



# new community united methodist church

## **COMMUNITY NOTES**

July 17, 2008

Dear church family,

Wow!! What an amazing church this is!! I am continually surprised by the amount of things going on around here!! You folks ROCK!

Mom and I want to thank you for your warm and gracious welcome. We have felt embraced by you from the minute we hit town. We have been fed and cared for in so many wonderful ways! We have attended our first "Get Acquainted With the Pastor" meeting and it was so much fun. We are looking forward to meeting and getting to know all of you! Please continue to "feed" us your names as we talk. It will take us a while but we'll get them all down eventually.

I am busy learning the process and procedures of NCUMC. Please be patient with me and feel free to offer your guidance and support as I get my sea legs. I'm so excited to be a part of this great church – I know we have a bright future ahead of us and I can't wait to get going!

I have met with the Support and Leadership teams as well as several other groups in the church. I feel your energy for ministry. There are so many wonderful ideas floating around that it's hard to know where to begin! As we sort out what is next please offer your feedback. What is your dream for the church? What are you looking for in terms of classes, support, fellowship, service and fun? What moves you? When and where are you most in tune with the voice and touch of God? How is the Spirit working through the church to speak to your life and circumstances?

Speak with me, or a member of the Leadership and Support teams, and let us know your needs, dreams and desires. We are excited to hear from you.

Speak with God and ask for direction, guidance, and

nudges to help you discern how you might fit in to the life and ministry of the church. Would you like to take or teach a class? Would you like to meet with a group of your peers for support or fellowship? Would you like to help with our service ministries or teach children or youth? There are so many ways to be involved – please carefully and prayerfully consider where you might like to join in!

As we move forward I ask for your prayers, for me and my family in this time of great transition, and for the church as we move and grow and find our way together.

Love and Blessings,  
Pastor Kelley

### **Get Acquainted Coffees**

Let's get acquainted with our new Pastor Kelley O'Connor. If you have a desire to host a coffee time, please contact Ginger Straughn at 658-5846. We have seven such events on the calendar, and there will be sign-up sheets on the hospitality table on Sunday, July 13th. We have three scheduled for Oakhurst and four for Coarsegold, with varying days and times.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to meet in small groups and by all means become a host to one!!! Times, dates and locations will vary as several of you decide when to have your coffee time!!

*If this has been forwarded from a friend and you would like to receive it regularly, please email us at [news@newcommunityumc.net](mailto:news@newcommunityumc.net)*

***Sunday, June 1,2008***

Worship Attendance (*Includes childcare and children's activities concurrent with service*)

Morningsong	72
Spiritsong	59
Total	131

Tithes and Offering	\$3,005.00
Offering Plate	99.00
Loose Change	22.50
Sunday School Offering	8.00
Community Meal	178.00
Facilities Gift	28.55
Total Gifts	\$3,341.05

***Sunday, June 8, 2008***

Worship Attendance	
Morningsong	67
Spiritsong	54
Total	121

Tithes and Offering	\$1,640.00
Offering Plate	57.00
Loose Change	30.50
Community Meal Gifts	10.00
Facility Gifts (Use Fees)	623.83
Fair Trade Purchases	4.00
Total Gifts	\$1,866.50

***Sunday, June 15, 2008***

Worship Attendance	
Morningsong	74
Spiritsong	66
Total	140

Tithes and Offering	\$2,098.00
Offering Plate	143.00
Loose Change	18.00
Community Meal	60.00
Fair Trade Purchases	5.00
Total Gifts	\$2324.00

***Sunday June 22, 2008***

Morningsong	70
SpiritSong	42
Total	112

Tithes and Offerings	1,405.00
Offering Plate	70.00
Sunday School	1.00
Fair Trade Purchases	14.00
:Loose Change	16.50
Facilities Gift	1,100.00
Community Meal	182.00
Total	2,788.50

***Sunday June 24, 2008***

Tithes and Offering	1,053.00
Offering Plate	26.00
Loose Change	28.50
Total	1,107.50

***Sunday July 6, 2008***

MorningSong	98
SpiritSong	77
Total	175

Tithes and Offering	4,200.00
Sunday School	6.00
Fair Trade Purchases	13.00
Loose Change	53.00
Facilities Gift	665.00
Community Meal	234.00
Total	5,171.00

***Sunday July 6, 2008***

MorningSong	90
Spiritsong	66
Total	156

Tithes and Offering	3,790.00
Offering Plate	130.00
Sunday School	4.00.
Loose Change	29.50
Facilities Gift	180.00.
Community Meal	35.00.
Building and Improvements	25.00
Totsl	4,193.50

### Community Meal

Once again we are extending the opportunity to become a volunteer for the Wednesday night meal. Our need is for someone to wash and set tables, roll silverware, meet and greet our guests, serve and as always help with the clean-up. Come on out and join us for more information contact Ginger, Sandy or Lois.

If you are interested in planning, shopping or cooking you are very welcome!!! We will celebrate our 4th year of doing the Community Meal on the first Wednesday in September. We have cooked several meals in that time span and new ideas are always welcome!!!!

### Prayer Chain

If you have a Prayer concern or would like to be on the Prayer Chain.

Please Call

Pat Menke 559-658-6946

Jan Heady 559- 683-4235

Kelly Iden @ church 559-683-2652

### All Church Potluck

Come join us on Friday the 26th at 6:00 P.M. for an All Church Potluck. It is a time for food, fun, and fellowship, and you might even meet someone you haven't met before. After the potluck, there is usually a game or two of dominoes being played. So bring your favorite food and come join us. Everyone is invited.

### This Week in our Church

**Monday 21** 5:30 Leadership Team Meets  
**Wednesday 23** **Backpack Team meets at 11:30**  
**in the**  
**Youth Room, 5:00 and 6:00 PM**  
**Community**  
**Meal**  
**Thursday 24** 8:00 AM Men's Study at Chuk-chansi  
**Friday 25** 6:00 PM All Church Potluck  
**Saturday 26** Clothes Sorting at 9:00 AM

## *Financial Recap Ending June 30, 2008*

	Jun 2008	Jun 2007	Year To Date 2008	Year To Date 2007
Weekly Giving	\$9712.00	12,371.98	66,601.86	88,262.98
Special Giving	1,801.16	18,608.37	11,757.98	64,336.07
Designated Income	0.00	0.00	10,415.00	2,875.00
Program Income	88.00	147.00	846.31	4,031.35
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$11,601.16</b>	<b>\$31,127.35</b>	<b>\$89,621.15</b>	<b>\$159,505.40</b>
Pastor and Staff Expense	\$11,498.80	18,955.36	81,202.03	123,992.40
Program Expenses	1,658.14	2,726.50	9,122.48	17,594.38
Operating Expenses	3,212.77	3,916.89	20,817.81	23,991.64
Apportionments/Benevolences	0.00	2,203.25	11,136.00	11,016.25
Buildings and Improvements	0.00	0.00	2,250.37	7,398.16
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$16,369.71</b>	<b>\$27,802.00</b>	<b>\$124,528.69</b>	<b>\$183,992.83</b>
<b>Thrift Shop Net Income</b>	<b>3,286.04</b>	<b>4,452.88</b>	<b>21,941.04</b>	<b>23,889.26</b>
<b>Difference Income/Expense</b>	<b>\$(1,482.51)</b>	<b>7,778.23</b>	<b>(12,966.50)</b>	<b>( 598.17)</b>

Staff

**Administrator**

Kelly Iden

**Custodian**

Tamara Straughn

**Thrift Store Manager**

Ron Nisar

**Director of Music**

Monika Moulin

**Lay Leaders**

Elizabeth McDaniel, Barb Johnson

**Lay Rep to Annual Conference**

Jan Rawlings

**Pastor**

Kelley O'Connor

**Leadership Team**

Ken Rawlings (Chairperson), Rich Johnson

Erin Mills, Kelly Iden,

Jan Heady, Jerry Straughn, Paul Mertens, Joanie Helm

**Support Team**

Pat Menke (Chairperson), Rob Fisher,

JoAnn Merickel, Russ Mills, Pat Pinckney,

Mike Rawlings, Sandy Edmondson, Ginger Straughn,

**Special Thanks to all the volunteers who keep things running smoothly.**

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—a reconciling congregation—

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