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Growing In Christ

In order to be a child of God, we have to change; that's what Jesus said. We have to admit we can't get there the way we are and be willing to humble ourselves and change...

Remember that God's love for you is absolutely steadfast, and unlike humans, he does not give or take away his love based on your performance or your qualifications. It will not take God by surprise when you discover an area in your life that is less than what it should be. He knows it already, and even knowing all there is to know about you, his love and concern for you have not budged one inch.

Mary Whelchel

"How to Thrive from 9 to 5"

pastor's column



The Fellowship Of The Bearers Of Cold Water!"

Friends, what stands between you and your commitments today? What is it that's ruining your dreams? What's that one discardable item that's barring you from attaining your highest aspirations? You are a gifted person, and so am I. We have talents with which God has graced every one of us. But what you and I refuse to use we will surely lose. Our lives aren't meant to be waited out but to be lived up!

Folks unless we take the gospel to the neighborhoods outside of our churches of what value is it? What good is a

Christian who keeps their Christianity within the safe confines of the sanctuary walls? God calls us to be "salt" where we are, with a higher standard *for* living, not a higher standard *of* living.

God has called you to be His servants in the world. He has given you time, talents, abilities, and money. By seeking to be faithful in all that you do, to do what is right and just and true, you are doing God's work. You are His servants and ministers. But even more than this, it's through you out there in our communities served, outside the walls of our sanctuaries, that the kingdom of Christ begins to take root. As you give a cup of cold water to the thirsty, as you clothe the naked and feed the hungry, as you care for the welfare of a neighbor, or a co-worker, *even at the expense of your own interests and well-being*, as you forgive

the wrongdoer and love your enemy, you begin to embody the sacrificial love of Christ to this world.

You become the salt of the world, the seasoning of the earth. You begin to make a difference in these communities around us.

Friends, I may be the Pastor of these congregations, but you are the ministers of these congregations. It is through your lives, through your influence, through your jobs,

through your families, that these congregations most dramatically and most significantly impact our communities served. Not through me! I'm only one person, but you are many. It's through you that God ministers

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to and heals the communities around us.

You can do it. Because you are salt. And because of who you are, you can make a difference. You can be the ones who offer the cup of cold water to those who thirst.

**God is with you. God is in you.
God is using you to be His ministers.**

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Tom

FYI:

CONFERENCE CANE

The cane is made of wood from the church in Adrian, Mich., where the Detroit Conference was organized in 1856. Several wood inserts are included in the cane, representing different historical periods of the conference.

Those inserts include:

*wood from the first Methodist Episcopal Church, erected in Michigan in 1818 at River Rouge;

*wood from the first bookcase of the Rev. Seth Reed, custodian of the cane from 1905-1924;

*wood from the tree near the resting place of Barbara Heck, a pioneering Methodist woman in America

*wood from the church where

Judson Collins, the first American Methodist missionary to China, was converted; and

*wood from the pulpit used by Robert Strawbridge.

The conference commission on archives and history, in collaboration with the appointive cabinet, will determine the next holder of the conference cane and make the presentation.

THANK YOU: To both churches for the donations of men's ties and women's neck scarves. A total of 81 were sent to a missionary couple in Canada. They will ship them to Kenya to be worn by students in the Bible College there. Thanks everyone.

PAINT CREEK NEWS:

MISSIONS: Our fundraiser for Heifer International was very successful. Paint Creek pledged \$125 to purchase chickens. Instead \$347 was raised exceeding our pledge by \$222. We purchase a lot of chickens to help out families living in third world countries. Thank you to all who made donations that made this such a successful mission project.

REMINDER loose change in the collection plate are used for missions.



BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

October

Julia Jacklin	Oct 2
Curtis Kelly-Gudobba	Oct 3
Dawn Johnson	Oct 8
Jan McCall	Oct 13
Mae Smith	Oct 15
Donald Paterson	Oct 17
Tyler and Emma-twins	Oct 29
(Grandchildren of Judy Mair)	

Anniversaries

Rob & Judy Mair	Oct 3
Pastor Tom & Lois	Oct 22

November:

Anna Jantz	Nov 4
Betty Poplawski	Nov 6
Maria Jacklin	Nov 10
Alice Bonten	Nov 11
Mike Wood	Nov 11
Kaleb Bouvier Schatz	Nov 18
Shawn Jacklin	Nov 20
Charles Stoner	Nov 21
Preston Burkhardt	Nov 24

Anniversaries

Charles & Floris Stoner	Nov 6
Don & Heidi Paterson	Nov 20



Thank you to:

Sandy Knaack and Chris Lutz for faithfully being willing to serve as liturgists. You both do a great job.

Lizzie Chisholm and Jean Lutz for serving as Communion helpers to assist Pastor Tom.

Our scripture readers for August and September: Colleen Barkham, Jo Ann Bourez, Cal Devitt, John Knoche, and Rob Mair. You all did a fantastic job, often having to read difficult names or places in the Bible.

Suzie Kelly for the wonderful sign you made to advertise the Heifer International mission project.

Thank-you to Andy Knaack for repairing and painting our sign!

Thank-you to Suzy Kelly and Sandy Knaack for all their yummy cooking! And thanks to everyone that contributes to our coffee hours!

Thanks to Heidi Paterson and Lizzie Chisholm for co-chairing Sunday school and getting us started this fall! Thanks to all our Sunday school volunteers!

Thanks to Fred Rosvold for finding a church that could use and really appreciate our old pew cushions. A blessing for all!

Our sincere sympathy to Betty and the rest of the Poplawski family on the death of Walt. Everyone at Paint Creek (and many from Howarth) have fond memories of a very caring, kind and often comical man. Walt was dedicated to his church which showed through the many tasks he performed there. He was a good Christian...we will miss you Walt.

Walter Poplawski

POPLAWSKI, WALTER; age 90; of Oakland; October 3, 2012. Loving husband of Betty for 60 years; dear father of Richard Poplawski, Gary Poplawski, and Kathy (Ken) Stirrett; cherished grandfather of Karah (fiancé Wes) and Kyle Stirrett; brother-in-law of Velma Mumby. Funeral Service Saturday, October 6, 2012, 10 a.m. at the Modetz Funeral Home, 100 E. Silverbell Rd., Orion. The family will receive friends Friday 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Interment Paint Creek Cemetery. Suggested memorials Paint Creek United Methodist Church, Rochester.

Blessing of the Animals:
Oct 14th.

PERSON OF FAITH

Paint Creek UMC
Andy Knaack

Andy grew up in Waterford Township with 2 older brothers. His mother was a stay-at-home

mom until Andy was in 4th grade, when she went to work as a nurse at Pontiac State Hospital. His father was a tool-and-die maker and general foreman, working at General Motors for 40 years.

After graduation from Waterford schools, Andy earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University in Industrial Management, Marketing, and Statistics. Then he earned his Master's degree (M.S.A.) Master of Science in Administration, from Central Michigan University. After 2 Universities he did 800 more hours of extra job-related training through American Management Association and other classes! He then held jobs in manufacturing, financial turn-arounds, and sales and marketing.

Andy and Sandy have 3 children: 2 daughters living in Rochester area and a son in Atlanta, Georgia. They are also raising their grandson, Luke Wylie.

Andy and Sandy have traveled in the United Kingdom, Western Europe, Paris, Canada and 30 states. One daughter was married in a Scotland Castle! Favorite places for Andy were Salisbury Cathedral in England, Great Wall of China (walked it!), and the Canadian Rockies. Work-related travel for Andy included a "Joint Venture" trip to China and visit to Japan.

Andy has lived in Pontiac, Piqua, Ohio; Mayville, Kentucky; Columbus, Ohio; LaPorte, Indiana; Augusta, Georgia; Anniston, Alabama; Hudson, Wisconsin; and for the last 26 years, Rochester Hills.

Andy's hobbies and interests include street rodding, doing mechanical activities, fixing cars (and cars in general!), genealogy, travel, and grandchildren. He attends car shows and has won awards for his cars on display.

How did Andy and Sandy happen to come to Paint Creek UMC? Curiosity took Andy to the website that told of dogs at Paint Creek UMC, so they came to check it out. They had visited other churches, but none quite suited them. At Paint Creek UMC they loved Pastor Tom's sermon and so decided to return. After the 2nd or 3rd visit they decided to join the church! Andy was returning to his father's roots, who had been a member of the Methodist Church of Pontiac.

Andy's involvement at Paint Creek includes being Head Usher, a Trustee, member of Church Council, helping with Goodison Good Tymes, and a fabulous general repairman around the church! He likes the feeling of family at Paint Creek, and also that Pastor Tom gives a message the makes you think about after leaving the worship service.

PERSON OF FAITH

Paint Creek UMC
Sandy Knaack

Sandy was born in Detroit, lived a short time in Hazel Park, then grew up in Troy. She has an older and a younger brother. Her father was a carpenter and her mother was a stay-at-home mom until she went to work at Beaumont Hospital as a seamstress. Sandy graduated from the original Troy High School, then went to Oakland Community College, took

extension classes from Purdue University, Augusta College and Baker College where she studied interior design. Because Andy transferred jobs often; Sandy has a 3-year schooling background in core curriculum at 3 schools.

Sandy and Andy were married September 3, 1971 in Oxford, Michigan (41 years ago) They had eloped when Sandy and Andy could get time off from work together. After the wedding they went out for pizza! They have 3 children: Holly, Nathan, and Wendy, and 5 grandchildren.

Sandy's jobs include head bank teller and loans, interior design, clerical and personnel work at General Motors (where she met Andy), worked at Trans-Design in Atlanta doing all jobs from start to finish for clients, and sold draperies, bedding and various decorating products. Once located in Rochester area 26 years ago, she has worked at Hepplewhites for 10 years, Thomasville in Clarkston 4 years, and now at Calico Corners from 2008 to the present, on a part-time basis.

Sandy has lived in Hazel Park, Troy, Pontiac, Piqua, Ohio; Mayville, Kentucky; Columbus, Ohio; LaPorte, Indiana; Augusta, Georgia; Anniston, Alabama; Hudson, Wisconsin; and for the last 26 years, Rochester Hills. She traveled through 30 states and many countries with Andy (see Andy's information above). Her favorite spots were Winchester Cathedral, Dover Castle, and Stonehenge.

She and Andy came to Paint Creek UMC after seeing on the website that animals were

allowed, loved the unique-looking historic church, and they started coming in February, 2011. Sandy's Involvement at Paint Creek includes doing the Welcome and Announcements, chairperson for Fellowship Hour after church, Sunday School teacher, co-chair for Goodison Good Tymes, ushering, Communion helper, Scriptures Liturgist, baker for Christmas cookies sale, rummage sale chairperson, and secretary for Church Council.

Sandy loves Paint Creek because of the people, Pastor Tom and Lois, friendly atmosphere, and the feeling of family.

Interviewed by Jan McCall, Edited by Jo Ann Bourez

PCUMC Rummage Sale will be held Friday, October 12th from 9am-5pm. Early birds may enter at 8:30 am for \$3.00. Saturday October 13th will be Bag Day from 9 am-1:00 pm. This event is co-chaired by: JoAnn Bourez, Sandy Knaack and Suzy Kelly. Cindy Jacklin will again handle the advertising. It's a great time of year to 'lighten up' by sorting all of those unused items that could benefit so many others in need. Please feel free to contact JoAnn Bourez at 248-651-7526 or Sandy Knaack at 248-656-0204 with further questions.

PCUMC participated in the Goodison Good Tymes Bake Sale at Bear Creek Park on Sat., September 15th. Many hands baked a wide assortment of baked goods for the sale. Thank you to all who baked, repackaged and marked for sale, and worked the sales at the Church and at Bear Creek Park. This event was co-chaired by: Sandy Knaack and Suzy Kelly. Special

printed labels with the church logo on them were provided by Jerolyn Szuch. Many thanks to Colleen Barkham and Becky Plunkett for prearranging the booth setup for us.

The Traveling Artist Show and Sale will be at PCUMC on November 10, 2012 from 10:00 am to 5:00pm. Local artists will have their art on display and for sale.

Paint Creek UMC Holiday Bake Sale

Date: Dec. 14 & 15, 2012

We will be contacting all our bakers in November!

HOWARTH NEWS:

Missions:

The mission percentage from the dinner profits has increased with the success of our dinners this year. This helps pay for our Ministry Jubilee pledges.

There will be a turkey dinner again this year to raise funds to feed the less fortunate at the Hope Warming Shelter. (Our dates to work there are March 22-23 + 24th.)

Always ongoing is our gas and laundry mission. Keep giving!!

UMW NEWS:

The Swiss steak dinners have been very successful. August profit was \$1,633 and Sept. was \$1,500, with half going to the general fund (which 10% is given to missions) and the other going to UMW (to help purchase supplies for the kitchen).

The next dinner will be Oct. 24th. Pork. Squash will be the vegetable (being donated by the Wielands, who are running the Farmer's Market)

Greeting cards are still available, \$5 for a box of 12/only 42 cents per card! Get your Christmas cards now!

Oct. 14th at 10:45 a.m., we will have a meeting regarding the church hosting the U.M.W. District Meeting on Nov. 8. That meeting will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will be providing the lunch.

All women (and men) are invited to join us to hear about the U.M.W. Mission work being done.



BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

October

Dave Linsenman	Oct 10
Sue Linsenman	Oct 10
Rita Sauls	Oct 12
Sharon Rowden	Oct 17
Lilah Young	Oct 26
Matthew Bouvier	Oct 27
Katerine Irene Wayne	Oct 27
Hazel Spencer	Oct 31

Anniversaries

Leroy & Katherine Thatcher	Oct 7
Pastor Tom & Lois	Oct 22

November

Jason Everhart	Nov 1
Bob Dillenbeck	Nov 1
Kaye Hamman	Nov 3
Tom Spencer	Nov 3
Kayla Vangeisen	Nov 4
Stella Andrews	Nov 7

Ernie Parker	Nov 9
Claude Parker	Nov 11
Kim Spencer	Nov 17
Margaret Gerometta	Nov 17
Alexa Sandstrom	Nov 26
Phillip Paulson	Nov 29
Bruce Paulson	Nov 30

Hazel Spencer has moved away to Pennsylvania. We will miss you Hazel. Here is her new address, I am sure she would be happy to hear from her Howarth "family":

Hazel Spencer
3 Greenhill Way
Thorndale, PA 19372



THANK YOU:

Hunter Lamas and Casie Rowden for helping Sharon pull tons of weeds!

Paul Sandstrom for maintaining the Love Garden so those in need can have fresh vegetables.

Marilyn Foster for the donation of tomatoes for the Swiss steak dinner.

Dick Bourez for the beautiful music on Sunday.

Pat Pollitt for volunteering as a Sunday School teacher. (More teachers are needed! Sign-up sheet will be available soon.)

John and Pat Pollitt and Sharon for delivering clothing to Love, Inc.

Sharon for delivering items to the Love, Inc. Bed, Bath and Blessings. (Still in dire need of bedding, towels and pots and pans!)

Ray Sauls for his endless work at the church to repair items. Great to have the speaker working in the nursery again.

To all those who have leadership positions in the church. Your dedication and loyalty are greatly appreciated.

A big "Thank You" for your prayers for my surgery and special thanks to Pat Pollitt, Sharon Rowden, and Hazel Spencer for driving me around and throwing buckets of food (including ice cream, Pat!) so I wouldn't have to worry about grocery shopping while healing. Special thanks also to Paul Sandstrom at Howarth and Judy Mair at Paint Creek for handling the CROP Walk.

Howarth collected: \$861

Paint Creek: \$1,095.

Great Job everyone.

Elizabeth Reitz

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UMW joins rally against hate ads

NEW YORK — Representatives of United Methodist Women who gathered at 9 a.m. Sept. 25 on the steps of City Hall to denounce anti-Muslim hate advertisements posted on New York City subway platforms. The rally was organized by the New York Interfaith Coalition.

Demand grows for older adult ministries

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — With Americans reaching age 65 at the rate of 10,000 a day, congregations must become even more intentional about providing appropriate ministries for older adults, said the Rev. Richard H. Gentzler Jr., director of the Center on Aging and Older Adult Ministries at the United Methodist Board of Discipleship. He recently presented a comprehensive plan for older adult ministries to help annual (regional) conferences.

Fighting hunger Oct. 16 and every day

NEW YORK — Church World Service is calling upon Americans to mark World Food Day on Oct. 16

by making the fight to end hunger a regular part of their daily diets. One in seven people go hungry internationally, and one in six struggle with hunger in the United States.

10-Fold. 1 Click. Be Counted

NEW YORK — It's October and 10-Fold, an annual interactive global gathering that features United Methodist projects around the world supported by Global Ministries and UMCOR, has returned. This year 10-Fold features five projects, each highlighted for a full week. Encourage friends and church members to visit www.10-Fold.org weekly, all month long, for a project-focused multimedia experience that includes videos, chats, devotions and worship resources. Each visitor can trigger a \$1 donation from sponsors to that week's project by clicking on the BE COUNTED button.

October 2012 Schedule Week 1: Disaster Relief
Week 2: Young People in Mission Week 3: Mission Initiatives Week 4: Missionaries Week 5: Fair Trade

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