Rice
 Gina Barefoot

Upcoming Events:

Wed. Bible Study – Every Wed. 10am
Meet Pastor Greg!- June 5
Spaghetti Dinner- June 5
Executive Comm. Mtgs.— June 7
Sr. Bingo- June 9, & 23
Open House- June 12
Altoona Mission Week- June 13-17
Indiana Mission Week- July 9-16
Additional information throughout this issue

Gift Cards Available!

We currently have Gift cards available for Martins, Weis Markets, and Giant Eagle. The church receives 5% of the proceeds from your purchase! **Cards available after both services in the Elevation room or the foyer area or by calling 943-2072.**

Pastoral Transitional Reminders:

****All are welcome to join in meeting Pastor Greg at 6:30PM on Sunday June 5 at the church**
****Ad Council and SPRC members are invited to meet with Pastor Greg at 8PM on Sunday June 5**
****There will be an open house on Sunday June 12 from 2-5PM in the church fellowship hall to come and say good bye to Pastor Matt and Jenn**
****June 19 will be Pastor Matt's last Sunday with us**
****Pastor Greg's move in date to the Parsonage will be Friday, July 1**
****Please remember that as of July 1 all pastoral needs (funerals, weddings, etc) should be directed towards Pastor Greg.**
****Please keep both Pastor Matt and Pastor Greg and their families in specific prayer during this time of transition**

CCB (Church Community Builder)

If you are interested in being a part of our online community and you have not yet received your log in information, please email the church office at: 2ndaveumc@verizon.net or call 943-2072 to have your log in information sent to you.

Help yourself, help your neighbor, and help the ROCK all at the same time! We have been given a number of discount prescription cards for any of us to use. The cards are good for anyone to use with any prescription and do not require the exchange of personal information or insurance information. You simply present the card when you go to pay for your prescription and the card will help to provide a discount and savings on the price you would pay. In addition, by using these cards the ROCK will receive a small contribution for each prescription transaction that occurs with these cards. Please help us spread the word. Discount cards available at the church or by calling 943-2072.

Supporting Mission Work...



Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday June 5th
Immediately following the 10:45 service
Cost: Suggested \$5 or a Love Offering
All proceeds go directly to the
Indiana Mission Trip

Can You Help?

This year during our Altoona Mission Week, June 13-17, we anticipate working with approximately 80-90 volunteers each day. During this week we will provide breakfast and lunch. Below is a list of items needed. If you would be willing to donate anything listed, please contact Dawn Bonghi at 942-7181. Thanks for your help!

CASSEROLES (5)	CHERRY TOMATOES (8 PINTS)
BAGELS 6/ BAG (VARIETY) (25 BAGS)	APPLES (10 BAGS)
CREAM CHEESE (VARIETY) (20 TUBS)	BAGS OF ORANGES (10 BAGS)
MUFFINS 8/BOX (EACH WRAPPED) (10)	BANANAS (80)
DANISHES 8/BOX (EACH WRAPPED) (8)	WATERMELONS (4)
ORANGE JUICE (8 GALLONS)	COOKIES (16 PKS)
MILK (16 GALLONS)	SNACK CAKES 12/PK (16 PKS)
BOXES CEREAL (VARIETY) (36 BOXES)	PEANUT BUTTER CRACKERS 8/PK (16 PKS)
PEANUT BUTTER (6 LG. JARS)	CHEESE CRACKERS 8/PK (16 PKS)
GRAPE JELLY (6 LG. JARS)	ICE CREAM SANDWICHES 8/BOX (16 BOXES)
STRAWBERRY JELLY (6 LG. JARS)	ICE CREAM CUPS 8/BOX (12 BOXES)
ICE TEA MIX (POWERED) (12 LG. CANS)	FREEZER POPS 8/BOX (4 BOXES)
FRUIT PUNCH (POWERED) (15 LG. CANS)	WHITE BREAD (3 LOAVES)
MACARONI SALAD (4 LG. BOWLS)	CROCK POT OF SLOPPY JOES (4)
POTATO SALAD (4 LG. BOWLS)	FRENCH FRIES (2 LG BAGS- FROZEN)
COOKED HAM LUNCH MEAT (15 LBS.)	MIRACLE WHIP (LG. JAR)
TURKEY LUNCH MEAT (12 LBS.)	MAYONNAISE (LG. JAR)
BOLOGNA LUNCH MEAT (12 LBS.)	MARGARINE (LG. TUB)
AMERICAN CHEESE (16/PK.) (12 PK.)	RELISH (LG. BOTTLE)
PROVOLONE CHEESE (4 LBS.)	MUSTARD (LG. BOTTLE)
PLAIN POTATO CHIPS (12 LG. BAGS)	KETCHUP (2 LG. BOTTLES)
BARB-Q POTATO CHIPS (12 LG. BAGS)	LETTUCE (4 HEADS)
PRETZELS (12 LG. BAGS)	TOMATOES (4 LG.)
CHEESE CURLS (12 LG. BAGS)	ONIONS (4 LG.)
FROZEN CHICKEN PATTIES 20/BOX (7)	MONDAY DESSERT (8)
BAKED BEANS (4 LG. CANS)	TUESDAY DESSERT (8)
BROWN SUGAR (2)	WEDNESDAY DESSERT (8)
ITALIAN DRESSING (4 BOTTLES)	THURSDAY DESSERT (6)
RANCH DRESSING (4 BOTTLES)	FRIDAY DESSERT (6)



June Birthdays

3 Donnie Wolf	15 Brian Koelle
Asa Carns	16 Gina Barefoot
4 Mary Lou Taneyhill	Debbie Phelps
5 Shirley Trindel	June Ritchey
Hayden Hann	Gloria Gerhart
Stacey Steele	Susan Grove
6 Steve Boyer	Spring Fleming
10 Elizabeth Danella	17 Pat Rickabaugh
Matthew Thompson	25 Richard Arthurs
12 Don Ferguson	26 Becky Stewart
Kim Ferguson	27 Amelia Miller
Justin Trostle	Sonjia Holland
Brandon Thompson	28 Amy Ferguson
13 Stephen Peterson Jr.	Jacob Stevens
14 Meagan Rabish	Sydney Koelle
Jessica Simonis	Donna Detterbeck
Cora Biddle	



On Tuesday, June 14th,
 Cora Biddle will celebrate
 her 100th birthday! Let's
 shower her with cards on
 this special day:

Cora Biddle
 Rm B-4

Bellemeade Manor
 1929 E Pleasant Valley Blvd.
 Altoona PA 16602



7 Todd & Kim Koelle, Don & Effie Whitefile
 9 Steve & Becky Stewart
 12 Matt & Jenn Lake
 13 Roy & Janette Yingling
 14 Brian & Terry Koelle
 18 Jeff & Lisa Anslinger, Dick & Dottie Hileman
 20 Jack & Patty Ingham, Bruce & Terri Kelley
 28 Matt & Tiffany Stuckey

Notes From Our Organist/Choir Director:

To all that helped serve, cook, clean-up, set-up, and attended the Lenten Box “Bach” Lunch Concert Series, a big THANK YOU! We had an amazing 10th year. All the performers felt welcomed and were glad to renew past acquaintances and to create new friendships. My prayer is that the performers and I created an opportunity during Lent that allowed Christians to draw nearer to God providing music for the soul after a meal that nourished the body. I appreciate ALL the help that was extended to the success of the Concert Series 10th year. We even had new sponsorship! WOW!!

Coming up... the handbells are moving up technically and literally! We will perform some pieces where players have 3-4 bells and have to share with their neighbors. They will also combine with the adult choir on our next communion Sunday. On Pentecost Sunday, the choir will ask the congregation to help sing along on a special anthem accompanied by the organ.

Of course May means that R.O.C.K. comes to a close. I will miss the kids in music class! They have been a special part of my Wednesdays! How they have touched my soul!! They got rhythm!!!

So as the music groups prepare to go on hiatus for the summer, are there some of you reading this that can come and help us out in the Fall? Are there singers or instrumentalists that wish to perform @ 8:15am worship in the summer months? Leave a note in my mail slot outside the office or give me a call! (814) 590-0290.

Interested in taking private music lessons? Remember, I teach piano, voice, and organ. Call me if you want to seriously study, discover, and nourish your talent.

Asa



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**JOIN US FOR
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
"SHAKE IT UP CAFÉ"**

Where: Second Ave United Methodist Church

When: June 26th to July 1st

Time: 6:00 to 8:30pm

Come meet Chef Basil & Scraps (the raccoon) in the kitchen, spend time learning the bible story through drama. Also share in music, crafts, snacks and our foodology lab!!

SCRAPS HOPES TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!



Treasurer's Report:

Balance End of **March** \$24,593.69
 Total receipts for **April** \$47,520.57
 Total disbursements **April** \$48,651.61
 Balance End of **April** \$23,462.62
 A complete breakdown of this report is available by request.

<u>WEEKLY OFFERING</u>	
05/01	\$5,940.72
05/08	\$6,197.43
05/15	\$5,756.52
05/22	\$5,805.11
05/29	See July Scroll

ATTENDANCE

<u>WORSHIP</u>		<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>	
05/01	345	05/01	71
05/08	356	05/08	86
05/15	351	05/15	90
05/22	274	05/22	76
05/29	See July Scroll	05/29	See July Scroll



June items needed: toilet tissue, bars of soap, and all non-perishables. Please continue to remember those in need, the need is growing along with the ever increasing utilities. All items can be placed in the foyer area in the box by the windows. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!!

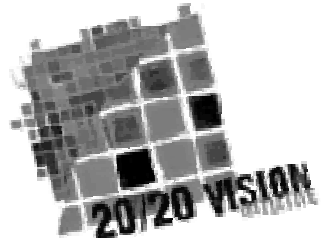
MEETING REMINDERS:

Executive Committee meetings in June:
Trustees & Finance, Tues., June 7, 6pm
Ad Council, Tues., June 7, 7pm

FUNDRAISERS

Cell Phone Drive: Please continue to donate your inactive cell phones with their batteries (No chargers or accessories needed). 100% of the proceeds go directly to the church.

**Reaching Seekers,
 Building Believers,
 In Christ**



In an effort to keep everyone informed of the 20/20 Vision progress each month we will list both the monthly total received and also the amount received to date. Remember green 20/20 Vision giving envelopes are included in your monthly envelopes and also located on the backs of each pew for those who do not receive monthly envelopes.

20/20 Vision Totals:
For April:
 Received- \$14,233.64
 YTD- \$38,642.73
Total received since beginning: \$209,362.36
February Distributions:
 Trustees- \$11,386.91

How Giving Is Saving Lives And Allowing Transformation To Occur:

As part of the 20/20 Vision Initiative, 20% of all money received will go to mission outreach opportunities locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally. We are also so happy to report that the portion donated for May was \$1,750. The following outreach opportunities were recipients of your generosity:

Susan G. Komen for the Cure- *the global leader of the breast cancer movement, having invested more than \$1.9 billion since inception in 1982. As the world's largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and activists, we're working together to save lives, empower people, ensure quality care for all and energize science to find the cures.*

Faith Break- Faith Break radio allows adult listeners in over 6 counties to hear Faith Break twice a day, five days a week. Transmitting messages on behalf of the United Methodist Church which remind all people, in all situations, that they are loved by God.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation- Seeking the means to cure and control *cystic fibrosis* and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease.

NEADS (Janet Wallace)- Provides hearing assistance dogs to the hearing impaired.

TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!