

## What's Happening

### Saturday, May 1

10 am—3 pm—Workshop

### Sunday, May 2

Camping Sunday

8:45 am—Sunday Classes

10 am—Worship

11:30 am—Hot Dog Feed

2 pm—Choir Festival @ Christ UMC

3 pm—Basic Spanish

### Monday, May 3

6:15 pm—Committee Meetings

7 pm—Boy Scouts

7:40 pm—Administrative Council

### Wednesday, May 5

8:45 am—UMW Executive Meeting

6:30 pm—ESL Class

7 pm—Mothers & Others

7 pm—Choir Rehearsal

7 pm—Women's A/A-Youth Room

### Thursday, May 6

9 am—Women of Faith

9 am—Women's Bible Study @

Audrey Greenlee's

6:30 pm—ESL Class

7 pm—Bell Choir

### Saturday, May 8

9 am—1 pm—Lay Speaking Class

10 am—Coffee Klatch @ Insomnia Coffee

4—9 pm—Eagle Scout Court of Honor—Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, May 9

Mother's Day

8:45 am—Sunday Classes

10 am—Worship

Noon—6 pm—Bag-n-Baggage Rehearsal

3 pm—Basic Spanish

### Monday, May 10

7—9 pm—Worship Planning Team

7 pm—Boy Scouts

7—10 pm—Bag-n-Baggage Rehearsal

7:30 pm—Women's Evening Fellowship

7:30 pm—Men's Bible Study—Parlor

## What's Happening (continued)

### Tuesday, May 11

7—10 pm—Bag-n-Baggage

Rehearsal

### Wednesday, May 12

9:30 am—Miriam Circle

12:30 pm—Love Circle

6:30—8 pm—ESL Class

7 pm—Choir Rehearsal

7 pm—Women's A/A-Youth Room

### Thursday, May 13

9 am—Women of Faith

9 am—Women's Bible Study @

Audrey Greenlee's

5:30 pm—Sharing the Journey

6:30 pm—ESL Class

7 pm—Bell Choir

### Saturday, May 15

10 am—Youth Mystery Outing

### Sunday, May 16

Mother's Day

8:45 am—Sunday Classes

10 am—Worship

3 pm—Basic Spanish

### This is YOUR newsletter.

Deadline for May 15 Edition is

Monday, May 10 at Noon.

E-mail articles to:

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I want to thank my church family for the beautiful bouquet of lilies and carnations I found in my office on Wednesday, April 21. ~ Laura Lillegard

### Told Any Good Stories Lately?

Is there something just welling up in you that needs to be told? Personal stories? Stories of faith and witness? Dreams or transformation? This is your chance. During June, a cadre of listeners will invite HUMC members, constituents and friends to tell their stories. We'll be listening!

From the "Thrive" Team

### Coffee Klatch

10 am Saturday, May 8,  
at Insomnia Coffee

### Office Open

Monday-Thursday

8:30 am to 3 pm

Closed on Friday

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### May 1 Edition

### Worship Services

### May 2 – CAMPING SUNDAY Holy Communion

The Rev. Bill Hays will be with us. In 1985-88 Bill was the Associate Pastor at our church. He is currently the pastor at Harrisburg UMC and Campaign Manager of the Time to Grow capital campaign for our camps. Wear your camping clothes! Stay after for hot dogs and fun!

### May 9 – MOTHER'S DAY

Scripture: Acts 16:9-15, Psalm 67, John 14:23-29  
Sermon: "A Dealer in Purple Cloth" About Lydia and radical hospitality.

### Communion Offering:

You heard in the last Spire about Creation Vacation and how to you can be involved as a volunteer Family Friend for this wonderful camp for low-income Latino families. Now there's another way you can help! Support Western Washington County Creation Vacation by contributing to the special communion offering in May. Your gifts will be transformed into opportunities for new friendships and connection with God at beautiful Camp Magruder. For more info, go to [gocamping.org/creationvacation](http://gocamping.org/creationvacation) or contact Mira Conklin at [miraconklin@yahoo.com](mailto:miraconklin@yahoo.com) or 503-828-7444.



*Our hearts,  
our minds,  
and our doors  
are always open*

### Mothers & Others Desert May 2

Tickets for the UMW's Mothers & Others Dessert were sold the last three Sundays. If any remain by May 2, they will be available at that

time. After that, the total will be reported to the caterer and no further tickets will be sold.

"Tell Me A Story" is the theme for this year's Dessert. A professional storyteller will be featured. All women of the church and their friends and neighbors are invited to this event scheduled for Wednesday, May 5, at 7 p.m.

### Special Sundays coming up!

**Camping Sunday:** May 2. Be sure to come for this Sunday devoted to our camping program. You are invited to wear camping clothes.

**Pentecost!:** May 23. It will be Holy Chaos as we celebrate Pentecost and have a concluding celebration for our education program in Morning JAM. Wear a fiery color!

### HUMY (Youth Group)

Mystery outing!

Saturday, May 15

All day.

Meet at the church at 10AM.

Invite a friend for this too-much-fun outing. You need to bring extra shoes and socks and warm clothing. Come prepared to have a really good time!



### Save the date!

Our Summer JAM (Vacation Bible School) will be Tuesday through Thursday, July 20 - 22, in the evening. The theme this year will be: "B1 with Attitude!" It's all about the Beatitudes: food, projects, activities and outreach with an eye toward being Jesus' hands and feet in the world as we learn, grow and serve together.

### Safe Sanctuary Training

Monday, May 17

6-7PM

Safe Sanctuary is our church's policy for making sure the children and vulnerable adults at our church are as safe as we can possibly make them. This free, hour-long training is required for anyone who wants to volunteer with children or vulnerable adults at, or through HUMC. We will meet at HUMC in the Arcade. Please call e-mail Christine ([christine@hillsboroumc.org](mailto:christine@hillsboroumc.org)) or call (503-544-8319) or to register.

### Attention Graduates

If anyone knows of a student graduating from High School, College, Grad School or a Vocational/Trade School please notify the office so we can honor them on Graduation Sunday. Please provide the student's name, where they are graduating from and their future plans. You can leave a note in the office or e-mail Laura at ([laura@hillsboroumc.org](mailto:laura@hillsboroumc.org)).

Graduates will be honored on Sunday, June 20th during worship.



## Gwen's Note

Okay, it's family update time. First, Cody (my Marine son-in-law) has just returned from a 7-month deployment (around the world on a Navy ship). I do not know about any future deployments in the plans. Cody tells me it is both weird and good trying to get to know each other again. Emma continues in a cosmetology school in San Diego and hopefully will finish in late summer or early fall.

Some of you have already heard that Abbe was crowned Miss Portland the evening of April 18<sup>th</sup>. So, she will be competing at Miss Oregon in Seaside once again, July 7-10. She just may (I hope) do another benefit concert here before she goes. I'll keep you posted! Of course, I think she is going to be the next Miss Oregon! Abbe has a major part in "You Can't Take It With You" with OSU Theatre, May 13-15 and May 20-22 at 7:30 p.m. Her Senior Recital is Thursday evening, May 27 at Corvallis United Methodist Church.

We now have a Worship Planning Team. Actually, I'd prefer to call them my "Dream Team." We are planning worship experiences together! This is a warning. We will be trying some new things in worship!

On May 16<sup>th</sup>, the announcements are going to be moved from the beginning to the end of the service. Why? Maybe we will go home remembering what they were (hopefully). Mostly, it will help us with the movement of the service from prelude to greeting to prayer to proclamation to response. Announcements are more of a response than a welcome. Let us know what you think! And.....I will see you in church!!

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Peace, <\ ~  
Gwen // ||

## Leadership Institute at Annual Conference

Change and choices will be apparent at the 2010 Session of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference. Bishop Robert T. Hoshibata has announced that most events of the conference will be held at the Salem Conference Center, four blocks from Willamette University in downtown Salem. The conference to begin on Thursday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m. and end with a celebration of worship on Sunday, June 13. The theme for Annual Conference 2010: **Boldly Making Disciples of Jesus Christ: Embracing Change**, not only speaks to the change of conference location, but the need for change in equipping and empowering local churches and their leaders. With help from a grant from Abingdon Press, we are able to offer **Adam Hamilton's Leadership Institute** for free to the members of annual conference on Friday, June 11, 2010, at the Salem Conference Center. For just \$25, anyone can register for the Leadership Institute. Hamilton will present three workshops on Friday, covering:

## Lift Off! Shepherds

Shepherding is an easy, fun and really helpful way to volunteer with our children. Lift Off! meets during the latter half of the Worship Service. Shepherds act as a set of "extra eyes and hands" for the teachers. All shepherds must go through the Safe Sanctuary training.

A list of those who have already signed up is on the "Worship Assistant" list on the Spire insert. Please let Christine know if you would like to volunteer to help on either of these empty dates: May 9 & 16.

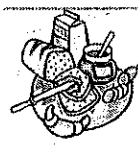
## Are You Ready for Summer?

I know, don't rush through spring, savor the present! But before you know it, Mother's Day will have come and gone. Then, Father's Day and graduation can't be far behind. If you have list of recipients but no clue what to give, consider **\$crip**. But hurry. Weekly **\$crip** sales end June 6.

After June, there will monthly **\$crip** sales until school starts. Do you need to plan ahead for summer outings, quick dinner ideas and summer treats? Check out the **\$crip** options at the **\$crip** Table after worship. Available Sundays now through June 6.

## Morning Snack

The "Worship Assistant" list on the Spire insert is a list of those who signed up to provide a morning snack for our Sunday morning classes. Please bring enough snack for about 12 or so people to the church either by 8:30 Sunday morning or label it and drop it off in the kitchen sometime during the week. Some good options are fruit, cheese, nutritious bagels with light cream cheese - or something totally of your choice. Check with Christine if you have questions.



## Family Ministries Corner

If you haven't noticed, our church is just blossoming with children lately. They are everywhere and are so excited to be at church. One mom told me coming to church was one of her little guy's favorite things to do. He obviously feels welcomed and cared for. You can help children to feel safe and welcomed into our congregation by making an effort to learn their names and calling them by name, by holding a brief conversation with them, by noticing a new haircut or a lost tooth. Learn their parents' names and get to know them as well. Jesus said: "Whoever welcomes a small child in my name, welcomes me" (Matt. 18:5). Church is as much about them as it is about us and it is our privilege to help them understand that.

It's spring and many of our children and youth are heavy into sports, particularly soccer. And, although I look back fondly on the days when sports were limited to non-Sunday days, I support all the kids' athletic endeavors and love to hear about their games and matches. Stay safe and have fun!

Take Care  
Christine

## Annual Conference (Continued)

(1) Effective church leadership (what's the difference between leadership and management?) (2) Ideas for preaching and worship, and (3) Strategies for reaching the unchurched. You may register for the Institute at [www.umoi.org](http://www.umoi.org).

## Is Preaching Your Gig? Want to Give it a Try?

Hillsboro UMC will be hosting an advanced Lay Speaking course called "From Your Heart to Theirs" Saturdays May 8 and 22. A third session will be held some time in June, the date for which be determined by the participants.

Although this is a Lay Speaking class, others are welcome. We will meet in the Parlor from 9:30 until 1:00 so we can take advantage of HUMC's splendid church library. In three sessions, participants prepare and practice a scripture based sermon, a topical sermon, personal testimony and children's sermon. Structuring, writing, finding resources as well as presentation will be practiced during class.

To sign-up, contact Susan Jensen. A \$20.00 fee covers text and expenses.

## Morning JAM

Morning JAM will continue through May 23 this year. After that we will take a summer hiatus. Through May we will be exploring the themes that will be the curriculum at our camps this summer: Be a Hero: Living Like Jesus. Upcoming themes include: accepting others, giving, being a friend, and sharing the Good News! Adults and children learn together in this fun and informative class. Sunday mornings, 8:50 AM. In the fellowship hall. Includes a morning snack and a morning blessing. Drop-ins expected!

## Choir Festival!!

Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>—  
Eastertide Choir  
Festival at Christ  
UMC at 2 p.m.

Each choir participating will perform, then all the choirs will perform two anthems together. Plan to attend this mass choir celebration!



## Around the Parish

### New Baby in our Congregation

Darrell Gerard Lawrence was born Friday, April 23. 6 lbs, 3 oz., 20 inches long. The proud parents are Ben and Barbara Lawrence.

### Iwasaki's Celebrate 60 Years

Akira "Ike" and Mary Iwasaki, long time members of HUMC, celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on April 22.

### In Memoriam

Ron Clark member of HUMC and choir "director" for the Hillsboro High School District, died Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>. He was 96 years old.

### SSHH! It's a Surprise

Mae Hada (now in her 88th year) has recently moved to a senior residence in Newberg to be nearer her family. Mae has been a member at HUMC for at least sixty years and has served in many capacities. She will be in worship on May 2 to greet friends on the occasion of this move.

We want to **surprise** Mae on May 2. In view of her severe hearing loss, we are encouraging members and Mae's friends to send/bring cards or notes that Mae will be able to read at her leisure. You may bring/send cards to the church office. Make every effort to have them here by May 2.

Also plan to be in worship on May 2 to personally greet Mae.

Lefty Schultz

### Youth Sunday Small Group

This Sunday morning class, under the loving guidance of Mary Foote, will continue to meet through May 23. This is a small but lively class and all youth 6th grade and older are invited. 9AM in the youth room.