



The Outreach

May 2011—Milford, NH

Renewal Leave for Pastor Tom

Ever wonder what it might be like to do the job of a pastor? Imagine making hospital visits several days a week to people you know and have a relationship with, getting phone calls from these same people who are in crisis at any time of the day or night, having to keep your attitude positive and spirits high, maintain your patience, give up your family time at the drop of a hat, miss a birthday or concert or other family function, keep so many confidences that you just might burst from that load alone, and being held to a "higher" standard by all those you have in your pastoral care.

When Googling "What's it like to be the Pastor of a Church" the return was an article by Dale A. Robbins writing for *Ministry Health*. This article touches on some of these things and also notes some great challenges that pastor's face.

Being misunderstood: This

section states that being a pastor is not a job, it's what the person is. Even in the safety and relative separation of his home, most of his actions and conversations have something to do with the church.

Another is **coping with criticism...**

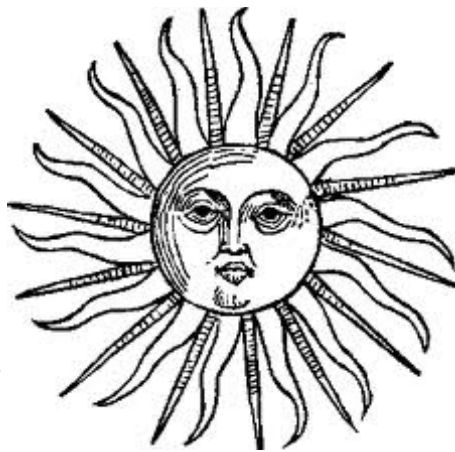
h m m m , ever criticize the Pastor??

Resisting manipulation...

ever try to influence the Pastor and get just a bit upset if the outcome was not what you wanted?

How about **coping with emotional conflict?**

During a single day a pastor could go from consoling someone with a terminal illness, listening to trivial complaints, meeting with a couple to discuss marriage plans, to correcting someone for their sinful lifestyle...how does one keep their composure from all these concerns and still manage to preach an encouraging heartfelt sermon to the congregation on Sunday? Many of us might become hardened after this kind of emotional upheaval but through all of this we all



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Message from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

This month we will be launching our annual stewardship campaign. This

year's campaign is called, "Open the Windows," and is based on Malachi 3:10. As the campaign progresses, we'll seek to come to a deeper understanding of the spiritual principle of generosity, and how opening ourselves to deeper levels of generosity not only blesses the world around us, but also opens us up to being blessed in ways we could never imagine.

Along the way, I will be issuing a challenge/invitation that I hope all of our members and friends will prayerfully and seriously consider. As the campaign culminates on Sunday, May 22, you will have the opportunity to respond to that invitation and challenge by making a commitment of your financial resources to God through this church.

I want to make sure that our members and friends understand something important. Like most churches, MUMC is facing some financial challenges, but *that is not what our "Open the Windows" campaign is about.* As your pastor, I would consider it a dereliction of my duty to preach the Word of God if I were to waste a single sermon, let alone several, begging for money.

Rather, during this campaign, I will be talking about the spiritual principles surrounding generosity, about which the Bible has a lot to say. I promise that you will grow spiritually through this campaign if you are open to it. Because this campaign is not about what MUMC needs to receive from its members and friends. It is about our need to give, and the blessings that await us as we commit a portion of our financial resources to God and his work through the church. This campaign is not about raising money, but raising our faith.

So, I invite you to get ready to be blessed. Get ready to have the windows of heaven opened and to have all of God's best pouring down on you. "Open the Windows," and see what happens!

Still discovering the joy,

(Open Window art by David Gerstein)

Office Note: All e-mails to Wendy or Marian in our church office should now be sent to **office@milfordumc.org** only. Any correspondence to either of our office staff requires just that one address. Thanks!

Renewal Time...

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expect the Pastor to be sensitive and compassionate and feel our hurts and share our burdens.

How about disappointment? Being judged or spoken against... what disappointment that is for any of us. How about the disappointment of losing a beloved member of the flock to death or relocation? That can be a heart-breaking disappointment for the Pastor and the congregation so we can all relate to that one.

Through all these challenges, how many times did the Pastor respond with an open heart and open mind to our questions, requests or hurting hearts? Even if you have not had to call on him for that or if your expectations were not always fully met, I believe we can all site times when we or someone we know or love were shown the love and care that was expected from the still fully human person we call Pastor.

So all that said, our Methodist practice allows us to approve a time of renewal for our Pastor. A time when he can leave the challenges behind; a time when he can breath the air of life given by his family, where he can let his guard down and just be that human being who is loved and nurtured by the same Christ we depend on, a time when he can be dad and husband and friend, free of the heavy burdens that a pastor

carries. It has been at least seven years since Pastor Tom last received a time of renewal.

To support the well-being of our Pastor, SPR, Ad Council, and Finance have approved a renewal leave for Pastor Tom starting July 4, 2011 through August 31, 2011. This leave includes his regularly scheduled vacation time as well as his yearly week at Wanakee.

A Renewal Leave Committee has been busy meeting to plan a summer schedule full of fun and opportunities for relationship building with a theme of "Old Home Days". With the help of Pastor Tom we have a list of guest pastors as well as lay folks from our own congregation ready to "gift" you with their own version of heartfelt encouraging messages through this eight week period and another set of qualified pastors to provide any needed pastoral care that is beyond the scope of our Lay Leaders and Ministry Director.

Included in our plans are fellowship breakfasts between services every Sunday in that time frame, two Saturday Night at the Movies events, Vacation Bible School, and the annual Church Picnic. As of this writing, we are still making plans. We hope that you will catch the excitement and make a special effort to connect with your church family through this time.

The Renewal Leave Committee is also aware that this separation from our

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A Mystery Dinner Theater Presented by
Milford United Methodist Church



Fri. 5/20 7-9PM and Sat, 5/21 Noon-2PM

at 327 North River Road, Milford, NH

Logan plans to surprise his girlfriend with a romantic proposal. However, his plans are crushed when he discovers the carefully selected engagement ring is missing! Who took the ring? Will he ever see the ring again? Is this engagement doomed?

**A cupcake bar will be available to
decorate your own cupcakes!**

COST: (with meal) \$15 adults / \$8 ages 10 & under

**Tickets will be available for purchase all Sundays prior to
show week.**

Invite family, friends, coworkers, & neighbors!

**Questions? Contact Michele Bossie
at 801-6345 or mbossiesings@gmail.com**

Renewal Time...

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Pastor may evoke some concerns with some of our congregation. Beginning May 8, 2011, there will be a list of FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) at the information booth in the lobby. On May 15th we will hold a special session for questions and answers after the 2nd service. Keith Ladeau and Callie McMahon will facilitate this event.

We ask for your prayers and support for our Pastor during this much needed time of renewal.

The Renewal Leave Team

Kara Ammon, Education; Vivian Balam, Worship; Andrew Bayer, Finance; Les Coates, Ministry Director; Pastor Tom Getchell-Lacey; Keith Ladeau, SPR Chair; Callie McMahon, Ad Council Chair, Lisa Payne, SPR; Steve Rafter, Chair of Trustees.

22nd Annual Crop Walk is May 15

By Shannon Mason

The 22nd Annual Souhegan Valley Interfaith CROP Walk is Sunday, May 15 this year. There is a 10K (6.2 miles) route from St. Patrick church in Milford, into downtown Amherst and back into downtown Milford, ending back at St. Patrick church. There is a smaller, 1.8 mile walk, (for those not wishing to do the full walk) that loops around and ends up back at the church as well.



Missing!

Our Afternoon Off program is missing its acrylic paints. If you have seen or borrowed them, please return them right away. They can be left in the church office. Thank you!

CROP is an acronym for **Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty**, the community appeals program of Church World Service (CWS), headquartered in Elkhart, IN. The money raised from this walk is used to bring relief and development assistance to those in need around the world, and in our own community, through SHARE and Open Cupboard Pantry in Wilton.

There will be sign ups every Sunday for both services in the church lobby area. Please contact Shannon Mason if you have any questions 672-0766.

SHARE Food Pantry

By Carolyn Momonee



For the month of May MUMC is collecting: Canned meats and canned fruits

Hope your spring has gotten off to a good start. The SHARE Food Pantry continues to be extremely busy. During the month of March, there were 188 standard household appointments, providing food for 549 individuals. There were 17 new households in March. There were also 26 emergency food appointments, serving 61 individuals. These are clients who are unable to wait for a standard appointment. They receive a 2-day supply of basic food staples to hold them over. Three new households called for Emergency Food. There were also 27 emergency requests for baby items, mostly diapers and 9 requests for toiletries. So you can see, your donations are needed and are important!

Thank you for your continuous support of the SHARE Food Pantry. May you have a joyous Easter Season.



Wanakee Brochures Are Here

By Nancy Tong

The Wanakee brochures are in for the new camping season. Be sure to pick one up in the narthex, and see Nancy Tong or Kerri-Lynn Kimner if you have any questions.

Remember that our church has made a commitment to help all campers attend camp. We will provide a half scholarship to each camper. When you are registered, please send a note or e-mail to Nancy or Kerri-Lynn to let us know you are attending camp, and to request a "campership".



There are some spring events happening at camp, too.

- May 5 and May 21 are Work Days. Although they're called "work days", they're lots of fun. Lunch is provided and it is a great way to help get the camp ready for the summer season and to make some new friends.
- May 27-29 is Women's Adventure Weekend - including the Ropes Course. This should be LOTS of fun!

Remember that Wanakee provides lots of camping opportunities for all ages!

Check out the website, too!
<http://www.wanakee.org/>

Purchase Flags to Honor our Service Men and Women

By Emma Ayotte



The Youth Mission Team is planning a Memorial Day fundraiser to honor our veterans and active service people and to

raise money for our important mission work. From May 1 until May 15 we will be taking orders for 8" x 12" American flags. Each flag will have a tag, with any message you choose, to honor a service man or woman or in support of the troops in general.

On May 30, Memorial Day, we will "plant" a field of all these flags in front of our church for everyone to see. At the end of the day, you may come and pick up your flag to keep or we will take it inside and you can pick it up at a later date.

Flags will cost \$10 and all the profits will support this summer's youth mission trip to Maryland. If you have any questions, see Mrs. Ladeau, Mrs. Putney, or Emma Ayotte. Order forms will be available at the information booth at church in May. Please make checks payable to MUMC. Thank you for supporting our troops and our youth mission trip!

Memorial Day Flag Order Form

Your Name: _____

Your phone number: _____

of flags
you'd like to order: _____
x \$10

Total..... \$ _____

FLAG INFORMATION

To be printed on a card, attached to a flag.

Service person's name: _____

Personal Message: _____

Service person's name: _____

Personal Message: _____

Please continue on a separate piece of paper if necessary, and include a check made payable to "MUMC". Thank you!

Lamplighter's Women's Bible Study

By Kathy Bradfield

The Lamplighter's Women's Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the church. For a half-an-hour we enjoy a dessert with coffee and tea plus friendly conversation. We then turn our attention to prayer and study.

This past year we finished reading and discussing the books of Jude, Amos, Nahum, I & II Peter and Job during this Lenten Season. We are presently studying James. No preparation is necessary, but chapters are known ahead of time for those who like to review before coming to study. We will adjourn our Lamplighter's meetings at the end of May with a luncheon, gather another time for a luncheon during the summer and resume meetings in September.

We have grown to 15 members. Not only do we meet to enhance our lives with study of the Bible, but we are there to support one another as well.

This past year, the Lamplighter' Women's Bible Study has been a part of raising money for the Capital Fund and missions through two "gently used clothing" sales. A Valentine's bake sale was held this year to raise money for tablecloths. What a wonderful response we had from our congregation for all these sales. Thanks again!

Recently we purchased new tablecloths, for the tables in the Narthex. We were happy to have them out for the first time on Easter weekend.

If you might be thinking of attending this Bible Study, please stop in on Wednesday as you are welcomed. Also, ask any Lamplighter member and they would be happy to fill you in on our meetings. Also you can contact Kathy at 487-5574 or kjbradfield@comcast.net.



The Lamplighter's study the book of Job.

**Don't miss the
Wicked Awesome
YAAAArd Sale**

*...with a gently used clothing sale,
e-recycling and the MUMC Café!
Fun for the whole family!*

May 14

7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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From the Ed Team

By Shelly Frost

In May the Sunday school children in the rotation program will have a very exciting month with special projects to work on which will lead us into both Mother's Day and Children's Sunday, so be sure to have them come to class and join in the fun.

Children's Sunday will be held on June 5th and Confirmation Sunday is on June 12th. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

Please remember to join us for the opening, which is held on the 1st Sunday of the month. All students, parents, teachers and shepards are encouraged to meet in the sanctuary after the Spirit Celebration service for songs, lessons & lots of fun.

The NEW Sunday school mission project will begin in May - we are excited to help the Youth Mission Team with supplies for their trip to Accident, MD at the end of June. They need to bring their own supplies to the many job sites that they will be working on.

The following is a list of supplies they are requesting:

- paint roller covers (large & small)
- paint brushes (1", 2" & 3")
- metal paint tray & tray covers
- plastic drop cloths

Please remember to bring in items, or monetary funds can be given on Sunday during the "Huddle" and Ed Team will do the shopping for you.

In June we will be collecting individually wrapped snacks for the Youth Team to bring on their trip, watch for details in the bulletin.

Thank you to all those who supported the Pease greeters for the past four months. The support & collection box will remain in the foyer.



The Temple Dance Band

at the Milford United Methodist Church

Saturday, May 7th 7:00 pm

*Celebrate Spring!
Celebrate Mother's Day!
Bring your friends, neighbors,
Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts
and come out and enjoy a
wonderful evening of music.*



A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the Wanakee Scholarship Fund.

**Men are welcome too.*

It's Time to Think About Summer Camp!

We hope this finds you well and looking forward to summer and Camp Wanakee. The brochures are out and the camp is gearing up for another wonderful summer in "The Beautiful and Spiritual Place in the Hills." Every year MUMC sends many campers, young and young at heart, to Camp Wanakee. Last year we had about 40 campers from our Church. There was a friendly face from MUMC at Wanakee almost every week last summer.

One of the things MUMC is committed to is sending as many children to camp as possible. Camp is a wonderful place where many children find new friends and a new relationship with God. To assist with this, MUMC is committed to giving scholarships to campers wishing to attend Wanakee. We have pledged over the years to provide half scholarships to any child wishing to go to Wanakee. You may have seen fundraisers such as the Wanakee Concert Series or Moxie's Soup Sales. Donations from the Spring Cantata also went to the scholarship fund. These funds were raised to help support sending kids to camp.

If you have a child going to camp, please e-mail one of your Wanakee Boosters listed below. This is what we need to know:

- The name of the camper
- The name of the camp they will be attending.

- The date of the camp they will be attending.
- If you would like a scholarship.

Scholarship money will be based on half of the price of the camp. Checks for half of the amount of the camp will be given directly to you. You are responsible for registering your child.

Please e-mail us even if you don't want a scholarship. We like to keep the congregation informed of who is going to camp. Some kids might even get some extra mail.

Thank you for supporting Camp Wanakee!

Sincerely,

Nancy Tong
wlctongn@hotmail.com

Kerri-Lynn Kimner
skkimner91@comcast.net



Do You Have a Name Badge?

Name badges can be printed up anytime (in batches of 8 per page) by either signing up on the clipboard at the information booth in the foyer, or by e-mail Diane at djaquith2@gmail.com with your request. Please write out exactly how you would like your name printed on the name badge. If you prefer a pin style rather than "clip on", please specify. When the badge is ready, it will be added to one of the "clotheslines" located by the windows in the foyer. We encourage everyone to wear their name badges!

Seasoned Generation

By Richard and Roberta Randlett

In February we had a successful game night that included a pot luck dinner with a lot of yummy food!! Our pot luck dinners always seem to have the best food and very little is ever left over. Unfortunately, in March, our planned St. Patrick's Day party was canceled due to the host and hostess being unable to attend—and it was at their home. Sadly, we had a funeral to attend in MA of a very good friend who died of the very evil Cancer and it was not a good day for us, very sad! We felt very bad about canceling but we had little choice and were so grateful that all the guests who had planned to attend were very gracious to us. Thank you!

We have planned a bowling night for April 30th at Leda Lanes in Nashua at 7 p.m. We have met there for a few years now, and I am sure most everyone knows where they are located. Please contact Bill Wrocklage at 673-6298 if you need directions or have any questions. We always have a great time bowling even if many of us could use the bumpers up. It's wonderful exercise and always great for a laugh or two. We hope to see many of you at the Lanes.

June 11th is our planned Scavenger Hunt. We had this last year for the first time and it was a huge success with lots of laughs and stories to tell. Imagine doing the Chicken Dance in

front of the Milford Police Department. Well, it happened several times!! It begins with a pot luck dinner at 5 p.m. with dinner and then we head out around 6 for the hunt. You will need to bring a dish to share and a digital camera, if possible. We hope to see many of you for this really fun event.

Keep July 24th on your calendar as this is when we have our wonderful cook-out at Dottie and Paul Dishong's home in Amherst. One more reminder is the annual chicken dinner on Sept. 24th. Tickets for this event will be on sale starting in mid to late August. Our own Lonnie Stapnon will be doing her thing again making our delicious dinner with the help of her excellent team.

The Christian Aftercare Ministry

By Margie Frank

Our ministry to released ex-offenders thanks MUMC for past generous donations, most recently - shoes.

Their needs for Spring and Summer are for gently used, or new, men's shoes and sneakers; tableware (knives, forks, spoons - not plastic); water glasses and dinner plates (not plastic); and small electrical appliances including fans. Place in designated box in the narthex.

Thank you for anything you can donate to these Christian men who are, most often, new babes in Christ. Your prayers for their spiritual needs would be much appreciated. For info, contact Margie Frank @ 465-7752.

Gently Used Clothing Sale (In conjunction with the up-coming YAArd Sale)

By Shelly Frost

Are you are cleaning out your closets and replacing last year's summer clothes with new? Please consider donating to the clothing portion of the May yard sale. We will be taking **only seasonal** items (spring and summer). We would like to have this be a MUMC community effort as profits will benefit the Youth Mission trip in June to Accident, MD.

Please bring in your donation washed, ironed, folded, and/or place clothing on hangers if possible. Please bring items on the **last date for drop off is May 7 from 9–11 a.m.** If you have any questions please call Shelly Frost at 672-3043 or e-mail jstfrost.frosty@myfairpoint.net.

Children's clothing is always a big hit as well as men's and women's clothing. We will also accept shoes in good condition only. Sorry, we will not accept under-garments, socks or clothing with holes and/or stains. The yard sale date is May 14, 2011



Wicked Awesome YAArd Sale

By Pat Rafter

Plans for our first yard sale of the season are under way. It will be a big day of many activities. Yard Sale, Rummage Sale, Electronic Recycling and MUMC Cafe, featuring coffee and breakfast treats in the morning and hamburgers and hot dogs for lunch. Please come for all or part of the day. There is bound to be something for everyone!



If you still have things to donate for the yard sale, there is one more drop off date: May 7 from 9-11 a.m. If you need items picked up please call Pat Rafter at 673-4516. Remember all items need to be clean and in working order. NO stuffed animals, large exercise equipment, please.

Electronics for recycling can be brought the day of the yard sale or speak with Lisa Payne for special exceptions. Please see e-recycling information listed on the facing page. For clothing donations speak to Shelly Frost.

Milford United Methodist Church

327 North River Road, Milford NH 03055

Electronic Recycling

Proceeds to Benefit Adult Missions

Drop-Off May 14, 2011 during Wicked Awesome Yard Sale!

9am - 1pm



ITEMS	Pricing
Wires, Cable, Cords (bundles)	Free
Laptop Batteries (Lithium Ion)	\$1.00
Mice	\$1.00
Keyboard	\$2.00
Computer Internal Hard Drive	\$2.00
Computer internal power supply	\$2.00
Network Router	\$4.00
Electronic Storage device (external hard drive)	\$4.00
Cable TV box	\$4.00
Walkman/ Ipod /portable mp3	\$4.00
Computer speakers (pair)	\$5.00
Cell Phone	\$5.00
Digital Camera	\$5.00
Film Camera	\$5.00
External power supply (battery backup)	\$5.00
Game Systems	\$5.00
Laptops	\$5.00
Radar detector/PDA/GPS	\$5.00
External CD/DVD burner	\$5.00
CD/DVD Player/ Tape Player/ Radio	\$5.00
Computer CPU	\$5.00
VCR/VHS CAMERA	\$6.00
Printer, copier, scanner (desk top)	\$6.00
Speakers Stereo (pair)	\$6.00
Monitor Computer	\$10.00
Dehumidifier (Home)	\$18.00
Air conditioner (Home)	\$18.00
TV small < 25" no wood	\$14.00
TV up to 32" & all wood *	\$20.00

Items cannot be accepted prior to May 14th

Contact Lisa Payne – 603.512.0931 if any questions

Bits & Pieces...

BOOKS, BOOKS AND MORE BOOKS

The Thursday Home Group meeting at the Rafters

We will be continuing with our book drive through May. Please bring in your gently used books 5 years or newer hard cover, paperback, children's books and even text books and place them in the plastic tote under the coat rack. Help us with our Mission Project to help others in need.

The Youth in Mission Team would like to extend thanks and gratitude to all who supported our talent auction on April 10th. We raised \$1500 - that will help us to reach our fundraising goals. Please see Becky Ladeau or Shelly Frost if you have any questions regarding talent redemption.

*Thanks -
Becky Ladeau
and Crew*



Computer Lab

The computer room here at MUMC is open to the public by appointment. Contact Les Coates for an appointment at Leslie@milfordumc.org or 659-3118. Sherri Sinclair will assist with resume writing, internet job searches, etc.

A Noise Offering will follow each service on the second Sunday of each month. This offering of spare coins will benefit the Wanakee Scholarship Fund that helps youth to participate in our United Methodist summer camp located in Meredith, NH.

If you prefer to write a check, make it payable to Milford United Methodist Church with the memo "Wanakee Scholarships."



Bread Loaves

on Communion Sunday, May 1.



Please remember to bring a loaf of bread (plain or wheat, no specialty breads) to be placed in the basket at the altar on Communion Sunday. The bread loaves are delivered to SHARE, the local food pantry, on Monday morning.



Bits & Pieces...

Donation of Altar Flowers



Would you like to honor or remember a special person in your life or would you like to celebrate a special occasion? Please consider signing up to purchase altar flowers for your special occasion. The flower chart is posted on the wall across from the church office. Contact and payment instructions are on the flower chart. Standard arrangements are \$25. Thanks for helping to beautify the altar and sanctuary for Sunday worship.

Have you seen the yellow and green dumpster ?

The Paper Retriever recycling bin helps us earn money towards our mission programs. See a list of acceptable and unacceptable items below.

If you have any further questions please speak to Steve Rafter.

Yes Please:

Magazines, newspapers, catalogs, office paper, home paper, envelopes, paperback books, old school work, workbooks, brochures, receipts, etc...

No Thanks:

Cardboard, phonebooks, cereal boxes, plastic, aluminum, trash.

People are Flocking to Nazareth!

We're taking a journey back to Bible times, without leaving our church! You'll get to talk to Jesus' mom, Mary and find out what life was like when Jesus was a kid. When: July 18-22, 6-8 p.m.



Join our Hometown Team; we need your help to make this happen. You could assume the role of a Bible-times artisan or merchant and learn what it was like to be a Shopkeeper in Nazareth. Stop by the VBS Table on May 2 in the Narthex between services to learn more about becoming a member of the Hometown Nazareth Team. Other jobs include: Celebration Leader, Fun & Games Leader, Drama Team, Tribe Leaders, Publicity coordinator, musicians. For more information contact Mary Tyler-Wall, marytw2009@gmail.com or 878-0664.



Anniversaries and Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Colton Tewksbury	May 5
Don Brooks	May 8
Leslie Drew	May 10
Kathy Breault	May 15
Jenny Edmondson	May 21
Martin Betelak	May 26
Nancy Tong	May 31

Anniversaries this month:

Steve & Pat Rafter	May 4
Jim & Mary Tyler-Wall	May 15
John & Kathy Bradfield	May 21

If you would like to be included in the birthday and anniversary list, please contact the church office.

MUMC Prayer Retreat

June 3-4, 2011

*Sponsored by
MUMC Home Group Ministry*

Worship and activities
lead by guest host
Pastor Ben Yoshua-Davis.

Activities begin Friday at 4:00 p.m.
(official start time is 7:30) and the
final group event is Saturday lunch.
Childcare will be available.
Cost is \$15 per person.

Activities:

Group meals and fellowship
Small Group study and prayer
Fireside worship and fellowship
Prayer Walk using MUMC Trails

"Best of all is, God is with us."

- Rev. John Wesley

Church Office Hours	Monday	9 a.m.—2 p.m.
	Tuesday	9 a.m.—2 p.m.
	Wednesday	9 a.m.—2 p.m.
	Thursday	9 a.m.—2 p.m.
	Friday	noon—4 p.m.

Most days there is someone in the office before and/or after these hours, but it would be best to call ahead at 673-2669 to check if you need to get into the building.

Church Email addresses:

Pastor Tom	pastor@milfordumc.org
Wendy Ayotte, Office Manager:	office@milfordumc.org **
Marian Kopp, Office Support:	office@milfordumc.org
Leslie Coates, Ministry Director:	leslie@milfordumc.org

**** Please note: All correspondence to either Marian or Wendy should now be set to the one office e-mail. Thanks!**



May 2011

Sunday Worship Services:
8:30—Spirit Celebration
10:45—Traditional Worship

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
1 9:30: Sunday School 4:30-6 p.m.: Jr. High Youth 6-7:30 p.m.: Sr. High Youth	2 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Balam's; Outreach Committee	3 7 p.m.: Trustee's 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	4 9 a.m.: White Tops 1-3 p.m.: Lamplighters 6:30 p.m.: Parent Bereavement Group 7 p.m.: Worship Committee	5 5:15 p.m.: Kids Bell Choir 6 p.m.: Adult Bell Choir 7 p.m.: Home Group, Rafter's 7:30: Chancel Choir 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	6 Noon-3: Afternoon Off 6 p.m.: Home Group @ McMahon's 7 p.m.: Praise Band	7 9-11 a.m.: Yard Sale Drop Off 6-9 p.m.: Wanakee Concert with Temple Dance Band
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> 9:30: Sunday School 4:30-6 p.m.: Jr. High Youth 6-7:30 p.m.: Sr. High Youth	9 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Balam's	10 7 p.m.: SPR Comm. 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	11 9 a.m.: White Tops 1-3 p.m.: Lamplighters 7 p.m.: Stephen Ministry Supervision	12 5:15 p.m.: Kids Bell Choir 6 p.m.: Adult Bell Choir 7 p.m.: Home Group, Rafter's 7:30: Chancel Choir 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	13 Noon-3: Afternoon Off 6 p.m.: Home Group @ McMahon's 7 p.m.: Praise Band	14 6 a.m.-2 p.m. Wicked Awesome Yard Sale, etc. 9-noon: Christmas Fair Craft Workshop
15 9:30: Sunday School 10:30-2:30: Rose Society 4:30-6 p.m.: Jr. High Youth 6-7:30 p.m.: Sr. High Youth	16 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Balam's; Finance Committee	17 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	18 9 a.m.: White Tops 1-3 p.m.: Lamplighters 6:30 p.m.: Parent Bereavement Group 7 p.m.: Church Council	19 5:15 p.m.: Kids Bell Choir 6 p.m.: Adult Bell Choir 7 p.m.: Home Group, Rafter's 7:30: Chancel Choir 6-9 p.m.: Rehearsal for dinner theatre	20 Noon-3: Afternoon Off 6 p.m.: Home Group @ McMahon's 7 p.m.: Cupcake Caper Dinner Theatre	21 8 a.m.—noon: Confirmation Retreat Noon-2 p.m.: Cupcake Caper
22 <i>Levi Sunday</i> 9:30: Sunday School 4:30-6 p.m.: Jr. High Youth 6-7:30 p.m.: Sr. High Youth	23 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Balam's	24	25 9 a.m.: White Tops 1-3 p.m.: Lamplighters 7 p.m.: Stephen Ministry Supervision	26 5:15 p.m.: Kids Bell Choir 6 p.m.: Adult Bell Choir 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Rafter's 7:30: Chancel Choir	27 Noon-3: Afternoon Off 6 p.m.: Home Group @ McMahon's 7 p.m.: Praise Band	28 7-10 a.m.: Pancake Breakfast to benefit MHS Tri-M Music Honor Society
29 9:30: Sunday School 4:30-6 p.m.: Jr. High Youth 6-7:30 p.m.: Sr. High Youth	30 <i>Memorial Day</i> 7 p.m.: Home Group @ Balam's	31				



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Worship times

8:30 Contemporary Worship

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Traditional Worship

Free childcare

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Milford United Methodist Church *Discover the Joy!*

Our Mission: The Milford United Methodist Church exists to help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: We will help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ by:

- Providing joyful and meaningful worship experiences.
- Establishing and encouraging small groups for study, support, prayer, fellowship and service.
- Empowering people to discover, develop, and deploy their gifts for ministry.
- Reaching out beyond our congregation in Christian love and service.

Our Values: We commit ourselves to:

- Know scripture and live it.
- Act with integrity.
- Be faithful to Jesus Christ, our families, and our church family.
- Strive for excellence in all we do for the Lord.
- Celebrate the ministry of all Christians, lay and ordained.
- Treat all people with respect and sensitivity.
- Encourage people to grow in Christ.
- Care for the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of all people.