

Bible Talk Back



In John 1:29 John the Baptizer referred to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. This title, Lamb of God, tells us that Jesus came to fulfill all that the sacrificial system in the Old Testament promised. *The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God (Hebrews 9:13-14). For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God (1 Peter 1:18-21).* Sin is a problem for us all. Each of us know the weight of an un-cleansed conscience. This is the good news, God, himself has provided the offering that atones for all our sin, even the sins of the world. In Bible talk Back this week we dive into the heart of this great teaching of the Scriptures. **Please join us – Tuesday at 10:30 A.M.**

WEB SITE: Take a little time and visit our web site, www.sanfordumc.org. Some good things are waiting there for you.

FOOD PANTRY: Current needs for the Food Pantry are: cereal, toothpaste, canned meals like stew or hash. Thank you for your support.

BOY SCOUTS: The Boy Scouts will have their spaghetti dinner at SUMC on Fri. Nov. 4th, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It is \$6, ages 5 and under are free.

COMMUNION STEWARDS: There are opportunities to serve in the upcoming months. The sign up sheet is in the copy room.



WAITING FOR YOUR PLEDGE: To date we have received 46 pledge cards. If you have not turned in yours there is still time. Pledge cards are on the tables at the entrances to the Sanctuary.

CHAIRPERSON: If you are the chairperson of a committee, our church conference is Nov. 9th and we need all the committee reports in by Nov. 1st. Thank you.

SAGINAW BAY DISTRICT CONFERENCE: Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 6:30 p.m. at Coleman Faith UMC. Speaker Rev. Dirk Elliott, Conference Director of New Faith Communities and Congregational Development. Expected to attend are the pastor, the lay member to annual conference, and at least one other leader of the church. \$10 per person, cocktails, plated dinner & entertainment. Please register in advance to 989-793-8838.

21st. BIRTHDAY: Joe Sharpe will be 21 on Nov. 12th. He is stationed at Norfolk, VA in the Navy. Lets all shower him with a birthday card for his 21st and make it a good one so far away from home. AN Joe Sharpe, 483 A Street, Norfolk, VA 23511.

GIVING ENVELOPS: The 2012 Giving envelopes are at the West entrance of the church. If you do not find your envelopes please notify the church office.

FALL UMW RUMMAGE SALE: Thur. Nov. 3rd, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fri. Nov. 4th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You may drop off items starting Sun. Oct. 30 after Fellowship Time, Mon., Tues., and Wed. from 9 to 3.



NURSERY: Sanford United Methodist Church is looking to hire two persons as nursery attendants (16 years old and older). If you are interested or know someone who is, please pick up an application at the church office during office hours. It is a part-time 2 hour a week job, with some added times for additional church events. Sue Thumma, SPRC Chairperson

HELP US HEAR AND SEE: Volunteers are needed to help us operate our **AUDIO/VISUAL:** We need to renew our list. If you are interested please call the church office, 687-5353.

Our Prayers, Presence, Gifts & Service

October 23, 2011

Attendance	Weekly Giving: \$1,367.00	Building Fund
Worship: 86		YTD \$7,444.00
Adult SS: 14	Balance	\$17,168.00
Children:		

Celebrations & Concerns

LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Sharon Wishowski	Pauline Fink	Ann Weir
Jake McJames	Aletha Matica	Bob Beatty
Doug Hall	Cindy Hogan	Kim Wood
Oline Robinson		

Have you visited, talked to or written to a shut-in lately?

Listed below are our known confined members and friends.

If we have omitted anyone who should also be on this list, kindly let the church office know.

Jean Emery: P.O. Box 65, Sanford MI 48657

Keith Francis: Colonial Villa, 5007 Universal Dr., Rm. 208, Midland, MI 48640

Dorothy Joynt: Stratford Village, 2121 Rockwell, Midland, MI 48642

Aletha Matica: Marshall Manor, 1119 Holyrood St. Midland, MI 48640

Bruce Milligan: 5822 N. Lake Dr., Sanford, MI 48657

Shirley Renwick: Stratford Village, 2121 Rockwell, Midland, MI. 48642

Arvella Rogers: Tendercare, 4900 Hedgewood Dr. Rm. 2, Midland, MI. 48640

Ann Weir: 216 Diane Dr., Flushing MI 48433

CHECK IT OUT...

Pastor Cutting's blog is posted on our website at least twice a month at www.sanfordumc.org

Schedule of Events

Sunday, October 30

9:10 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship service (All Saints)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Monday, October 31

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open

Tuesday, November 1

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open
9:00 a.m. Set-up Rummage sale/Grandma's Attic
10:30 a.m. Bible Talk Back
5:45 p.m. SPRC

Wednesday November 2

9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Church Office Open
9:00 a.m. Set-up Rummage sale/Grandma's Attic
6:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, November 3

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Church Office Open
9:00 to 5:00 p.m. Rummage sale/Grandma's Attic
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

Friday, November 4

9:00 to 1:00 p.m. Rummage sale/Grandma's Attic
4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Spaghetti dinner

Sunday November 6

9:10 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship service
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time



A QUICK LOOK AHEAD

November 3rd & 4th UMW Rummage Sale

November 9th, 7:00 p.m. Church Conference

November 13th is Laity Sunday

The Scripture Reading

Romans 14:7-12

7. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves.
8. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.
9. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.
10. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.
11. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."
12. So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE
