

October 2017

The Shepherd's Messenger



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KNOWING JESUS AS THE
GOOD SHEPHERD & SHARING
THE RISEN CHRIST WITH ALL.

FROM
Pastor
Burt



Sept. 26, 2017

To: Members & Friends of Cuba U.M.C.

From: Pastor Burt

Re: THANK YOU!

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Words cannot express the total of my gratitude for Sunday. It meant a great deal to me and always will!

From the cheese cake, to the cards, to the beautiful cross, CD, the UMW's wonderful restaurant gift cards and so much more, I say Thanks!

I have felt your love from the first Sunday and will always feel I left with the same love at the end.

Please know I will have you in my prayers and will be praying for Pastor Stan and Pastor Bob as well as the person who comes in November.

Remember God has a plan for you, he has your welfare at heart and as God's word says, "He'll be faithful to COMPLETE IT!"

God Bless,

Pastor Burt



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Our World situation
The Rothfus Family
to those at other residences...

CUBA CMH

Henny van der Horst

PINES - OLEAN

Connie Battistoni

Others to keep in prayer:

Sandy Beard
Jim Benz
Luke Fries
June Ink
Jackie McKeel
Mark Middaugh
Keith Pearce
Sue Simmons
Laroy Spateholts
Heidi Sturdevant
Lon Sweet
Ken Wyant

**Prayer LIST Update**

Please keep our prayer list up to date.

If someone should be added or removed from the prayer list, please submit their name in writing.

You can write prayer requests in the attendance pads on Sundays, or drop your request off at the office, or email. *Thank you!*

Military personnel and their families...

Our continued prayers go out to ALL military personnel who are serving our country by active duty & reserve status, both in the States, and abroad.

Statistics**Needed: \$1,739**

| Date | Worship | SS | Offering |
|-------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 9/3 | 30 | - | \$2,589.00 |
| 9/3 | | Naomi | \$ 95.00 |
| 9/3 | | Rothfus | \$ 20.00 |
| 9/10 | 44 | | \$1,649.00 |
| 9/17 | 44 | 17 | \$1,280.00 |
| 9/24 | 66 | 20 | \$1,536.00 |
| 9/24 | | Rothfus | \$ 95.00 |



2- Deb Battistoni
Naomi Scoville
4- Marilyn Luckey
Dwane Wildrick
10- Hannah Scoville
12- Ruth Holden
18- Fred Pearce
23- Leah Scoville
28- Cheryl Holden



Fred Middaugh, member of CUMC, passed away on Sept. 6, 2017. A Memorial Service was held at CUMC on Sept. 11. Pastor Burt officiated.

October Helping HandsUsher:

Jim Travis

Pianist:

Christine Berardi

Organist:

Jonathan Denham

Altar Guild:

Holly Scoville
Sharry Semans



10- Fred & Peggy Pearce
16- Vanessa & Derek Clement
Tom & Judy Krott
21- Derwood & Rita Say



Sue Simmons is the
UMW's
Cheer Person. If you know of
someone who needs a note of
cheer, please call her at
585-968-1135.



If you have a prayer
request, call the prayer
chain.

Call Sandra Allen
at 968-2137
or Ruth Holden
at 968-1933



Church School for all ages
9:45 A.M. Sundays



Please let the office know when you are flying South so you don't miss a newsletter. Same applies when you fly back North.



UMW Fall Rummage Sale

Thursday, October 5, 6 - 8 pm
Friday, October 6, 11 am - 2 pm
Saturday October 7, 9 am - Noon
(\$2 Bag Sale)



The Cuba Council of Churches Crop Walk will be held on Sunday October 1 at 1:30 PM at the Cuba-Rushford High School Track. Rob Cornell will be walking.

Just for KIDS

Harvest History

When we think of the harvest, most of us think of autumn. Well the Israelites had 3 different harvests! God told them, through Moses, how to celebrate feasts at the time of each harvest. Find out about them here.

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The Feast of

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Barley, April-May, The Feast of Unleavened Bread
 Wheat, June-July, The Feast of Weeks
 Fruits of the tree and vine, September-October,
 The Feast of Ingathering

SAUTEED APPLES AND RAISINS

Cindy Dutton

4 large tart apples, peeled & cored
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter
 2 tsp. cornstarch
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup water
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup packed brown sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup golden raisins
 1 tsp. lemon juice



Quarter apples and slice into $\frac{1}{4}$ " slices. Melt butter in skillet and add apples. Cook over medium heat 6 to 7 minutes until almost tender. Dissolve cornstarch in water, add to skillet. Add brown sugar and raisins. Simmer for 2 minutes stirring constantly. Add lemon juice. Makes 4 cups.



Adult Sunday School Studies with Cheryl

PROPHECY #22: Rapture of the Church

Many people are not familiar with the word, “rapture” in reference to the church. As we look at what the Bible says, we should remember that “rapture” (by definition) is a good and joyful feeling.

The Rapture of the Church is a doctrine only mentioned in the New Testament (John 14:2-3) and is not to be confused with the Second Coming of Christ. The Rapture is generally thought to precede the Second Coming, and does not involve war or judgment of sin.

When the church (believers in Christ) is raptured, there will be no advanced notice. Christ will appear in the sky... and 1) the Christians of the past will rise to meet him, and 2) the Christians who are presently living on earth will then also rise to meet Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17) All these believers will then go to heaven.

The Bible often refers to the church (the body of believers) as the, “bride of Christ.” we get the idea that when Christ (the groom) (Matthew 25: 5,6,10b) and the church members (the bride) enter heaven... there will be a great celebration, like a wedding reception. (Revelation 19:7,9) Christians can look forward to being there.

The purpose of the Rapture is, “to remove believers from earth and take them to the Father’s house.” (Major Bible Prophecies, John F. Walvoord, P. 268) It is not preceded by any predicted events that haven’t happened yet, but can occur at any time now. It involves only Christians, and implies that in an instant... Christians who were on earth will have gone to heaven.

Living Believers who are raptured, will be given “immortal bodies” (1 Corinthians 15:51-53), and will be given “victory over death.” (1 Corinthians 15:54-55) . Then wickedness will increase on earth, and the Anti Christ will increase in power (until he is revealed .) (Major Bible Prophecies, John F. Walvoord, P. 275)

For future events we must trust God’s Word. (revealed through the Bible). God has fulfilled other prophecies in the past. He will fulfill this prophecy of the Rapture in the future.



**Cuba United Methodist Church
Trustees Meeting Minutes
August 2, 2017**



PRESENT: Gary Enderle, Pastor Burt, Judy Krott, Bernie Hawks, Marshall Allen, and Rob Cornell.

6:05 p.m. Bernie Hawks called the meeting to order, and Pastor Burt opened with prayer.

June 7, 2017, Minutes were read and discussed. Gary made a motion to accept the minutes. Marshall seconded the motion, and all approved.

Treasurer's Report: Rob Cornell presented the Treasurer's Report for the period of May 1, 2017 through August 2, 2017. Discussion followed. Judy made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Gary seconded the motion, and all approved.

Discussion of Trustee Topics:

*Rob received a request for someone to use our church to teach violin lessons. Discussion followed. Marshall made a motion that this request be granted and that a donation will be made by the Instructor. The Instructor's name will be obtained for our records. Rob seconded the motion, and all approved.

*Water sensors have arrived.

*Larry Selph with Selph's Fire Service serviced our fire extinguishers. Additional fire extinguishers were installed in the sanctuary and in the kitchen.

*Received a quote for \$1,566 from Closes Lumber for the purchase of aluminum with powder coat railings for the main entrance. Marshall offered to install the railings with assistance of a couple volunteers from the congregation. Rob made a motion to accept this quote. Marshall seconded the motion, and all approved. It was suggested that Memorial Funds be used to fund this project. Pastor Burt will contact the Memorial Committee to discuss. Gary made a motion to use Memorial Funds to cover this project. Rob seconded the motion, and all approved.

*We received a quote from Mark Miller for \$1,650 to paint the Green Street Foyer. Mark would be able to perform this work in the fall of 2017. Rob made a motion to accept this quote. Gary seconded the motion, and all approved.

*The new door in Wesley Hall needs to be stained and varnished. Marshall will contact Mark Miller to get a cost on this.

The next meeting will be held on September 13, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Rob made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Marshall seconded the motion, and all approved.



DUDLEY TAILS

Dudley has always wanted to go out every time Tucker (our small collie) went out. When he was old enough, I put a leash on both dogs and attempted to go for a walk with them. As we passed through the mowed paths, I found out that they both were interested in different things. Each wanted to go in a different direction, and often, they were too engrossed in what they were doing to hear my instructions. This scene would be hilarious in a movie, but not so much in life.

One evening when I was taking the dogs for a walk, I opened the door (which swings inward, toward me) and let go of the knob. Tucker, who is always the first one out, darted ahead. But Dudley, who only saw a huge object coming toward him, backed away. Now I was being pulled forward, and Dudley was moving backward. I was running out of leash. I quickly called a couple times to Dudley, "Come on." "Come on!" At first he did not move, but then he obeyed, scooting past the door and a certain collision.

May of us have been taught to obey our parents and other authority figures. We should obey God also. When my grandmother used to walk ahead of me, she would say, "follow me." As a child, I could trust her leading. Likewise, we can trust the leading of our Master. When he says, "follow me", it is for our own good and happiness. (John 10:4,11)

Dudley followed his master because he knew my voice. And he knew he could trust me. Shouldn't we trust our Master?



Autumn Leaves

Edel T. Copeland

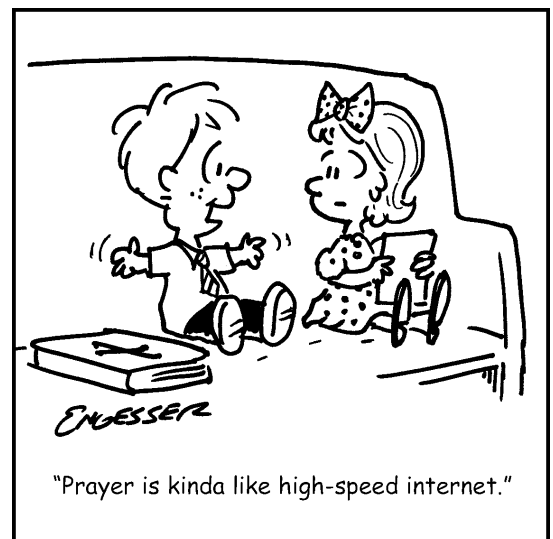
Golden, crisp leaves falling softly from almost bare trees,
Lifting and falling in a hushed gentle breeze,
Slowly dropping to the soft cushioned ground,
Whispering and rustling a soothing sound.

Coppers, golds, and rusted tones,
Mother Nature's way of letting go.
They fall and gather one by one,
Autumn is here, summer has gone.



Crunching as I walk through their warm fiery glow,
Nature's carpet rich and pure that again shall grow,
To protect and shield its majestic tree,
Standing tall and strong for the world to see.

They rise and fall in the cool, crisp air.
It's a time of change in this world we share,
Nature's importance reflecting our own lives,
Letting go of our fears and again, too, we shall thrive.



**WORSHIP
SERVICE
SUNDAY
11:00 AM**



2017

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
For All Ages
9:45 AM**

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Naomi Mission Collection UMW Food Pantry Collection Crop Walk 1:30 | 2 | 3 Prayer Group 10 am - 11 am | 4 Trustees Mtg. 6:00 Management Team 6:45 pm | 5 UMW Rummage Sale 6-8 pm | 6 UMW Rummage Sale 11 am - 2 pm | 7 UMW Rummage \$2 Bag Sale 9am - Noon |
| 8 | 9 | 10 Prayer Group 10 am - 11 am | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 November Newsletter Deadline - Noon | 17 Prayer Group 10 am- 11 am | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 UMW Meeting 10 am |
| 22 | 23 | 24 Prayer Group 10 am- 11 am | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 Rothfus Collection | 30 | 31 Prayer Group 10 am- 11 am | | | | |

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PSALM 65:11

