

The Newsletter of Kitty Hawk UMC

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From Your Pastor:

1 Corinthians 10:12 (MSG)

"Don't be so naïve and self-confident. You're not exempt. You could fall flat on your face as easily as anyone else. Forget about self-confidence; it's useless. Cultivate God-confidence."

We live in a success-driven culture. We are all out to be "#1"! We want to achieve excellence. We want to set goals and reach them. This can be good. I'm not a fan of mediocrity. Doing what we do well is good for us and for others -- at least most of the time. But, if history teaches us anything, we should remember that success is likely not to last. Some companies may go from "good to great" only find themselves slipping into not-so-good again. No empire has found a way to maintain its empire. Time has often shown the weaknesses of strong people and strong movements.

We've been hearing about the problems plaguing Toyota. The Japanese carmaker has been a symbol of automotive excellence, but has recently been hit with massive recalls and lawsuits over its vehicles. Countries, companies -- and yes, churches, that are "on top" one day can find themselves slipping all too easily. Individuals can experience this also. Paul tells us not to get cocky. It's easy to be doing well and then suddenly find that we are not as strong or as wise or as good as we think. Eugene Peterson loosely translates Paul in "The Message", and I think he has the idea pretty close here. We don't need a self-confidence that believes naively in our own ability to be right. We need -- we must have -- a humble confidence in God and an awareness of how easy it is to make a mistake.

Christians get in trouble when we think, "I'm good, I can handle this." We are always one word away from hurting someone's feelings, one bad decision away from getting involved in serious sin. How do we handle this? Stay humble. Be honest with someone. Confess your sins. Be open to correction. Listen to God. There is great joy in walking with Jesus -- the key is to keep from walking off by ourselves away from Jesus.

*Peace,
Pastor Curtis*



November, 2009



**UNITED METHODIST
Annual Charge Conference
November 5**

Please be sure to attend the annual Charge Conference in our Sanctuary on Thursday, November 5, 6:30pm. Charge Conference is our "annual business meeting". District Superintendent, Dr. R. Carl Frazier, Jr. will attend the meeting. Please plan on being present for brief worship and to hear reports on what we have been doing, where we are going as a church, and to welcome our new officers.

**Nathan Tasker Concert
And Covered Dish Supper**
November 9

What do Kitty Hawk church-goers enjoy? Christian music and food! To fulfill our need for faith, fellowship, and food, a special event is planned for Monday evening, November 9 at 6:00pm. Nathan Tasker is a Christian singer and songwriter originally from Sydney, Australia, now living in Nashville, TN. He was named the most outstanding Christian artist in 2006. We are fortunate to have him visit us with his music ministry. Please bring your favorite family-sized covered dish, and plan to "savor" a great evening.



Children's Bell Choir



Our Children's Bell Choir will meet in the choir room on Sunday, November 15, to rehearse for their performance the following Sunday. These talented children make our services on the fourth Sunday of each month very special. We are very fortunate that they share their music ministry with the congregation.

November Children's Church Schedule

	8:30	11:00
11/01	Jackson Dixon	Michelle Spelts
11/08	John Welch	Lisa Crumpler
11/15	Laura Barker	Bertie Brinkley
11/22	Amy Smith	Jennifer Stecher
11/29	Amy Sullivan	Erin Howe

M&M's and Tweens

Our Mini-Methodists (K-2nd Grade) and Tweens (3rd-5th Grade) will meet on November 22 at 4:00. All children are invited to come and bring a friend for a special Thanksgiving lesson. Please bring \$3.00 to cover dinner and snacks.

Youth News

We are very excited to have our new Youth and Children's Director on board. Angel Doeblen comes to us from Florida, with her husband Ross and two sons, Christian and Mack. Our youth groups can look forward to continuing their walk of faith with active lessons and fellowship. Look for more news from Angel as she settles in to her new church family.



Missions Operation Christmas Child

We are pleased to announce that Kitty Hawk Church will again be the Collection Relay Center for all of the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes in Dare County. Volunteers will be needed to collect and organize the boxes being dropped off by various organizations throughout the county. We need your help in reaching our goal of 400 boxes this year for our church alone. Brochures with information on filling your box are available in the Sunday school lobby and on the table in the narthex. Filled boxes can be left on the table in the Sunday school lobby November 16-22. On Nov 22, please have your boxes to the church by 12:00noon. Please remember to include \$7.00 per box to cover shipping costs. Contact Jennie Rook or Connie McGlaughon if you would like to volunteer, or for more information on this wonderful ministry.

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT SUNDAY November 29, 2009

Thanks to generous gifts on United Methodist Student Sunday, talented students attending United Methodist-related and other accredited colleges and universities receive scholarships and loans. Your special offering on the last Sunday in November, guides promising students. Please prayerfully consider giving generously!

THANKSGIVING FOOD BAGS

The Outer Banks Food Pantry is asking for food donations for the holidays. The donations will be given over and above the customary items. Following are the items they would like to include:

Instant Potatoes	Sweet Potatoes
Stuffing	Green Beans
2 nd Vegetable	Cream of Mushroom Soup
Cranberry Sauce	Muffin Mix
Turkey Gravy	Turkey Broth
Pie Crust Mix	Canned Pumpkin Pie Mix
Evaporated Milk	

Consecration Sunday

November 15

During worship on Consecration Sunday, November 15, we will be asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world. Every person who completes an ESTIMATE OF GIVING card does so voluntarily by attending worship that Sunday. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card. We will do NO home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During worship, our Pastor will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship. Last year's campaign was very successful, and we have had a good year in the midst of a difficult economy. Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Laity Sunday

November 22

Please join our church leadership on Sunday, November 22, as they lead us in worship. This traditional and annual event was established by the General Conference, and focuses on the celebration of the ministry of all lay Christians who are called to minister wherever Christ would have them serve.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The next dinner meeting of UMM will be Tuesday evening, November 17, 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Men are cordially invited to attend on the 3rd Tuesday of each month for a fine meal, devotion, and speaker. We encourage all men to join us for men's fellowship and to learn more about UMM missions.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Each year, our membership looks forward to a wonderful time of Christmas Worship Music from our Choirs. This year the performance will be presented on Sunday, December 20, at both services. Look for more details in the December Newsletter.



CHURCH DECORATING

Come join your church family on Saturday, December 5, 9:00am, to adorn the Sanctuary with greenery for the upcoming Advent Season. The tradition of our members and friends decorating our sanctuary has always brought us closer together at this special time of the year.



From the Mailbag

**Our thanks for the love and support of our KHUMC family.
Thanks for the many phone calls, cards, and visits.
Thanks also for the delicious dishes.
Most of all, our thanks for your prayers.
Love, Ernie and Betty Gard*

**Many thanks to my church family for your prayers and concerns during Bobby's illness and surgery.
He is on the road to recovery.
Please continue to keep us in your prayers.
Blessings to all, Bobby and Marie Mason*

**Thanks to everyone who came to the annual picnic. The games were great, the food outstanding, and the Joyful Noise never sounded better. It was a remarkable time of fun and fellowship.*

George Bugyi, Family Picnic Committee



Christmas Banquet

December 8, 2009, 6:30pm

The annual church Christmas dinner will be held in our fellowship hall where our church family can begin the Christmas season together. We will enjoy a meal followed by a program of music and carol singing led by the Joyful Noise. Child care will be provided by our church nursery staff, for small children, with the children's dinner available at no charge. To ensure that all attendees are accommodated, **a total headcount is needed by December 1.** Be sure to purchase your tickets prior to that date. Also, **a total count of children attending must be received** at the church office by that same date. The price per person is \$12.00 for adults and youth partaking of the buffet. The buffet is free for children under the age of 12 years. The dinner will be catered by Captain Bob's. The menu includes turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, yams, collards, salad, rolls, sweet/unsweetened tea, coffee, and assorted desserts. Please see any UMM member for tickets throughout the month of November.

Memory Verse

*"Honor your father and your mother
So that you may live long in the land
the Lord your God is giving you"
Exodus 20:12*



Looking ahead:

Dec 1 Council on Ministries (7:00pm, Seekers Room).
Dec 4 KHUMC Hosts District Christmas Party (Clergy / Spouses).
Dec 6 KHUMC Hosts Worship at Britthaven (3:45pm).
Dec 7 Christmas Concert Curtis and Allison at Holy Redeemer.
Dec 8 Annual Christmas Banquet.
Dec 13 Christmas Drama.
Dec 20 Adult Cantata.
Dec 24-28 Office Closed.
Dec 24 Christmas Eve Services.
Dec 25 CHRISTMAS DAY.
Dec 29-31 KHUMC Staffs OBX Food Pantry (2-4pm).
Jan 1 Office Closed.
