



# Beyond The Red Doors

Conshohocken United Methodist Church

June 2009 Newsletter

*“Conshohocken UMC exists to reach people of all ages, teach them Christ’s values and guide them as deeply committed Christians to show the world that God lives”*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Worship Service Time** changes on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Ricky and The Worship Team thanks everyone who came out the first four Sundays in May (at 9:30 a.m.) to share their thoughts on what they’d like to see and experience in the worship service they’ll be attending beginning in September. More information will follow in the July “Beyond the Red Doors” newsletter. (Such as the times of the services and other answers to questions asked by our members and special guests)



## CUMC Fun-draiser

**When:** Saturday, June 13th

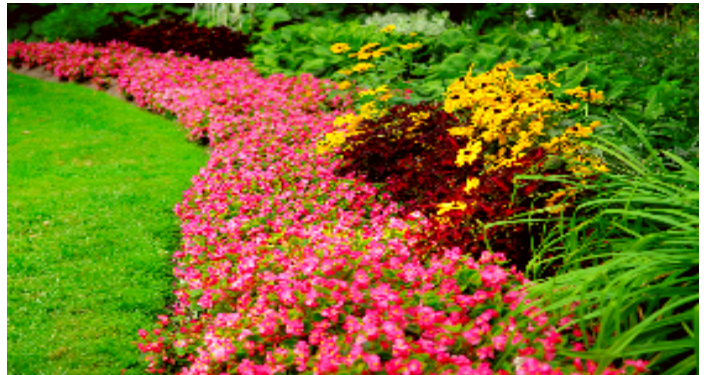
**Time:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Where:** 6<sup>th</sup> Ave side of church

**Help is needed** to cover various areas of the car wash stations. Lunch will be provided!!!

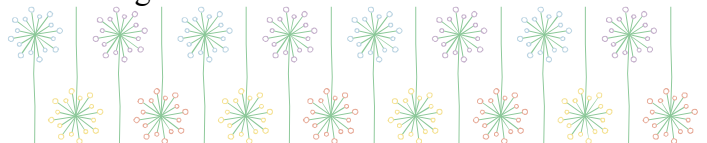
Stations include:

- Holding signs for potential customers
- Tires
- Pre-wash
- Soap/Clean
- Rinse (w/ pressure washers)
- Drying



## Being Part of a Family

Family members depend on each other for all kinds of things, big and small, for the good of the family. Just as our immediate family depends on us, so does our church family. No matter what your talent or how much or little time you have to offer, there is something you can do. Let’s challenge ourselves to do something for our church family. It doesn’t have to be a major project or require a long commitment. Offer to fill in for an usher or greeter, visit someone who is homebound, help out with a fundraiser, or help with cleaning or repairs at church. The possibilities are endless. As the hymn reminds us, “I am the Church, You are the Church, We are the Church together.”



## A NOTE ABOUT HOSPITAL VISITS

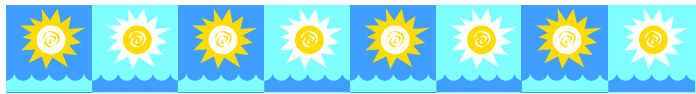
Please call our office (610) 828-1250 or the Pastor’s cell phone (267) 438-4234 if you or a loved one is in the hospital in order to get a visit. The Pastor fully understands your privacy and does not want to simply “show up” uninvited. If it’s someone special to you that you’d like the Pastor to visit, please make arrangements for you and the Pastor to go together



### Thinking of You

Each month, Ginny Teaford will be highlighting a homebound member of our church family. Please consider sending a personal note or a "Thinking of You" card to brighten that persons spirits.

This month's member is:  
Etta DiRenzo  
34 Sugar Maple Lane  
Lafayette Hill, PA 19422

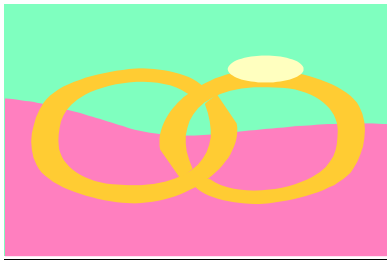


### NEED A HALL TO RENT?

*Church Members, Special Guests,  
Families, Friends:*

- **BIRTHDAY PARTIES**
- **BRIDAL SHOWERS**
- **BABY SHOWERS**
- **WEDDING PARTIES**
- **MEETINGS**

For more details, contact Joni McCormick, our Facility Coordinator at 610-828-1250 or [jonimcc@verizon.net](mailto:jonimcc@verizon.net)



### June Wedding Anniversaries

- 6/17 Pastor Ricky & Annie Ayala
- 6/26 Chuck & Dawn Hoffman

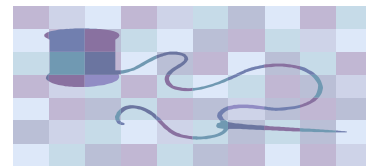
If you are having an anniversary in June are not listed here, that means we do not have a record of your wedding anniversary. Please call the church office with that information.



### June Birthdays! ~Make A Wish~

- Day:**
- 6 Joseph Guagliata
  - 9 John Conner
  - 13 Amber Sanders
  - 13 Lynn Kriebel
  - 16 Michelle Myers
  - 17 Charity Guagliata
  - 17 Amber Freese
  - 17 Amber Conway
  - 18 Seth Hoffman
  - 18 Kelly Yakonick
  - 23 Michelle Mitchell

If you are having a birthday in June and are not listed here, that means we do not have a record of your birth date. Please call the church office with that information. We want to wish you a happy birthday!



### NEEDLEWORK CIRCLE

The quilts made by the Needlework Circle are now given to Mercy Suburban hospital babies at risk. Formerly, they were shipped to a Phila. address which became too costly.



*"The Backenstoses would like to express their thanks and deepest appreciation to the needlework circle for the beautiful purple quilt recently given to us for our daughter Esther Jane on her baptism day. We love it!"*  
**Brian and Lila Backenstose**



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June Mission Trip interview with Carolyn Yakonick  
Submitted by Nancy Maguire

Carolyn grew up in CUMC and has been on four mission trips, several to this year's destination. The trip is in June again this year. We'd love to share some of the details of the trip.

Where is the team going this year?

CY- The Pittsburgh Project in Pittsburgh, PA. We have participated in this program about four times.

When do you leave?

CY- We will depart on Sunday June 21 and we will return on Sat. June 27th.

How will the team get there?

CY- We plan to use the Church van. One requirement for the Pittsburgh Project is that we provide our own transportation to the work site and are able to take some supplies.

What will the team be doing?

CY- We get our assignment when we get there. Some of the projects that we have been involved in on past trips are painting, siding, roofing, kitchen floor, stairs and deck.

Who is going this year?

CY- There are 8 members of this years team. Rick Barton, David Montemayor, Drew Montemayor, Nikki Richert, Julia Tasca, Carolyn, Kelli and Krysti Yakonick.

What can you say to someone who might be considering a commitment to a future mission trip?

CY- When I heard the testimonies of those returning from mission trips I would think "why is it so

touching", then I went on one. You see first hand how people are living and how much they need our help. You get the feeling in your heart that you are helping. The Pittsburgh Project is very Christian inspired with musical programs and uplifting experiences. The memories you make and people you meet last a lifetime. We worked with a group of people from Michigan one year and several years later we were both there again the same week. It was very special when they lifted us up in their prayer. The home owners can be an inspiration; one led us in prayer each lunch time. If you have any questions or a desire to learn more, ask someone who has gone on a mission trip.

What can we do to help?

CY- Please pray for safe travels and that we will be fulfilling God's will. The fee to The Pittsburgh Project has been paid but we will have trip expenses such as gas and tolls. If anyone would like to make a contribution or has any questions see Rick or Carolyn. The CUMC Mission Team a successful week of service. We are all very conscious of the present economic times. One might wonder if a mission trip should be done. My thought is that this is exactly the time that God needs us to help those who are in need. We are blessed with people in our congregation that are willing to serve God in this way. Godspeed.



## Local Mission's Team

What's coming Up--

Sun. June 28th - Ronald McDonald House limit 15  
must contact Greg Kriebel 610-828-2039

Sat. Oct. 3rd- Help at Phillie game- watch for more  
details.

### Recent Events

Church clean-up  
Conshohocken Little League Clean-up  
Mulching and Planting Yards.

Give us your ideas of how to reach out to our  
community. Contact Greg Kriebel

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Ministry announces a change in the **June All  
Church Breakfast**. The date will be moved to  
Father's Day Sunday June 21st. Please mark your  
calendars and plan to attend.



Save the date - All Church Yard Sale-

Our Annual **All Church Yard Sale** is being planned  
for Sat. Sept. 26, 2009. Please mark your calendar.  
We hope you will save items that can be sold at this  
event. Last year we had some wonderful furniture.  
Contact Sue Kriebel or Nancy Maguire with  
questions. There will be more details as we get  
closer. Stay tuned.



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### New Christian Education Directors

As of June 1<sup>st</sup>, the God Squad warmly welcomes  
Holly Maziarz and Michele Conner as the new  
Christian Education Directors. Please keep them  
in your prayers as they begin planning new and  
dynamic programs.

### Sunday School Summer Sabbatical

Sunday School and Kid's Worship Time on  
sabbatical until September. Please note that during  
the summer months our regular worship services  
are Sundays at 9:30 am.

### Prayer Bears Available

Prayer Bears will be given out to by the children  
to anyone who is sick, homebound, hospitalized or  
just need encouragement. The bears will remind  
people that they are receiving prayer and support  
from the children and youth at CUMC. This  
project gives the children a chance to reach out to  
people in need. If you know of someone that  
would benefit from a Prayer Bear, please inform  
any child of the God Squad.

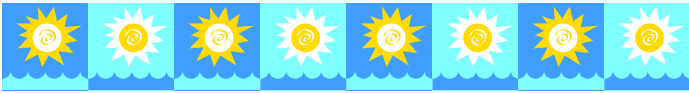
It is not always the big things people do that touch  
lives and inspire hearts. Often the small things,  
given when someone needs them most.... a phone  
call to check on a friend, a hug, and yes, a teddy  
bear that remind people who are hurting that we,  
the church, are praying for them in their pain. On  
each bear, we can put the church address and an  
invitation to share how the bear helps.

### Wawa Hoagie Coupons \$3.50each

The Sunday school children are still selling Wawa  
coupons to support the Courage to Care  
Campaign. The coupons sell for \$3.50ea (that's a  
savings of .40 per hoagie) and the coupons do not  
expire. Coupons will be available downstairs,  
outside of the secretary's office. Thank you for  
your support.

### Children's Sunday

The children, youth and teens will lead worship  
service on the last Sunday of each month. If your  
child is interested in participating, please contact  
Pastor Ricky or Bukola Ogunkua.



## Honor a Special Father or Grandfather

Fathers occupy an important but often unnoticed role in the lives of their children. Father's Day represents a day of celebration and appreciation of those special men in our lives. It is the ONE day of the calendar year we families have an opportunity to recognize the essential role of the father, who is, often overshadowed.

This Father's Day, consider honoring your father, grandfather, father figure or that special man in your life by contributing to Conshohocken United Methodist Church. This gift keeps on giving and uniquely expresses your love and appreciation. Monetary gifts to CUMC can be made "in honor of" or "in memory of" your Father. A beautiful acknowledgement card, without reference to the amount of the gift, will be sent by CUMC to the recipient to let him know the donation has been made in his honor. It will also include any special sentiments you wish to make.

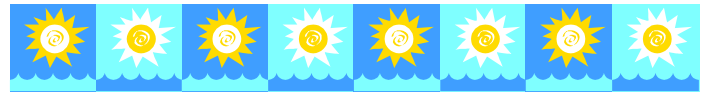
The individuals being honored or memorialized will be recognized in a special insert in the Father's Day bulletin and monthly newsletter. If you have questions, please contact Jenn Kriebel at (610) 828-2039.

Honor Gifts are a thoughtful way to honor your Father while helping the church. Donations are tax deductible. Please contact us by June 15<sup>th</sup> to allow time for us to send a personalized card notifying the honoree of your special Father's Day gift.

This Father's Day, take the time to shake hands and congratulate all of the Dads for all their efforts. Tell him he's appreciated for his crucial and vital role in the life of his child and family. These mostly unrecognized guys are owed a world of appreciation. To all of them let's say, "Happy, happy Father's Day. We couldn't do it without you!"



Please support the "United Methodist Night at the Phillies" sponsored by the United Methodist Men on July 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a great night of fellowship for United Methodists and fund raising for men's ministry. All men who wish to sing the National Anthem down on the field prior to the game are urged to do so by reporting to the Right Field Gate of Citizens Bank Park at 6pm with their ticket and wearing a white shirt. All men and boys are welcome. We will have a Choir Director who will rehearse the men for an hour prior to the game. I have attached a ticket order form if you have not received it already. Please pass this announcement to all United Methodists.

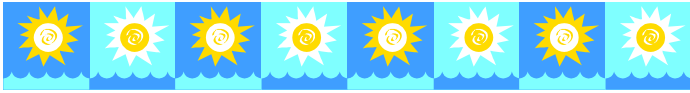


Dear Friends at CUMC,  
I wanted to invite to Jarretstown United Methodist Church's **DINNER and LIVE AUCTION** on Friday evening, **June 12th** to benefit our **KEYS TO THE KINGDOM Organ and Piano Fundraiser**. We have currently raised over \$65,000 toward a new 3-manual Allen organ and a Boston Steinway concert grand piano. We need about \$20,000 more to purchase both instruments! We are hoping that this event will help us to achieve our goal.

The DINNER/ AUCTION will be held at JUMC--- 1460 Limekiln Pike, Dresher, PA 19025. The doors open at 6:00pm, dinner served at 6:30 (catered meal) and the Auction begins at 8:00pm. Vacation homes, tickets, sports memorabilia, restaurant packages, services, goods and other exciting gift items will be auctioned.

Tickets are \$25 and \$40/couple. Michael is auctioneering and it should be a GREAT TIME! I would love to see you all there. Let me know if you can attend and I'll hold some tickets for you!

All the best,  
Sheri Melcher



**ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2009 UPDATE FROM  
BISHOP PEGGY A. JOHNSON AND THE  
CONFERENCE SESSIONS COMMITTEE**

**Change in venue for Annual Conference 2009:**

**Greater Philadelphia Expo Center at Oaks, 100  
Station Road, Oaks, PA 19456**

**June 16-18, 2009**

The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center at Oaks has just opened its doors in January! We have found the Expo Center to have many advantages over Eastern University: all activities will be held under one roof - Clergy and Laity Sessions, Ordination, Vendors/ Exhibitors and the Cokesbury Bookstore. The Expo Center is handicapped accessible with plenty of free parking.

Since there are no hotels on the premises, Annual Conference will be a "commuter" event. We will, however, be holding discounted blocks of rooms at area hotels if you find you need to stay over. This list of hotels will be included in your registration information and you will be responsible for making your own hotel reservation and for payment.

We look forward to seeing you in June at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center at Oaks!!



Administrative Board Meetings in 2009:

4/8 7/8 10/14

Note: The above dates are for regularly scheduled

Administrative Board meetings. There may be a possibility to have additional meetings for special occasions such as preparing for Charge Conference.

Please take the time to thank the above individuals who have answered the "call to serve" in the areas of ministry at Conshohocken UMC for the upcoming year (s). Also, please don't forget to thank those who served in these areas of ministry these past years.

Their names are located in the back of the worship service bulletins throughout the month of December.. May God continue to provide us with His love and guidance as we wholeheartedly strive to serve Him

***CUMC IS THE  
PLACE TO BE!!!***

# FATHER'S DAY HONOR CARD

Please complete the form below and return it with your check made payable to:  
Conshohocken United Methodist Church  
20 West 6th Avenue  
Conshohocken, PA 19428

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please check here if you would like the acknowledgement card sent directly to you instead of the gift recipient for personal delivery or for personal packaging.

**Honor Donation**

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Send card to: \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Greeting \_\_\_\_\_

**Memorial Donation**

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Send card to: \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Sentiment \_\_\_\_\_

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**DETACH HERE**

**Please complete this section, detach and retain it for your records  
as proof of your tax deductible contribution**

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