

The Medford United Methodist Church

Messenger

Our Hearts, Our Minds, And Our Doors Are Always Open.

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Dear friends:

I can't believe that summer is coming to an end – I hope that you have had a summer that has been refreshing. This Midwest girl spent some time at the shore and had a great time!

As I spent time in the ocean, there would be times that the song, *Shout to the Lord*, would come to mind. Look at the lyrics:

*Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing. Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down, and the seas will roar, at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands, forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.*

*My Jesus, my Savior; Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days, I want to praise, the wonders of your mighty love.*

The imagery of the sea was cool but even more powerful was the thought of “the wonders of your mighty love.” As I would let the waves sweep over me, I just imagined God’s love flowing over me. In God’s vast creation, God’s love for each human being is amazing and incredible. Each day, God’s love rolls over us like the waves in ocean. The love God has for us is mighty yet gentle and consistent. In July, I preached from Romans 8:39 *“neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

That is a great promise for each of us –**NOTHING** can separate us from God’s love. Often times, God’s love for us can be convoluted with our image of human love. God’s love for us is deep, refreshing, and new each day. It is my prayer that when you see the works of God’s hand you will be reminded of God’s promise of Love.

As we move into September, we begin another program year. Let me remind you of our schedules. **Our Traditional Worship will start on Sunday, September 11th at 8:15 am and 11:00 am in the Sanctuary.** That will also be our Sunday School **Rally Day** (the start up of Sunday School) at 9:30am. **Our Informal Worship begins on Sunday, September 18th at 9:30am in Bowker Hall.** As Sunday School resumes, we will be looking to add a few adult Sunday School classes, be looking for more details once the new year starts.

See you soon!!!

Dawn

Worship Service Schedule

Regular worship schedule resumes on September 11, 2011

8:15 am Traditional worship in the sanctuary
 11:00 am Traditional worship in the sanctuary
 9:30 am Sunday School
[Rally Day on September 11]

The 9:30 Informal worship in Bowker Hall resumes on September 18.

SAVE THE DATE!

MUMC BLOOD DRIVE: GIVING BLOOD SAVES LIVES.

A Blood Drive will be held at our church on **Monday, October 24** beginning at 1:30 pm. Please call Lesley Koengetter (609.268.9043) for more information.

Official Reception for Our New Pastor

At noon on Sunday, September 18, you are invited to the reception for **Rev. Vivian L. Rodeffer** and her husband **Rob McCombe** here in Bowker Hall. An opportunity to share covered dishes and enjoy conversation as we welcome them will be the highlights of the time together. Nametags are in order as is your contribution of side dishes. To make it easier for those with young children to stay for lunch, church nursery will be extended by an hour that day. The Transition Team is planning this event and **Sandie Coble** is coordinating the covered dishes to accompany the wraps and sandwiches. Contact Sandie by email skc0365@yahoo.com or by phone (856) 924-1836 to indicate the dish that you will be bringing to share. Thank you.

A Congregational History Event Planned for Medford UMC

The Pastor Transition Team is planning a Congregational History Event for our church this fall. This will provide a great opportunity for our congregation to reflect on the past and look to the future. It will be an important shared experience for our congregation and will help integrate our new pastor (and our newer church members) into our congregation. It is a time for persons in the congregation to gather and share stories and key events of their life together and to reflect on what it means for the congregation at this time. Knowledge about our congregation's past successes and failures can help Pastor Vivian minister to our church effectively.

Our facilitator for this event will be our own Bruce Rosvold who will encourage the sharing of ideas and information and the processing of that information. Look to future newsletters for details on the Congregational History Event.

Matt Przybyciel
Pastor Transition Team Chair

Capital District News

Our new District Superintendent, Varlyna Wright, will be installed on Saturday, September 24 at 10:00 am at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Hamilton Square, NJ. All church members are invited to attend.

The Bishop's Day on the Capital District is Wednesday, October 5. Clergy meet with the bishop through the day and all laity are invited to meet and speak with Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar that evening. Location to be announced.

Busy Bees September Program

Busy Bees is back after summer break. Our first meeting will be a potluck dinner Monday, September 12 beginning at 6:30 pm

Bring your favorite dish. Dessert will be provided

Questions? Call Ruth Tursi, Joyce Vitalis or Ginny Henriksen

Looking forward to see all Bees!
 New Bees always welcome!



Looking Forward to Small Group Gatherings for Medford UMC

“An intelligent mind acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge” (Proverbs 18:15).

The Pastor Transition Team, involved in intentionally helping our congregation with a smooth transition to our new pastoral leadership, is planning small group gatherings for the congregation this fall. We will hold these gatherings in parishoners' homes in groups of 8 – 12. There will be both daytime and nighttime gatherings; and there will be an additional session or two held here at the church as well. The gatherings will be a time to share faith journeys, tell stories and respond to questions the group's moderator will offer such as the following:

1. What factors drew you to this congregation?
2. What was happening during a time when people felt extremely positive about our congregation, a time when we were at our best?
3. What are our congregation's three greatest strengths?
4. What are some of the best things you see happening in our congregation?
5. In what ways is our church most meaningful to you?

Please check upcoming bulletins for specific days, times and locations for these small group gatherings.
Blessings,

Matt Przybyciel
Pastor Transition Team Chair



Team MUMC needs you! for the Annual Medford CROP Walk

Who: You, your Family & Friends. Invite someone to join you!
 What: A fun walk through beautiful Medford Village
 Where: Starting at Freedom Park
 When: Sunday, October 16th 1:30 PM Registration, 2:00 PM Walk
 Why: To provide food for families living in poverty locally and globally.
 How: Sign up in the Narthex beginning September 25th
 To join team MUMC and raise funds online visit www.cropwalk.org

Contact Linda Campbell at 654-1514 or rcampbell2003@comcast.net

25% of all funds raised will go to local organizations that help the poor. This year we have chosen Christian Caring Center and St. Vincent's de Paul.

Join today!

**We are going green this year! Please bring your own reusable water bottle.
Water will be available to refill your bottle. Thank you.**

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet monthly on the **first Tuesday** of each month from 7 – 8:30 PM in Johnson Lounge beginning September 6th. If you either knit or crochet, please join us for a time of prayer and fellowship while creating shawls for those in need of spiritual comfort, joy or support.

If you are unable to attend our fellowship circle, you can contribute to it's ministry by creating shawls in the comfort of your own home, passing the time in a doctor's office or while on a road trip. We have knitting and crocheting directions available.

Prayer shawls are dedicated on the **second Sunday** of each month during one of our services. They can be requested by any member of MUMC for a person who has a joy to share (birth of a baby, marriage, graduation etc) or are in need of spiritual support (loss of a loved one, loss of independence or job, dealing with a difficult decision or an illness, diagnosis, surgery, caregiver issues etc). The recipient **does not** need to be a member of Medford UMC.

To request a Prayer Shawl or obtain additional information: Please contact Tish Cornue ([856-608-8977](tel:856-608-8977)/tish6568@aol.com); Luann Rowen ([856-988-5015](tel:856-988-5015)/luannrowen@comcast.net) or the church office ([609-654-8111](tel:609-654-8111)/Medfordumc@comcast.net).

**By God's Grace,
we commit to GROW as Disciples
of Christ, NURTURE faith within and
beyond our church, and SERVE our
community and world.**

GREEN THUMB CLUB of Medford United Methodist Church



Have you seen a difference in the grounds around church this summer? There has been a crew of happy gardeners in the past two months trimming, planting and cleaning up brush, all to beautify the grounds around our church. Mary Borsos is the technical leader and we are so blessed to follow her expertise and guidance.

We are not an exclusive group and we welcome everyone, whenever they can make it, to pitch in and be part of the Green Thumb Club.

We meet every other Monday from 8 to 10 am.

For more information, contact Donna Hough, 609-217-6455 or jdthough2@comcast.net

Sarah Circle Welcomes New Ladies

Tuesday, September 6 is the date for the first meeting of the Sarah Circle. We'll gather at LB Daniels at **9:30 AM** for breakfast, devotions and a short kick-off meeting. This circle is ideal for women who find the morning a convenient time to get together.

Our focus is spiritual growth, along with fellowship and raising funds for missions. We meet at the church on the *first Tuesday* of each month at 9:30 AM and would welcome new members any time.

Both current Sarahs and prospective members who are going to join us on September 6 are asked the call *Charlotte Hagmaier* at (609) 654-7331. It will be great to start out the year seeing familiar faces - and, perhaps, some new ones, too.



Join the
MUMC
Sunday Subway
Lunch Bunch
and support our Church's entries
in the 2010 & 2011
Medford Lakes Canoe Carnival
Every Sunday ~ Noon-3:00pm

With our Subway Flyer, every purchase made on any Sunday between Noon and 3:00 PM Subway will donate 15% of your total bill to our church's Canoe Carnival Group.



**required flyers are available
on our church website**

This offer is only good at the Medford Subway on Stokes Road



It doesn't seem possible that summer is quickly coming to an end. Where *did* those lazy, hazy, crazy days go? By now, your calendar is probably filling rapidly with activities which are about to begin. Are **choir rehearsals** noted somewhere on the grid? Last month, in this space, an observation was made that singing, which is often seen as an expression of praise and thanksgiving can also be a means of accessing and expressing deep emotions and experiences which may be too profound for words. What a powerful vehicle for spiritual growth, as well as offering a service to the church. Why not check out the following descriptions of our choirs, with their rehearsal times, and see if one (or more) might find a place in your life and on *your* calendar.

Jr. Choir (grades 2 - 6) - rehearses on **Thursday, 4:15 - 5:15**. Sings at **11:00** service: Oct. - Dec., Feb. - June. First rehearsal - **Sept. 8**.

Youth Choir (grades 7 - 12) - rehearses on **Thursday, 7:15 - 8:25**. Sings at **11:00** service: most Sundays from late Sept-June. First Rehearsal - **Sept. 8**.

Both these choirs prepare special music for the christmas season and Holy Week and also present a

musical in the spring.

Wesley Choir (adult women - although we would be glad to welcome arly-rising men rehearses on **Tuesday, 8:30 - 10:00 PM**. Sings at **8:15** service from Sept through June. First rehearsal - **Sept. 6**.

Garwood Choir (adult mixed) - rehearses on **Thursday, 8:30 - 10:00 PM**. Sings at **11:00** service from Sept. through June. First rehearsal - **Sept. 1** at Carol Reilly's, 5 Corkery Lane (The Clusters). Dinner begins around **6:30** followed by a short rehearsal at **8:00**, followed by dessert. *Please come* if you are thinking about singing with this group. It's a great time to meet your fellow singers. (Call number listed below for directions.)

Subsequent rehearsals will be held at the church beginning on September 8. In addition to occasional special services throughout the year, these adult choirs also present a program during the Christmas season and on Maundy Thursday.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your participation in our choral activities, please feel free to speak to Carol Reilly after church, call 609 953-3805 or 3806 (machine) or email Crrlly@aol.com. Even better - come to a rehearsal and see what you've been missing!

Bell Notes

As summer draws to a close, please mark your calendars for the first rehearsals of the regular ringing season:



Celebration Ringers

Monday, September 12 at 7:15-8:15pm

Jubilation Ringers

Tuesday, September 13 at 7:15-8:15pm

Chime Choir (grades 2-5)

Tuesday, September 20 at 4:30-5:15pm

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Ringers

Thursday, September 22 at 6:15-7:15pm (grades 6 - 12)

If you are interested in being part of one of these groups or have questions about our handbell choir ministry, please contact Barbara Frame (harpframe@verizon.net or 609-654-0886).

The Beat Goes On...Even in the Summer

The goal of music in worship is not to be a performance but to enhance the worship experience and to bring glory to God. At Medford UMC we are very fortunate to be able to continue to have a wide variety of music shared in each of our worship services throughout the summer season. Thank you to everyone who prepared selections and participated in the summer music program -- instrumentalists, vocalists, the Summer Bell Choir and No Excuses.

One of my favorite hymns is "Come Christians Join to Sing" and it contains excellent words concerning music in worship.

Come, Christians, join to sing

Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King;

Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice,

Before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice.

Alleluia! Amen!

We look forward to the 2011-2012 season of music in our church as we continue to praise God in worship through music.

Bruce Rosvold, Carol Reilly and Barb Frame

Annual Flea Market

Medford United Methodist Church
2 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ
Saturday, September 17th
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
(Rain or Shine)

Come on out to...sell some stuff...buy some stuff...
browse at stuff or just stuff your face...

Call 609-654-8111 to reserve your space ~
\$15, if paid by Sept 11th, \$20 if paid later.
Please bring your own table. Dealers and
crafters welcome but no food vendors, please.

Food and Baked Goods are provided by
the: Medford United Methodist Women

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UMW NEWS

Fall is here and the Circles are rolling again!!

SARAH CIRCLE: meets the first Tuesday of each month, September to June at 9:30 AM in Room 104. They concentrate on projects to earn money for missions. For information contact Margaret Link or Carolyn Scheffler.

LOIS CIRCLE: meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm in Room 104 at the church. They do a Bible study and support various missions. For information contact Lesley Koengetter or Lyn Popler.

MARY MARTHA CIRCLE: meets the third Tuesday of the month (September to June) at 7PM in the Johnson Lounge. They do book studies and a yearly project to raise money for missions. For information contact Joyce DeBarger (debargerj@yahoo.net).

FALL GENERAL MEETING

Mark your calendar for the Fall General Meeting of the UMW. It is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12 at 7PM in Bowker Hall. This meeting is always a popular one for the ladies of the church and all are welcome. We may have a little twist on our traditional craft this year, so plan to join us for fellowship, refreshments and activity. Watch for details in next month's Messenger and on the bulletin board.

FLEA MARKET

The Annual UMW Flea Market is will be held on Saturday, September 17. Come out and browse, buy a treasure, enjoy the yummy food and help us to support missions through the proceeds from this day. For more information see details elsewhere in this addition of the Messenger.

DISTRICT NEWS

Did you know that Donna Hough is the Capital District UMW President.

Saturday, October 1st 9am Capital District Annual Breakfast at St Mark's United Methodist Church in Hamilton Square with our new District Superintendent, Varlyna Wright and the musical group from Riverside United Methodist Church, "One Kindred Spirit." We will also help others with an ingathering of new "Socks" for the Camden Neighborhood Center to help those in need.

Tuesday, October 4th is Boscov's Day; purchase a coupon for \$5 and you can have a 25% discount on everything you purchase that day! The \$5 goes to the Camden Neighborhood Center. You can pick up your coupon from Donna. Mission work in a day of shopping!

A Moment Concerning Stewardship

"Nurturing Generous Living"

Generosity is a matter of action, intentions and heart. One way to describe it is the grateful outpouring of gifts to others, out of our love for God. *Outpouring* is a terrific description, since the priceless treasure of the gospel (and all the gifts of covenant, relationship and life that go with it) comes from God and is meant to be poured out, through our living, upon others. Paul states this directly in 2 Corinthians 4:5-7, when he says, "We have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."

Whether for fancy purposes or everyday usage, the "unadorned pots of our daily lives" (as *The Message* puts it) highlight the fact that **all of who we are and what we have comes from God** and is to be used for God's purposes. God can use our uniqueness, even our limitations, weaknesses and eccentricities, to communicate God's powerful presence and love.

Generous living is not just about giving money, or even just about giving. It has to do with **the whole of who we are and how we care for our neighbors** (see Mark 12:28-31). Each of us brings our heart, mind, soul and strength. The Old Testament word for "heart" is literally the leaning or thrust of our lives. We might call it our lifestyle or nonverbal witness. In other words, it is how we steward 100% of our lives, not just the "religious" sector or the percentage we give away.

Nurturing generous living in every aspect of our life together before God – now that's great stewardship!

Submitted by MUMC Nurture Committee

(*Stewardship Task Force*)

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A Scholarship Thank You

Members of MUMC,

Thank you for your kind scholarship awarded to me and the other seniors. Also, thanks for the Target gift card.

It has been my honor to grow up in this church and come to think of it as one of my homes. Even though I will be moving to Maryland to attend Towson University I look forward to coming home and seeing everyone.

Love,
Danielle Adams

MUMC Outreach Fundraiser

A portion of each sale will go to our new Outreach ministry

“Helping Hands in Faith”

A team of men, women, young adults, and youth are forming to help those who are sick or physically challenged with household projects. The projects are unlimited, but some examples are: an errand run to the drugstore after coming home from the hospital; replacing a light bulb, installing a screen in a window, moving some furniture, etc.



Cheeseboards are hand wood burned on hard wood, and then are finished with a food-safe oil finish. Tray tables are wood burned on hard wood and fished with polyurethane. Log pictures are woodburned on basswood, painted, and finished with polyurethane. Ornaments are hand painted on a variety of wood.

For more information, please contact Heidi Polhemus at 609-714-1617 or heidi@polhemusweb.com.

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Large MUMC cheeseboard (17.75X11.5")	\$40.00		
Medium MUMC cheeseboard (11.25X9")	\$30.00		
Small MUMC cheeseboard (8.75X6.5")	\$15.00		
MUMC log picture	\$50.00		
MUMC TV Tray Table (has same picture as large cheeseboard)	\$60.00		
MUMC painted ornament	\$10.00		
Total			

Make Checks out to Medford UMC, with "Outreach Fundraiser" marked on notation line. Orders can be left in the church office.

Recent Thank You's

Following are a number of thank you's the church office has received in recent weeks.

1) *Thank you from Gregg Garrison for all the cards & especially the continued prayers during his hospitalization & rehab. Your kindness & care for him mean a great deal to Gregg & Charlotte.*

2) *Dear Friends, our heartfelt thanks for your cards and caring messages. We remember you with warmth and affection. Thank you, Saturday Nighters for the flowers in church. Alex and I had so many good times with you.*
Ruth Nagy and family

3) *Dear Friends at Medford Methodist Church, Thank you so much for the lovely flowers and card that you sent me at the hospital. The words that were printed with such sweet and beautiful sentiments, and the prayers that you have offered up on my behalf are greatly appreciated.*

I was very surprised, but pleased, to receive such a thoughtful gift, and I will think of you whenever I look at the flowers and card.

It is such a blessing to have caring friends and family who are by your side when the going gets rough and the road is long. I am so grateful for all of you. Thank you, again, for everything.
Grace Haines

4) *Dear Church,
Thanks for the scholarship and gift card.*
From, Cody Jones

VBS THANK YOU!!!!

Thank you to all who made VBS a great week!

Over 145 kids attended VBS this year! It was a successful and wonderful week in the Bamboo Jungle!

We are thankful for all the volunteers - over 70 volunteers helped with the preparation, VBS week, and Clean up. We could not have done VBS without you!

A special thank you to the directors: Mrs. DiGiamarino and Ms. Rivas. Your work was amazing!!!

THANK YOU FOR SNACKS FOR VBS

We would like to thank all those who donated snacks for Vacation Bible School this year.

The children really enjoy them.

Thanks again,
Nancy Ballinger
Carolyn Scheffler
(kitchen staff)



Thank You From Virtua Memorial Hospital Department of Pastoral Care

On behalf of all our patients at Virtua Memorial Hospital who will benefit from the new Bibles you all donated with the easy to read print, let me express our deep appreciation to those who lovingly and prayerfully made it possible to donate these Bible for use by our patients.

Illness can be a time of deep stress and sorrow and having access to the word of God at such times is a tangible source of comfort and a reminder of God's love and grace for them, as well as a way for them to stay connected to our Heavenly Father through the reading of God's word.

Please know that we keep you in our prayers, often giving thanks to God for you.

Yours in Christ,
The Rev. Andrew T. Gordon, MDiv. BCC
Manager – Virtua Memorial Dept. of Pastoral Care

Thank you also to Shirley Beckett, a member of MUMC and Chaplain Aide at Virtua Memorial, for coordinating the purchasing of the Bibles.

Medford United Methodist

MEN

Grow Nurture Serve

Upcoming Fall Events

The United Methodist Men's Group is looking forward to beginning the 2011/2012 program year which will be another busy and enjoyable time for many men of this church.

The ministry of men at MUMC partners with our pastors to invite and initiate fellowship and spiritual growth opportunities for all men of the church. The focus is not inward, concentrating only on those who attend a meeting, but outward to all men; with the attitude of invitation, not expectation or obligation. And, UMM activities are aligned with the mission and ministry goals of the church.

This year, men will again have a chance to gather for an hour or so most months at 8:00AM as follows:

2nd Saturday – A delicious breakfast, good fellowship and interesting/informative speakers.

Our first breakfast will be on Saturday, October 8th.

4th Saturday – Bible study providing an opportunity to explore our faith while learning and sharing as a group.

Our first study will be on Saturday, September 24th

In addition, the Medford United Methodist Men will again have the opportunity to prepare meals for various events (e.g. Thanksgiving Community Breakfast, Advent Dinner and others), and participate in several other events (e.g. Dickens Festival, Habitat for Humanity and others) in support of our church community, its missions and its members.

In summary, we are blessed with many good men at MUMC who graciously give of their time and energy to the many interests of the UMM. We are also thankful for all of the great support from our church community and we continue to look forward to offering them a full schedule of good eating opportunities.

Please watch for more information regarding our calendar of events and plan on joining us throughout the year.

Peace and Blessings,

The United Methodist Men's Group

Please join us for Rally Day!

Sunday, September 11 at 9:30 am



Please join us for the first day of Sunday School!

We will all meet in the Sanctuary at 9:30 (parents and students), and then we will break up into classes. Parents will

be invited to the classes briefly to meet their children's teachers, and then parents will be invited up to Bowker Hall for refreshments.

Hope to see you there!

Confirmation All 6-8 graders

It is time to prepare for the 2011-12 Confirmation year at Medford UMC. The confirmation experience begins in the 6th grade and concludes at the end of 8th grade. This program is based on a small group model that encourages a broad experience of what it means to be a disciple of Christ.

There will be a "Welcome Back Gathering" for all parents and students on

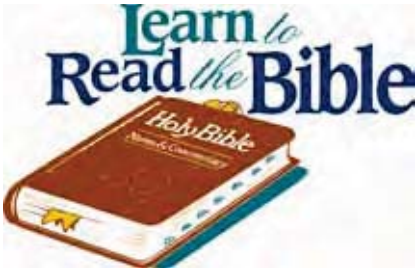
Sunday, September 18th at 6:00 pm. Join us for dessert and details in Bowker Hall.

The first confirmation workshop begins on Sunday, October 2nd with dinner at

5:00 pm. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 654-8111.

A Special Invitation To All Children In Third Grade

Bibles will be presented to third graders on **Sunday, September 25, during 11:00 a.m. worship.** On **Friday, September 23 & Saturday, September 24** there will be a Bible Challenge lock-in at the church. Please call the church office for information on receiving a Bible and signing up for the Bible challenge lock-in.



Welcome Back to our Preschool Students!



We have embarked on a new school year here at Medford Methodist Preschool. This will be our 37th year serving the community! We have made so many friends throughout the years and it is so rewarding to see our students years later and know that we started them on their school journey. We still maintain lovely relationships with so many of our families.

This September we will begin the year with our Ocean theme. There is so much to learn about the sea and all of the creatures that inhabit it. God is certainly the ultimate artist! The children love this theme as it is familiar to them, and to all of the learning we add a lot of fun - like our pirate day and treasure hunt. September is also full of learning about ourselves and our school. We explore rules and routines, feelings, and our 3R's - relationships, responsibility, and respect.

We are excited for a new year of growing and ask that the congregation keep the preschool and staff in its prayers. If you would like to learn more about the school, please visit the church website and click on the preschool tab. You can also contact Maribeth Lloyd at 609-654-8112 or medfordumcprek@comcast.net.



Youth Kick-Off Weekend

GNOMES UNITE!

**Medford UMC
Youth Group
Kick-Off Event
Friday, September 9
through Saturday,
September 10**

Join your friends for a great weekend of

Growing as a Disciple

Nurturing your Faith

Experiencing **O**pportunities for Fellowship

Discovering that it means to be a **M**ission-Minded Methodist

Learning about our **E**very Week Meetings, and

Serving Others Through Christ

Watch Your Email for Registration Details
or Contact the Church Office (609) 654-8111

Schedule

Drop Off: Friday, September 9 at 5pm at
Pump It Up in Marlton

Pick Up: Saturday, September 10 at 7 pm at the
Frames' House
in Medford Lakes

And again: Sunday, September 11 at 9 am for Sunday
School and Church

Cost is \$30 per youth and includes meals, snacks and
all activities.

September, 2011

Check out our on line calendar for recent updates
<http://www.medfordumc.org/googlecalendar.htm>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Homeless Ministry (JHN) @ Bowker Hall and rooms below Bowker.						
Sr. High Movie Night 8:30am - Worship - 10am - Summer 10am - Worship -	8am - Green Thumb Labor Day	12pm - PreK Board Mtg 9:30am - Sarah Circle 7pm - Prayer Shawl	11:30am - Flea Market 7pm - Bell Rehearsal @	8:30pm - N.A. @ B4 7pm - Bell Rehearsal @ 7pm - Lav Leadership 8:30pm - N.A. @ B4	Youth Lock-In	10
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