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Friends for Life and for Good!

It was a great blessing to spend time with Bishop Eduard Khegay of Russia during his visit to our church this weekend. As a child growing up in Pittsburgh, I remember thinking that the Russians were our enemies. We needed to beat them in the space race and protect ourselves from nuclear attack by turning our basements into bomb shelters and following school drills that had us sit in the hallway away from the windows in case of a nuclear blast. Bishop Eduard shared in the worship service Sunday that he too participated in nuclear drills in school, having to lie on the floor in a certain way in the event of a nuclear attack from the US. For him, the US was the dangerous and decadent enemy ready to destroy all the things he held dear.

Today, we who were enemies have become friends and more than friends, brothers and sisters in Christ. It was a privilege to receive the preaching of the Word and Holy Communion from the Bishop of Russia on Sunday. Bishop Khegay received the life-giving Word of Christ from a United Methodist missionary who led a youth retreat in his community a few years after the fall of the Soviet Union. He came to trust in Christ and now, at 43 years old, he is the young but wise, bright and humble leader of the emerging United Methodist Church in Russia. God is good.

The United Methodist Church is an amazing worldwide community. Not only do we have churches in almost every county or postal area in the US, we have Methodist churches in over 100 countries around the world. We are united by faith in Christ and also by our rich Methodist heritage, music, organization, and core beliefs. I am grateful to be part of such a worldwide fellowship and thankful for the opportunity to learn from sisters and brothers of other nations, races and cultures. May God bless Bishop Khegay and the United Methodists of Russia and Eurasia as they grow and deepen in their ministry and witness. Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Pastor Jamie and Pastor Steve

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

Gregory Joseph Schneider was born on July 21st, 2013.
Congratulations to parents Ryan and Carolyn Schneider along with big sister Lily.



Both my family and I would like to express our gratitude to the members of the UMCL for their expressions of concern at the passing of our husband and father. We can not thank you enough for the warmth of your loving responses as well as your generous donations in his name.— **Leslie Clausen**

We want to say a big thank you for the many prayers, cards, meals and encouraging words over the last few weeks. Lillian surprised us by arriving six weeks early but has been growing and getting bigger every day! We are blessed to be surrounded by such a loving church family. **Love, Jamie, Andrea & Lillian Twedell**

~ MEMOS DELIVERY ~



For your convenience, we offer our Bi-Weekly MEMOS emailed in pdf format in full color. If you would like to receive your MEMOs via internet, please call the office (847-362-2112), email (libertyvilleumc@sbcglobal.net), or sign the sheet in the foyer.

We will remove you from our direct mail list.

You can read on your desktop computer, laptop, iPad, phone or other handheld devices at your convenience while contributing to saving trees and money.

Three tickets for "Women Of Faith" available. If you are interested in attending "Women of Faith," the national Christian women's conference held in Milwaukee on September 27th and 28th, please contact Blair Brockman, who has three tickets to sell (\$100/each). The program meets Friday evening and Saturday at the Bradley Center. If you are interested, please contact Blair Brockman at texasbrockman@sbcglobal.net or 847-722-7424.

GREETERS — ALTAR FLOWERS — AND ACOLYTES NEEDED.
REMEMBER YOU CAN ALWAYS SIGN UP ONLINE AT: WWW.UMCL.ORG UNDER WORSHIP.

PRAYER CHAIN—Please hold in prayer all those in our church family who are ill, hospitalized or recovering at home. Also please pray for our pastors and committees as they work to discern and shape our future in ministry. If there are specific prayer requests you would like circulated through our prayer chain, please contact the church office (libertyvilleumc@sbcglobal.net), Mickey Donahue (missmickey2005@gmail.com), Karen Kuhlman (akkuhl@att.net) or Kathy Locke (klocke@ameritech.net).



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Offer Fest—Rally Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 — DON'T MISS IT!

The days will include:

- ◆ **WORSHIP** at 8:15, 9:30 and 11 and **SUNDAY SCHOOL** at 9:30 and 11:00, where we will be celebrating what it means to offer ourselves to God in thanksgiving for all the blessings God offers us.
- ◆ **ALL CHURCH POTLUCK at NOON**, where we will bring food offerings to share with one another in a fabulous Methodist feast.
- ◆ **OFFER FEST CORNUCOPIA** In the Fellowship Hall and back of the sanctuary, we hope to have tables filled with the Offerings of our Committees and Ministry Groups. These will be displays with information and brochures about ministry, fellowship, and learning opportunities so folks can get a sense of what is going on in the church and how they can participate. Each table will have one or two helpers to talk with the people who have questions. We will invite people to offer themselves in participation and ministry.



It's going to be FUN! Come and see!!!

Disciple Bible Study



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Christian Education

TODDLER PLAY GROUP TUESDAY, AUGUST 13 & 27

Parents and their babies/toddlers (age birth-preschool) are invited to visit and play in the church nursery on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays** of each month, **11:00 AM—12:30 PM**.

For more information, contact Julie Holdeman at julieballing@gmail.com or 847-986-6081.

AN **INTENSE** SUNDAY!

On **August 11th** Sunday School will be full of INTENSE fun outside **IN TENTS!** Please pick your kids up in the Grove following the 9:30 service.

If you are interested in donating tents or volunteering, please contact Amanda Seibert at AmandaSeibertUMCL@gmail.com.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL IS HERE!

Summer is a great time to help out with Sunday School. We are cool and casual in the summer. Our Sign-up is located on the rolling bulletin board in the foyer. We are in need of two volunteers for each group, each week.

Contact Amanda Seibert (AmandaSeibertUMCL@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up for dates. Thank you!

BACKPACK—PROMOTION SUNDAY

Please bring your **backpacks or totes** and join us **August 18th** at the **9:30 service**.

The children will each have their backpacks blessed to prepare for the 2013-2014 school year.

During Sunday School the kids will be part of a ceremony promoting them to the next grade!

VOLUNTEER and TEACHER TRAINING

All of our wonderful programs here at UMCL would not be possible without our volunteers.

Our Sunday School program needs teachers for the fall, which rotate on a monthly basis. We also need volunteers to help with our Special Events this fall. These events include Trick or Trunk, Rally Day, Family Mission Nights and our twice a month youth program, All-Stars. We will have a training event on Thursday, **August 29th at 7:30pm**. If you can make it or cannot make it but are interested in volunteering this fall, please contact Amanda Seibert at AmandaSeibertUMCL@gmail.com.

Music Notes

ADULT CHOIR

Adult Choir will have their first rehearsal on **Thursday, September 5 7:30-9:00 PM**.



HERITAGE BELLS

Heritage Bells will begin rehearsals again **Wednesday, September 4, at 7:00 PM**. New ringers are always welcome! Contact Jim Grace for more info.

New Worship Hours

8:15—9:00 am
First Light Service

A meditative service of prayer, reflection, special music, singing, a shorter sermon, scripture, and Holy Communion

9:30—10:30 am
Vital Traditional Service

A Vital Traditional Service with vocal, bell and children's choirs; special music, hymns, children's message, scripture reading, sermon, liturgy & prayer

11:00 am—12:00 pm
Vital Contemporary Service

A Vital Contemporary Service with a band and special music offerings, children's sermon, scripture, prayer, multimedia, the arts, sermon and a more relaxed atmosphere.

United Methodist Women



FAITH CIRCLE August 16 @ 7:30 PM

Swing by for a low key night before the school year starts. Some light appetizers, cocktails, and desserts will be served. If you have some ideas for Faith Circle program topics, mission efforts, or outings for the coming year, this would be a good time to share your thoughts. Hope you can come! Please contact Sheila Hillier at 847-984-2794 or schillier@comcast.net for more information.



RUTH CIRCLE August 21 @ 6:30 PM

Ruth Circle will meet on Wednesday evening **August 21 at Liberty Restaurant in Libertyville.**

Questions? Contact Mickey Donahue at 847-367-4906 / missmickey2005@gmail.com or Janet Hartkopf at 847-526-8416 / cnhjbh@aol.com

WILL YOU MAKE IT HAPPEN?

UMW GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2014 ~ April 25th-27th, 2014 ~ Louisville, Kentucky

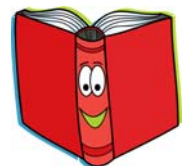
REGISTRATION STARTS AUGUST 1st, 2013

Plan now to join in an experience of a lifetime. Meet old friends and make some new friends while attending. In order to get into the seminars and hotels of your preference, we will need to be ready to register come August 1st. There will be scholarships available if that will help you decide.

If you have any questions, please do NOT hesitate to contact Bonnie Lill at 847-987-2541 or the church office as soon as possible.

UMW READERS

Will meet August 17th, 9:30 AM in Fellowship Hall to discuss books we have read or would like to read. Light snacks will be served.



RSVP to the church office (847-362-2112 or libertyvilleumc@sbcglobal.net) by August 14

Saturday, September 7th 5:00-7:00 PM **GETTING TO KNOW YOU!**

This is a time of food, fellowship and fun; getting to know each other and the work of UMW. Details about the very busy year ahead and entertainment will be included.

RVSP to gtsky13@gmail.com with your name, phone number and email address.



Friday and Saturday, October 4th & 5th **RUMMAGE SALE**

Start cleaning your closets, garages, attics, etc. to get prepared for our rummage sale in October.

You can find just about everything at our sale. More details to follow.

Stephen Ministry Minute



Stephen Ministers are Christians who care in the name of Christ. They care by listening, supporting and encouraging, praying, being dependable and trustworthy, and maintaining confidentiality in their care giving.

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Yes! I am interested in:

Disciple 1

Disciple 2

Disciple 3

Disciple 4

Jesus in the Gospels



MONDAY

Morning _____

Afternoon _____

Evening _____

TUESDAY

Morning _____

Afternoon _____

Evening _____

WEDNESDAY

Morning _____

Afternoon _____

Evening _____

THURSDAY

Morning _____

Afternoon _____

Evening _____

FRIDAY

Morning _____

Afternoon _____

Evening _____

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____ **PHONE:** _____

Christian Education Registration

2013 - 2014

Parent / Guardian Information *(please print)*

Names: _____
First *Last*

Address: _____
Street *City*
Zip

Contact: _____
Home Phone *Work/Cell (please note which)* *Email*

Children

Name *Gender* *AGE (by 9/1/13)* *Grade** *Birth Date* *Special*
Needs/Allergies

Name *Gender* *AGE (by 9/1/13)* *Grade** *Birth Date* *Special*
Needs/Allergies

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Name *Gender* *AGE (by 9/1/13)* *Grade** *Birth Date* *Special*
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** Grade that your child will attend in the 2013-2014 school year.*

Sunday School Time

Please select the time(s) your child/ren will attend Sunday Programming. Children are to sit with their parents until the Children's Message. Nursery care is available for birth through age 2 at all services.

_____ **Sunday School 9:45 AM** *(age 3 to 12th grade)*

Teaching

- Pre-K & K
- 1st - 5th
- 6th - 8th
- 9th - 12th
- Substitute
- Nursery
- Children's Worship

Children's Ministry Special Events

- Family Events
- Seasonal Special Events
- Vacation Bible Study
- All Stars for Jesus
- Organize Supplies
- Design Bulletin Boards
- Teacher Appreciation
 - _____ *Appreciation Sunday*
 - _____ *Throughout year*

Youth Ministry

- Middle School Youth (Wed)
- Senior High Youth (Sun)
- Lock-Ins / Overnight
- Dinner Theater
- Mission / Service
- Summer Mission Trips

Other _____

Service Opportunities

BREAD RUN DRIVERS NEEDED!

Commitment is three times in a six month period.

If interested, please call Jeris Boyce at 847-295-0409 or email jerisb@earthlink.net



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NORTHERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK

Would you like to help the hungry in Lake County? Our next volunteer opportunity for the Northern Illinois Food Bank is **August 21st from 6 – 8 PM.** If you would like more information and if this sounds like a mission in which you would like to participate, please contact Diana Natsch at (847)362-1385 or email her at dnatsch1@gmail.com. This Food Bank is dependent on volunteers and your help makes a difference.

PANAMA Mission



2014 PANAMA MISSION TRIP

While you are out shopping for school supplies for your children and the UMW school bags please pick up some extra supplies for the Panama children. We are in need of crayons (8,16, or 24), pencils, erasers, stickers, and THIN coloring books. As always, we can use toothpaste and toothbrushes (adult and children sizes). The Panama bin will be in Fellowship Hall next Sunday. Again thank you for your continued support for this very important mission. Please call Becky Traut (847-367-0295) or Linda Kraemer (847-816-8896) if any questions.



HELPING HANDS FURNITURE AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Helping Hands will have a furniture pickup on **Saturday, August 24th.**

If you have gently-used furniture or household appliances to donate to this cause and would like to schedule a pickup, please contact either:
Jeris Boyce (847-295-0409) or
Gladys Griffin (847-816-3492).

The Helping Hands Warehouse also contains wheelchairs, a hospital bed, a bath seat, and several walkers. We would be happy to lend them or give them to anyone needing them.

DO YOU LIKE TO SEW?

- Wheelchair and walker bags are needed by the nursing homes and others. You can create your own pattern.
- Layette nightgowns are also needed by UMCOR.
- For you who knit or crochet, baby sweaters are needed.
- Baby blankets are always needed here at church for our welcome baskets to families with new babies.



The patterns and information for nightgowns and sweaters are all available from the Church Office or June McCoy (847-849-0530).

Second Mile Giving



SECOND MILE GIVING FOR AUGUST will support—

Aprendiedo Jugando (Learning While Playing)

This program began in 1990 by Ruth Brockman. It's an after school program at Hawthorn School in Vernon Hills for grades 1-5. The program provides opportunities for children to get help with homework and reading and is aimed at the Hispanic group where, because of a language barrier, the parents might not be able to assist their child with school work

A missionary now in Liberia, Helen Roberts-Evans grew up in Evanston, IL. She is Director of the Dept. of General Ed. for the Methodist church in Liberia.

Calendar

TAKE NOTE--MEMOS & BULLETIN PUBLISHING POLICY—It is the policy for the MEMOS and Sunday bulletins to publish items related only to the United Methodist Church of Libertyville or the specific activities, programs, and missions it sponsors. Any items submitted to the MEMOS or Sunday bulletins will be subject to editing as available space may require. Likewise, the timing of publishing articles is an editorial decision. **Deadlines for MEMOS and Sunday Bulletin articles are: for the next MEMOS, Friday, August 16; for Sunday Bulletins, the Wednesday before by 10:00 AM.** Helping hands are always appreciated to help assemble MEMOS; we'll next meet at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, August 21, in Room 101!!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>August 11 <i>Tent Sunday</i></p> <p>8:15 AM—First Light Service 9:00 AM—Coffee Time 9:30 AM—Traditional Service 9:30 AM—Sunday School 10:30 AM—Coffee Time 11:00 AM—Contemporary Service 5:30 PM—Cub Scouts #72 7:00 PM—Cub Scout Leaders</p>	<p>August 12</p> <p>1:00 PM—BookTalkers</p>	<p>August 13</p> <p>11:00 AM—Toddler Play Group 12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free / AA 6:30 PM—TNT 7:00 PM—Stephen Supervision 7:00 PM—Faithful Threads</p>	<p>August 14</p> <p>9:00 AM—Staff Mtg. 9:45 AM—Lectio Divina 1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM—SYNERGY</p>	<p>August 15</p> <p>10:00 AM—Records & History 12:00 PM—Living Free / AA 7:00 PM—20's Group</p>	<p>August 16</p> <p>7:30 PM—Faith Circle (offsite)</p>	<p>August 17</p> <p>8:30 AM—Praise Band 9:30 AM—UMW Readers Group</p>
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<p>SUNDAY SERVICES</p> <p>8:15 AM—First Light Service (Nursery care for ages 0-5 years) 9:30 AM — Traditional Worship (Nursery care for ages 0-2 years) 11:00 AM — Contemporary Worship (Nursery care for ages 0-2 years)</p> <p>(Hearing Loop enabled at both 8:15 & 9:30 services)</p>				<p>SUNDAY SCHOOL:</p> <p>9:30 AM –Classes for all ages. (Children 3 years through 5th grade begin in sanctuary and leave for Sunday School after Children's Message.)</p>		



Please **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION** with the office if you have moved, to add or change your name, phone number, cell phone number and/or email address.

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Thank you!



Youth 411

August 2013

SYNERGY ~ Middle School Student Group—Wednesdays

August 7, 14, 21, 28

TNT~ Tuesdays at Ben's 6:30-9:30pm

August 6, 13, 20, 27th



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