

# Opportunities This Week

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10:45 Fourth Day Group, Meeting Room

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7:00 Toastmasters, Multipurpose Room

## Tuesday

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10:00 Michigan Adventure  
11:30 Mackenzie Circle, Multipurpose Room  
6:30 pm Finance Committee, Library  
7:00 Board of Trustees, Prayer & Meditation Room

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7:00 pm Education Ministry Team, Library  
Band Practice, Sanctuary

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5:30 pm Women's Study Group, Library  
7:00 Narcotics Anonymous, Youth Room

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## Hospitalized

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Barb Kantner - Knee Replacement  
Zachary Anderson - CMCH  
Connie Brigham - Cancer Treatment Center in Zion, IL

## Recovering at Home

Ruth Volz  
Rob & Jen Meinema - Breast cancer  
Leonard Rockafellow, Joel's father - MDS  
Bret Kall - 20 year-old with cancer  
Mary Andreski - Cancer  
Beth Kenney

## Other Prayers

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Jeff Andreski	Sarah Smith	Edward Steele
Tim Brannan	Kyle Connaughton	Craig McBride
Janee Clark	Patrick Graham	Elizabeth Tenney
Cindy Flaughter	Haley Miller	Bishop Jonathan D. Keaton
Patricia Welch	Barb Pitts	Sandy - Auto immune disease
Rick Gilbert	Katherine Martin	Jana Krager - Tumor in temple area
Amber Goffnet		

## Sympathy

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## Prayers for the World

Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama  
All the People of Japan including Okaya, Mt. Pleasant's Sister City  
Our local Mt. Pleasant community Armed Forces personnel & families  
PEACE OUR LEADERS

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### CHURCH STAFF

#### Ministers.....All the people serving Christ

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Church Office hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
9:00 am to noon on Friday.

### Finance Corner

Total Attendance 7/10/11		144
Totals	May	YTD thru May
Total monies received	\$ 34,520	\$ 190,177
Total monies spent	<u>-35,131</u>	<u>-193,382</u>
Total monies spent over received	\$ - 612	\$ -3,205

Loose Coin for June went to

Home Delivered Meals Program of Isabella County COA - \$297.10

**\*\*Please take a look at the bulletin board outside the elevator  
for financial and stewardship updates.\*\***

How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather  
than silver!

Proverbs 16: 16

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**Next Sunday, July 24th, Rev. DeAnn Dobbs** will be our guest preacher. Rev. Dobbs is a graduate of the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, has been in the ministry for 15 years in the West Michigan Conference, and is currently the pastor of Reading UMC and a member of the Albion District Leadership Team. Her sermon title is "Great Expectations" and is based on the texts, 1 Kings 3: 5-12 and Romans 8: 26-39.

**Don't Forget!** Movie night is this **Friday, July 22, at 7:00 p.m.** at Wesley Foundation. We will be watching the movie *Chronicles of Narnia, The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*. Simply come, bring a beverage, and enjoy! Popcorn and snacks will be provided. **We hope to see you on the 22nd!**

Val Wolters and Cindy Helder, co-chairmen of the 2011 Garden Walk Hospitality House, want to thank everyone who helped to make it such a great success. Thank you to the Committee for displays, greeters, music, gardens and refreshments. Thank you to Pat Heitman for the video work, Larry Montney for his military display and for the old cars and tractor. Special thank you to Denise Anderson for the beautiful Memorial Gardens and the extra time she donated towards the gardens.

Rev. Ron Thompson will be providing pastoral care from 7/18-7/31 while Rev. Skutar is on renewal leave, with Rev. Curt Jensen the following week.

**Progress report on Haiti School Project** - So far we have collected about \$1,100 toward our goal of \$1,500 to help build and furnish another classroom at the Methodist school in Tovar, Haiti. Work has already begun on constructing the additional classroom and the Volunteers In Mission (VIM) group from Marshall UMC will be going in the fall to finish the construction and to furnish the classroom. Our \$1,500 is helping to finance the construction and furnishing. You can help us reach the goal for this Sesquicentennial Mission Project. Just put "Haiti Project" on the memo line of your contribution. Thanks.

**The Sesquicentennial Committee needs your help.** On Saturday evening, September 24th, from 5:00-8:30 a congregational dinner and Sesquicentennial celebratory worship service will be held Sept. 25th at 10:30 a.m. Please invite your family and friends to join us for these special celebrations. If you know of former choir members, music directors, youth leaders, Wesley Foundation directors, and others with a connection to FUMC, let the Sesquicentennial Committee know of their whereabouts so an invitation will be sent. Better yet, you invite them as well.

**Loons Game:** It's time to sign up for the Loons game outing, scheduled for Sunday, August 14, at 2:05 p.m. This is faith Sunday, so a Christian concert will follow the game. The sign-up sheet is on the window outside the church office. If you have questions, please contact Sharon at 773-6934.

**Church Camp:** It's time to sign up for summer church camp. Information is located on the board in the Parlor or you can go to the conference website: [westmichiganconference.org](http://westmichiganconference.org). Remember, the church pays for half of the camp cost. There are also full scholarships available; inquire at the church office.

**Altar Flowers** If you would like to share the gift of flowers for special moments in your life or in celebration of special family times, please contact the church office so that your information may be properly noted in the bulletin.

**Nursery is provided** at all services. Please see an usher for directions to the proper age group.

**Pew Tote Bags** with crayons, books, etc. for children are available. Look for them in the back of the sanctuary and please return them.

## UMW NEWS -

Circle Wednesday, August 17th, on your calendar. The United Methodist Women will be hosting the **annual church picnic** at the West Pavilion (next to the volleyball courts) at Island Park on that day. More details will be forthcoming. Come and enjoy the food, fellowship, and fun!

The trip to Grand Rapids to tour Methodist Community House and Wilcox Retirement Home has been postponed until September. Due to a shortage of staff in the summer, tours are cancelled until September. Watch the bulletin for information on the September trip. Remember the church picnic on August 17th. Check with your circle to see where help is needed.

**Mary Martha** meets on the fourth Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

**Wesley** meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

**Mackenzie** meets on the third Tuesday of each month (will not meet in August) at 11:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Bring your lunch.

The **International Relations Council** board is still looking for four host families for visitors from our sister city Okaya, Japan. Kohler's will be hosting the young gentlemen, (along with Kris' two friends that are coming for a month from Tokyo!) but we need host families for one of the chaperones and a couple of the young ladies.

**We need host families!** It would be preferable for host families to have a student of approximately the same age and gender. Please spread the word. If you identify a host family, send their name, phone number and address (postal and e-mail ) to me at [Kohle1r@cmich.edu](mailto:Kohle1r@cmich.edu) . Host families will have 2-3 days to do family activities with their guest but otherwise the schedule will be planned for the group. ICRMPA will cover the costs of all scheduled activities. Host families will need to transport their delegate to a central location (e.g. City Hall) so they can participate in the planned activities.