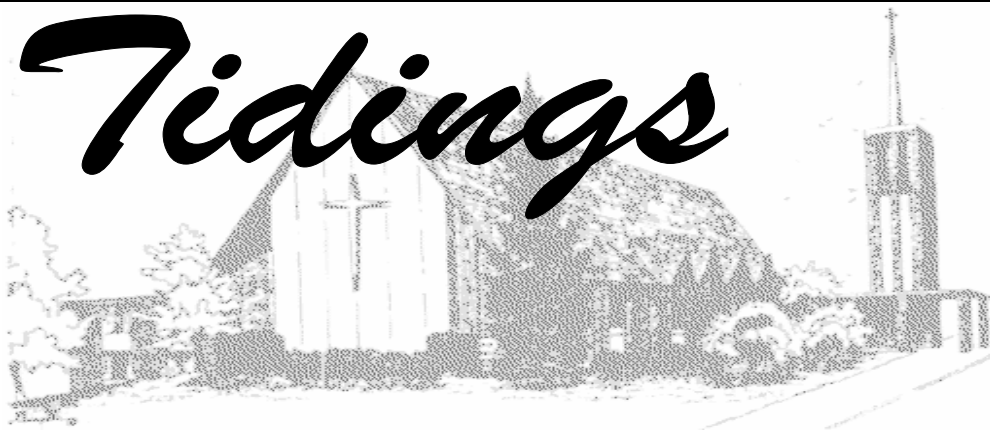


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SUNDAYS

9:30

Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary
and

Contemporary Worship
in the Christian
Life Center

10:30

Coffee Hour

Coming Events

June 30, 1-7 p.m.

Red Cross Blood Drive

July 1

Rev. Hal's first day

July 5

Circus Day at
Ken and Lisa Head's

July 13

Rev. Hal's first Sunday
to preach

Commission Mission
Trippers

Dear New Friends in Christ,

Let me introduce my family. I am Rev. Hal and I have been the senior associate and minister of Christian Discipleship at Rochester St. Paul's for almost nine years. I am a Christian Educator in heart, mind, and spirit.

My wife, Chris, is the new finance director for Cass Community Social Services in Detroit. In addition, she is the treasurer of the board and Finance Committee Chair for the Methodist Children's Home Society (both are ministries of the United Methodist Church and the Detroit Annual Conference). Chris has a heart for the church and non-profit organizations and serves on several community and foundation boards.

Julie is a zoology major, with a concentration in zoo and aquarium sciences. She is hoping to do animal enrichment or conservation education for the public well-being. Currently she is entering her senior year of study at Michigan State University and has just completed a month in Egypt studying historical perspectives of veterinary medicine and natural resource management.

Chris, Julie and I look forward to being with you at Troy First!

Additionally, I have spent significant quality time with your pastor, staff, and staff-parish

committee and I am excited about the possibilities and potentials for ministry together at Troy First!

The transition is going well thanks to Pastor Rich. We have known each other for many years and I feel blessed to follow in the footsteps of my friend and colleague in ministry. Indeed, you have been blessed to have him as your spiritual guide for these last 11 years and I am hopeful that we may be blessed to have Rich and Jan as a part of our community of faith.

It is always hard to say good-bye to dear faith friends that we have shared life and death experiences with for almost nine years and so, as we prepare to leave Rochester St. Paul's, we are experiencing the same separation anxieties that you are with Pastor Rich and Jan.

Tom Bandy wrote recently that: "Churches have been many things over the ages—commune, prayer group, parish, agency, corporation, and institution—but in the new millennium they need to be something else: a team. There is no greater joy than to be a player in the mission field of God. There is no greater challenge than to be a coach for a winning team."

See You In Church, Team!

Rev. Hal

Sunday, June 29, 2008 in the Year of Participation

**9:30 – Spirited-Traditional
Worship—Noisy Sunday**

"Keep on Doing"

I Corinthians 12:4-13, 27-31

SANCTUARY

Rev. Dr. Woody Berkompas

**9:30 – Contemporary-Find
Your Faith Worship**

"Be the Beagle-Dealing with Conflict!"

1 Thessalonians 5:12-15

Matthew 18:15-16

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER

Meg Wilson

Sunday, July 6, 2008 in the Year of Participation

9:30 Combined Worship

"Walking the Same Paths"

Hebrews 12:10-13

Rev. Art Stone



Pastor Rich & Mrs. Jan Peacock
Riverbend Drive
Sterling Heights, MI
(detailed information available in
the church office)

Thank You!

We would like to thank our church family members for your concern, cards, and prayers during the illness and passing of our nephew Alex. It was a long emotional roller coaster process that all of you helped us endure. A website has been set up to honor Alex and his life. It is www.teamaramp.org.

*Bill and Joyce
Rampenthal*

We want to thank Pastor Rich for his visits, prayers, calls, and cards Dotty was in the hospital. We also want to thank all our friends for their prayers, calls, cards and support.

Scott and Dotty Bryson

Blankets Needed

Blankets are being collected by the United Methodist Women for abused women and children. This is a great summer project for those who would like to make a blanket. Any material is fine. Purchased blankets are appreciated as well. A collection box is in the Mercer Hall across from the office..

Preferred sizes are 45" square, 50" square, 60" square and 50" x 60". Bright colors are great! Please contact Ann Goff with any questions.

Thank you for helping with this UMW Ingathering project.

Library Notes

Two books have been donated to the church library that I think you'll enjoy. Three Cups of Tea One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time (shelved at 371.8) has been very popular lately for book study groups. It's the true story of a mountain climber aided by villagers in Pakistan who returned their kindness by helping to build schools in remote villages—especially for girls. Quite inspiring!

The other book titled Journey Through the Psalms by Denise D. Hopkins (223.306) is an in-depth study of the Psalms.

Another recommendation is How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk by Adele Faber and E. Mazlish. (173 on the nonfiction shelves) Some really useful suggestions for dealing with all age kids.

Jan Peacock, Librarian



From the Editor

Next Tidings deadline is July 6 for the Tidings to be mailed on July 14. Please send your articles by email as a Word attachment to donnaklungle@sbcglobal.net

Facilities Coordinator LOVES the Summer!

So, just when you thought the church was slowing down and not going to be busy, I am totally gearing up for a fantastic summer! Starting next week, the traumatic brain injury camp returns for the second year in a row, with Dr. Bloom and Rick Nelson. They will be in our building three days a week this summer for six weeks! I'm very excited to have them back again this year! If you're around on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays, you will see them in action.

The Reading Enrichment Program out of University of Detroit Mercy College will be returning in July and August for five weeks again, their third summer in our building. They will be in Room 118, downstairs, with plenty of windows, light, their own restroom, and air conditioning.

I also have several graduation parties that are happening around the church so if you're invited don't be surprised if the invitation says 6363 Livernois for the address.

The Trustees are looking into re-finishing the CLC floor and that would move all sorts of things around, including coffee hour and the TBI group. If you can't walk in the CLC, it might be because the floor is being refinished. Watch for more information!

Later on in August, we are welcoming Vacation Bible School and one week later South Oakland Shelter. All the logistics for both these weeks need to be worked out and many, many volunteers are needed. Sometimes people accuse me of sleeping in the church. Well, SOS week, we'll have 30+ overnight guests. It'll be so great for them to be able to have air conditioning and take showers without leaving the building.

If you are looking for a great place to hold a party, throw a wedding or baby shower, or a surprise birthday party, we have the space for you! Please keep the church in mind when friends and relatives are searching for a "gathering spot" for 50 close relatives and friends. Our rates are reasonable, and I LOVE helping people throw parties!

We even had a Murder Mystery Dinner Party in June, complete with stars, cars, photographers, and the guilty party.

Call me to reserve your date today!

Lisa Head, Facilities Coordinator

**If you print this newsletter,
please recycle it!**

July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30-4:30 Dr. Bloom's Camp in the CLC/K	2	3	4 Office closed	5 Circus Day at the Ken & Lisa Head's
6 Combined Worship Communion Rev. Art Stone preaching Tidings Deadline	7	8 8:30-4:30 Dr. Bloom's Camp in the CLC/K 12:00-1:30 Meet Rev Hal in the CLC	9 7:30 Men's softball game @ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church	10 6:00 Wedding rehearsal 6:30-8:00 "Rev. Hal gathering"	11	12 7:30-9:00 Men's breakfast 10:00 Rev. Hal meeting with Worship Co-chairs 4:00 Wedding
13 Combined Worship Mission Moment Commission Mission Trippers 10:30-1:30 UMYF Car Wash & Meeting	14 Tidings Mailed	15 8:30-4:30 Dr. Bloom's Camp in the CLC/K 9:30 Staff Meeting 4:00-9:30 RP* in Room 118 6:30-8:00 "Rev. Hal gathering" 7:00 Trustees	16 9:00-4:30 RP* In Room 118 6:00-9:00 UMYF WHO** in the CLC 7:00 Facilities Team in the Chapel	17	18 9:30-5:00 RP* in Room 118 Memorial Service for Bill Baier	19 CLC closed until August 2 to refinish the floor 6:30-8:00 "Rev. Hal gathering"
20 UMYF Mission trippers leave for Pittsburgh Mission Moment SOS Tidings deadline	21 9:30 Baldwin	22 8:30-4:30 Dr. Bloom's Camp in the CLC/K 4:00-9:30 RP* 6:30-8:00 "Rev. Hal gathering"	23 9:00-4:30 RP*	24 10:00—noon LaLeche League in Room 110	25 9:30-5:00 RP*	26 UMW School of Christian Mission @ Howell UMC
27	28 11:30 Fellowship Luncheon Tidings Mailed	29 8:30-4:30 Dr. Bloom's Camp in the CLC/K 4:00-9:30 RP* In Room 118 6:30-8:00 "Rev. Hal gathering"	30 9:00-4:30 RP* in Room 118	31 6:30-8:00 "Hal gathering"		

*Reading Enrichment Program
**Wednesday Hang Out

"Rev. Hal gatherings"

If you wish to attend a "Rev Hal gathering" please sign up with Michelle Freeman or someone on the Staff Parish Relations Committee. There is limited space since they are being held in members' homes.

More handicapped parking

There are restricted parking spaces next to the sanctuary from the fire hydrant to the old entrance. These spots are reserved for our handicapped members and guests on Sunday mornings. Please respect these spaces for our friends who need to park close to the building.

The Trustees



**Come ONE,
Come ALL, to
the Greatest Little
Circus Around!**

On Saturday, July 5, if you're in town, and are interested in seeing a ONE-of-a-KIND miniature display, come to the HEAD BROTHERS' CIRCUS between the hours of 3-6pm. We start setting up the backyard display, complete with 24 train cars and train track, at 7am. We finish set-up about 2pm and welcome anyone who would like to see a handmade, hand-carved, hand-sewn tented 1930's era circus model in 1/12 scale. You won't believe your eyes! Bring friends, bring relatives, bring your camera to 129 Nottingham Ct., Troy, for a sight you won't believe!

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

*** Volunteers needed

<i>Activity</i>	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27
<i>Liturgist</i>	Jane Berquist	Michelle Freeman	Judy Slater	Brooke Olesen
<i>Greeters</i>	Tom, Julie & Nicholas Brown	Beth, Rick, Matt & Chris Churay	Bob & Barbara Schultz	John, Caitlin, Claire & Connor Cracium
<i>Ushers</i>	Lyle Pushman Bill Rampenthal Liz Sidner Doug Smith Tom Stevens	Mike DeVilling Ben Olesen Tom Stevens Justin Urbach	Patti Aurand Chris DeVilling Corwin Hanson Bob Himes	Lyle Pushman Roger Steiger Chuck Tincknell Marie Watson
<i>Crucifer</i>	Mitesh Macwan	Bret Miller	Derek Miller	Ashley Sadlier
<i>Acolytes</i>	Brianne Abdo Jason LaCombe	McKenzie & Zachary Gordon	Lauren Matthews Jessica Moore	Ryan Moore Kara Olsavsky
<i>Sound Engineers</i>	Jane Egermann	Joe Meek	Kaj Ostergaard	Jane Egermann
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Diane Martin	M&E		
<i>Monday Counters</i>	Judy Conley Linda DeVilling Bunny Schultz	Joyce Berard Ben Olesen Lee Ann Teagan	Jane Egermann Nancy Heffron Jayne Saeger	Duane Alling Lisa Head Julie Olsavsky
<i>Trustee on Duty</i>	Art Conley	Bill Rampenthal	Jayne Saeger	LaNae Michael
<i>Altar Flowers</i>	Jan & Joel Garrett for Dan & Ann Sobey's 25th ann.	Anonymous	Swapna Bagchi for Grandson Andres' 1st birthday	
<i>Ringing of the Bell</i>				
<i>Lighting of the Cross</i>				
<i>Jr. Church</i>	Patti Aurand Kathy Sobanski	Lori Ann Rumel Lee Ann Teagan	Julie Olsavsky Anna & Kara	Tom Stevens Cindy Blakely
<i>Nursery (Newborns-Crawlers)</i>	Lisa Michaux Gwen Simon Tina Olesen	Jane Berquist Melissa Meek	Angela DiBartolomeo Chris Knoper	E. Ostergaard Mary Robertson
<i>Toddlers (Walkers-2s)</i>	Becky Head Gary Williams		Jennifer Rivera	Katie Kuiper
<i>3/4 Year Olds</i>	The Mitchener Family	Ann Goff Stephanie McNett	Sharon Ostrander Kristen Truelove	M. Williston Amanda Zeeman