

BVUMC News
July 1, 2010

Fireworks
July 2nd!

Meet at the church parking lot
at 7:30 p.m.
to walk over to LaSalle Field

Reach for the Stars

Get ready!! July 4th marks the start date to complete 300 minutes of reading! Be sure to collect your pledges and keep reading to earn free books. Remember this is for all ages – parents may read to their small children, grandparents can read to their grandkids!

The Book Fair will be after Worship on July 18. If you are not able to attend, visit www.UsborneBooksAreAwesome.com. You can email a list to me of the books you'd like to receive. Remember, you earn 70% of your pledges in free books.

If you have any questions, please contact Laural at lauralplourde@charter.net.

Ecumenical Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held from July 19th - 23rd, 9:00 – Noon, at the Village Congregational Church. See Carolyn Mitchell or Laural Plourde for a registration form or for more information. Also see Carolyn if you would like to volunteer that week (*youth can help after they've completed sixth grade*) or if you can donate any of the much needed supplies for the week.

The following is a list of crafts and supplies needed. If you wish to donate any of these items, please place them in the VBS box in the coat room in Faith Hall.

The following items are needed:

Brown lunch bags	Fun foam, shapes or sheets
Milk caps from plastic bottles	Paper bowls
Spools of thin ribbon	Paper towels
Pipe cleaners	Glue sticks
Paper grocery bags	Paper cups
Children's scissors (Fiskars brand)	Adult scissors
Twine	Colored card stock paper
Styrofoam plates, any size	Embroidery thread
Paper plates, any size	Glitter
Magic markers	Elmer's glue
White paper- computer	Masking tape
Zip lock bags, all sizes	Scotch tape
Colored tissue paper	Hole punchers
Snack crackers	Freeze pops
Goldfish crackers	Juice boxes
Cheerios	Apple juice
Kool Aid – lemonade flavored	

Thank you for supporting the Vacation Bible School and for your donated items.

Blue Bag Sunday
July 11th

Bags will be available this Sunday, July 4th! This month our food will go to the ***Peace of Bread Summer Lunch Program!*** The items needed include the following: juices, powdered drink mixes, tuna, mayo, beefaroni, peanut butter, jelly, granola bars, crackers and cereal.

THANK YOU!

To the United Methodist Men for hosting the 2nd Annual Church Picnic! Many thanks also to Wade Warner for organizing the affair, the Music Ministry Team for leading worship and thank you to Ingrid for her message to all God's children. The weather was great, outside worship service wonderful, the food awesome and the fellowship brought us all closer together.

Many thanks also to Peggy – our official photographer!
Look for pictures in Faith Hall!

Central Mass District Announces Fall 2010 Lay Speaking Courses

Each course will meet on three consecutive Saturdays – September 18, 25 and October 2 - at 1:00 to 6:00 PM

Location: Oxford United Methodist Church 465 Main St. Oxford, MA 01540

Fee: \$35.00

Registration Deadline: September 9, 2010

Description of Courses

Lay Speaking Ministries Basic Course

The Lay Speaking Ministries Basic Course focuses on the many ways lay speakers are called to be in ministry. Completion of the Basic Course is required for Lay Speaker certification.

A Ministry of Caring – Advanced Course

Christians are called to a ministry of caring and can learn ways to show their deep concern for others. This advanced course will help you better prepare people in the church for the challenge and the call to care for friends, neighbors, and all who cross their paths.

Lay Speakers Discover Spiritual Gifts – Advanced Course

Lay Speakers Discover Spiritual Gifts focuses on acquiring a better understanding of the church and its ministry needs; learning what it means to be a minister; doing the work of Christ in the church and in the world; and being more fully equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts.

Important Reminder A refresher course is required every three years to remain a Local Church Lay Speaker. To become a Certified Lay Speaker and serve outside your local congregation, you must take one advanced course and continue by taking at least one advanced course every three years. All Local Church and Certified Lay Speakers must submit an annual report of activities to their respective charge conference

For More Information and for a registration packet email chas.frasier@verizon.net or contact Charles Frasier at 508-435-4668