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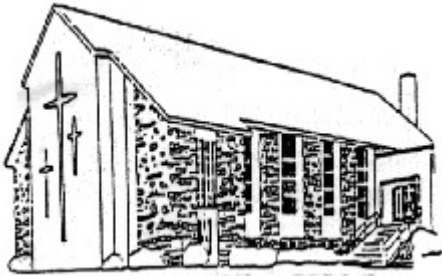
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Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church is a community of Christians serving Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and service.



February 1, 2009

Appreciation Dinner

The annual Appreciation Dinner is coming up on Sunday, February 15th, right after the morning worship service. Be sure to invite your family and friends to come and enjoy this delicious dinner that is prepared by the United Methodist Men.

We could still use more donated turkeys for this fundraiser.

Monthly Collections

For the month of February we are collecting Toothpaste & Toothbrushes for Crossroads Temporary Housing Shelter.



For the Food Pantry we are collecting Pork & Beans and Vienna Sausages.

Biscuits & Gravy

The next Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast will be next Saturday, February 7th from 8:00 to 11:00am. For \$4 you can get all you can eat biscuits and gravy and help pay for our yearly apportionments.

Newsletter Deadline

If you have items to go into the next newsletter, please make sure they are turned in to the office no later than first thing, Thursday, February 12th.

Ushers Needed

We are in need of volunteers who would be willing to be ushers on a rotation basis during the Sunday morning services. If you are interested in helping serve in this area, please let Cy Fields know.

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF PRESENCE & GIFTS

ATTENDANCE

Worship	1/18	83
	1/25	69
Sunday School	1/18	36
	1/25	33

OFFERING

1/18	\$873
1/25	\$1,349

Noisy Offering for 1/18	\$48.15
Budget Needed Weekly in 2009	\$2,987

ELEVATOR FUND	\$25
HUMAN RELATIONS SUNDAY	\$30

<u>MISSIONAL GIVING:</u>	<u>To Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Conference Apportionments	\$761	\$15,820
District Apportionments	\$0	\$2,000
2 nd Mile Goals	\$162	\$2,813

January's income was \$1,959.74 less than expenses.

General Fund Total as of 1/28/09: **\$ - 2,356.80**

Domino Club

Every Friday we have a Domino Club that meets at the church in the Cook Room at 1:00pm. All are welcome to come and bring your friends and any sets of dominoes you have. If you have questions please call Morris Evans.

Women of Faith

The Women of Faith event will be at the Sprint Center on March 13-14. This year, rather than the option of the Friday pre-conference, it is one price for Friday & Saturday and includes box lunches on both days for \$89.

Brenda Gfeller would be happy to order tickets as a group so we'll have seats together if anyone is interested. She plans to order on Monday, Feb. 2, so if you'd like her to order tickets for you, please have the \$89 to her by Sunday, February 1. You can either give it to her at church or mail it to her at her home address. You may contact the church office for her home address.

Here is a link for more information ...

<http://www.womenoffaith.com/events/>

Also, if anyone needs Handicap accessible seating, feel free to call 888-49-FAITH and you can order by phone.

Thank You

On behalf of Spofford children, staff, and families – I want to thank you for your gift of the toys for the children. Your contribution to the work we are doing at Spofford is both thoughtful and generous. We feel privileged to count you as a trusted member of our extended family.

Allen Unklesbay
President & CEO, Spofford

On behalf of Fairmount Outreach/Community Services League, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your charitable contributions this year. The money you have graciously donated will go towards the expense of food items to help those in our community. Thanks so much.

Liz McLeod

United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men met on Sunday, January 25, 2009 for their first meeting of the year. Those present were: J.D. Owsley, Jeri Bothwell, Gary Hard, Chuck Harvey, Bettijeane and Morris Evans, Bob Becker, Lloyd Carpenter, Cy Fields, Richard Delmont, Revs. Randy and Sally DeMasters, and Gailand Coop. Rev. Sally asked the blessing and all enjoyed a hearty breakfast.

Morris had received information from the national United Methodist Men, including our new charter, which is posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board.

At the request of the Council on Ministries, we scheduled a Fish Fry fundraiser for Saturday, March 21. Morris will order supplies, and all will help with the event. A "Red Ribbon Barbecue" is set for Sunday, May 31, right after worship, with the United Methodist Men providing the barbecued meat and hot dogs.

Plans were made for the Appreciation Dinner, which will be Sunday, February 15, following the worship service. It was decided what items to order, what to contribute, and that the work day will be on Saturday, February 14, starting at 10 a.m. We will leave the ticket price at \$7 for adults, and \$4 for children. The menu is turkey (smoked or roasted), sliced ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, green beans, dinner rolls, cranberry sauce, cake and ice cream, and beverage. Carry-out will be available. This is always a great fundraiser for the men's group, and you will not want to miss this delicious meal. We will also present the 2009 award to the man and woman elected by the church for outstanding church service.

Rev. Sally reminded us of the Habitat for Humanity Benefit Concert that evening, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church. Gary Hard will be the emcee.

Morris read an explanation of God, as written by a little boy in California. In closing, Gary played his guitar, and sang a humorous song about "The Things You Don't Say to your Wife." There being no further business, the meeting ended.

Office Closed

The church office will be closed on President's Day, Monday, February 16th.

Something from Sally

Dear Friends,

As mentioned in the United Methodist Men's article, plans are in place for the Appreciation Dinner in February. I believe that the name of that event is really an important Christian concept: appreciation.

God has created all of us with the need for appreciation, the need to have our good actions and qualities recognized and approved. It is not really a matter of vanity and pride, it is just how we are.

Also, appreciation serves to encourage us to continue and increase our good behaviors and qualities. So, even though you won't find a lot about the word appreciation in the Bible, there are at least 13 mentions of the words encourage and encouragement in the New Testament, mostly in terms of how the new Christians were to treat each other and the spirit which was to be among their fellowships.

What a good and wise Christian tradition for us to be following! My hope is that all of us within this church will appreciate one another, and thereby encourage one another to stronger Christian lives.

God bless you,

"For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine."

Romans 1: 11-12

Scout Chili Dinner

St. Paul UMC (3601 S. Sterling)

Saturday, February 7th; 11:00am - 2:00pm

All you can eat chili, steak soup or hot dogs served with crackers, cornbread, dessert & drink. Free will donation

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