The Chimes

REV. STEPHANIE LEE WELCOMED AS NEW PASTOR AT CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Please note that this article ran in The Review.)

Alliance... Sunday, June 30, Christ United Methodist Church will welcome their new pastor, the Rev. Stephanie Lee, during the morning service.

Rev. Lee was appointed to Christ United Methodist at the June 17-20 Annual East Ohio Conference. The church's out-going minister, Rev. Dr. Karl Stonebraker, was recognized at the conference, also, as one of the retiring clergy.

Prior to coming to Christ United Methodist, Rev. Lee served as the pastor of Centenary United Methodist Church and Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, in Akron, Ohio, from February 2009 to the present.

Before Centenary, she served seven years as pastor of Manchester United Methodist Church, a small congregation located in the Portage Lakes area, just south of Akron, Ohio, and three years as Program Associate at First United Methodist Church in Cleveland, Ohio. There her ministry included establishing and directing a gospel choir, a children's choir, and a spiritual care ministry to uplift and encourage the women and children housed nightly in the church's emergency shelter for women.

As a seminary student, she was the director of the seminary's Gospel choir. Prior to and during her years at seminary, Rev. Lee served for 14 years as Music Director for Rust United Methodist Church in Oberlin, OH, providing other pastoral ministry duties as needed.

Rev. Lee's ministry has been characterized by a focus on worship and spirituality. She is well known for using her skills and passion in a ministry of healing, wholeness and reconciliation, effectively reaching people of many cultures. A classically trained violinist who possesses a deep love of Gospel Music, she has developed and presented workshops on "History of Music in the African American Church" and on the Spirituals. Her passion for "drawing near to God" has led her to delve deeply into spiritual disciplines, and spiritual healing and wholeness. Her ministry has included a focus on such disciplines as the Taize sung prayer, the labyrinth walk, Lectio Divina and others.

Within the Canal District of the East Ohio Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Rev. Lee currently serves on the district Committee on Ordained Ministry. In 2010, she was one of a select group of pastors in the East Ohio Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church who provided workshops on the 141 Sermons of Wesley. Just this past year Rev. Lee was voted Pastor of the Year by the Canal District's Lay Speakers Association. Rev. Lee has also served on the East Ohio Annual Conference Church and Society and Conference and Jurisdictional Worship Committees.

Her ministry strengths and skills include pulpit ministry -- worship planning, individual and corporate pastoral care through ritual and worship, and educational ministry for people of all ages. She is certified in DISCIPLE Bible Study, the LOGOS Youth Program and as a Labyrinth Facilitator. Her training in ministry includes Theology and Films. She has had much experience with music ministry with people of all ages. Rev. Lee is well-known for her ability to help other people realize their calling. She is often sought for her leadership, guidance, and support by laity and clergy, alike.

A native of Cleveland, OH, Rev. Lee is a graduate of Methodist Theological School in Ohio where she earned a Master of Divinity degree and a Master of Arts in Christian Education. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Music Performance from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music. Formerly a free-lance violinist and a singer, she has performed in many venues in the Greater Cleveland area, including the pit orchestras of renowned artists such as Tom Jones, the O'Jays, and many others. She is currently a member of the Akron Symphony Chorus.

Rev. Lee is the mother of three adult children, stepmother of one and grandmother of five.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!!

Sunday, June 2, 2013, Christ United Methodist Church received six Confirmands into our church membership. **Brandon Handy**, son of Kimberly and Jason Handy, **William (Will) Kinser**, son of Jennifer Jo and Tyler Kinser, **Jacob and Joshua Shields**, sons of Christian and Eric Shields, **Zachary Smith**, son of Tracy and Michael Miller and great grandson of Carolyn Miller, and **Aerien Starkey**, daughter of Amy and Craig Starkey.



Front Row: Will Kinser, Brandon Handy, Aerien Starkey and Rev. Karl Stonebraker Second Row: Josh Shields, Zachary Smith and Jacob Shields

WORD OF THANKS......

Dear Members of Christ Church,

Thank you so much for your prayers and good wishes during my hospital stay and recovery, at home.

Thank you also for the lovely carnation vase and many thanks to Pastor Karl for his visits. Susan Burden

Thank you to Jane Helwig, for her visits and the flowers were very much appreciated. Thanks again. Sorry to be so late.

Don and Willie Gray

DID YOU KNOW?

A former co-pastor of Christ United Methodist Church from 1982-1988, Rev. Joan Skelley-Watts, retired from the ministry at the end of June. Cards and well-wishes can be mailed to Rev. Joan c/o Grace United Methodist Church, 13406 West Lake Road, Vermilion, OH. 44089.



The Excitement is Building!!

Thank you!!! Once again the members of Christ Church stepped up and showed up in force for the Habitat Apostle Build on Saturday June 1. Approximately 20 church members showed up to help install ceiling drywall and outside insulation. Not only was it great fellowship but we actually got a lot accomplished. By the end of the day we had completed all the ceiling drywall for the entire house which allowed Habitat to get their insulation people in a week early to insulate the attic and walls. Thank you to everyone that showed up to help! Great job!!

If you were unable to help with the build, we have another opportunity to help with this very worthwhile mission project. Christ United Methodist Church will be responsible for the lunch on July 13th. We will need to provide lunch for about 30 volunteers at the job site. If you are interested in helping with the lunch please let Mark Locke or the Church office know. It is important that you let us know if you plan to help so we can keep you informed of any changes.

Part of our responsibility is to provide 1/12th of the funding for the home. Each church is responsible for raising \$5000 for the project. If you can help get us to reach our goal please send your pledge or money to the Church.

This is a very exciting mission project for Christ Church, please take this opportunity to get involved!



Apostle Build



WHERE: CUMC Parking Lot 470 East Broadway St., Alliance, OH

WHEN: July 6th, 2013 – 6pm – 8pm RAINDATE: JULY 13th

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR AUGUST

USHERS

Jim Greiner - Captain

John Christian	
Mike Greiner	
Arnie Hirvela	
Charlie Manypenny	

Keith Noble Bill Sol Ward Tuttle Dave Williams

SANCTUARY GREETERS

- 7 Ellen & Bill Sol
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 The Kinser Family
- 28 Donna Essick
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 - LITURGISTS
- 7 Jim Greiner
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 Peg Rodefer
- 28 Patti Hirst

TELLERS

- 7 Bill Prueter & Helen Bower
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 Pat Helsel & Marilyn Ruff
- 28 Jill Greiner & Donna Essick

WELCOME CENTER GREETERS

- 7 Lou & Bob Clayton
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 Rev. David & Mildred Hostetler
- 28 Cynthia Carlin & Charlie Manypenny

NORTH & WEST DOOR GREETERS

- 7 Phyllis & Bill Messenheimer
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 Carol & Frank Woolf
- 28 Connie & Larry Pyers

ACOLYTES

- 7 Hunter Frank & Michael Shields
- 14 Methodist Worship @ Silver Park
- 21 Kevin Aeling & Bryce Skidmore
- 28 Will Kinser & Michael Shields

COMMUNION STEWARDS

July	Diane Hisey/Patti Hirst
August	Tyler & Jenni-Jo Kinser
September	Ellen Sol/Betty-Jo Sutherin
October	Susan Haddox

USHERS

Tyler Kinser - Captain Chuck Cline Linda Montgomery Treva Cline Greg Ruff Roger Frank Brian Skidmore Chris Martin Nicholas Skidmore

SANCTUARY GREETERS

- 4 David Hoover
- 11 Amy Starkey
- 18 Susan Haddox & Victor Lee
- 25 Mary Lu & Rodney Warstler

LITURGISTS

- 4 Mary Lu Warstler
- 11 Keith Noble
- 18 Diane Hisey
- 25 Jamie Greiner

TELLERS

- 4 Tyler Kinser & Bruce Helsel
- 11 Marilyn Bower & Bill Messenheimer
- 18 Nancy Sandifer & Mildred Hostetler
- 25 Jan Essick & Nancy Prueter

WELCOME CENTER GREETERS

- 4 Corrine & Arnie Hirvella
- 11 Helen Brown & Peg Williams
- 18 Ellen & Bill Sol
- 25 Dick Diser & Peg Williams

NORTH & WEST DOOR GREETERS

- 4 Peg Rodefer & Sue Burden
- 11 Jill & Jim Greiner
- 18 Corrine & Arnie Hirvela
- 25 Cynthia Carlin & Charlie Manypenny



CARNATION DAYS IN THE PARK

"I need one with the works!!!" That's right, it's that time of year again, when Christ United Methodist Church, will be selling their famous 1/3# Sirloin Burgers, at Carnation Days in the Park. It seems as though we just finished selling them, how time flies!!! So, this year we are seeking volunteers, to come out and have a great time of fellowship, by either: working the counter, working the money desk, flipping burgers, stacking mushrooms, onions and cheese, wrapping or the job of separating the cheese. All of these jobs are important and are not possible without your help! Carnation Days in the Park, will be held on Wednesday August 14 – Friday August 16, from 4 – 9 and on Saturday August 17 from 1 – 10. Please sign up, in the lounge or in your Sunday School Room, as to when you will be at the booth. Thanks for your support of this important project!!





NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSION SCHEDULING TO BEGIN SOON

Scheduling will soon begin for photo sessions for our new church directory! All church members and our visitors are encouraged to participate! Lifetouch is generously offering one free 8" x 10" photo of your choice as well as a free church directory to all who take part.

There are 3 easy ways to sign up for a photography appointment: use the sign-up sheet in this issue of the Chimes; OR sign up online beginning in mid-July from a link on our church's website (<u>www.cumcalliance.org</u>); OR sign up before or after church on: July 28, August 4, August 11 or August 18.

The minimum number of sessions a day is **20**. Less than 20 and we may need to cancel a day. Photo session days are: Wednesday, August 28 - 3 to 9 p.m.; Thursday, August 29 - 3 to 9 p.m.; Friday, August 30 - 3 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, August 31 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please plan to allow one hour for your photo session.

Photos taken by Lifetouch for our previous directory (2008), if available, may be reused at an additional cost. Copyright permission is required if another professional photographer took the photo; there is a submission fee for non-Lifetouch photos.

An automated phone call from Lifetouch will announce the project and remind members of scheduled photo sessions.

A new photo directory for our church family - how wonderful!! Please plan to be a part! Thank you!

Additional information and a pre-scheduling form are in this *Chimes*. Questions? -contact the church office at 330-823-7136.

YOUR PHOTO DIRECTORY PLANNING TEAM Pettie Shields (Admin. Secretary) Jan Essick & Julie Greiner (Layout Coordinators) Cynthia Carlin (Publicity Coordinator) Peg Williams (Hosts / Hostesses Coordinator for Photo Sessions) Jane Helwig (Appointment Coordinator)

> DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2013 CHIMES WILL BE THURSDAY AUGUST 15, 2013. ARTICLES CAN BE SENT BY E-MAIL TO: church@cumcalliance.org, OR THEY CAN BE PLACED IN THE MAILBOX, OUTSIDE THE OFFICE.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES......

They have finally made it! The papers are finished, the tests have been taken, and now they are graduates. They are closing one chapter on one part of their lives and beginning to write a new one. Congratulations, Graduates, from your Church family!

AMY ESSICK

Graduate, Kent State University (May 11, 2013), B.A., Theatre Studies, Focus in Stage Management. Moving to Florida to participate in Disney College Program

TRAVIS CLINE

Graduate, Ohio State University (May 5, 2013). Plans to attend Veterinary School at the University of Missouri

VICTOR LEE

Graduate, Kent State University (December, 2012), PhD in Computer Science. Working as a Visiting Assistant Professor at John Carroll University

KAYLA HANDY

Graduate, West Branch High School (June 2, 2013). Plans to attend The Purpose Institute (Bible College) to major in Ministry and Psychology

NICHOLAS SKIDMORE

Graduate, Alliance High School (May 19, 2013). Will be attending Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, OK to major in Sports Media and Strategic Communication

EMILEE STRONG

Graduate, Southside High School (May 23, 2013) and Beaver County Career and Technology Center (June 7, 2013). Will be attending Bowling Green University this fall

JACOB SUTTON

Graduate, Marlington High School (May 26, 2013). Will be attending the University Of Mount Union majoring in Mathematics and playing soccer

CHRISTIAN SHIELDS

Graduate, University of Cincinnati (June 2013) Summa Cum Laude, with an Associate of Applied Science in Early Childcare and Education

It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone. Ephesians 1:11

JULY CELEBRATIONS!!!!!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Aaron Cade
- 3 Vivien Reid
- 4 Arden Tuttle
- 5 Kristen Freeman
- 6 Ruth Allison
- 9 Ben Springer
- 9 Betty-Jo Sutherin
- 9 Barb Hamlin
- 9 Jason Reese
- 9 Jan Essick
- 11 Randy Ruff
- 12 Richard Post
- 12 Betty Thorpe

- 12 Donna Essick
- 14 Jennifer Knoll 16 Jeff Hunter
- 16 Rachel Thomas
- 17 Denise Aeling 17 Wil' Rogers
- 19 Jean Webster
- 19 Robin Jones
- 20 Tony Sutcliffe
- 23 Pearl Beatty
- 25 Zachary Kinser
- 31 Larry Pyers
- 31 Betty Poole

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Jack and LaVerne Edwards (63 Years)
- 1 Greg and Marilyn Ruff
- 3 C. Hubbard and Mary Louise Ford (68 Years)
- 8 Kim and Jason Handy
- 10 Donald and Patti Shaffer
- 12 Mike and Jamie Greiner
- 15 Elvin and Jean Madison (62 Years)
- 15 Kenneth and Dianne Young
- 25 Dan and Lucinda Feess
- 25 Susan Haddox and Victor Lee

AUGUST CELEBRATIONS!!!!!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Haven Ackley
- 4 Nicole Strong
- 5 Bill Messenheimer
- 5 Linda Krepps
- 7 Emmerson Frank
- 10 Hunter Frank
- 10 Jack Morris
- 13 Amy Kirk
- 16 Karl Stonebraker 18 Norma Wasson
- 20 David Hostetler
- 20 Kenneth Bibbee
- 27 Susan Burden
- 31 Alice Dumm
- 31 Paul Cope

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Joe and Jennifer Knoll
- 3 Karl and Pam Stonebraker
- 4 David and Leslie Austin
- 4 Jeffrey and Michelle Dillon
- 8 Charles and Cindy Winner
- 10 David and Ruth Williams
- 11 Bruce and Patricia Helsel
- 25 William and Marion Barnes
- 27 Jim and Peg Williams

Dear fellow members and friends of Christ United Methodist Church,

We are planning our new church photo directory. The Lifetouch photographers will be here August 28-31, 2013. You have the opportunity to sign-up now for your portrait sitting and select the best appointment time for your schedule. Return the bottom portion of this letter to the church office, attn: Directory Committee or sign-up online at: www.cumcalliance.org or www.lcd-neo.com.

Regular sign-ups will begin Sunday, July 28th before and after our 10:00 A.M. Worship Services. The last day to schedule your appointment will be Monday, August 19th.

This new directory will help us get to know everyone better. For your participation, you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a copy of the new Christ United Methodist Church Family Picture Album. During your portrait session, you will have several portraits taken, view the poses, and choose the one you like best for the directory, all in one visit. You will also have the opportunity, with no obligation, to purchase additional portraits. Please allow one hour for the entire process.

If you will not be scheduling your appointment online, please complete the information below. Mark your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices for the time period that works best for you. We will do our best to assign you an appointment time within the time period you prefer. Scheduling will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. We will email you your appointment time, or you can check back later after weekend sign-ups start.

Families that are out-of-town for extended periods or have college students away at school can go to <u>www.appt.lifetouch.com</u> to find a location near them to be photographed.

The directory will not be complete without you.

Name:		Phone	:	
Address:		City:		_Zip:
Email:		Best tir	ne to contact:	
Number of Adults:	and children	to be photographed	d. Total	

Please indicate 1st, 2nd, 3rd choices below.

Wed 8/28	Thu 8/29	Fri 8/30	Sat 8/31
3-5 pm	3-5 pm	3-5 pm	10 am-12 pm
5-7 pm	5-7 pm	5-7 pm	12-2 pm
7-9 pm	7-9 pm	7-8 pm	2- 4 pm

Christ United Methodist Church, 470 East Broadway Street, Alliance, Ohio 44601-2698 Phone: 330-823-7136 Web: <u>www.cumcalliance.org</u> Email: <u>church@cumcalliance.org</u>

Join us as we CONNECT our families

Please be a part of our new family directory program—we need YOU to make our new family album complete!

Let's put names with faces. We have chosen to partner with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our members and tell our story.

Convenient

Lifetouch will photograph at our location. In your one-hour session you will:

- Check-in
- Be professionally photographed
- Immediately view your portraits
- Have an opportunity to purchase additional portraits

When was the last time you or your family had a professional portrait taken?

Portraits are valued family keepsakes. Watch for more information coming soon about the opportunity to schedule your portrait session.

We look forward to seeing you!



Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory for participating



Exciting products turn your portraits into cherished memories

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July - August 2013 Chimes Calendar for Christ United Methodist Church, Alliance Ohio

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN UNIT MEETING

There will be no unit meetings, in July or August.

The next unit meeting will be: Tuesday September 3rd and will include a Salad/Dessert Supper @ 6:00, in the Fellowship Hall.

UMW Executive Board will not meet, in July or August!!

CIRCLES:

Dorcas Circle Will not meet in: July or August

M&M Circle Will not meet in: July or August

> May Smyth Circle Will not meet in: July

UMW JUNE'S UNIT MEETING "MINUTE TO WIN IT"

President, Pat Helsel, welcomed members and guests to the last unit meeting of the season. This meeting was held at Copeland Oaks, Western Reserve Room, and was a potluck picnic supper and an evening of games and fellowship. Sheila Gard, Spiritual Growth coordinator, gave devotions and the invocation.

Following the delicious supper, President Pat Helsel, led the group in numerous "Minute to Win It" game: CUP PYRAMID STACK AND RESTACK - Ruth Williams; CLOTHESPINS IN THE BOTTLE - Paul Black; DICE ON A SPOON; Bobbie Wright; BUCKET HEAD -Sheila Gard and Ellen Sol; CUPS AND CARDS -Carolyn Miller; REMEMBER TRAY - Ginny Robart; YOU'RE NUTS - Pat Gotschalk; COLOR M&M's IN CUPS - Helen Brown. Winners were awarded a butterfly sticker. Just a fun evening!!

The evening concluded with members reciting the United Methodist Women Purpose.





Music Department announces openings for all adult choir positions:

- The Altos have voted to add two (2) additional positions with standard fringe benefits and a 25% increase in pay in each of the next 5 years.
- The Sopranos, not to be out done, voted to add two (2) additional positions with higher fringe benefits and a 50% increase in pay in each of the next 7 years.
- The Basses decide they couldn't compete with the women, but have four (4) positions available. Please contact a bass for the low down.
- The Tenors were initially reaching too high, but finally decided one (1) or two (2) additional tenors would probably be sufficient to counterbalance the additions in the other sections.
- The bell choirs currently have 3 positions available and are willing to pay time and a half for anyone who joins the vocal choir and the bell choir.

If you are interested, contact any choir member, the Church Office, or Lew Shields.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CORNER

In our children's Sunday school curriculum for June was an article about World Environment Day (WED). It was celebrated on June 5th this year and people around the world shared in activities that help us become more conscious of the environment. WED has been a United Nations program since 1972 with the purpose of stimulating worldwide awareness of the environment. The article listed the "ABC's that include many ideas to avoid waste and prevent pollution. This is a summary of the information provided.

- A Act now and make the decision to become more aware of issues related to food waste. Adopt as many eco-friendly lifestyle choices as you can and make them habits for WED.
- **B** Bring a cloth bag to do all your grocery shopping. A reusable bag will last for years and only needs to be used 5 times to have a lower environmental impact than a plastic bag. Bring a mug with you wherever you go for take-out beverages, so you avoid using paper cups.
- **C** Consume locally! You will help reduce the demand for cutting down forests in foreign countries to meet export demands. Choose naturally grown foods. They have less of an environmental impact and are much healthier.

*The full World Environment Day ABC's list will be available in our lounge.

Why should WED and projects like that is important to us? Because it hits us right in the heart of our Christian stewardship. God has appointed all Christians to be His stewards on earth. As The Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30) shows, Christians will be held accountable for the way in which they manage God's affairs as. It is imperative that we learn how to keep God's planet in good condition for each other and for generations to come. For more information about environmental consciousness visit the WED web site at: <u>http://www.unep.org/wed/</u>.

Peace,

Dr. J



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- 7 Ruth Allison, 1277 S. Sawburg Ave., Alliance, OH 44601
- 14 Rose Wright, 141 W. Carol St., Alliance, OH 44601
- 21 Olympia Helsel, 800 S. 15th St., #9-220, Sebring, OH 44672
- 28 Ruth Rankin, 800 S. 15th St., Apt. 8-201, Sebring, OH 44672

AUGUST VISITATION MEMBERS

- 4 Howard Cope, 125 E. Simpson St., Apt. 316, Alliance, OH 44601
- 11 Dick Post, 2452 S. Linden Ave., Alliance, OH 44601
- 18 Donald Brown, 65 W. Oxford St., Alliance, OH 44601
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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR THE 21st CENTURY UPDATE:

AS OF JUNE 15th:

PLEDGED: \$294,425 RECEIVED ON PLEDGES: \$202,922.58 RECEIVED WITH NO PLEDGES: \$13,405.90 TOTAL RECEIVED: \$216,328.48

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MONDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 22 - 26 9 AM TO NOON each day For children going into grades 1 - 6 Limited to the first 50 Children to register

Featuring classes in handbells/chimes, drums, rhythm instruments, crafts and Bible stories.

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