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One Great Hour of Sharing

Sunday, April 3rd

Gifts to One Great Hour of sharing lay the foundation of all United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) work by covering the costs of doing business.

All gifts designated to specific programs can go 100% to those programs because UMCOR's basic expenses are covered. Special offering envelopes will be included in the bulletin on Sunday, April 3rd.

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Please note new website:

www.scotiaumc.org

Help victims of Japan disaster

We have all been saddened to see the reports of the earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster in Japan. Our prayers go out to the Japanese people. Whenever there is a disaster like this people want to send money to help, but sometimes, as we all know, that money is mismanaged and it doesn't get to the people who need the help. Be careful where you give your money. One place that is safe is UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief. When you give to UMCOR, 100% of your money gets to the people who need it. None of your money goes for overhead, because our church structure is already in place. If you would like to contribute, send a check to us made out to "Scotia United Methodist", mark JAPAN in the memo line and we will make sure that it gets to UMCOR.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee will meet on Thursday, April 28 at 7 p.m. in the work room to seek leadership for the coming year. Please prayerfully consider how you want to be involved in our church this coming year and speak to someone on the Committee: Leslie Buhrmaster, Deb Elliott, Jill Wesley, Sean Flansburg, Wendy Liebl, and Kim Huhtala. We will not call everyone on the roster. If you want a change, please let us know. We will vote at our Charge Conference on May 23 at 7 p.m.

SAVE THIS DATE–TUES. APRIL 19, 2011

As many of you know, the Tuesday morning Bible Study Group has been reading and discussing the book “Three Cups of Tea”. It is a book written by Greg Mortenson and co-authored by David Oliver Relin. Greg Mortenson is a native Montanan, over six feet tall, who attempted to climb K-2, the world’s second highest mountain at 28,267 feet. He almost made it – but – was 600 meters short! On his trip down from K-2, he almost perished, but he accidentally stumbled on a village whose people literally saved his life. In gratitude, he promised to build them a school – and did. In fact, he has since built well over 100 schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

And now, on April 19th at 9:30 a.m. we have the opportunity to share in the firsthand experience and knowledge of Lon and Helen Penna who have spent time with the villagers of Pakistan on many projects. Lon and Helen, a husband and wife team, are members of the Glenville Rotary and their work in power plants take them around the globe. While traveling, they make it a point to visit the local Rotary clubs. They have forged friendships that often end up in Rotary projects. They have spearheaded various projects in Ghana, Venezuela and China. But, it is Pakistan, in particular, that their Rotary grants have provided Basic School Supplies, over \$1 million in medical supplies, teaching aids, children’s books, bicycles, sneakers and water buffalo. With a grant for 600 sewing machines, dozens of new vocational schools for girls have been started. Our own local version of “Three Cups of Tea”.

EVERYONE who is a member, associate or friend of the Scotia United Methodist Church is invited to come and hear and see the wonderful experiences of the Penna’s in Pakistan. Mark 9:30 a.m. on April 19th on your calendar for your own wonderful experience. Coffee, tea and “goodies” will be provided for the fellowship we all enjoy.

Why is Communion “open”?

The Communion table of every United Methodist congregation is open. All are welcome to receive the bread and juice. Participants neither have to be members of the denomination nor do they have to be baptized. Some people believe children are too young to understand the sacrament of Holy Communion and should not be invited until they have been confirmed. However, if a complete understanding became a requirement, none of us could gather at the table. Children may not completely understand what is happening, but they do know when people are invited to a meal and they are excluded.

Some also believe non-baptized adults should not be invited. However, United Methodists affirm the sacraments are not only “the outward sign of an invisible and spiritual reality,” they are also a means of grace. Those who participate do so within a community of believers. Participation may be the first step toward discipleship.

The Body of Christ is composed of many traditions. The Communion table is Christ’s table, not a United Methodist table. The family meal is for all.

The Rev. J. Richard Peck

Liturgists

4/3 Ralph Mason
4/10 Sean Flansburg
4/17 Elsie Maddaus
4/24 Deb Elliott

Sound

4/3 Dave Read
4/10 Bob Hatt
4/17 Todd Lavery
4/24 Mark Cieslak

Greeters

4/3 Belinda Wagner, Barbara Blum
4/10 Judy Matthews, Barbara Blum
4/17 Howie & Merry Maloy
4/24 Howie & Merry Maloy

Ushers

April 3 & 10
Dick & Pat Knapp
April 17 & 24
Judy Matthews
Fran Brown

Acolytes

4/3 Zachary Swain, Nickolai Swain
4/10 Tyler Cooper, Trevor Cooper
4/17 Madeline Handy, Kenny Handy
4/24 Zachary Swain, Belle Warfield

Fellowship

4/3 Judy Matthews, Sue Peterson
4/10 Stephen Long, Martha Hatt
4/17 Sue Sykes
4/24 Kim Huhtala & friends

Monthly Calendar

Tues. morning bible study at 9:30 am

Sat. April 2 Nursery School Open House
9:30 am to 11:00 am

Sun. April 3 One Great Hour of Sharing

Wed. April 6 Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Fri. April 8 Wedding Rehearsal 5:00 pm

Sat. April 9 Wedding at 3:00 pm

Mon. April 11 Women's Group Meeting, 7 pm

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Tues. April 12 Regional Food Bank 2 pm

Sun. April 17 Palm Sunday (see Holy Week schedule)

Tues. April 19 Bible Study – special speaker 9:30 am

Wed. April 20 Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Sun. April 24 Happy Resurrection Day!

Mon. April 25 Admin. Council 7 pm

Mon. April 28 Nominating Committee 7 pm

Sat. April 30 Bridal Shower, Loomis Room 1:00 pm

Three Cups of Tea

The Tuesday morning Bible study group recently finished a study of the book, “Three Cups of Tea,” the story of a young man’s passionate work of building schools for the children of Pakistan and Afghanistan. At great sacrifice of time, money, and energy, Greg Mortenson has pursued that dream, and continues to do so in spite of many dangers and disappointments. He believes education to be the answer to winning good will in that turbulent part of the world. Because of the importance of this book, our group has elected to make their copies available to the congregation. See Rupert Pratt, Martha Hatt, or some other group member to borrow “Three Cups of Tea

Charge Conference – May 23 – 7 p.m. We will elect leadership for the coming year.



Please join us Maundy Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m. for a Covered Dish Supper and Communion as we remember Jesus' last supper with his disciples. Please bring a dish to share.

The Scotia Cross Walk on Good Friday, April 22, will start at Scotia Reformed Church by Collins Park at 9:30 a.m. You are invited to join us as we walk through our village for prayer and song.

We will remember Good Friday with a service here at SUMC at 7:30 p.m. Eastern Parkway UMC is joining us for this service and they are bringing their musicians. Join us for this important service.

We will celebrate Easter with a service at 10 a.m. April 24. Come and bring your friends.

A Men's Walk to Emmaus will be held **Thursday, April 14 through Sunday, April 17** and a **Women's Walk to Emmaus** will be held **Thursday, April 28 through Sunday, May 1** at the Bradford UMC in Bradford, VT. **For more information on registration and other details for both the Chrysalis flights and Emmaus Walks**, please contact Steve Oakland, 802-658-7441 or steveoakland@together.net

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will explore "Three Simple Rules"

The prevailing view of our culture is unless you take care of yourself first you are foolish, and will be crushed by those who are stronger, wealthier, who shout louder, have better positions and better connections than you. Many today wonder if there is a way to recover our civilization, a way to restore trust, integrity, goodness, mercy, justice, and hope to our world.

A presentation of John Wesley's General Rules, "Three Simple Rules" invites us all into a more faithful way of living as disciples of Jesus Christ. This idea promises a way of living to change our world. The rules are simple, but the way is not easy. Only those with great courage will attempt it, and only those with great faith will be able to walk this exciting and demanding way.

Come and join us for this dynamic discussion class. We are meeting on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. If you plan to attend, let Pastor Dana know so she can order a book for you.

Mission Moments

Regional Food Bank – Carpool at SUMC parking lot at 2:00 on Tuesday, April 12th.

Food pantry needs– both food and cash, collection during service on the second and fourth Sundays but the baskets will be out for food donations anytime. Cash will allow the food pantry to buy from the Regional Food Bank at reduced prices as well as fresh items and those items they run short of. The pantry will use anything we donate but they can always use peanut butter, jellies, juices, pasta sauces and pasta

CROP Walk Sunday, May 1st with participants meeting at the Emmanuel Friedens Church, 218 Nott Terrace at 12:30 p.m. registration, walk begins at 1:30 p.m. This event supports hunger fighting efforts in Sch'dy as well as around the world. Please see Debbie Cieslak or call 372-5562 for details.



For Easter service this year, in lieu of lilies, we are asking for donations to boost the general fund. If you'd like to make a donation to be listed in a special bulletin in memory or in honor of your loved ones, please print your information clearly. Leave the form along with your check in the office mail slot by the workroom door, not in the office door bin. Please mark it : Attn: Cynthia to avoid any confusion. **DEADLINE SUNDAY APRIL 17th.**

Given by _____

In Memory of _____

Or

In Honor of _____

Donation: _____

Woman's Group Meeting

Monday, April 11th at 7 pm

Special speaker will be Oded Ben-Ami,
sharing information about "the Healing
Circle."

Rummage



Sale

Coming Soon! May 6th & 7th

~ Spring Rummage Sale

Donating items to this sale is a win-win situation. You clear unused items from your home, freeing up closet and storage space and you help to make our sale a huge success by your specially chosen donations. Definition: "specially chosen" equals items that are in good, clean condition. Adult and children's clothing, dvd's, books, home decor, etc. NO electronics, no computers, printers or tv's. Please start now in your spring cleaning campaign and set aside items to benefit the general funds of your church. Questions?

Contact Merry Maloy.

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