

## Assisting During Worship Today

	<b>8:30 AM Service</b>	<b>9:50 AM Service</b>	<b>11:15 AM Service</b>
<u>Welcome Center</u>	Kathryn Bradbury	Darcy Campbell	Karen Chapell
<u>Greeters</u>	Geri Ritchie Keith Bradbury	Brad Jones Mary Morgan	Bill Wade Velma Markins
<u>Ushers</u>	Jon Ryburg Carol Ryburg Bill McCay Marcia McCay	Mike McCalla Dawn McCalla Sara Atwell Mark Roberts	Mary Talbott Jane Hamilton Beth Hardcastle Gail Girbach

Coffee Hours Carol Bowers & Harry Drury  
(All are welcome to fellowship in the Atrium between services.)

### Dexter UMC Birthdays this week: *Not listed? We may not have you in our records.*

Feb. 12	Mitchell Clark	Tracy Kapusansky	Diana Milne
Feb. 13	Meghan Brown	Rachael Sakowski	Susan Stickradt
Feb. 14	Mark Brown	Wesley Kuhn	Paul Snowwhite
Feb. 15	John Orr	Donna Piper	Becky Sipe
Feb. 16	Sarah Burke	Jared Scott	Bob Wilkins
Feb. 17	Dan Gubachy Marty Overholser	Tanya Mazurek Gloria Shore	Steve Miller Quentin Wade
Feb. 18	Craig Karagitiz		

### Dexter UMC – Weekly Reader

#### Today –

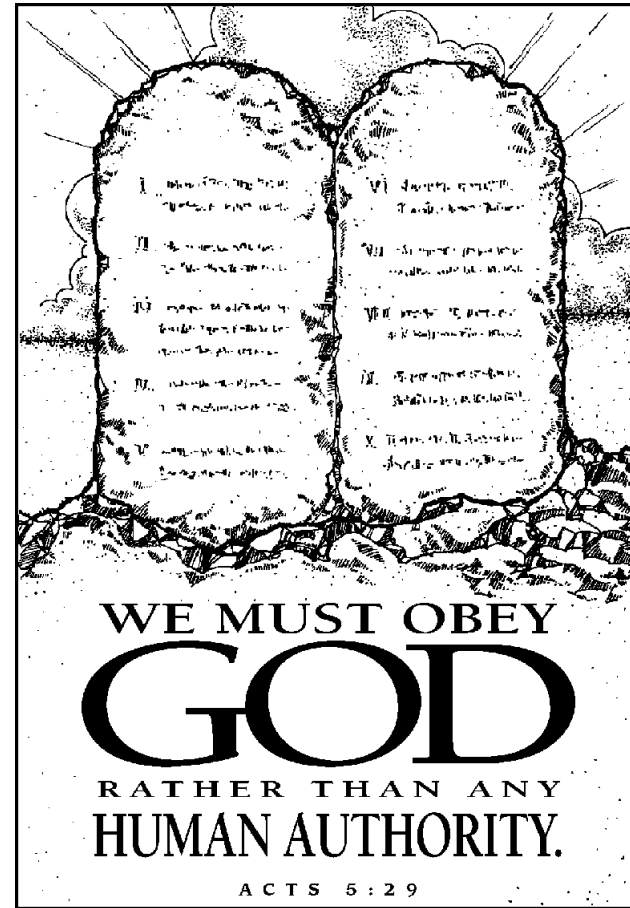
- Visit the Atrium, get a cup of coffee & donut hole, and then take a stroll to see the many opportunities available to you!
- FPU (adults) Youth Groups & AWANA (children), 5 PM – 7 PM

#### This Week –

- Thursday Fellowship Dinner in Newkirk Hall, 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
- Single Moms Support Group - 6:30 PM – 8 PM in Rms 216/217 & 218/219
- Sat. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> – Cass Mission Meal, contact Mark Roberts for more info
- Sun. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> – Fair Trade Coffee Sale between services in the Atrium

#### Planning Ahead –

- Wed. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Special Fellowship Dinner in Newkirk Hall, 5:30 PM-6:30 PM. Ash Wednesday Worship Service will follow at 7 PM in the Sanctuary.
- Sat. Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> – Habitat for Humanity Italian Dinner & Silent Auction
- Sun. March 11<sup>th</sup> – Daylight Savings Time begins! ([spring forward Sat. night](#))
- Sun. April 8<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday – 7:07 AM, Sunrise Service on Peach Mountain; 8 AM Pancake Breakfast in Newkirk Hall (until 11:15 AM); 8:30 AM, 9:50 AM & 11:15 AM Worship Services
- Sat. April 14<sup>th</sup> – Feed My Starving Children, contact Tom Snyder for more info
- Fri. May 4<sup>th</sup> – Chick-fil-A Leadercast, registration at 8 AM, program runs from 9 AM until 4 PM in the Sanctuary.



## February 12, 2012

*Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*

**DEXTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

7643 Huron River Drive, Dexter, MI 48130

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Visit our website at [www.dexterumc.org](http://www.dexterumc.org)

*Church Office Hours:*

**Mon. – Thurs. 9 AM – 4 PM**

*(Friday, Pastor's day off)*

**Fri. 9 AM – 1 PM**



*Prayer is to your soul as blood is to your heart! Our Chapel, located in the Ed. Bldg., is available during church office hours to all in need of a quiet & lovely place for prayer.*

## 8:30AM Order of Worship

*"We have come to worship him" – Matthew 2:2*  
Please silence all cell phones & pagers.

### **Musical Call to Worship \***

*Elsi Sly*

### **A Time of Praise**

*"Come Christians Join to Sing"*

*# 158, v. 1, 2, 3*

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

*# 384, v. 1, 2, 3, 4*

### **Call To Worship**

*Leader: Steadfast in purpose, God in Christ calls to us,*

*People: Offering protection from the night, and love that empowers the day.*

*Leader: Christ longs to draw us close.*

*People: That we may know His love overflowing, intent on embracing the world.*

*ALL: Responding to His call, we draw close to Christ. Amen.*

*"Gloria Patri"*

*# 70*

*Prayer Chorus "Jesus, Remember Me"*

*# 488, v. 1*

*Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer*

*words on front screen*

### **A Ministry Moment**

### **A Time of Welcome & Giving**

*Offertory "Lord, Reign in Me"*

*Worship Choir*

*Offertory Response "My Tribute"*

### **A Time of Proclamation**

*Dr. Matthew J. Hook*

*GENESIS: "Alien"*

*Genesis 21 -24*

### **Hymn of Commitment**

*"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

*#140, v. 1, 2, 3*

*"Seek Ye First"*

*Kids Praise*

### **Benediction & Postlude**

*Elsi Sly*

\* *OUR NURSERY is available for infants up thru preschool. Rocking chairs & our CRY ROOM are located in the rear of the Sanctuary.*

*Liturgists: Pastor Denise Kasischke  
Pastor Steve Bringardner*

*Techs: Donna Piper, Jim Reisinger*

## 9:50AM & 11:15 AM Order of Worship

*"We have come to worship him" - Matthew 2:2*  
Please silence all cell phones & pagers.

### **Musical Call to Worship <sup>+</sup>**

*Worship Band*

*"Seek Ye First"*

*Kids Praise*

### **A Time of Gathering & Praise\***

*"Great is the Lord"*

*"He Reigns"*

*"Desert Song"*

*Children are excused for W<sup>3</sup> (11:15 AM)*

*Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer*

*words on front screen*

### **A Time of Welcome & Giving**

#### **A Ministry Moment**

*Offertory*

*Sue Aeschliman & Cindy Nixon*

### **A Time of Proclamation <sup>+</sup>**

*Dr. Matthew J. Hook*

*GENESIS: "Alien"*

*Genesis 21 - 24*

### **A Time of Response**

*"Blessed Be Your Name"*

### **Benediction & Postlude**

*Worship Band*

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+ *9:50 AM - Sunday School, 3-years - 6<sup>th</sup> grade, start in Newkirk Hall. 11:15 AM - Kids (4-years thru 10 years), meet the W<sup>3</sup> leader at the Welcome Center. Adults, pick up your children downstairs in the Ed. Bldg. after the service.*

*9:50 AM Liturgist: Pastor Steve Bringardner*

*Techs:*

*Miles Woodard, Jerry Black*

*11:15 AM Liturgists: Jeremy Hannich  
Tom Snyder*

*Techs:*

*Janis Valdmanis, Bill Parsons*

## Sermon Notes & Study Guide for Genesis 26 – 30

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**Tuesday: Read Genesis 27. Jacob Takes Esau's Blessing. A “must read!”** One of the most fascinating accounts of Genesis. Jacob and Rebekah feel compelled to “help God out,” even though the promise was given at birth, and Esau's hatred is fueled. Anger, fear, & separation are the result. In what ways have you not trusted God, or “helped God out,” to the point of falling short of God's best? Pray that God would help you trust God and commit to do the right thing at all times.

**Wednesday: Read Genesis 28. Jacob's Sets Out to Marry, Jacob Dreams of “Jacob's Ladder.”** Jacob is back in Haran, alone and frightened. God appears to remind Jacob of His covenant, and adds “I am with you and will watch over you where ever you go.” Today, by the Holy Spirit, God is truly with us. Can you tune in to God's presence with you throughout today?

**Thursday: Read Genesis 29. Jacob & Laban, Rachel, & Leah.** Jacob the deceiver is himself deceived! Jacob loves Rachel, but Leah, who is older, is given to Jacob for marriage. He works for 7 years, and then for 7 more years. And “When the Lord saw that Leah was unloved...” God blesses her with children. What do the names of Leah's sons reveal about her? What happens when she finally praises God, rather than looking for Jacob's approval?

**Friday: Read Genesis 30. Rachel & Leah; the Birth of Jacob's 12 Sons.** Now Rachel is jealous. They give their maidservants to Jacob (a custom of that day, in that region), and Jacob's family grows. Jacob continues scheming, but also acting shrewdly in his business dealings. What are you doing now? What could you be doing that would be proactive?

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**The flowers on the altar** today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Billy DeFoor's birthday by his mom Marcie Bringardner. **The rose bud on the altar** today welcomes Teagan Lee Harkin, born to Stacey & Ronan on Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>. Her siblings are Aoife & Kiera Harkin, her great-grandparents are Marge & Gil Campbell.

## Prayers & Concerns

♥ Susan Musleb ♥ Vicki Aeschliman ♥ Kathy Stivers ♥ Bob Piatt ♥ Aline Tolle ♥ Aral Gribble ♥ Dirk Goodwin ♥ Dick Northrup (Rick's dad) ♥ Dave Howard ♥ Dennis Burke ♥ Audrey Ritt ♥ Steve Vasko ♥ Betty Carrick ♥ Mary Kimmel ♥ Bert Olton ♥ Richard Wheeler ♥ Anne Kapela ♥ Evelyn Grannis ♥ Jack Donaldson ♥ Jeanne Barry ♥ The Piper Family ♥ Haiti Mission Crew ♥ Roger & Jane Boyce ♥

## Recently experienced the loss of a loved one

The family of Linda Ormsby in the loss of Linda on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Judi Oldfield (♠Bill Schnorenberg) in the loss of Judi's mother (Edie Dusold) on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

\* Names remain on our Prayer Requests & Concerns list for 4 weeks. To return someone's name for an additional 4 weeks, contact Cathy ([cathyleadley@dexterumc.org](mailto:cathyleadley@dexterumc.org)) in the office.

**Invitation to the Old Testament** in Rm 203/204 during 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> services. Learn more about the Old Testament, how the Bible came to be, and how to study God's word. In one week (Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>) we will begin Invitation to the New Testament!

**Jesus Goes to the Movies II** in Rm. 205 (9:50 AM) – It's easier, more convenient, and more pleasurable than ever before to sit by ourselves watching images on a screen. Yet the people who provide these images do not know us, love us, or necessarily have our best interests in mind. How might we make use of media and still retain our sense of self, community, and our relationship with God? This Sunday School class considers that question.

**Did You Know** – The United States, with only 4.6 percent of the world's population, uses 30 percent of the world's resources and creates one-third of its solid waste. Each American produces 4.5 pounds of garbage per day. From *The Hopeful Earth* by Dyck and Ehrman, recently studied by Church & Society, which meets each Sunday in Rm 207 at 9:50 AM. This Sunday we begin a new study based on Rob Bell's book *Love Wins, A Book about Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived*. You're welcome to join us.

**Fair Trade Coffee Sunday**, February 19<sup>th</sup>, in the Atrium between services. Be adventurous this month and try a new blend – or really step out of your comfort zone and try the tea. Your purchases support small farmers, Heifer International, and UMCOR.

**Seeking a DUMC Relay for Life team leader.** Dexter's Relay will be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> in downtown Dexter. If you are interested in leading the DUMC Relay team, or just want to inquire about it, please contact Lin Rider ([plrider@sbcglobal.net](mailto:plrider@sbcglobal.net)). The Relay Kickoff meeting is on Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 PM at the Dexter library. The Relay is a real blessing to our community and those affected by cancer; please consider leading or walking an hour for the Relay.

**World Day of Prayer** is looking for people to help put together the event to be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Joe's country church. This year's service was written by the women of Malaysia. If you are able to provide Malaysian food or help with music and advertising, please contact Jan Cook ([janet.cook114@gmail.com](mailto:janet.cook114@gmail.com)).

**The Health Connection is looking for health care volunteers** to help with monthly BP checks, teaching first aid or CPR or potentially any educational programs. Please contact Chris Colver if you are interested in joining (734.253.6007 or [ccolver@gmail.com](mailto:ccolver@gmail.com)).

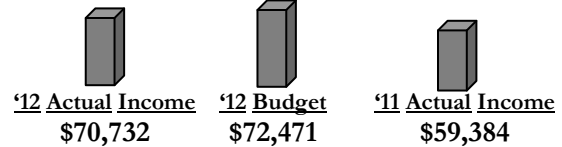
## Announcements & Prayer Requests

# Sunday, February 12, 2012

*Our Mission: "Love God, Love People, Serve the World, for Jesus Christ"*

## STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

2012 Offering Summary – thru January



Average Attendance in January was 411; on February 5<sup>th</sup> 456.

(In 2002, attendance on this Sunday was 404.)

## For Our Children

Pastor Denise, [denise@dexterumc.org](mailto:denise@dexterumc.org)

**Kids Praise** at 9 AM in Newkirk Hall (K thru 6<sup>th</sup>) with Robin Woodard

**9:50 AM – Sunday School** (3-years thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade), in the Ed. Bldg.

**11:15 AM – W<sup>3</sup> Worship, Wonder and the Word** (4 thru 10 years) in the lower level Ed. Bldg.

**AWANA – Children's Bible Club** (in Ed. Bldg. & Newkirk Hall), 5 PM to 7 PM!

**For Our Youth** Jeremy, 734-474-1607 or [youthguy@dexterumc.org](mailto:youthguy@dexterumc.org)

**Youth Groups** (*most Sundays*) – **Middle School** meets from 5 PM – 6:30 PM & **High School** from 7:15 PM – 8:45 PM. "Chow Time" is 6:30 PM – 7 PM in The Edge.

**HS D-Groups – Meeting on Wednesdays**, 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM at Jeremy's house; join us for breakfast and Bible study. (*Rides to school provided.*)

**CPP training** will be offered on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 PM to 2 PM in The Edge, with a light lunch served. Contact Bill Parsons with any questions (734.546.2681 or [billparsons@charter.net](mailto:billparsons@charter.net)).

**We are looking for paid nursery workers** to join our Nursery staff, which can include Saturday & Sunday mornings and Thursday & Sunday evenings. This position may expand as our programming and childcare needs continue to grow. If you are interested or are aware of such a person, contact Denise Kasischke ([denise@dexterumc.org](mailto:denise@dexterumc.org)).

**If you would like to have your infant or child baptized at Dexter UMC**, please contact the church office ([secretary@dexterumc.org](mailto:secretary@dexterumc.org) or 734.426.8480). We will schedule a class for parents in the near future.

**IN COLLEGE?** If you are a college student and are interested in getting into a college-aged Bible study in Dexter, contact Jeremy Hannich ([youthguy@dexterumc.org](mailto:youthguy@dexterumc.org) or 734.474.1607).

**CONCERTS4aCAUSE** – fourth season winter concert to benefit IHN @ Alpha House, a shelter for local children and families experiencing homelessness will be **Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM** at the **Northside Community Church** (929 Barton Drive, Ann Arbor). Admission free, tax deductible donations to IHN @ Alpha House gratefully accepted. Performers include: MOT principal violist John Madison, A2SO violinist Beth Kirton, area University faculty and students, including: UM soprano Caroline Helton, pianist Kathryn Goodson, UM string and wind ensembles, EMU pianist Adrienne Clark, and Northside Community Church Bell Choir under the direction of Sheree Clark.

### **Prayers for our Men & Women Serving in the Military**

◆ **Andre Roman Marshall** (nephew of Linda Goodrich-Weng) ◆ **Ashley Johnson** (daughter of Judy & Brent) ◆ **Cliff Short** (cousin of Cheryl & Robert Woods) ◆ **Cole Hatch** ◆ **Dave Imber** ◆ **Doug King** (father of Douglas King) ◆ **Jeremy Wainwright** ◆ **Joe Keene** ◆ **John Maybon** (nephew of Dawn & Mike McCalla) ◆ **Julie Wiles & Lynette Wiles** (cousins of Paula Burns) ◆ **Keith Black** (nephew of Jerry & Mary Black) ◆ **Matt Hattie** ◆ **Megan Wiseley** (daughter of Mark and Sonja) ◆ **Meredith Hazel** (cousin of Dawn & Rick Northrup) ◆ **Nicholas Wiseley** (grandson of Richard & Diths) ◆ **Ryan Melchi** ◆ **Sean Walters** (grandson of Terry Walters) ◆



**ITALIAN DINNER & SILENT AUCTION – Only 13 more days!** It's a great way to eat out with other church members while supporting the 2012 Habitat for Humanity "Good News" House. **Auction items such as services, gifts, gift certificates, donations, homemade items, etc can still be donated.**

**"Kid's Drawing" items are also needed.** Dinner workers and servers are needed too. **Sign-up flyer is posted in the Atrium.** For more info, contact Judy Murray (424-9262 or JudithM188@aol.com) or Dan Teare (475-7250 or dansueteare@earthlink.net).

**Blessed Binds Bookstore** has some exciting news to share! After just 2 ½ short years of operation, we are making enough money not only to make donations to church missions, but also to pass on the blessings to the whole congregation! **All regular-priced books will be 20% off – indefinitely!** We can now also offer small groups 30% off their orders! We stock our shelves in the hopes that our church family will find resources to help them love God, love people and serve the world for Jesus Christ. And remember, if you can't find what you're looking for...we take special orders!

**Dynamic Marriage Course** – Improve your marriage! Whether you've been married 3 years or 30 years; have a good marriage or just an OK marriage, this stimulating and challenging 8-week course will TRANSFORM your relationship. Course runs Saturday evenings beginning March 10<sup>th</sup> (pre-session) through May 12<sup>th</sup>, 5PM to 7:30 PM. This small group format is limited to 12 couples so sign up now! Contact Gary or Lauren Sculli (734.726.5097 or 901.483.4338) for more information.

**Teen MOPS** – next meeting will be **February 25<sup>th</sup>** at Dexter UMC, from 11 AM - 1 PM (location TBD due to Italian Dinner preparations in Newkirk Hall & kitchen). If you are a high school aged or young 20-something mother or know of someone who would benefit from this support group, please attend or spread the word about our biweekly meetings in Newkirk to learn how to grow in motherhood. Contact Samantha Oliver for more info (olivesam@gmail.com).

### **Did You Know...**

- **UMM** will be providing meals for **Cass Community Social Services** in Detroit on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>? Sign-up sheet in Atrium. For more information, contact Mark Roberts (734.426.5506).
- **The 2011 Silent Auction and Italian Dinner** raised \$8,600 as our contribution to Habitat for Humanity for the "Good News Houses" that we work on each year?
- We have a new ministry designed to help widows, single moms, and seniors with home repair problems (electrical, plumbing, etc.) utilizing skilled, experienced church members – **HANDIWORKS?** Contacts are Mara (734-476-3830) & Janis (734-476-7532) Valdmanis.
- **You can use an interactive order form** found on the church website (DexterUMC.org → Missions) to select non-commercial gifts from the **Gifts Unto Others** catalog to honor people on special occasions? You can order, as always, on the paper order form found in the catalog.
- Our **"Job Board"** is located on the bulletin board outside the church office? If you are looking for a job, check it out. If you have a job opportunity, submit it to the office for posting.

### **Community-wide Ministry event – Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Wanted:** 500 volunteers, 2 hours time, \$24,000

**Mission:** to prepare/package 100,000 meals in one day

Please help us... as the Dexter community churches join together in Christian fellowship and ministry to prepare and send into the world 100,000 healthy meals to feed the hungry and starving in the United States and around the world through **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN** ministries (fmsc.org)

Find out more at the booth in the Atrium... or talk with Tom Snyder, Brad Jones or Jeremy Hannich.

**RED BIRD MISSION WORK CAMP, April 29-May 5.** Lend a hand with the church's work in Appalachia at Red Bird Mission. Join us for a week of home repairs and other outreach projects in the mountains of southeastern Kentucky. Informational meeting Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM in Room 207 of the Ed. Bldg. Questions? Call Rick Fitzgerald (734-355-1329) or Cathy Fitzgerald (734-255-9392). Registration and a deposit of \$175 per person due March 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Hunger Hamper and Faith in Action** – The Hunger Hampers located by each doorway near the sanctuary are the places where many of you regularly drop off grocery items that are donated to our local Faith in Action program. These donations are serving our community needs by providing assistance to Dexter area residents who need emergency assistance. Currently the needs at FIA include: saltines, brown sugar, any sort of spices, CEREAL, salad dressings, SYRUP, salt, mayonnaise, relish, cocoa mix, LIQUID DISH SOAP, all purpose spray cleaner, wax paper, plastic wrap. Thank you for your continuing contributions.

### **Good Things to Know at Dexter UMC...**

- **LOST & FOUND/LEFT BEHIND** (dishes, clothes, etc.) is located under the bench near the main entrance to our Ed. Bldg., with coats located near Newkirk Hall. Jewelry & small items located on the bulletin board over the drinking fountain near the church office. All unclaimed items are donated to our Spring (end of April) & Fall (end of September) Rummage Sales.
- **JOB SUPPORT GROUP – Dexter Community Network** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 8:45 AM at the St. Joseph Parish Village Church Hall in Dexter AND 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6:30 PM at the Dexter Library. The group meeting is designed to help those in job transition. **If you are unemployed or underemployed**, we are here to help you make connections with your job search and to act as a sounding board as you make the transition to new employment. Contacts are Joe Star (248.891.7091, Dexter UMC) and Chuck McGonigle (734.646.9945, St. Joseph's Parish).