



**Devotions and Stories**  
**God's Dance**

When I meditated on the word Guidance, I kept seeing “dance” at the end of the word.

I remember reading that doing God's will is a lot like dancing. When two people try to lead, nothing feels right...

The movement doesn't flow with the music, and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky. When one person realizes that, and lets the other lead, both bodies begin to flow with the music.

One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the back or by pressing Lightly in one direction or another. It's as if two become one body, moving beautifully.

The dance takes surrender, willingness, and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other.

My eyes drew back to the word Guidance.

When I saw “G”: I thought of God, followed by “U” and “I”.

“God, U and I dance.”

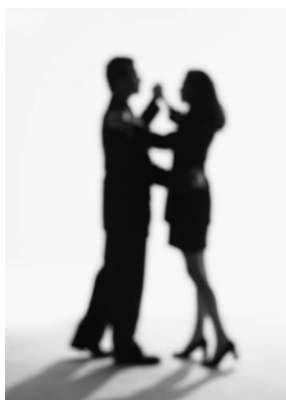
God, you, and I dance.

As I lowered my head, I became willing to trust that I would get guidance about my life.

Once again, I became willing to let God lead.

My prayer for you today is that God's blessings and mercies are upon you on this day and everyday.

Dance together with God, trusting God to lead and to guide you through each season of your life.



—author unknown

**Small Groups**

Small groups have just barely begun! Now is your chance to join a small group. Invite a friend, we have many testimonies of people who started coming to church because they were invited to a small group.

**Tuesday** Small groups: Clotfelter (7:00), Walshaw/Kreamer (6:30). **Wednesday:**The Morning Glory Girls (9:00 am), A&M Reich Group (7:00 at Butch and Faye Kuhns home), Sanner (7:00) **Thursday:** T&A Snyder (9:00 am at the Church) and **Sunday:** Krouse (4:30 pm). Find a small group that suits your needs NOW!

Feeling Left Out?



Join In



**Rocket Club**

10...9...8...7...6...5...4...3...2...1...0 BLAST OFF Into a world of discovery to the territory known as the Kingdom of God. This kids club will be held the first Wednesday of every month from now until the end of the school year. All children and their friends ages 2 years to 6th grade are welcome to attend. The first meeting of the fall is October 7th from 6:30 to 8:00. New leaders are also welcome to come and help! For more information please see Sandy Spotts.

**United Methodist Women**

On October 21st the United Methodist women will hold their monthly meeting at 7:00. The woman of the Bible this meeting surrounds is Martha. The theme is Grief. Our activity for the evening is to bring a decorated pumpkin to exchange. Hostesses for the evening are: Bonnie Weirick, Pat Kreamer, Anna Kreamer, Freida Bachman, and Margie Snyder.

**Yard/Bake Sale**

A fundraiser for the United Methodist Women will be held on October 3rd at the home of Clint and Margie Snyder. Come out and find a bargain and get something yummy to eat beginning at 8:00 AM.

**Church Conference**

Our church conference will be held at St. Paul's U.M. Church in Penns Creek on October 12th. Church members will have a vote on issues that are brought to the floor, but anyone who attends Hummel's may sit in on the meeting. Conference is at 6:45.

**Trip**

If you signed up to go along on the trip to the Dutch Apple Theatre please be at the church on October 17th by 8:30 AM.

Choir Practice: October 1st, 7:30

Grace Notes: October 15th, 6:30

Choir Practice: October 29th, 7:30



10/4 Worldwide Communion/Harvest Home

10/11 New Church Building Fund

10/18 Food Donation Sunday/Wehry Family 8:45 & 11:10

10/25 Bring a Friend Sunday

**Youth Fellowship**

**Youth news:**

October is a busy month...are you ready?

10/4 Bike Ride in Weikert. Bring your bike to Church for an afternoon of fun and exercise.

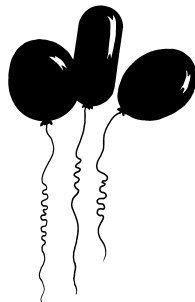
10/11 Beginning of Sunday Evening Youth group. From this date on we will be having youth group EVERY Sunday evening from 6:30-9:00.

10/23 Youth hayride. For youth and their family. Food, games, crafts and fun. Held here at the church at 7:30. You may bring a snack to share!

**Happy Birthday to:**

- 10/2 Sherry Hostetler
- 10/3 Katelyn Walter
- 10/4 Sue Smith
- 10/5 Emily Hibbs
- 10/6 Andrea Smith
- 10/7 David Kratzer  
Hollie Johnson
- 10/8 Alyssa Aucker
- 10/9 Ray Perkinson  
Richard Walter
- 10/10 Brett Smith  
Jeff Walter
- 10/13 Monica Strocko
- 10/16 Tiffany Berry
- 10/17 Lillian Royer  
Kevin Stahl

- 10/19 Pamela Gill  
Scott Herbster
- Clint Hostetler  
Steve Smith
- 10/20 Carl Keister
- 10/21 Curtis Holmes
- 10/26 Roger Smith
- 10/27 Davannah Dunn
- 10/28 Henry Reich
- 10/30 Bernice Tittle
- 10/31 Jean Walshaw



**Happy Anniversary to:**

- 10/7 Steve and Ellen Eichman
- 10/10 Roy and Rochelle Paige
- 10/12 John and Sue Hauck
- 10/15 Darren and Julie Loss
- 10/19 Gary and Tiffany Fry  
Scott and Kathy Wendt
- 10/20 Mike and Teresa Hibbs



**Congratulations:**

The Smith family is rejoicing the birth of another baby girl! Kurt and Jenn welcomed Sierra Marie to their family on September 5th. She weighed 6lbs and 8oz and was 17" long. Congratulations also goes to big brother Lucas, and big sister Daisy!

*Congratulations....*

A wedding was held at Hummel's on September 19, 2009 uniting Paul Berry and Tiffany Higley. May God bless this couple as they live their lives together.



**BULLETIN BLOOPERS**

On a church bulletin during the minister's illness: GOD IS GOOD Dr. Hargreaves is better.

Today's Sermon: HOW MUCH CAN A MAN DRINK? with hymns from a full choir.

Stewardship Offertory: "Jesus Paid It All"

Please Pray for:

**Pray for our Nursing Home Residents**

Henry Reich.....Penn Lutheran  
Cathy Shrawder.....Bloomsburg  
Cora Master.....Zendt's  
David Kratzer.....Nottingham Village  
Thelma Brouse.....Penn Lutheran

**In the care of family**

Peg Gilbert

**Please pray for our Shut ins**

Scott Smith

**Recent Surgeries/Procedures**

David Dunn  
Paul Howell  
Janice Shambach  
Denny Krouse  
Rick Smith

**Recent Hospital Stays**

Denny Krouse  
Thelma Brouse

**Pray for our Extended Family**

Rick Shipe  
Ethel Stuck  
George Swineford  
Mary Sulouff  
Vance & Virginia Thompson  
Warren C. Johnson

"Our prayer and God's mercy are like two buckets in a well. While one ascends; the other descends."



**Our College Students**

Amy Bowersox  
Kim Dreese  
Yvonne Herbster  
Becky Hibbs  
Zach Royer  
Katie Stuck  
Amanda Waite  
Casey Wendt

Please remember the many in our congregation who are going through tests, or having issues that have not required them to have a hospital stay or surgery.

## Hummel's United Methodist Church

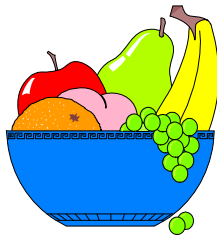
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*...to proclaim the love of God to all people.*



BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS  
LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE,  
KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFUL-  
NESS, GENTLENESS, AND SELF-  
CONTROL. AGAINST SUCH  
THINGS THERE IS NO LAW.

Galatians 5:22

“Compassion will take care of more sins than condemnation.”

## What is Your Church's Motto

—From Where I Sit...by Tom Salsigiver—District Superintendent

I must admit it, I'm a catalog junky. I love getting catalogues. I'm like a kid in a candy store—especially in the fall as all the catalogues arrive for fall and Christmas. It doesn't matter what kind of catalog—I look at all of them.

Recently, Joanne and I received a catalog from The Country House. As I looked at it, there was a plaque that caught my attention. It says, “A motto To Live By.” The motto says:

Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving  
Safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to slide in  
sideways, chocolate in one hand, iced tea in the other, body thoroughly  
Used up totally worn out, and screaming, “WOO HOO, what a ride!”

As I read that, I thought to myself, “now there's a motto for every Church!” Too often we in our churches worry more about dirty paint and scuffed floors than having the church used every day for mission and ministry.

How often do our churches spend countless Trustees meetings and Ad Councils talking about how we must protect our buildings rather than using them? How often do Trustees become the decider of what ministry will and will not occur rather than making sure the church is in good repair so we can do ministry? How often do we say no to children, youth ministry, to outside groups using the parlor, the kitchen, and other rooms because we want to keep it nice just for us? How often do we spend more time preserving our buildings rather than finding ways to use them?

Before I was your DS, I visited hundreds of churches in the Annual Conference. I cannot tell you how many times I heard about arguments over dish towels in the kitchen, how many times churches said no to outside groups or new ministries because it would make the church dirty. I am embarrassed to tell you how many places in churches are off limits to children, to youth or outside groups because they might make a mess.

Our church buildings must be kept in good repair and they must be clean. But they are not what we worship. The buildings are only a means to ministry—it isn't the ministry itself. Our church buildings are to be instruments of mission and ministry, not mausoleums dedicated to past people.

I hope and pray that each of our churches will adopt the above motto for building use and at the end of each week be able to say, “WOO HOO, WHAT A RIDE WE HAD LAST WEEK BECAUSE OUR CHURCH WAS BUZZING WITH THE SOUND OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS—even with sticky hands of chocolate and spilled ice tea in our lounge!”

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