



THE CLARION

May 2010

Our Purpose: To Love the Lord, love one another, and make disciples for Jesus Christ!

From The Pastors Desk

I had just finished the graveside service of an elderly gentleman when I saw an old friend across the way. The last time I spoke to that high school classmate was across the cafeteria table in 1964. It seems that time moves so quickly and we wake up one day and realize that we have lost touch with people and places that matter. Our life is shaped by the everyday ordinary hustle of making ends meet.

The Bible has much to say about how our life is shaped and how that shaping determines what we believe. If we are shaped only by the culture around us we fall short of God's plan for our life. God's love for each of us is greater than any other force in nature or the culture we live in. Back to my friend, after we caught up on the normal how have you been stuff I ask my friend, where they went to church? The answer was problematic.

I have heard it many times before, "I was really hurt by some so-called Christians and so I don't go to church I think they are hypocrites". After hearing the rest of the story I would agree that those folks were not walking in the Spirit. However I also know that any of us can fall to the enemies plan and fail in our witness. If you are honest about how you are saying, "Yep that's me!"

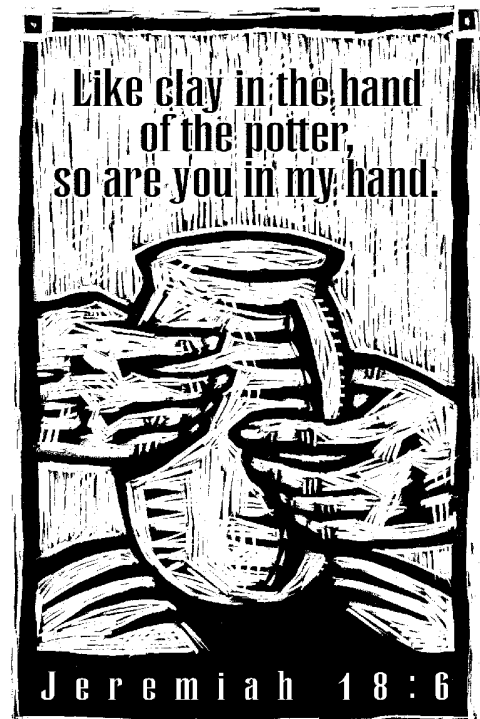
Here is what we need to learn. The church is a hospital for sinners not a museum for saints. We have but to read a few pages and find that the writers of the New Testament were being shaped and transformed as they walked out their life. Peter is one example; he was following Jesus and yet denied Him three times. The grief over his failure and the pressure of the Spirit shaped him into the one that stood in boldness and preached a message where 3,000 people were saved.

I don't know about you but I want God the Holy Spirit to shape me into a vessel of honor that he can use. As a body of believers may God grant us the will to allow Him to shape us into a vessel of love and grace? Jeremiah points us in the right direction; we need to be shaped not by our surroundings and culture but by God Himself!

Jer 18:2-4 "Arise and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause you to hear My words." Then I went down to the potter's house, and there he was, making something at the wheel. And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to make.

On the Potter's wheel we are shaped and reshaped into the vessel that demonstrates the love of Christ. Our Potter's wheel is the church; God shapes us by His Word, prayer and fellowship. I plan to climb back on the wheel this Pentecost season in expectation of becoming just what God wants me to be, no more, no less. Would you climb on the wheel as well, we all need His hand upon us.

God Bless
Pastor Moore



Spotlight on Missions

Our purpose is to educate and provide opportunities for our congregation to support local and global missions.

Missions Piggy Banks

Just a reminder to keep stuffing those piggies. Thanks for helping serve God and others!

Missionary Updates

Murphys

In April Jerry and Sherri report that all is going well at El Sembrador as the school year is off to a good start. Students are being challenged in their studies as well as in their spiritual lives as never before. Several of the students have made decisions for Christ as their personal Savior. The Lord is moving in a mighty way! Sponsors are needed for about 30 of the students. They write, "We are so blessed to have each of you as partners in our ministry. What a miracle of God to whom has brought us together to serve as a team here in Honduras. Thank you for having a heart to serve and your obedience to do what He asks!" Please pray for supporters for their students. Check out their new revised website at www.escuelaelsembrador.org.

Orellanas

Kim and Guido in Ecuador had been extremely busy with campers up to mid-April. More people showed up than expected which made it challenging but they survived. Now they have a couple of weeks to rest up before two work teams come to help with beds in the dorms and a play area for children. This time of year they have lots of rain so the gardens and grass grow rapidly. They have been quite busy with yard work and painting bathrooms. Guido is meeting weekly with two local church planters. He is using what he learned in Africa to teach and encourage these two individuals as they build churches in areas just south of Pallatanga. Soon the Orellanas will be returning to the U.S.A. to raise support money. They are still in need of a vehicle to use while here. They write, "We hope to see you all and share with you our vision for the next phase of ministry at Camp Pallatanga!" For more info, check out their website at www.camppallatanga.com.

Eldhos

Check out the Eldho's letter to us posted on the Missions Bulletin Board. They are native missionaries serving in India.

Missions Letter-writing/Prayer Project

If you are willing to write a letter and pray for one of our missionary families (Murphys or Orellanas) for one month out of the year, please pick up a postal or an email address label and sign your name on the sheet located on the Missions bookcase in the foyer between the old and the new sanctuaries. Our missionary families tell us that they love to hear from us and especially about what the Lord is doing here at Cambridge Christ UMC! If you have any questions, contact Becky Kellum or any Missions Committee member.

**Please continue to pray for God's blessing on these missionaries and those they serve. And don't forget to check out the Missions bulletin board in the foyer between the old and new sanctuaries for cards, pictures, and the latest info about all of these mission workers!!!!*

A Special Thank You

I want to thank my church family for your presence, gifts and cards you sent on my 80th birthday on April 18th. A special thank you to the youth group who sang to me and I truly enjoyed it.

I have been totally overwhelmed and thankful for everything. Thank you for your love and friendship.

God Bless You All!

Virginia Geiger

Parking Lot Expansion

For several years now, there has been discussion of completing our parking lot. We have between 220 to 250 people in worship on Sunday mornings. Many of those people are parking at Edgetech and walking to services. As we continue to reach out in ministry, God will continue to bless our congregation with growth.

The Trustees have secured a bid from Cord Paving to fill, compact, and pave. The bid also covers adding an additional layer to the existing paved parking area adjacent to the Church. This will provide the Church with a parking lot approximately 180 feet by 114 feet on the west end of the Church building. The cost for the project is just under \$56,000. The project can be done in two phases.

The first phase would include fill, compact and gravel so we could use it for parking now. The bid for that portion is \$24,686 plus the cost of gravel. The second phase would cover the paving. The bid for that portion would be \$30,000. Doing the job in two phases would increase the cost slightly due to adding the gravel. A second bid was not secured. We solicited bids a year ago to just pave the existing section that was ready to pave, and the Cord bid was significantly lower than the other bids received.

We are asking that anyone who can give above and beyond their regular giving help us make this project possible. Again I want to stress that the giving should be beyond your regular support of the Church! Make your check payable to Christ United Methodist Church and be sure to write "parking lot" on the memo line.

Paul in his second letter to the Corinthians talks of our motivation for giving. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 says: "Remember this; the person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. Each person should do as he has decided in his heart-not out of regret or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make every grace overflow to you, so that in every way, always having everything you need, you may excel in every good work." Search your heart!

Thank you!

Jim Gibson

Chairman of Trustees

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

<i>May 2</i>	<i>Pastor Sturman Moore</i>
<i>May 9</i>	<i>Mark Slay</i>
<i>May 16</i>	<i>Children's Fellowship Program</i>
<i>May 23</i>	<i>Mike Zaleski</i>
<i>May 30</i>	<i>Matt Wilson</i>

Prayer Chain

To initiate a prayer for the prayer chain, please contact Claire Tompkins at (439-3289).

If you are interested in joining the prayer ministry and becoming an important link in the Prayer Chain, contact Claire Tompkins (439-3289) for more information.



***National Day
of Prayer Service
Thursday, May 6, 2010
at 7:00 p.m.
Christ United
Methodist Church
New Sanctuary***

***Please join us for praise and worship, a message by Pastor Moore
and prayer for our Government, Military, Media, Business,
Education, Church, Family and Law Enforcement.***

Excellent Attendance

In Junior Church

Amanda Biddle
Kylie Daughtery
Taylor DeLong
Keegan Huston
Neleah Huston
Isaac Moore
Ivy Moore
Lindsey Moore
Davey Mosley
McKenzie Wells
Jasmine Wilson
Katelynn Wilson
Tyler Wilson
Blakeleigh Wolverton

Happy Anniversary

May 1 Allen & Sandie Fraley
Cliff & Mary Lou Eagleson
May 5 Dennis & Kathy Orahoske
May 7 Tim & Molly Milner
May 15 Ric & Jeannie Wilson
May 18 Scott & Jan Walsh
May 22 Lee & Kelly Adams
May 23 Dave & Sandy Black
Tim & Carrie Koval
May 24 Ivan & Kristina Parrish
Ken & Jodi Carl
May 26 Dan & Marla Jennings
May 29 Tim & Lori Gilcher



Happy Birthday!!

May 1	Levi Angel	May 12	Joyce Combs	May 23	Victoria Scheffer
May 2	Martha Morton	May 13	Derek Conrad	May 24	Betty Wilson
	Cinda Starr	May 14	Kim Conrad	May 25	Sally Law
May 3	Alan Danik	May 15	Ella Cropper	May 26	Kristin Gray
	Dustin Paden		Dale Huston	May 27	Connor Riley
May 4	Zach Riley	May 16	Ellie Milner		Jessi Zaleski
	Isabelle Starr	May 17	Robbie Booth	May 28	Darin Ford
May 5	Sandy Black		Ruth Anne Booth		Johnny Jones
	Amber Hackman		John Neff	May 29	Lee Evans
	Lenore Hill	May 18	Amber Gilcher		Mickey Poole
May 6	Mary Lou Dudley	May 19	H Eugene Burris		Cal Rice
May 8	Mark Slay	May 21	Jacob Keith	May 30	Remi Killiany
May 9	Roberta Garrett		Joyce Moore	May 31	Caleb Singer

Holy Health

It has been so enjoyable witnessing the sights and sounds of spring- the grass and fields turning green, flowers blooming, birds singing, we wish it could last forever. One thing my work in cancer nursing and palliative care has taught me, is that there is a season for all things. And nothing physical in this life is permanent.

It was brought to importance this month as we recognized Advanced Directives Day at Southeastern Med. Advance Directives Day is an opportunity to help persons and families put their healthcare decisions in writing before an emergency need arises. Advance Directives include a **Living Will**, a document that identifies your end-of-life choices should you become terminally ill or in a permanently unconscious state, and a **Healthcare Power of Attorney**, a document that allows you to designate up to three agents to speak in your behalf should you be unable to make decisions for yourself.

Unfortunately, even mentioning these important documents cause people to become anxious or fearful. Completing Advance Directives requires profession of our wishes to someone we love or trust, regarding such things as life support machines, tube feeding, and organ donation, so that they may honor us in an emergency or at our death. We are happy to help you have those difficult discussions with your family or agent to bring peace of mind to everyone. It takes trusted commitment by the designee to follow the specific choices of their loved one. There is no monetary cost involved. Our Pastoral Care department at Southeastern Med will gladly help you to complete these documents at no charge. Simply call (740)439-8190 to set up an appointment.

Our commitment to Christ is like an Advance Directive. We may become anxious or fearful at the thought of professing our desires or wishes on faith to an all-powerful God. Our family may not all be in agreement with your choice to follow Christ, so we turn to another respected designee (Christian) to help us stay grounded in our decision. God's will, Word, and work **is** permanent. It is the good news that is announced to you! **Christ United Methodist Church** is ready to help you find your direction through our website, breakfast fellowship, Sunday School classes, worship services, small group Bible study, time at the altar, or allowing someone to intercede in prayer for you. Check us out, and enjoy this season...

Health in Christ,
Sandy Black, RN

The Shepherd's Guide

Lisa Zaleski: **Mary Kay Representative** ~ 432-8669

Lisa Zaleski and Carolyn Walton: **Touch of Romance** - Floral arrangements and decorating for weddings, receptions, parties and more. References available. 432-8669 (Lisa) or 679-2613 (Carolyn).

Jerry Wolfrom: **"The Wills Creek Chronicles"** by the Cambridge Writers Workshop. Some 55 fictional short stories by local authors. Retail \$9.95. CUMC members \$7. Some proceeds back to the church. 439-5370.

Terri Sestina: **Uppercase Living** ~ Personalize your home with decorative expressions
270-498-3832, terrirebekah@yahoo.com, <http://terristestina.uppercaseliving.net>

John Moore: **Handyman** ~ 630-7355 Honest and Reasonable

Trudy Gibson: **Glamour Manor** ~ 432-6155 Hairstyling by appointment

Harley Conrad: **Auto body repair and mechanical work** ~ 432-1855 or 630-6702

Mike Warne Jr: **Auto detailing**: washing, waxing & detailing ~ 432-4514

Joyce Bates: **Notary Public** ~ 432-9605

Cindy Scheffer: **Heaven Scent Confections** ~ baking by order only ~ 439-2062 leave message.
Raisin, Red Raspberry & Apricot filled cookies, Brownies, Pie and many other items at Holidays.

Vickie Lyons: **Avon Representative** ~ Call Vickie @ 432-4661, 439-1554 or 260-9404 if you would like to see a brochure. Twenty-one percent of all profits will be donated to the building fund.

Amanda Cox: **Nothing But Chocolate** ~ Specialize in handmade chocolates including Buckeyes, Gourmet Apples and Gourmet Pretzel Rods. Products available at Riesbeck's or order by phone and online. 439-5754
www.nothingbutchocolate.com

Aaron Todd: **Vocal Lessons** ~ call Aaron @ 439-9700 if you are interested in taking vocal music lessons.

Penny Warne: **Penny-Mama's Daycare** ~ 432-4514 Twenty+ years of loving your kids while you are at work.

Dale Huston: **Self Defense ~Kachido Aikijitsu** ~ Classes every Tuesday & Thursday @ The Fieldhouse in Zanesville.
Self Defense classes for Children ages 7-12 from 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. Adult classes ages 13 & up from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
For more information call: 740-704-7409 or visit the school's My Space page: myspace.com/martialartsschoolofki

Kim Conrad: **Tupperware Representative** ~ Call Kim @ 432-3408 or 630-5714 for your Tupperware needs.

If you would like your name added to our list, please contact the church office at 439-4579.

All articles for the Clarion are due no later than the last Monday of the month.

Bulletin insert information is due no later than 9am on Thursday.

Sunday service announcement and participant changes for the Sunday bulletin is due no later than noon on Thursday.

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