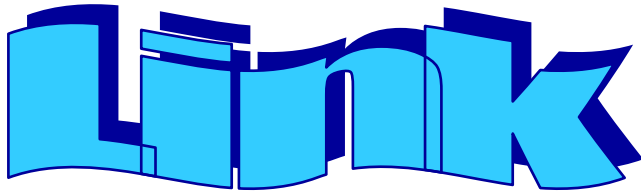


The Auburn United Methodist Church



Living by Son-Light



Some of our days seem very dark. Sickness, the death of a loved one, the loss of a job or another struggle overshadows life. In our despair, it can be difficult to sense God's presence. If God were here, we reason, surely he'd be shining his light on our dark circumstances.

When life is bright and joyous, it's easy to sense God; the sun becomes a natural metaphor for God's Son, Jesus, the Light of the world. But even on cloudy days, the sun still shines, its presence not bound by our limited vision. And in the darkest night, the sun remains; the warmth it gave before dusk lingers, enough to preserve us into the dawning of a new day. Sometimes we even catch its reflection in the moon.

"Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning" (Psalm 30:5b, NRSV). Trust in God; even in life's dark times, the Son still shines!

A decorative border of red apples with black outlines and small black stems with leaves, arranged in a rectangular frame around the text.

It's Apple Pie time again!! Pie sales will be Saturday October 15 and Saturday October 22, 2011. The price is \$7.00 per pie and we are also offering pie boxes for 1.00 each this year. Call the church office ASAP or place your order form in the basket in the fellowship hall to get your order in. We will also be needing help with preparing the pies on Wednesday evenings (Oct 12 and 19 at 6:30), Friday mornings (Oct 14 and 22 at 8:00 am), and on Saturday mornings (Oct 15 and 22 at 8:00 am). Please join us for fun and fellowship!! Note: No prior experience needed.



Potluck and Mission Speaker

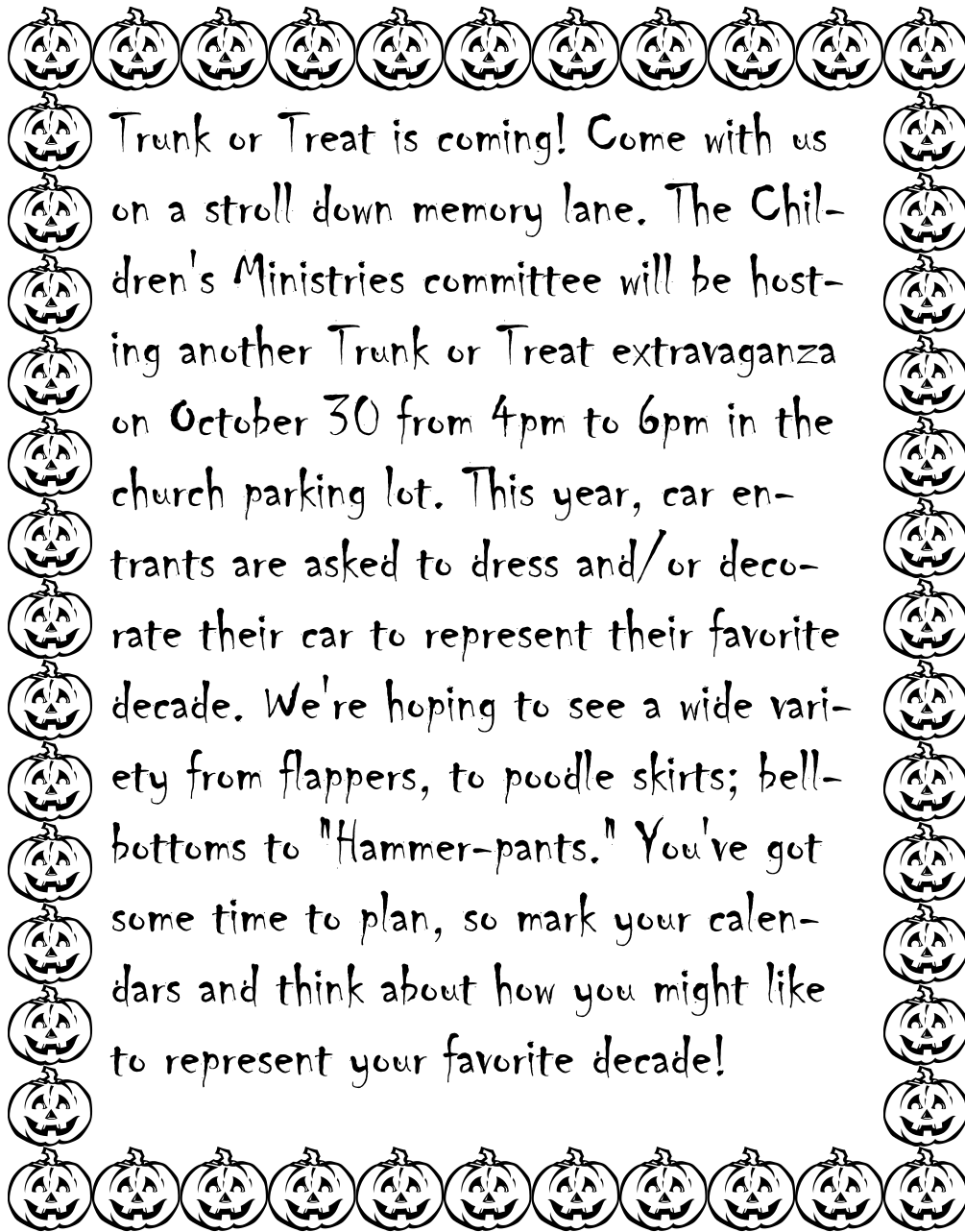


Monday, October 10th a potluck at 6 p.m. will begin our celebration of the missions of the UMC. "Let it be known: The Mission Continues" is the theme of a week of celebrating the mission of the UMC around the world. Churches on the Saginaw Bay District will have the opportunity to hear from speakers from various missions and agencies about the connectional ministry of our denomination that enable us to be Christ's presence in countries around the world. Karen J. Ujereh will be with us and will speak at 7 p.m. following the potluck. Karen is works with the General Board of Global Ministries in New York. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service which will help expedite clean up.



Operation Christmas Child still needs your help! Grab a post-it off the Children's Ministry board, on the North end of the Fellowship Hall, and take it with you on your next grocery trip! Supplies still needed include Ziplocs, large rubberbands, boys & girls socks (all sizes), boys underwear (all sizes), coloring books, toothbrushes & toothpaste, combs and hair accessories. We hope to see you and your family at our Packing Party on Sunday, November 13 at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall.





Trunk or Treat is coming! Come with us on a stroll down memory lane. The Children's Ministries committee will be hosting another Trunk or Treat extravaganza on October 30 from 4pm to 6pm in the church parking lot. This year, car entrants are asked to dress and/or decorate their car to represent their favorite decade. We're hoping to see a wide variety from flappers, to poodle skirts; bell-bottoms to "Hammer-pants." You've got some time to plan, so mark your calendars and think about how you might like to represent your favorite decade!

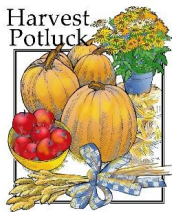
Regular writing is a rewarding, beneficial way to improve your spiritual life. Journaling allows you to:

- express thoughts and emotions in a safe way,
- analyze problems and find patterns,
- face fears by writing them down,
- record and remember God's work in your life,
- record prayers and answers,
- remember life lessons that God is teaching you
- and stay focused on your priorities.

To begin, all you need is a pen, paper and some regular quiet time.

Scripture and Sermons for October

- October 2, 2011 Isaiah 58:6-9a "Ministry With" Guest: Mary Gladstone-Highland
- October 9, 2011 Philippians 4:1-9 "Rejoice always? Really?"
- October 16, 2011 Mark 3:13-14\Matthew 6:6 "Serving from the heart: Time in prayer and presence"
- October 23, 2011 Confirmation Sunday
- October 30, 2011 Matthew 6:16-26 "Serving from the heart: Treasure to give"



Adult and Family Ministry will be hosting a church potluck following the second service on Sunday, October 9. Please bring a dish to pass. Meat will be provided.

October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	1/8
Worship Service 8:30 & 10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Confirmands-Mentor 5-8 pm	Trustees 7:00 pm		Carving Club 6:30-9:00 pm	Choir Practice 7:00 pm Prayer Team 5:30 pm		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Worship Service 8:30 & 10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Potluck Youth Group 6-7:30 pm Children's Sabbath		UMW General Meeting 1:00 pm Finance 7:00 pm	Carving Club 6:30-9:00 pm Caring Ministry 5:30 pm Worship Committee 6:00 pm Apple Pie 6:30	Choir Practice 7:00 pm	Apple Pie 8:00 am	Apple Pie Distribution 9:30 - noon
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Worship Service 8:30 & 10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Youth Leadership Council 4:30-6 pm Youth Group 6-7:30 pm	Church Council 7:00 pm		Carving Club 6:30-9:00 pm Apple Pie 6:30	Choir Practice 7:00 pm Prayer Team 5:30 pm	Apple Pie 8:00 am	Apple Pie Distribution 9:30 - noon 11:00 am Confirmation Rehearsal
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
10:45 am Worship ONLY Confirmation Youth Group 6-7:30 pm		Martha Esther circle 9:30 am Mary Ruth Hope Circle 7:00 pm	Carving Club 6:30-9:00 pm	Choir Practice 7:00 pm		
30	31					
Worship Service 8:30 & 10:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Trunk or Treat 4-6 pm						

GREETERS, USHERS, PRAYER ROOM AND WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship Leader: October 2,9,16,23,30; Penny Parkin 10:45

Worship Leader: October 2; Bud Stevens 8:30

Worship Leader: October 9,16,30; Janet Rahl 8:30

October 2

Greeters: Jerry & Joan Schrott 8:30; Alison Binns, Kevin Myers 10:45

Ushers: Steve & Kelly Krueger 8:30; Chris Ambrose, Rob Samborn 10:45

Prayer Room: Gloria Putnam 8:30; Janet Samborn-Stevens 10:45

Children's Church; Linda Czyzewski

October 9

Greeters: Don & Stella Tomkinson 8:30; Denise Horswill, Shelby Thompson 10:45

Ushers: Ben Norton, Nancy Simpson 8:30; Ed Putnam, Travis Miller 10:45

Prayer Room: Trudy Pischel 8:30; Gretchen Rodammer 10:45

Children's Church; Kim Weitzel

October 16

Greeters: Don & Stella Tomkinson 8:30; Denise Horswill, Shelby Thompson 10:45

Ushers: Dennis Rogers, Bud Stevens 8:30; Alison Binns, Kevin Myers 10:45

Prayer Room: Joan Schrott 8:30; Linda Czyzewski 10:45

Children's Church; Amy Samborn

October 23 **10:45 ONLY**

Greeters: Jo Dhyse-Mahl, Betty Stoddard 10:45

Ushers: Shayne & Debbie Tyler 10:45

Prayer Room: Kayla Roosa 10:45

Children's Church; Jennifer Miller

October 30

Greeters: Kathy Gilson, Pat Lyvere 8:30; Jo Dhyse-Mahl, Betty Stoddard 10:45

Ushers: Bernie & Sheila Hoy 8:30; Bill & Liz Shephard 10:45

Prayer Room: Sheila Hoy 8:30; Sue Plessner 10:45

Children's Church; Linda Czyzewski

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Hannah Erwin

3 - Bev Eschenbacher

6 - Mark Filcek

8 - Brian Gray

Lora Keenan

Tom Gilson

Samantha Rodriguez

Becca Rodriguez

Adam Rodriguez

9 - Ronnie Fahrner

11 - Patricia Greene

13 - Steve Krueger

Darleen Randall

14 - Hope Bellows

17 - Roger Anderson

Marc Morris

18 - Wes Samborn

Travis Plessner

Lynn Harris

19 - Lavora Jones

Sandy Burr

20 - Dale Anderson

21 - Connie Sprague

Dorothy Skyrme

22 - Ruby Christopherson

24 - Jean Smith

Don Spaulding

28 - Darla Gairns

Ken Louks

Patricia Lyvere

31 - Ron Meylan

Roye Burr

OCTOBER

ANNIVERSARIES

10 - Travis & Jennifer Miller

12 - Chris & Linda Ambrose

20 - Sam & Irene Samborn

24 - Dennis & Connie Rogers

Auburn United Methodist Church

207 S. Auburn Rd.

Auburn, MI 48611

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 2:00pm

Pastor’s Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am - Noon

989-662-6314

Website: auburnumc.org

Email: auburnumc@sbcglobal.net

www.Facebook.com/AuburnUMC



Serving Christ since 1875

Church Staff

<i>Pastor:</i>	<i>Duane M. Harris</i>
<i>Coordinator of Music:</i>	<i>Sara Messbarger</i>
<i>Coordinator of Youth Ministry:</i>	<i>Kayla Roosa</i>
<i>Office Administrator:</i>	<i>Patti Behmlander</i>
<i>Organist:</i>	<i>Sue Ambrose</i>

Our Vision Statement

A passionate, Spirit-led community where people meet and serve Christ.

Youth Corner



Calendar Sales! Get your 2012 Calendar from a student in youth group today. We are selling the calendars for \$10 to assist in raising funds for our Mission Trip to Nashville next Summer! Please see a student to purchase your calendar today!



Are you looking for a way to get involved with the youth group? A small, simple way would be to provide a meal for our Youth Leadership Council. We meet the 3rd Sunday from 4:30-6pm every month and have promised a meal for that time. Please see the youth board at the top of the stairs outside the Sanctuary for a sign-up sheet.



Looking to get some assistance with raking your leaves? Stop by the youth board to sign up for yard-clean up so we can prepare in advance! You will be contacted at the end of the month for more details.

October 2: No youth group – Confirmands and mentors will be participating in a session on United Methodist History & Beliefs from 5-8pm, dinner will be provided.

October 9: Youth group from 6-7:30

October 16: Youth Leadership Council 4:30-6

Youth Group 6-7:30

October 23: Youth group 6-7:30

October 30: Trunk or Treat 4-6, corn maze after

Watch the bulletin and your email, and out Facebook page for more details!