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from the Pastor... I really don't want to dwell on it...but ~

Greetings and blessings to you all.

On Saturday, April 17, I got up and felt very good, better than I had for a few weeks.

Shortly after finishing breakfast, however, I was hit with some very noticeable chest pain.

Karen drove me to the ER at Bradley in Southington. Initial tests were all good; but the body apparently can hide what's going on inside. I was admitted, and more tests were run. Those results were not so good. And the next set was worse still. I went into the ICU for closer monitoring. This was the start of a very different experience for us. **I really don't want to dwell on it...but I am very glad that I paid attention to the pain.**

Sunday, April 18, was a long day: checking vitals; waiting to be seen by a cardiologist; embracing a lot of the unknown. Subsequent test results were a little bit better, though still not normal. We were blessed with a wonderful cardiologist who visited late that afternoon. The District Superintendent, The Rev.

Ken Kieffer, also visited us in the ICU that afternoon. Everyone of the staff kept saying how healthy I looked. I just wasn't! **I really don't want to dwell on it....but God's blessings were richly coming in our direction, & we knew it, and we were very thankful.**

I returned to the medical unit that evening and had two tests on Monday, which were inconclusive. I was discharged that day with an

appointment for a nuclear stress test on Thursday, and with a few new prescriptions to take. I thought that I did well with the stress test; the pulse rate goal to be achieved is between 132-140, and they ramped me up to 158. But the cardiologist told us the next day that my stress test was "*impressive*"... which means that problems were evident. One wants a stress test the results of which are dull, not "*impressive.*" I was scheduled for an angiogram at the Hospital of St. Raphael in New Haven on Tuesday the 27th. A lot of uncertainty began to close in a bit. Emotions came to the surface. I spent some time straightening up some of my piles of this and that at home, and enjoyed the sunshine on Saturday. Cards and emails and phone calls came to us in great number. Pastor Kieffer visited on Monday at the parsonage. **I really don't want to dwell on it...but the prayers and the concern and the outpouring of feeling were wonderful, and so uplifted us.**

I know St. Raphael's from our eleven years serving First UMC in Ansonia, and was always impressed with the care that my former parishioners received there. It was heartening to know that. And I think that the many times that I donated blood...many of those opportunities coming since being appointed to PUMC...something that I can't do anymore due to the meds that I now take...prepared me wonderfully for all of the "sticks" that came in this week and a half. **I really don't want to dwell on it...but that just might be a "plug" for being a blood**



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**donor; you give, but you also receive, even
where you might not expect. I waited
outside the Cath Lab whose doors were open**

while an emergency patient was having his procedure completed...& then it was my turn.

One is awake for the angiogram and that which might follow. I remember five or six medical professionals getting me and everything else ready. I remember that the tracing of the blood flow in my coronary arteries did not seem to take very long. I remember, with instant prayers of thankfulness to God, the cardiologist saying that there was one largely occluded artery, and that I would need but one stent. Everything else was in pretty good shape. The angioplasty produced some anxiety as your heart really pounds during this restriction of blood flow. The stent is implanted...and then it was over. **I really don't want to dwell on it... but I was, and am, so humbled by whoever developed this technology, and by those who know how to restore and renew through it.**

My 90% blockage was in the major upper portion of the Left Coronary Artery. Heart attacks (*I did not have one*) caused by blockages here are almost always described as massive, and far too often yield death. This is what and where things happened to the late journalist, Tim Russert, and he had passed his stress test. **I really don't want to dwell on it...but throughout this experience, I knew how fortunate and blessed I was in life.** And I knew of God's deep care for me now. Throughout these days, I had confessed my sins before God again, asked God's mercy upon me again, committed my spirit to God as I had never previously done, asking God to bless those I love before asking God to further bless me. **I really don't want**

to dwell on it...but in so many ways, this whole thing was a time of blessing and deepening of faith.

But then again...maybe I do want to dwell on that!! As this Season of Easter ends, as this time of resurrection life remains so real to the depths of our souls, maybe, just maybe, you and I are to daily and fully commit our living to the God who would raise us up every day. Maybe, just maybe, living God's resurrection glory for the blessing of God and the benefit of others in faith, in the pattern and example of the risen Savior Jesus, is to be the hallmark of our life. (*I say "maybe, just maybe," with a little "tongue and cheek."*) *Obviously, it's "of course, of course."*)!! I don't want to dwell on all those other things, beautiful and wonderful as they are. I am no one special. I don't want to raise all those others and bring any attention to me ~ that's why I don't want to dwell on them! **But this experience of blessing & deepening faith...** that we must always embrace...that we must forever dwell upon ~ to the glory of God. To thank God for more of God's fullness to happen upon our lives, in whatever shape and form and manner, and to seek to live in this bounty of God always ~ this helps us to be "Easter people" ~ this fills our lives to overflowing. **Let's all dwell on that...always!!**

Thanks, Karen, for taking such good care of me. Thanks to our children for all their love. Thanks to all of you for your prayers, love, & concern...for you! **And thanks be to God!**

Pastor Waldmann.

Summer Stewardship “News from our Stewardship and Finance Committee”

As the summer days arrive, many of us are often away from Sunday Morning worship while we travel on vacation or visit family.

Please remember to keep your pledge up-to-date to enable God's work to continue through our church during the beautiful summer months.

Your stewardship will make a tremendous difference as we continue the ministry and mission of Plainville UMC.

Thank you so much.

**Thank you so much to
Everyone who helped
make our Ham Dinner
on May 1st such a
success.**

**We were able to raise
over \$1330.00. Ten
percent of our net
profit will be donated
toward a mission.**

***God's spirit was truly
with us!***

Be part of the STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL Friday, June 11, 2010 10 AM – 4 PM

You can still volunteer to:

Sell Shortcakes at your business or be a
Drivers to deliver the shortcakes to local
business: 5-8 drivers needed

- Folks to Whip Cream: 3-4 people
- Folks to assemble shortcakes:
3-4 people
- Ticket and funds collector:
1 volunteer
- Kitchen Supervisors: 1-2 people
 - Publicity: 2-3 people

**SHORTCAKES WILL BE ON SALE AT
THE CHURCH for \$4.00
SEE GREG MICHAUD for details.**

**Please contact Greg Michaud at 860-
793-9590, or email him at
tg_Michaud@sbcglobal.net,
TODAY, and volunteer**

**Plan to come & enjoy a great
dessert!**

**Funds from the Festival will help
further our mission & ministry.**

BIRTHDAY DIMES FOR MISSION

Don't forget to bring your Birthday Dimes on the last Sunday of the month in which you were born. Bring one dime for every year you are celebrating. Birthday dimes will support “Project Linus” a mission

project supported by our Sunday School.

Sunday School Sunday
to be celebrated on
Sunday, May 30th

The Children of our Sunday School will lead the morning worship on Sunday, May 30th as we bring the 2009-2010 Sunday School year to a close. All members of the Sunday School will have an important part of the worship. Children and Staff will also be recognized.

In recognition of Memorial Day weekend, we are asking all children to try and wear Red, White and Blue.

In addition, everyone in the congregation is being asked to dress casually as an All-Church picnic will take place immediately after worship.

Every family is asked to bring a side

or dessert. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be sold by the M.Y.F. to raise funds for their participation in *Relay for Life.*

You won't want to miss this day of remembrance and celebration!

“Walk Now for Autism”

An opportunity to be in mission

Lisa Helvie and Karen Waldmann are participating in Walk Now for Autism to help

find a cure for autism. Walk Now for Autism is our chance to make a difference in the fight against autism by raising money for autism research and heightening public awareness.

Our team, the Spectrum Speeders of Wethersfield, will be walking on June 6th and would like you to support those affected by autism.

Donations can be made
by giving cash or a check made out to

“Autism Speaks.”

For more information about autism, please visit

www.autismspeaks.org.

We'll be collecting donations and selling puzzle-shaped cookies after church on May 23rd and May 30th. Thank you for considering making a donation and joining us in the fight to find a cure for autism.

FILLING THE TRUCK

A special “Fill the Truck” event took place the first weekend of May on behalf of the Plainville Food Pantry. The number of people served by the Pantry has increased greatly, and overall donations have decreased. Several folks from PUMC offered this mid-year “Fill the Truck” outside of Gnazzo's, and in donations and purchases made, a total of \$7,624.56 of support for the Pantry was raised. We are so thankful for the kindness and generosity of those who donated, and to those who gave so much of themselves in this service of love to their fellow sisters and brothers. This is living God's call upon us. Thanks be to God.

**SUMMER WORSHIP IS AT THE
SAME 10:00 a.m. HOUR
THIS YEAR. BEGIN EACH
WEEK AT WORSHIP.**

**WE PRAY GOD'S COMFORT AND
PEACE BLESS THE FAMILIES OF:**

WILLIAM 'Bill' ROBOTHAM, Father of
the brother-in-law of Deanna and Don
Becker, on March 10; and MYRON HELVIE,
Grandfather of Forrest Helvie, on May 9.

May God's peace be with you.

**CONFIRMATION will
take place on JUNE 20**

Lots of inclement weather this past winter,
coupled with my illness, caused cancellation
of several of the Confirmation Classes, and
have forced moving the celebration of
Confirmation from Pentecost Sunday, May
23. The alternate date of June 20 has
been selected, and we look forward to this
high honor and wonderful time.

CELINE BANGLOY, ANNEISE

BOUCHARD, & MORGEN LaCOMBE

will be confirmed on June 20. We know
that you will want to especially be at this

worship as these young ladies profess
their faith and are received into church
membership.

And one last experience that I did not
include in my Pastoral article in this issue
will be the focus of the worship and
sermon. I believe that it will be most
meaningful and will underscore the entire
Confirmation journey. I know that
everyone will want to be present at this
very special worship.

**MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE
WHO BAKED FOR AND BID AT
THE MOTHER'S DAY BAKE
AUCTION. FUNDS TOTALLING
\$361.00 WERE RAISED TO
SUPPORT 'RELAY FOR LIFE.'
THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.**

"Please accept our deepest thanks for all of
the cards, telephone calls, emails, prayers,
expressions of care, and other thoughts that
were sent our way during my time of illness. I
was placed on many prayer chains: some
from former appointments; some within the
churches of UMC colleagues and the

Plainville Conference of Churches; some through churches of friends at the school where Karen used to work; some in churches in different states; even through friends in another country. We are appreciative: to our District Superintendent, The Rev. Ken Kieffer, for his visits, care, and leadership of the May 2nd worship; for the Cabinet that held me in prayer; and for Bishop Park, who telephoned me the day I was released from St. Raphael's. Karen and I and our family felt the love and the compassion and were blessed by these all along. Thank you very, very much. May God bless us all and be blessed by us all, now and forever more." ~ *Pastor and Karen.*

**SUMMER WORSHIP WILL
REMAIN AT THE SAME 10:00
a.m. HOUR. COME AND
WORSHIP THE LORD, AND
BE GLAD!!**

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOLTO RESUME IN FALL
SUNDAY WORSHIP.....10:00AM**

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

- 1 - Women's Club of Plainville, Meets @ Imperial Buffet, Plainville, 7 PM
- 5,6 - MYF Team @ Relay for Life-Norton Park, 10 AM
- 6 - WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, 10:00 AM
- 9,10,11,12 - New York Annual Conference, Hofsta University
- 11 - PUMC Strawberry Shortcake Festival, 10 AM to 4 PM
- 13 - Gideon's to Lead Worship
- 14 - Church Office Summer Hours Start-Office Closed Mon, 9 AM to noon Tues thru Fri.
- 20 - Happy Father's Day
- 3,10, 17, 24 - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services, 7 PM
- 6, 13 & 20 - Choir Rehearsal, Follows Worship

JULY HIGHLIGHTS

- 4 - WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, 10:00 AM
- 11 - August/September "MESSENGER" Articles DUE DATE
- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - B.A.S.I.C Midweek Services, 7 PM

(For more dates and times, also see full calendar on the last page.)



June Birthdays

- 1 - Tina Anglis Tardiff
- 2 - Lori Schilling
- 2 - Samantha Thompson
- 4 - Charles Kemp
- 6 - Gert Delin
- 7 - Amy Emery
- 8 - Perry A. Cole
- 9 - Susan Underwood
- 11 - Gil Demarest
- 13 - Juston Quinlan
- 15 - John Delin
- 15 - Kristen Fruchtenicht
- 15 - Caden Lee Tampellini
- 16 - Karen Grenier
- 18 - Brian Grenier
- 19 - James Brown
- 19 - Lisa Helvie
- 25 - Pam Kendall
- 26 - Kiersten Rolland



July Birthdays

- 3 - Eddie Sparks
- 6 - Christopher Anglis
- 7 - Annelise Bouchard
- 8 - Sarah-Margaret Blake
- 9 - Madison Anne Richardson
- 10 - Christina Sack
- 11 - Dot Ostroski
- 11 - Kathy Warren
- 12 - Jeffrey Cedarfield
- 12 - Connor Mozzer
- 13 - Noah Forrest Helvie
- 13 - Lucky Powell
- 14 - Paul Larson
- 14 - Karen Morrison
- 16 - Jane Dickman- 86th**
- 17 - Robert O. Silverstri
- 18 - Brian Quinlan
- 19 - James 'Jamie' Ricketson
- 20 - Lisa Rolland
- 23 - Shirlie Kiioran- 73rd**
- 24 - Jan Demarest
- 26 - Karen Waldmann
- 27 - Carol Corriveau



Happy Anniversary!!!

June

- 3 - Glen & Donna Carney
- 5 - Daniel & Lori Franceschini
- 6 - Christopher & Kathy Warren
- 7 - Herb & Joyce Dirrigl-58th**
- 9 - Dwight & Lois Nilson-54th**
- 11 - Jason & Lucky Powell
- 17 - William & Jane Buden
- 20 - Bill & Karen Morrison
- 25 - Manuel & Alison Recinos
- 27 - Mitch & Susan Underwood

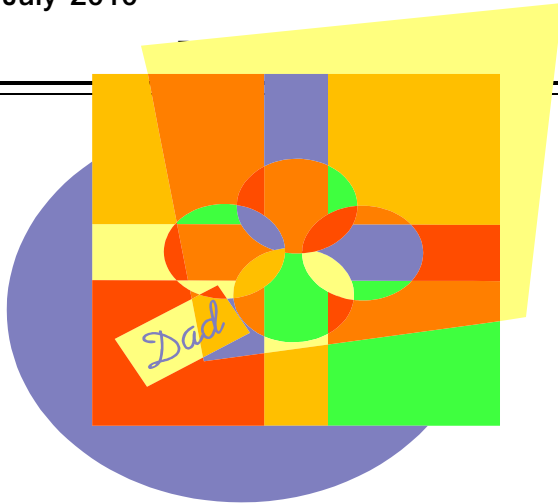
July

- 1 - Bruce & Susan Cyr
- 2 - James & Debbie Brown
- 3 - Brian & Jessica Grenier
- 4 - Dean & Carol Corriveau
- 9 - Larry & Pam Kendall- 50th**
- 17 - Forrest & Lisa Helvie
- 31 - Robert & Diane Webster

27 - Laurie Davies
29 - Suzanne Cyr
30 - Zachariah A. Cole

28 - Lena Kurtz
30 - Everett Johnson
30 - Cheryl Keddy

Any corrections, deletions or additions? Email the church, call the office or drop a note into the church office box in the narthex.



Happy Father's Day – June 20, 2010

PARKING LOT CLEANUP / FILL IN THE CRACKS

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR
VOLUNTEERS TO HELP BEAUTIFY
THE CHURCH'S PARKING LOT ON
JUNE 5TH FROM 9 AM TO NOON.**

**The more people that come to help the
faster we will get the job done! Please
consider joining us for an hour or more to
help get the task finished. If you have
any questions please call David
Underwood at 860-747-6175.**

SUMMER

Church Office Hours

The Church Office Summer Hours
will be 9 am to noon, Tuesdays through
Fridays. The office will be closed on
Mondays. This will begin on June 14th
and end on September 3rd. Have a fun,
safe and happy summer.







TAG SALE TAG SALE SEPTEMBER

Do not forget the Church and the Tuesday Ladies
are collecting items to be sold at our tag sale in
September. If you are leaving items at the church
and need to get in please call Donna Burns at
860-747-1262. If she is not home you may leave
a message and she will get back to you. The
Tuesday Ladies are at the Church on Tuesdays
for 9:30 am to noon.



CONGRATULATIONS are given to **KRISTEN
FRUCHTENICHT** upon her graduation from
Salve Regina University in Rhode Island, and
to **WOODY UNDERWOOD** upon his graduation
from UCONN. We are very thrilled for you and
proud of you. May God always bless you and
be with you always. **CONGRATULATIONS**
again, Kristen and Woody!!

JUNE 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>SUNDAY SCHEDULE SUNDAY SCHOOL: SUNDAY WORSHIP:</p>	<p>To Resumes in Fall 10 AM</p>	<p>1 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 7 pm - BSA 6 pm-Confirmation Classes 7 pm - Women's Club of Plainville- meet @ Imperial Buffet, Plainville.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 MYF-Relay for Life-Meet @ Norton Park 10 AM 6/5 & 6/6</p>
<p>6 10 am - Worship with Communion Choir Rehearsal Follows Worship</p>	<p>7 7 pm - Trustees Meet</p>	<p>8 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 7 pm - BSA</p>	<p>9 6 pm - Girl Scouts PUMC Food for Friends Leadership</p>	<p>10 7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service</p>	<p>11 PUMC Strawberry Shortcake Festival 10 AM to 4 PM</p>	<p>12</p>
←			Annual	New York	Conference,	Hofsta University →
<p>13 Gideon's Lead Worship 10 am -Worship Choir Rehearsal Follows Worship 6 pm -Venture Crew</p>	<p>14 Summer Office Hours Start Monday Closed Tues-Fri. 9 to noon 7 pm - Finance Meet</p>	<p>15 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies 6 pm - Confirmation Rehearsal 7 pm - BSA</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20 10 am -Worship Confirmation  Father's Day Choir Rehearsal Follows Worship (Last Rehearsal Until Fall)</p>	<p>21 7 pm - Church Council Meet</p>	<p>22 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 10 am -Worship</p>	<p>28 7 pm - Worship Committee Meet</p>	<p>29 9:30 am - Tues. Ladies</p>	<p>30</p>	  		

AA meets Sun, Mon & Wed at 7 pm; Al-Anon meets Mon at 7 pm.

JULY 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR PRE-K through ADULT:.....RESUMES IN SEPTEMBER SUNDAY WORSHIP:.....10:00 AM</p> 				1	2	3
				7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service		
<p>4 Independence Day 10:00 am - Worship with Holy Communion</p> 	5	6	7	8	9	10
		9:30 am - Tues. Ladies		7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service		
<p>11 10:00 am -Worship</p> <p>August/September Messenger Article due today.</p>	12	13	14	15	16	17
		9:30 am - Tues. Ladies	PUMC Food for Friends Leadership	7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service		
<p>18 10:00 am -Worship</p>	19	20	21	22	23	24
		9:30 am - Tues. Ladies		7 pm - B.A.S.I.C. Mid-week Service		

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THE PLAINVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"MESSENGER"

OUR PURPOSE

As members together in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the Plainville United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

GOD IS CALLING US TO BE AN OPEN, LOVING COMMUNITY OF FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES.

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FORWARDING AND ADDRESS

CORRECTION REQUESTED

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