Orems Beacon 

 JULY/AUGUST 2012

**Orems United Methodist Church**

**1020 Orems Road Middle River MD 21220**

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**Rev. Ann Adams**

Pastor’s “Welcome to Orems” Brunch

Join us on July 8th after the worship service. The Brunch is sponsored by the Staff Parish Relations Committee. There is a sign -up sheet for items to bring to the Brunch. If you haven’t signed up, call Merlyn Campbell. Help us make a warm welcome to Rev Ann Adams.

Saturday, July 28th Spaghetti Dinner to raise money to help pay expenses from the vandalism of Orems property. We will be hosting a Christian Comedian, Rev. Richardson. The dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the Comedy Show at 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be on sale soon. Dinner, show and Rita’s Ice for $10.00

We are going to need volunteers for serving food and drinks so we also need to get the word out for that not to mention set up and take down.



**The United Methodist Women will have a Peach Bake Sale on August 5th. Peach Cake and Peach Pie will be the items available. Order forms are available. All items must be ordered in advance by July 29th. If you would like to help with baking, contact Margaret Eney, Charlotte West or the church office. Baking will take place on August 4th at the church. Help make this a success!**

Little Feet School Supply Drive

As you shop for back to school items, why not purchase a few extras for a needy child in one of our area schools? If you can purchase an inexpensive backpack and load it for or just pick up a few items---all is appreciated! School supplies needed: Pens, pencils, markers, highlighters, boxes of Kleenex, quart size and sandwich size zip lock bags, Marble composition books, glue sticks, erasers, 3 x 5 index cards, safety scissors, Wide Ruled paper, colored pencils, large crayons, calculators, folders with brads, hand sanitizers, socks, and underwear sizes 6 to 14. What a great way to start a child in a new school year. Deadline for items is Sunday August 21st. Look for a box in the Connecting Hallway by the Church offices beginning July 8th

**LETTER FROM**

 **PASTOR LYNN**

 Dear People of Orems,

                George and I thank you for the wonderful going away celebration you gave us.  The food was great- as usual – the decorations beautiful, and the gifts overwhelming.  From chocolate to money to buy a much needed laptop or tablet, you showered us with the love of Christ.  It is difficult to leave, for there are many here whom we hold dear.  I know you are being left in good hands, for the One who calls each of us is holding you close.  We are looking forward to country living where we can hear the birds sing and watch the seasons change.  We also know we will meet more people who serve the same Lord you and I do.

                Many asked for our address.  I do remind us all that as of July 1, I no longer can function as your pastor, and do encourage each of you to stay rooted and grounded here at Orems.  Even so, we would enjoy having periodic updates on you, your families and your faith.  Our mailing address will be :

7933 McKaig Road,

Frederick, MD 21701.

 I don’t know the house phone number; the church number is 301 898-5292.  I am planning on keeping my home email address of revlynng@comcast.net.

                Remember Genesis 12:1-3, how God called Abram to go and be a blessed so he could be a blessing to others.  You have blessed me – continue to bless each other and those around you who may not know the love and blessing of God – Father, Son and Spirit.

 Shalom, Pastor Lynn

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I want to thank several people who helped with Pastor Lynn’s Farewell Luncheon – I hope they all know that without their help and support the event could not have been so successful. So a great BIG thank you to Vicki Borreson, Linda Hall, Don and Lisa Schenning, Karen Dull, Pixie Faulkner, Dottie Daiger, Elaine Masson, Lynn Clough, Charlotte and John West, Donna and John Winner, Dennis Asbury, Wanda Lucas, Lisa Hoerger, Jean Milavec and her sister, Carm. (Hopefully I did not forget to mention someone!) I also want to thank the congregation of Orems for their generosity and support that also helped make this event extraordinary. It is this spirit of fellowship that makes our church such a special place to worship. May God continue to bless Orems as we look toward the future.

In His service, Merlyn Campbell

**VACATION TIME**! During the week of July22nd , the office will have light coverage with the help of volunteers. So if you plan to stop by the Church, please call ahead to be sure that someone will be there to assist you. Phone messages will be attended to as quickly as possible. Have a safe and relaxing Summer!

**Keenagers**

*We will have our annual indoor picnic with hot dogs and lots of picnic favorites on July 5th*

*at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.*

*Come join us for fun and fellowship. Help us plan the next few months of activities. Don’t forget your canned good donation for our Food Pantry. See you there!*

**UMW**

The Orems United Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday September 5, 2012 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend as we prepare for our upcoming fall events.

**Septemeber 22, 2012**

 5pm: Covered Dish Fellowship sponsored by UMW with a Hymn sing of your favorite hymns. Voting begins September 2nd Top 10 votes are the Hymns we will sing

**October 13, 2012 11:30-2pm**

4th Annual Pink Bag Luncheon for Breast Cancer Awareness

The upcoming UMW meeting dates for the rest of the year are as follows: The first Wednesday of each month at 7pm, 9/5/2012, 10/3/2012, 11/7/2012, 12/5/2012.

 Thank you,

 Margaret Eney

 **SARAH CIRCLE NEWS**

The Sarah Circle met at the Home of Mildred Shephard’s daughter Susan. We enjoyed the water and lovely home even though it was raining cats and dogs. We heard a presentation by Margaret Eney and Judi Maynor concerning the dresses to battle Human trafficking. And were excited to have a project to help the fight. And we celebrated Mildred’s birthday. Here is a little card sent to the Circle.

*Dear Sarah Circle: Thank you for all of your love, support and prayers! College is a lot different than I thought it would be but I am working through all of it. I’m very happy to say that soon I will have completed my first year in college. That is thanks to all the support from my family, friends, and of course my church. I really appreciate all that you have done for me.*

*God Bless You All*

*Sincerely—Krista Hiebler*

**Greetings from Rev. Ann:**

It truly is amazing how God works! I officially retired in November 2011 and now I have been appointed to be in ministry with you beginning July 1st. I really feel like this is what God is calling me to do and where God really wants me to be. I am really excited to be in ministry with you! I am happy that at least most of you know me and that fear of “Who is this new pastor and what is she going to be like?” is not really there. We do have a history together, even if it was a short one. Looking to the future is an exciting place to be and I am thrilled that we can do that together. I am including here the bio that I sent to the conference. It is good to be with you and I look forward to seeing you all again.

 Rev. Ann

Rev. Ann P. Adams started her ministry in 1996 as a student pastor while at Wesley Theological Seminary and served Violetville UMC, Fulton Siemers/Christ Church of the Deaf UMC, and Christ UMC of Baltimore County. Each congregation added members on profession of faith in every year of her ministry. She was ordained an Elder in 2001 and received her doctorate in 2007.

Rev Ann has served on Walk to Emmaus and Kairos Outside weekends. Prior to entering ministry, she owned and operated her own interior design business.

Several years ago, she took a leave of absence (from full-time parish ministry) after being called by God into a liturgical arts ministry. She, along with her partner, design and fabricate custom ministerial stoles, paraments, and banners for churches and pastors. During this time, she has served several interim assignments and provided pulpit supply. She officially retired in November 2011 and feels that God has called her back to part-time parish ministry. She will continue with her liturgical arts ministry during this time.

** Graduation News**

 ***We honor our Class of 2012 Graduates and extend the Lord's***

***Blessings on each of them as they take the next step into their future.***

**Nicholas Lee Hatcher** - with honors from Middle River Middle School and will be attending Eastern Tech in fall. He is the son of Sam and Nita Hatcher

**Vincent Shane Hatcher**-with honors from Eastern Tech, majoring in Interactive Media Production. He-received the President’s Volunteer Service Award & pin. Vinny will be attending CCBC in fall. He is the son of Sam and Nita Hatcher

**Samantha Lucas** from Eastern Technical High School . She has received a scholarship to attend Salisbury University to study Biology in the fall. She is the daughter of Randy and Denise Lucas, grand daughter to Bill and Georgia Geiger and Wanda Lucas and the late Roy Lucas.

**Rachel Mae Peterson** from Kenwood High School Class. She plans to attend CCBC Essex for 2 years for Respitory Therapy, then hopes to apply to Towson University for their Physian’s Assistant (PA) program.Rachel was the recipient of two scholarships, Elks Vocational Scholarship & the Karl Wayne Gibbs Memorial Scholarship. She is the daughter of Ron and Chris Peterson.

**Mark Porter –** graduated from Liberty University with Bachelor of Science degree. Plans to continue working and fishing. He is the Son of Charlotte and stepson of Thomas Vinck.

**Chantelle Schenning** graduated from Notre Dome of Maryland University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology.   She is the grandaughter of Donna and Henry Schenning.

 **Ethan Schenning** is graduating from Seneca Elementary and will be attending Middle River Middle School.   Ethan has been Captain of the Safety Patrol in both 4th and 5th grade.   He also won a bronze medal in the Math 24 contest, placed third in the Science Fair and was selected to perform a solo on the saxophone in the spring concert.  Ethan is the son of Lisa and Don Schenning.

**George Sfikas**, from the Law Careers Program at Eastern Technical High School.  George made the Honor Roll every quarter this past year.  He participated in a Parallel Enrollment Program with Essex Community College and he will continue his studies in their Criminal Justice Program. He is the son of Donna & George Sfikas

**Pillow Case Dresses**: The UMW is taking part in a wonderful mission in which making dresses for little girls is a step towards stopping human trafficking.  This mission helps provide dresses for little girl’s in the poorest areas of the world. In these areas Human Traffickers prey on the children least likely to be missed. When a young girl is dressed nice and looks well cared for she is less likely to be taken. Pillow Case Dress patterns can be found online, (please use one that has a pocket), or we can provide one. Dresses should be made out of a cotton material but not see-thru.

The pillow case dress deadline is Sunday August 26th. They will  then be shipped to a missionary on the ship “LOGOS-HOPE”. Mr. Joe Parker and Logos-Hope will arrive in  Cambodia during the middle of October.

Please pray for the children who will receive these dresses, their families and the missionaries who are sharing God’s Love. If you are interested in this mission, have questions, or have material/notions you would like to donate please contact Margaret Eney, President UMW 410-682-5953

Memorial Fund

The following memorials have been given in memory and honor of loved ones.

**In memory of**:

**Donna Clark** given by Esther Circle, United Methodist Women, John and Charlotte West, Donna and John Winner

**Richard Daiger** given by Dottie Daiger, Esther Circle,

**Rosie Julian** given by Maxine Young and Esther Circle

**Frances Parsick** given by Maxine Young

**Scott Tyner** given by Greg Huffman

Thank you for your thoughtfulness

 Yours in Christ

 Donna Winner

 Memorial Fund Treasurer

Orems Congregation.

Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement at Duda Ruck for my husband Richard. My sincere thanks to all church members who came to visit, sent cards, and kept me in their prayers.

 Dottie Daiger



**Our prayers and Sympathies to the family of Donna Clark** , who passed away on Sunday, May 27, 2012 Her memorial service was held on June 3rd at Johnson United Methodist Church in Virginia. If you wish to send a sympathy card or note to Jim and Delores Clark –their address is:

12171 Trout Lane, Machipongo, VA 23405.

Silk ties and Scarves

Do you have some neckties in your home that you haven’t worn in ages? Reach out to fellow Christians --We need donations of ties for Bible college students in Kenya (and silk scarves for the ladies.) Students need to be dressed in ties to attend the school. Bring your donations to the church by September 1, 2012. Give them to Merle Vickers or place in a basket in the narthex.

**For Your Information**

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