



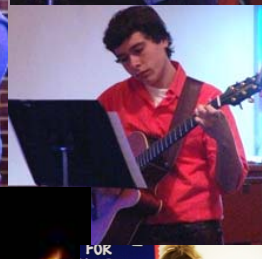
Dyer United Methodist Church

...Where the adventure begins...

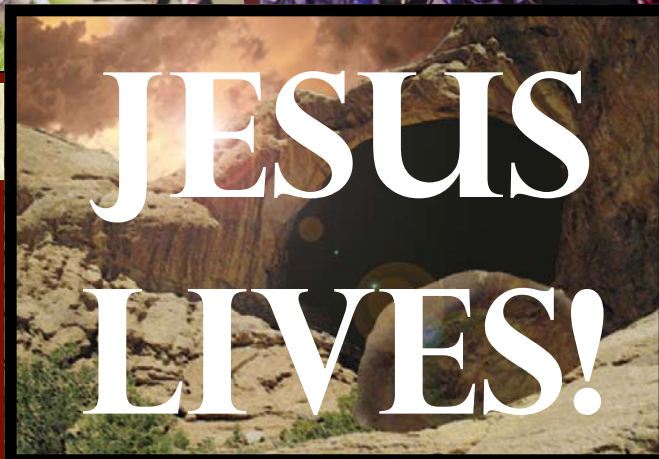
MAY 2009

2016 Church Street :: Dyer, IN 46311 :: 219-865-8947

PALM SUNDAY
CELEBRATE THE KING



Men's Club
Easter
Breakfast



GOOD FRIDAY



Ash
Wednesday



SHORELINE MINISTRIES

ENLIST. EQUIP. EMPLOY.

Hello,

For those of you who don't know me I thought I'd take the time to introduce myself. My name is Ronna Taylor and I will be serving as your interim youth pastor. I started going to DUMC at the age of two. I accepted Jesus in my heart for the first time at Jr. High camp, and accepted my call to ministry at the age of sixteen. I attended college at Olivet Nazarene University and graduated in 2006 with a degree in Christian Education.

I have since done wild and crazy things such as serving in churches in Kentucky and Texas. While I was in Kentucky I served a role as pastoral associate, where I did everything from preaching to teaching Sunday school. (And yes the people in my congregation did wear shoes and all had their teeth; although while there I did preach one sermon barefoot!) In Texas I served as a youth pastor. I decided it was time to come home to the cold snowy Midwest. (It was 80 degrees when I left Texas; 40 when I got home!) I am excited to be serving in the church where I first started my spiritual journey, and am excited to be a part of this youth ministry. Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you've got questions about me or the youth ministry.

I can wait to begin this journey together!

In Christ,

Ronna Taylor



We took 11 students, 4 adults, and 2 senior volunteers this year to junior high Believe! It was an amazing weekend! Our students set the tone and the pace of the entire conference. They all individually and collectively worshipped

God and learned about His word! Mathew Millard accepted Christ for the first time! Praise the lord!! It was so great! Thanks for your support!

Be Blessed,
Mike D'Attoma
Philippians 1:3-11

DON'T FORGET

The date for CIY
MOVE 2009 June 15-19 @
Anderson University.



Senior High MOVE is an intense week of growing in our relationship with Christ and is geared to reach the senior high student!

The total cost for this event is \$250, however, scholarships are available.

Children's Ministries

Summer Sunday School

Summer Sunday school starts May 24 and runs through September 6. In order to make this successful we all need to take a part.

We are asking parents to sign up for at least one Sunday to lead a class. All the materials are ready for you. There is little to do. There is a sign up sheet downstairs in the Sunday school hallway by the office. If you have any questions call Ericka Myers at 365-7189.

Thank You!



How can you say no to these faces?

Acolyte training a great success

What does an acolyte do?

The lighting of the altar candles in the worship service is a symbol of Jesus' coming into the presence of the worshipping community. Before the extinguishing of the last altar candles, the acolytes relight their "candle lighter" and then process out into the narthex. This symbolizes that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. It also symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are called to serve.



Being an Acolyte: Not Just for Kids

If you are celebrating a special occasion like an anniversary, birthday, you name it, and would like the opportunity to carry the light of Christ into the sanctuary one Sunday please contact Acolyte Coordinator, Joann Delahunty at 864-0704. The acolyting can be done as a couple or individuals.

Congratulations Lucas and Samuel Delahunty

For achieving their God & Me scouting award.

This is the first of the scout badges related to the "God & country" series. The next badge is the "God & family" (4-5th grade), "God and church" (6-8th grade) and finally "God and life." The boys worked through a workbook along with Pastor Ken, having fun activities (homework) to complete before meeting again. Tim Delahunty said, "They had a lot of fun doing it. Both boys also commented that this was the coolest looking badge on their uniform."



Front: Pastor Ken, Lucas, Samuel and Anna Delahunty
Back: Tim and Joann Delahunty.



All church work day Saturday, May 16

Many hands make light work.

Let's work together to take care of God's house.

Donuts and coffee available starting at 8 am. Lunch will also be served. There will be work for anyone of any age. Any amount of time you can give would be welcomed whether you come at 8 am or somewhere throughout the day.



**No, it's not
a Batman
cartoon!**

It's Weight Accountability Meeting

There's no time like the present to get back into shape and start eating more healthy. We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 am Sundays, following the second service starting April 26.

We will share recipes, discuss healthy eating tips, and hold each other accountable. Weigh in before you come to church that morning. Men and women are welcome. Contact Juanita Jarecki for more information 322-6309.

Food drive volunteers needed



The annual Post Office Food Drive is scheduled for Saturday, May 9.

This is a wonderful event that serves many families in your community. We need your help to make it the success it should be. For more information contact the church office at 865-8947.

Graduation time is near

And there's much to be done

As we do every year, a Sunday has been set aside to honor our graduates. This year that date is June 7.

If you have a graduate or are a graduate please begin gathering photos for our commemorative DVD, which will be shown on Graduation Sunday.

The photos are a chronicle of the graduate's life from birth 'til now. If you have trouble deciding which photos to use they will be edited as the DVD is assembled. Try to put your photos on some form of electronic media. If that is not possible we will scan the photos and return them to you.

Photos should be given to Donna George. Donna can be reached at 322-4263 or by email at donnaeGeorge@sbcglobal.net.



**Did
You
Know?**

Graduation Sunday is not just for high school. If you know anyone in our church family who is graduating, whether it's high school, college, etc., please let us know.

Thank You

Just wanted to thank you for your generous contributions to our Spring Break trip to Nicaragua. The trip was truly a cultural experience to remember and it was a blessing to be able to give our students those school supplies. We can't thank you enough.

God Bless,
The Education Team 2009
Valparaiso University



To the DUMC family. Thank you for the generous donation in Eldon's memory.

Gene Johnson



On behalf of the Dept. of Veterans Affairs I want to thank you for you for your donation of Valentine cards and letters. The American spirit lives on because of your caring heart.
Barb Petner



Dear DUMC friends,
Thank you for your recent gift of \$162. Your generous contribution will help provide services for the ever-growing number of children who are abused, neglected and in need of help in our communities.

Serving children through Christ,
Bashor Children's Home.



Dear Friends,
Thank you so much for your gift of \$334 supporting our mission programs in Guatemala. We are so grateful that you have found it in your heart to support us even when times are hard. We know that when you give freely from your heart you will be blessed as well as being a blessing to others.

In H.I.M.
Karen Scheeringa-Parra
Hearts In Motion



DUMC hosted voters forum

On Tuesday, March 7, DUMC hosted an informational forum to discuss the proposed renovation and expansion projects for Lake Central High School.



Lake Central Superintendent Gerald Chabot and Lake Central Business Manager Tom Dykiel were on hand to offer candid answers to the questions and concerns of those in attendance.

Gerald Chabot said, "Quality of Life is the bottom line."

Tuesday, June 16 is voting day for these projects.



Lake County Retired Teachers Plan trip to the Bavarian Village of Oberammergau, Germany in 2010

The trip is described as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see a performance of the 41st Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany.

For more information on this event contact Jean Wease at 219-662-2867.

You may also visit www.mayflowertours.com.

Altar flower dedications

If you would like to put flowers on the altar on a given Sunday morning, either in honor of or in memory of someone or to celebrate a special event, please contact the church office to make arrangements.



Your dedication will be put in bulletin for that Sunday.

(219) 865-8947 or office@dyerumc.org



Memorial Day Service May 24

A moment to honor and remember

All are invited to attend our annual Memorial Day service at 6 p.m., Sunday, May 24.

Names of those being remembered will be read. There will also be votive candles to light.



Each person will also be given the opportunity to come forward to talk about and share memories of the person(s) being honored.

Our Thoughts & Prayers are with...

Nick Andre	Donna George
Mary Ellen Arndt	Olive Han
Debbie Busch	Art Krumm
Linda Crowder	Puent Family
Melba Fixter	Marv Sadewasser
Tom Fizer	Jackie Smith
Rob Fizer	Eileen Stiemart
Rollin Flanagin	Our Service Members
Robert Galbreath	

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer need that you would like to add to the prayer chain, please call the church office, Cathy Millard at 365-3954 or send an email to Roseann Piercy at: rr_piercy@sbcglobal.net

Record of Faithfulness

Totals to Date as of 04/26/2009

Weekly Stewardship to Reach Budget
\$7,555.00

Weekly Stewardship Received

03/15/2009	\$9,844.68
03/22/2009	\$5,143.09
03/29/2009	\$3,899.91
04/06/2009	\$10,453.21
04/12/2009	\$9,251.11
04/20/2009	\$5,185.95

Weekly Attendance

03/15/2009	- 230
03/22/2009	- 233
03/29/2009	- 168
04/05/2009	- 308
04/12/2009	- 486
04/19/2009	- 205

Upcoming Sermon Series

Sermons through May 31, 2009



Indispensable Relationships

As believers, our journey is just as important as the destination. And because relationships are essential to our walk through life, it is vital that we partner with people who positively impact our world. Using classic figures from the Bible, we will detail key personal attributes that make up God's Dream Team for your life.

May 3

Scripture Text: Acts 9: 19b-30

Barnabas - An Encourager

When Paul's life was threatened, when his ministry was criticized, when he felt trapped, Barnabas opened the door to his progress, and stayed by his side to support it. When you are involved in God's work, you need a companion by your side.

May 10 Mother's Day

Scripture Text: Judges 4: 1-9

Deborah - A Protector

Leave it to Mom to clean up the big messes we make in life, and usually she never gets any appreciation for it. Here, the men have to acknowledge and praise the best leadership around – the woman who would fight their battles and win.

May 17

Scripture Text: Luke 19: 1-10

Zaccheus - A Reject

The small stature of this man equaled his small outlook on life – me first! That is, until he met Jesus. The only one who saw him as a child of God and redeemed him. We need to look for those qualities in the people others would avoid and develop them.

May 24

Scripture Text: 2 Peter 1: 12-21

Peter - A Mentor

As Peter sees his life in reflection, he wants to be sure to pass on to his followers the most important lessons he has learned along the way. We should listen to those who have much to share, to model our life after it, and to carry it forward to others.

May 31 Confirmation Sunday

Scripture Text: 1 Timothy 4: 9-16

Timothy - A Protégé

As our youth begin their ministry as members of our church body they are given the gifts and affirmation of our whole family. As we lead them into a fruitful life in faith, let's allow them to lead us with passion and energy to build God's Kingdom.

Here to Serve...

Pastor Ken Puent

pastorken@dyerumc.org

Office Administrator

Char Szulewski
office@dyerumc.org

Music Director

Juanita Jarecki
juanitaj@gmail.com

Interim Dir. of Student Ministries

Ronna Taylor
ronnataylor@gmail.com

Office Assistant

Mary Jayme
finance@dyerumc.org

Coordinator of Christian Education

Maureen VanSwol
children@dyerumc.org

Mailing Address Line 1
Mailing Address Line 2
Mailing Address Line 3
Mailing Address Line 4

Non-Profit Standard
U.S. Postage
Dyer, Indiana
Permit No. 8
Non-Profit Org.

Dyer United Methodist Church
... *When the adventure begins* ...
2016 Church Street
Dyer, Indiana 46311



Upcoming Events

Priorities of Dyer United Methodist Church

**#1 To Give Glory
To Christ and
Build His Kingdom
In All That We Do.**

**#2 To Serve and Reach Out In
Love To Those Outside The
Body Of Christ.**

**#3 To Love, Support and Serve
Those In Our
Church Family In Order
To Raise Up Disciples
of Jesus Christ.**

Mike's Reception Sunday, May 3

Kid's PJ Party, Friday, May 8, 6:30 pm

Post Office Food Drive, Saturday, May 9

Homeless Shelter Cooking, Wednesday, May 13

All Church Work Day, Saturday, May 16, starts 8 am

Kitchen Cleaning, Wednesday, May 20, 9 am

Memorial Day Service, Sunday, May 24, 6 pm

Confirmation Sunday, May 31

Graduation Sunday, June 7