

Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church Staff

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| <b>Ministers</b>   | <b>The Entire Congregation</b>  |
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| <i>Feeding Our Flock</i>   | Audry Sherry  |
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| <b>Summer Office Hours:</b><br>Thurs-Fri 8:30 – 12:30PM.<br><i>Email:</i> <a href="mailto:BVUMC@blackstonevalleyumc.org">BVUMC@blackstonevalleyumc.org</a><br><i>Web Site</i> – <a href="http://www.blackstonevalleyumc.org">www.blackstonevalleyumc.org</a><br><i>Newsletter Information:</i> <a href="mailto:newsletter@blackstonevalleyumc.org">newsletter@blackstonevalleyumc.org</a><br><i>Mailing address:</i> PO Box 55, 61 Linwood Ave, Whitinsville, MA 01588 |   |

“Hang On To Your Faith” Summer Sunday activity for children up to Grade 2 takes place during “We Listen for God’s Word”. The children are invited to go downstairs for a story and craft during the Message.

Visitors are always welcome. The first Sunday of the month we celebrate Holy Communion, all children are invited to participate and there is no summer Sunday School.

**Nursery care** for both infants and toddlers is available during the service every Sunday following **A Time for the Child in All of Us**. The nursery is located downstairs to the left of the stairway.

**Serving today: August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Welcoming Ministry Heather & Shawn Brown, Greeters  
Dan Wheeler & Steve Shangraw, Ushers  
Nursery: Lucille Gallagher

**Next Week: August 30<sup>th</sup>**

Welcoming Ministry Ann Cook and Lee Ducharme, Greeters  
Karen Albright & Doug Farley, Ushers  
Liturgist: Peggy Codner  
Nursery: Gale Stevens



Welcome to the Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church. We gather each week to praise God and celebrate God’s presence in our lives before we begin a new week. We seek to support one another in prayer, and to challenge one another to live as God’s people wherever we go and in whatever we do.

**STEWARDSHIP OF OUR FINANCES AND PRESENCE**

August 16, 2009

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| Worship Attendance:            | 78           |
| Offering:                      | \$2,244      |
| Year-to-date:                  | \$138,950    |
| Budgeted:                      | \$169,389    |
| Net: (Minus)                   | \$(30,439)   |
| Current Mortgage Debt:         | \$233,610.78 |
| Planned Principal Payments:    | \$6,354.68   |
| Additional Principal Payments: | \$60,035.00  |

**COMING UP AT BVUMC:**

During the summer months, Rev. Michele will be off on Tuesdays. The summer office hours are Thurs-Fri 8:30-12:30PM. Rev. Michele is available in the office Thurs-Fri 10-12 Noon and by appointment.

**TODAY, 2:00PM** Cookout at the Wheelers, 44 Manchaug St, Douglas. 508-476-2037. Bring a swimsuit and towel for the kids to have some water play in the backyard.

**MONDAY AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup> -UMM FIELD TRIP!** Watch the Worcester Tornados take on the Sussex Skyhawks at Hanover Insurance Park (aka Fitton Field). Opening pitch is at 7:05 PM. For info, see Dean Fortin.

**TUESDAY, AUG 25<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM** – AA meeting – OFH

**WEDNESDAY, AUG 26<sup>th</sup>**

**3:30-5:30 & 5:30-7:30PM** - We will be providing the meal at the **Peace of Bread** community kitchen. We are looking for volunteers to help us set up and serve . If you can help and feel called to this ministry, please see or call LuAnn Belseth at 508-278-7221 to sign up.

**7:00PM** – Resound! rehearsal

**7:00PM** – Faith Hall. Important **Sunday School Teachers Meeting** for anyone who plans on teaching this year or might be interested in being a substitute. Also for all confirmation graduates who would like to help out. We will be giving out curriculum and going over recent changes to our

Sunday School program. Please see Tina Beauchaine if you are unable to attend.

**SATURDAY, AUG 29<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30AM** – AA Meeting – OFH

**SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATES:**

Registration will be held **August 30<sup>th</sup>** and **September 13<sup>th</sup>**

All children need to have a new form filled out.

Welcome back Sunday will be **September 13<sup>th</sup>**. All church family is invited to attend a Luau. More information will follow.

**SEPTEMBER 17-19<sup>TH</sup>** The United Methodist School of Christian Mission will be at Camp Aldersgate in Rhode Island. Please look over the packet found in the Faith Hall entry. For more information, see Ingrid Murphy or Carolyn Mitchell.

**SUNDAY, OCT 4<sup>th</sup> 2:00- 5:00PM.** The Fall 2009 UMW Central District will be held at the Community United Methodist Church, Wayland, MA. Registration forms and information will be available at the entrance to Faith Hall. The forms should be returned by Sept 24<sup>th</sup>.

**BVUMC Prayer List**

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Flo Phillips

Bob Marseglia asks for prayers for Linda Jennings and Dan Houde

*If you would like to add a name to the Prayer List, or if you want your name removed from the Prayer List, please speak to Carolyn Mitchell or Rev. Michele.*

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**ANNOUNCEMENT & EVENT REMINDER**

All meetings and events for the weekly bulletin should be turned in by **Wednesday** by calling or e-mailing the church office or placing information in the church office mail box.

Committees and Groups should be sure their meetings or events are on the “Church Calendar” located in the church office.

**CHURCH NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for the Church Newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Materials can be put in the “Newsletter” mailbox in the new church entry. They can also be e-mailed to [newsletter@blackstonevalleyumc.org](mailto:newsletter@blackstonevalleyumc.org)

**NAC Outreach**

The NAC is sponsoring a **backpack collection** for area children in need. Any donations of backpacks and other school supplies, such as notebooks, rulers, pens, pencils, calculators, crayons, markers, etc. will be appreciated. Please bring in your items by **today**.

**From NAC:** A family consisting of a single parent and three teens recently lost everything in a house fire. Anyone wishing to help can mail Wal-Mart gift cards to Catholic Charities, 9 Spring St, Whitinsville, MA 01588.

**In Our Community**

The Whitin Community Center will be host to a Big Band concert on Saturday, September 12th from 4:30 to 7 pm. Tanglewood in Whitin Park will feature the music of the Point ‘n’ Swing Band. Bring a blanket or chair, tap your feet, sing along or dance the time away. Beer, wine, soda, water and snacks will be available for purchase. The event will be held at the Gerry Gaudette Pavilion in Whitin Park. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Whitin Community Center gymnasium. Either way, you’ll be “in the mood” for a fantastic, fun-filled time while supporting the mission of the Whitin Community Center.

Tickets are on sale now at the Whitin Community Center, 60 Main St., Whitinsville, MA or call 508.234.8184. Ticket prices: \$10/ Adult, \$20/Family and \$8/Seniors. Tickets will also be available for purchase on the evening of the event. This event is handicap and wheelchair accessible.

**NORTHBRIDGE ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES**

provides the following programs in our local community.

Blackstone Valley Free Medical Clinic 508 234-9356

Open 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month 6:00-8:00 p.m.

“Peace of Bread Community Kitchen”

(BVUMC contacts)

David Nadreau 401 475-0354

LuAnn Belseth 508 278-7221

Northbridge Food Pantry

Community Coordinator

Kelly Lariviere 508 234-8446

**Volunteers may contact the person listed.**