

# The Church Mouse

NEWSLETTER

CHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Dear Friends,

Summer has arrived and we are busy making our plans. I wish each of you a restful and relaxing summer. Our summer Worship / Sunday School schedule starting Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> will be:

9:30 AM Traditional Worship in Sanctuary and Contemporary Worship in Davidson Room

9:30 AM "One Room" Sunday School in Chapel (grades 1 to 5) and Nursery up to Kindergarten age

I will be preaching at both services except when I am on vacation August 22<sup>nd</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup>.

As we celebrate our 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year we will be sharing with you devotionals written by various people. This issue features a devotional written by our Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar.

**Read Bible Verse:** Deuteronomy 4:9 (NRSV) But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

**Scripture Verse:** Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

**Devotion:**

The admonition of the writer of Deuteronomy to the Children of Israel was to make known to the children and the children's children the ways of God in guiding and directing the nation in the past. This was done so that they would not forget the God who had brought them so far along the journey. A bicentennial celebration should serve to remind us of the same truth – we have become the stewards of a church that has been formed by many generations of our predecessors under the leadership of God.

One of the best expressions of this truth is to be found in the words of the African American poet James Weldon Johnson's in *Lift Every Voice and Sing* (UMH # 519).

*God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.*

The history of Chew's two-hundred years is important as we celebrate what has been. Equally important is the prayer that God will "keep us forever in the path." Our challenge is always to find God's way for each day as it dawns upon us and we continue in the "way". May our children and grandchildren "remember" where we have been even as they seek where God will have them go.

**Prayer:** God, lead us into the light for every tomorrow that we will be the light of Christ in this dark and troubled world. **Thought for the Day:** In every child and grand child may well be the clergy leaders for tomorrow. **Prayer Focus:** Leadership for Christ's Church for tomorrow.

**Submitted By:** Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar

Looking forward to celebrating with each one of you God's love throughout the summer. The sermon series is entitled "If the Church were Christian...Rediscovering the Values of Jesus."

May God Bless you and keep you. In God's Amazing Love, Pastor Bill

## Summer Worship

Beginning Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> there will be:

- A **Traditional Worship** Service at 9:30 AM in the Sanctuary
- A **Contemporary Worship** Service at 9:30 AM in the Davidson Room
- A **“One Room Sunday School”** at 9:30 AM in the Chapel
- The Nursery will be available (Kindergarten age and under)

### Worship Attendance

April 25	222
May 2	222
May 9	264
May 16	268
May 23	221
May 30	189

### Weekly Operations Offerings

April 25	\$7,371.00
May 2	\$5,529.00
May 9	\$4,195.00
May 16	\$5,821.25
May 23	\$5,877.48
May 30	\$3,568.01

### Capital Campaign Giving

April 25	\$ 25.00
May 2	\$300.00
May 9	\$ 35.00
May 16	\$ 95.00
May 23	\$ 84.00
May 30	\$175.00

### World Service Offerings

April	\$ 56.00
May	\$118.63

### Samaritan Fund

May	\$ 89.87
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### Happy Birthday To You

#### July 1<sup>st</sup>

Marjorie Tryon  
Pitman Manor  
P.O. Box 147  
535 N. Oak Avenue  
Pitman, NJ 08071

#### July 15<sup>th</sup>

Sara Sharer  
Gardens at Cross Keys  
Stepping Stones #101  
3152 Glassboro-Cross Keys  
Glassboro, NJ 08028

#### August 1<sup>st</sup>

Gene Ivins  
311 Georgian Drive  
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

### Baptisms



The Lord shall guide thee continually **Isaiah 58:11**

#### April 25, 2010



Molly Ann Walker

#### May 16, 2010



Isabella Sophia Medlar

#### May 16, 2010



Samantha Madison Medlar



### Our Sympathy and Prayers for the Families in the Loss of their Loved Ones and Our Dear Friends



William W. Hackett – April 24, 2010  
Charles D. Filman, Jr. – May 19, 2010  
Lance Weaver – May 23, 2010  
Dorothy Gibson – June 5, 2010

### Congratulations Graduates

**Nikki-Lee Dawson** - Bachelor of Education & Minor in Communications, Richard Stockton College  
**Lauren Maull** - Bachelor of Science, Nursing, The College of New Jersey  
**Ronald Toms, III** – Bachelor of Science/Education/Physical Education  
**Judith Weiserth** – Master’s Degree – Special Education, Wilmington College  
**Beth Welker** – Masters of Science & Occupational Therapy, Thomas Jefferson University  
**Louis R. Wilson** – AOS Culinary Arts, Culinary Institute of America  
**Nikkole Wilson** – Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Summa Cum Laude Rowan University  
**William B. Wilson, Jr.** – History & Secondary Education, Cum Laude, Eastern University

**Baptist Regional High School**

Matthew Klinke, National Honor Society

**Highland High School**

Brooke Ducati

Jennifer Eustace

**Triton Regional High School**

Uriel Awuta Coker

Michael Galas, Valedictorian

Chas Markley

Keith Zimmerman

**Clementon Elementary**

Ryan Spavlik

**Mary E. Volz**

Corey Laubenstein

**Charles W. Lewis Middle School**

Adam Robert Glielmi

**Glen Landing Middle School**

Jonathan Clark

Kara Walker



## What's Happening with CHEWS Youth?

It is hard to believe that summer is almost here and I have been in service at Chews for almost 1 year! This has been an exciting year full of new experiences, learning curves, and an awesome bunch of students.



In April, 9 students participated in the 30 Hour Famine to raise funds to feed the children of Niger. Every 7 seconds a child dies from hunger related causes and our youth wanted to do something to prevent this travesty so we gathered at 6 PM on Friday 4/16/10 and put away our modern day luxuries including our cell phones, dvd's, psp's, and food and took on the personality of a starving child. We learned how difficult it is to find food, how common medical conditions cause death because of the lack of healthcare, and that clean water for drinking, cooking, and washing does not exist. Each student journaled the experience and wrote letters to a child from Niger. At 3 PM on Saturday, we broke our fast with pasta, salad, bread, and yummy desserts. In total we raised \$2,477.94 which will feed 7 children in Niger for an entire year!

In August, twelve 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students will travel to Pottsville/Reading, PA to participate in JUNE project once again. We will spend a week serving the impoverished community by repairing homes, cleaning up trash, planting gardens, painting, and such. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel.

Please stay in touch with us through [facebook](#) (Chews Youth) as we prepare for our new year and exciting new changes within the ministry.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

*Sunday, June 27, July 25, and August 29,:* 7:00 -8:30 PM Youth/Young Adult Service in the Davidson Room.

*Thursday, July 15 through Friday, July 16* - Youth Retreat, Wildwood, NJ All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students welcome. Sign ups on the bulletin board through June 23, 2010. (\$60)

*Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> through Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>* - JUNE Project

*Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>* – 6:00-10:00 PM End of summer Youth BBQ and Bonfire (all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students welcome.)

Sunday Night Youth group will end on June 13, 2010 for the 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Wednesday Night Youth Group will end on July 7, 2010.

Vacation Bible School for all ages will run on *Wednesday evenings July 14<sup>th</sup> through August 11, 2010.*

*Wednesday, September 8, 2010* all youth ministry activities will begin for the new school year for all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students at 6:00 PM. Please mark your calendars.

**For more information about Chews Youth and upcoming events please visit [facebook](#) (Chews Youth), email [ypcherese@yahoo.com](mailto:ypcherese@yahoo.com), or check out our bulletin board located outside of Chereese's office.**



Help kids of all ages (Pre K to adult) discover that if they're willing to be used by God in any situation, no matter how big or small, they can make a difference! With God's power at work, they can be heroes for Christ. This summer prepare to grow closer to God and your church family at Chews United Methodist Church in Glendora, as we all celebrate the power of the Holy Spirit in VBS! Excitement abounds in an all new formatted VBS that is designed to meet the needs of a growing church family. Join us for five Wednesday nights this summer from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM. We'll have a light dinner, praise and worship the Lord, enjoy fun skits, engage in Bible study, do crafts, and learn applications of our faith in the hero lab. End the evening with dessert and music and Christian Fellowship!

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| <b><u>Session 1</u></b> | <b>Wednesday, July 14, 2010</b><br>Heroes do the unexpected! | <b><i>from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM</i></b><br>A servant girl speaks up and God's power heals Naaman.<br>2 Kings 5:1-14          |
| <b><u>Session 2</u></b> | <b>Wednesday, July 21, 2010</b><br>Heroes take Action!       | <b><i>from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM</i></b><br>Shepherds see baby Jesus and tell everyone about the Savior.<br>Luke 2:1-20       |
| <b><u>Session 3</u></b> | <b>Wednesday, July 28, 2010</b><br>Heroes step out on Faith! | <b><i>from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM</i></b><br>An army officer goes to Jesus, and Jesus heals his servant.<br>Matthew 8:5-10, 13 |
| <b><u>Session 4</u></b> | <b>Wednesday, August 4, 2010</b><br>Heroes save the day!     | <b><i>from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM</i></b><br>A boy shares his food, and Jesus feeds more than 5,000 people.<br>John 6:1-13     |
| <b><u>Session 5</u></b> | <b>Wednesday, August 11, 2010</b><br>Heroes stand for truth! | <b><i>from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM</i></b><br>A young man shows courage, and Paul lives to serve Jesus.<br>Acts 23:12-24        |

**Trustee Update**   

Thank you to everyone that came out to help on Unity Day. We will be scheduling one again around the end of September or beginning of October.

Thank you also to all who came out to paint. We are moving along with the carpet and painting in the hallway and Narthex. The Pastor's office has been painted and has new carpeting. We will start carpeting the hallway very soon.



The electrician is working in the church garage to install an electrical outlet and an attic fan is being installed in the parsonage. We are also working on trouble shooting the church chimes.

The Trustees have selected the company to do the central air for the Davidson Room and the other rooms. They will also be looking at a filtration system for the down stairs.

We will continue to raise money for the completion of these projects through the Capital Campaign. There are many projects going on at once and at times the church may look in disarray. It's a big undertaking but we are confident all the improvements will add to the excitement of our 200th anniversary. The Trustees would like to "Thank you" for your support and patience. Sincerely, Greg Ducati

**United Methodist Women Support the Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council...**by selling fund raising gift certificates from ACME and ShopRite. If you are interested in purchasing certificates to either of these supermarkets contact Rhoda at [rhoda706@aol.com](mailto:rhoda706@aol.com) or 856.939.3057.

The Interfaith receives 5% of all sales at no cost to consumers!

### **Cartridges for Kids**



Recycle your laser and ink cartridges, copier toner cartridges, used cell phones, laptops, PDA's and iPods. 100% of the money from the recycling program is used to purchase school bags and school supplies for children living in shelters, children affected and infected with HIV and children in day centers. Your support for this program not only allows us to minister to children in a much needed way, it also allows us to be good stewards of God's creation. Contact Rhoda at 856.939.3057 or [rhoda706@aol.com](mailto:rhoda706@aol.com) if you have any questions. Please no broken toner cartridges or toner bottles.

**Thank you for your continued support!**

Our next UMW meeting will be on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 7:30 PM

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### **Christmas Also Comes in July**

I praise God, for He continues to use me to respond to the call of those in need of help. He has also repeatedly laid this plight on the hearts of the congregation of Chews United Methodist Church. Trevor's Place is a homeless shelter in Philadelphia which houses women and children who are there due to various circumstances. For more information, you can go to the website, [www.TrevorsCampaign.org](http://www.TrevorsCampaign.org). Here is an excerpt about the humble beginning of Trevor's Campaign: On a cold December night in 1983, 11-year-old Trevor Ferrell saw a TV newscast about people living on the streets. Those images stirred a compassion deep within Trevor and he pleaded with his parents to take him to downtown Philadelphia so he could give his blanket and pillow to the first homeless person he met. In ensuing weeks, with the help of family, classmates and neighbors, Trevor made nightly trips into Philadelphia to distribute food, clothing and blankets to the needy. Through hundreds of generous citizens and businesses, this little "campaign" soon grew into places to stay and an entire array of services.

In the spring of 1992, I met Trevor Ferrell; after his talk I asked if anything was done for the residents at Christmas. He told me no and gave me a contact name. And that's how our association with this wonderful organization started. The women have just 6 months to get themselves to a point where they can be in their own homes once again. That fact led us to expand our ministry by creating Christmas in July. So even though it's hot and humid outside, we'll have Christmas in our hearts. The Christmas tree full of Angels will appear in the Narthex in late June. Choose the Angel or Angels you would like to help, sign the sign-up sheet, purchase gifts, and bring the wrapped gifts back to the church by July 18. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 435-5027.

Thanks again to all the wonderful members of Chews for the support you continually give to our programs. God is good... all the time! All the time... God is good!  
In Christ, Anita Braun

### **Thank You**

Thank you very much for your prayers during my illness. God is so good. Rick Walker

### **United Methodist Men**

Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 22, at 7:30 pm. There are no meetings July or August. The Men's Clam bake and BBQ, is scheduled for Saturday, September 18, 2PM - 5PM. All men are welcome to join us, -Ed-

Jesus said "*Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.*" John 12:26 NIV

## HOME DEPARTMENT

We visited our shut-ins for Mother's Day and gave each mother a begonia plant. Begonia plants were also given to each mother after Worship Services on Mother's Day. A beautiful hanging plant was given to the young and oldest mother attending at the three services.

8:30 Service	9:30 Service	11:00 Service
Oldest: Mary Ann Swain	Oldest: Margaret Markley	Oldest: Florence Theisen
Youngest: Joann Connor	Youngest: Annie Stieg	Youngest: Danielle Williams

We are now taking the 11:00 AM Sunday Worship Service audio tape to Bill and Joyce Leap.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Home Department. Your prayers and donations are greatly appreciated. We wish you a healthy, happy and safe summer.

Respectfully, Florence, Amy, Dot and Eleanor

## Go 4'ers

The Go 4'ers next get together with a home cooked dinner and a program will be Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 1:00 PM. Our thanks to everyone who helps make this event a success. We have a great time together and hope you'll join us in September. If you would like to be on the mailing list or you would like more information, contact the church office at 856.939.1007 or Roxy Langel at 856.227.8836.

Enjoy the summer! Roxy, Bill, Annette, Walt, Eleanor and Warren.

### HOW DO I START

How do I start to thank you  
For all you've done for me.  
No way I ever can repay  
Your love at Calvary.

Days of love and peace,  
The joy within my heart  
Brings a well-spring of gratitude,  
But I don't know how to start.

Your wondrous gift of love  
Offered full and free,  
Radiating all around.  
How do I start to thank Thee.

Words of praise seem shallow,  
'Tho flowing from the heart.  
Help me share with others,  
Show me how to start.

By: Dorothy M. Bills

Our "Get Well" wishes to the Mouse Editor Cheryl Stauts. Our thoughts and prayers are with you for a speedy and complete recovery. We look forward to your return. Substituting for Cheryl Stauts: Rhoda A. Wus