

# NORTHERN BOULEVARD UNITED METHODIST CIRCUIT RIDER

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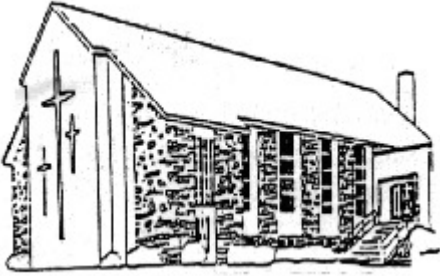
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Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church is a community of Christians serving Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and service.



May 31, 2009

## Summer Schedule Change

The votes are in concerning the summer schedule. By a large majority the time that was chosen was to have Sunday School at 9:00am and Worship at 10:15am. We will start these new summer hours on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Biscuits & Gravy

Our next Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast will be on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 11:00am. We will only have one Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast each month throughout the summer on the fourth Saturday of the month. 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, June 25<sup>th</sup>. We are now on the summer schedule of just one newsletter a month. Please take this into consideration when wanting to include a newsletter article. After June's newsletter we will not have another one until July 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Monthly Collections

For the month of June we are collecting Baby Wipes and Sanitizing Wipes for Crossroads Temporary Housing Shelter.



For the Food Pantry we are collecting Peanut Butter. Please make sure the expiration date on your donations have not passed.

### OUR STEWARDSHIP OF PRESENCE & GIFTS

#### ATTENDANCE

Worship	5/17	72
	5/24	53
Sunday School	5/17	25
	5/24	29

#### OFFERING

	5/17	\$788
	5/24	\$1,957
Noisy Offering for 5/17-5/24		\$84.56
Budget Needed Weekly in 2009		\$2,987

Elevator Fund \$5

#### MISSIONAL GIVING:

	<u>To Date</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Conference Apportionments	\$3,335	\$13,246
District Apportionments	\$100	\$1,900
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mile Goals	\$1.041	\$1,934

April's income was \$857.39 more than expenses.

General Fund Total as of 5/27/09: **\$ - 11,979.52**

## **Welcome New Member**

We are delighted to have Brenda Dempsey who joined Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have not had a chance to introduce yourself to Brenda, please be sure to do so. Here is Brenda's address to add to your directory: Brenda Dempsey, 1837 Sterling, Independence, MO 64052 (816) 254-9274.

## **Coupons**

We have coupons available in the narthex for all to look through and take what they need. They are divided up by categories.

Also, if you receive coupons in the paper or mail that you will not be using, please bring them to the church so that others might be able to use them.

## **Family Day at the "K"**

United Methodist Day at the "K" will be on Friday, July 17, 2009. The KC Royals will play Tampa Bay. This evening will also be the grand opening of the Royals Hall of Fame plus the Hall of Fame Classic Game. Gates will open early for these events giving fans an opportunity to tour the Hall of Fame and watch batting practice prior to the Classic. The Classic Exhibition Game at 5pm will feature Royal greats against former MLB stars. The Royals game will be at 7:10pm, after the Classic Exhibition Game. There will also be a great fireworks show after the game. You can see all of this for \$14 a ticket. Please have your orders into the church office by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Red Ribbon BBQ**

Don't forget that this Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> is Pentecost (wear red) and our Red Ribbon BBQ. The United Methodist Men will be providing the meat. Please be sure to bring a side as well as your own table service, and plan to stay for good food and fellowship after the morning worship service.

### **Administrative Board Meeting**

Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00pm.

## **Annual Conference**

Rev. Sally will be out of town at Annual Conference Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> through Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. While she is there, Gary Hard will be preaching on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Since she will be gone, the church office will be closed that Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **Global Day of Prayer**

This Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> there will be a Global Day of Prayer service from 4-6:00pm at William Chrisman High School Stadium. All are invited to attend. Several of the ministers from Western Independence will be leading the service, including Rev. Sally.

## **United Methodist Men**

The United Methodist Men met on Sunday, May 24 for their monthly breakfast meeting. Those present were: Mike Amerine, Cy Fields, Lloyd Carpenter, Jack Curry, Revs. Randy and Sally DeMasters, Morris Evans, Richard Delmont, Jeri Bothwell, J.D.Owsley, Gary Hard, and Chuck and Renita Harvey. After grace was said, all enjoyed a fine breakfast.

Morris read a humorous item by Bill Cosby, "25 Reasons Why I love My Mother." We also made final plans for the barbecue planned for the 31<sup>st</sup>, right after worship. Most of the food has been ordered. Members are invited to bring their barbecue grills to church.

Rev. Sally read "The 7 Habits of Highly Ineffective Churches" and "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Churches," which were an interesting contrast. Mike Amerine announced that he would be changing his church membership that morning.

The District United Methodist Men's Lenten breakfast will be held at St. James United Methodist Church next year. We had agreed to offer to host it, but other churches beat us to the punch!

In closing, and in honor of Memorial Day, Morris read a story by Max Lucado, called "Old Eddie," a true story of Eddie Rickenbacher, the fighter pilot, in his later days.

There being no further business, the meeting ended.

## **Something from Sally**

Dear Friends,

Coming up this Sunday is our holiday of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. In honor of that, I thought I would share this poem with you, written by Safiyah Fosua, a United Methodist minister in New Jersey.

Fire from heaven  
Not raining-down-destruction fire  
But lighting fire,  
a-lighting  
on soul kindling  
waiting for blessing.

Tongues of fire!  
Isaiah's hot coal,  
Cleansing tongues,  
Unleashing tongues to speak  
Unfathomable glories.

Tongues of fire!  
Night-lighting fire,  
Leading lost ones,  
Comforting scared ones,  
Healing scarred ones,  
Warming fire.

Tongues of fire!  
Burned-not-consumed fire,  
Moses' bush,  
Shining emblem in a dessert of shame.

Tongues of fire!  
Shadrach's fire  
Singeing some,  
Shielding others,  
Revealing the Son of God.

My hope and prayer is that all of us at Northern Boulevard United Methodist Church will experience a new birth of our faith and Christian commitment, and that our church and community will benefit from this renewal.

God bless you,

*Rev. Sally*

*"Then, like a wildfire, the Holy Spirit spread through their ranks, and they started speaking in a number of different languages as the Spirit prompted them."*

*Acts 2: 3-4 (The Message,  
paraphrase of the Bible)*

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