



**Letter from the Senior Pastor.....Mike Dominick**

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Dear Friends,

**I'm pondering a couple of questions. I'm listening for the heart of God, and thinking about a big question: Does God want to use Dayton Church to continue to win lost people to Jesus?**

I say continue to win because this congregation has a long, rich history of proclaiming the great truth of new life in Jesus Christ and loving people into His Kingdom. Dayton United Methodist Church has the DNA of an evangelistic church, and many, many people have entered into life in Christ here. This congregation also has the DNA of a missions Church, with significant support of missionaries and missions projects that impact people for Jesus locally, regionally, nationally and globally.

So the question is this: does God want to continue to win lost people to Jesus through Dayton Church? Does God want to use Dayton Church to win 100 more? 200 more? 300 more? As I pray and meditate on this **question, the answer I hear in my spirit is "yes!" There are thousands of people in our larger community who do not know the grace and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. I fully believe God put this church here and put me here to offer them Christ.**

**That conviction leads me to another question I'm pondering. It is a more difficult question. It is a more challenging question. I believe it calls for much prayer and study and planning and commitment. Here is the question: what do we need to do to win the next 200 people to Jesus?**

Our main worship service at 10:30 is pretty full. Parking and seating are both approaching physical limits. Our 8:00 service has much more room, **but it is not growing. If we keep doing what we've been doing, we're going to keep getting what we've got. Since 1997 our average attendance has bounced back and forth between 550 and 625. So what would make us more effective in winning the next 200?**

Over the past year a team of leaders and I have been participating in a **series of workshops called the "Fruitful Congregations Journey."** The team has been very helpful in focusing our vision on the mission of our church **and God's call to an even more fruitful and vital future. The Administrative Council has committed to take the next step in doing a congregational assessment this fall to seek to hear God's heart for our future.**



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**Letter from the Senior Pastor con't.....Pastor Mike**

We're working on a major self-study of where we are as a congregation, and an Assessment Weekend in October where a team from "Fruitful Congregations" will come to Dayton for interviews and training with leaders of our congregation to discern several prescriptions for even greater health and vitality in the future.

I want to be clear, we are not doing this because anything is broken or we're failing to be an alive, obedient church. We're doing this to assess where we are and discern any course corrections the Lord has in mind that will help us become even more effective in winning and growing disciples of Jesus Christ in the next three to five years and beyond. I believe we will look back five years from now and marvel at what God has done, giving thanks for 200 or more new followers of Jesus.

I am praying and pondering and listening, and I invite you to join me – whether you are an attender, a member or a leader. Whatever part we play in the life of Dayton Church, let's be satisfied with nothing less than God's vision for our future!

To God be the glory!  
Pastor Mike

**Dayton Nursing Alliance (DNA).....Becky Walters**

The Dayton Nursing Alliance will be holding the annual flu and pneumonia shot clinic on Sunday, September 11, 2011, in the first aid room from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Visiting Nurse Service, Inc (VNS) will be on site to administer vaccinations. It is recommended that all persons 6 months of age and older be vaccinated yearly to protect themselves from influenza. A pneumonia shot is recommended for those who have frequent upper respiratory infections, diabetes, chronic medical conditions, smoke, have asthma or are over the age of 65. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Walters at 464-9240.

**COST OF VACCINATIONS:**

- \$35 - Flu Vaccination (3 years & up)
- \$30 - 1/2 Dose Flu Vaccination (6-35 months)
- \$40 - Thimerosal-Free Flu vaccine 6 months and older
- \$40 - FluMist (Healthy Individuals 2-49 years/Thimerosal-Free)
- \$70 - Pneumonia Vaccination (9 years and up)



**VNS ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING FORMS OF PAYMENT:**

Medicare Part B & Medicare Advantage plans (MAP). Individuals must present their appropriate card at the time of service to receive the flu and/or pneumonia vaccination(s). VNS will submit claims to the carriers. If your card is not presented, payment will be due when services are rendered. If claim is denied, then the recipient is responsible for payment. Cash or check.

**Family Night Live.....Pastor Eric**

Get ready! Family Night Live will be starting soon. Mark your calendars for every Wednesday from October 5th - November 9th. Meals will be served at 6:00pm with classes for the whole family starting 6:30pm. **Some of the classes being offered this Fall semester include: "Men are Like Waffles, Women are Like Spaghetti," "The Parables of Jesus," "Doing the Right Thing: A Six Part Exploration of Ethics,"** and more. It is going to be a great semester. Be sure to schedule time to make this a part of your autumn plans. If you have any question, feel free to contact Pastor Eric.

# The Bulletin Board

## Women's Ministries

September Service Committee:  
Carolyn Martin, Cindi Cullom, Lisa Unkel, Susie Null, Kelly Newton, Tracy Mavity, Marietta Hatke, Sandy Guinn

### Save the Date:

Michael Nydegger Memorial Golf Outing  
\* Saturday, September 10th  
Global Impact Celebration  
\* September 21st-25th  
Dayton Dash (Upward 5/10 K Walk/Run)  
\* October 22nd  
Trunk-or-Treat  
\* October 22nd

## CALLING ALL SINGERS AND RINGERS

Choir and Hand Bell practice have started. All are invited to join in either or both of these music groups. If you have questions, please call Pastor Eric.

## Did You Know...

There are 64 parking spaces behind the church?  
If the regular attendees, who are physically able, would park behind the church, it will leave lots of room for visitors to park.

Glen & Reva Greeson want to invite you to share in the celebration of their

## 50th Anniversary

Our anniversary was actually June 3rd, however, due to the fish calling us to go north (Minnesota), we decided to celebrate this once-in-a-life-time event on

Sunday, September 18th  
1:30-4:00pm

Dayton UM Church Ministry Center

Desserts will be served. Please RSVP so we have an idea of the amount to prepare, 474-2356.

**Christmas Musical Call-Out**  
Christmas may seem like a long time away, but it is time to begin practicing for our Christmas program. Be watching the bulletin for acting auditions and Christmas choir practices coming soon!

## Ministry Spotlight



### "Multi-Media/Sound"

Boy, do the volunteers of the multi-media and sound committee deserve a big thank you! They work hard behind the scenes every Sunday and whenever there is something going on at the church. Usually they are out-of-sight, out-of-mind. **But we couldn't do it without them. THANK YOU!!!**

## M&M's Upcoming Events

Recently, the DUMC women's ministry's M&M (Martha's and Mary's) committee, met to map out the events and activities for the coming year. We are excited about the upcoming calendar and pray that each event will bring the women of DUMC to a closer relationship to one another and to the Lord. We have purposely spaced out the events to approximately every other month so as not to crowd our calendars with too much activity.

We will start on October 1, 2011, with our "Half Day of Prayer." This year our traditional time with the Lord will feature an added twist, so you'll just have to attend to see what the Lord has in store. We'll gather together in The Shop at 9:00AM and will be dismissed by noon. If you can't make the whole time, come and join us for the time you can carve out. Be sure to watch the church bulletins and Sunday/Monday PowerPoint slides for additional information and reminders of the event.

Half Day of Prayer	October 1, 2011
Make It, Bake It, Fake It, Take It	January 27, 2012
Movie with The Master	March 2
Mother/Daughter Banquet	May 18

Right now, before you forget, mark your calendar to reserve these dates. It's going to be a great year of prayer, service, fellowship and fun. Come join us as we journey with the Master while sitting at His feet (Mary) and serving His children (Martha).

## Thank You.....

Church Family

### Mary Bol Family

Thanks so much for all your prayers and support and the Bibles sent in remembrance of Mom. **She's truly happy playing piano in heaven. She was ready to go home.**

### Juanita Buck

I want to thank everyone who sent cards and prayed for me during my illness. A big thank you to Pastor Earl for visiting.

### Reva Greeson

Thank you to everyone who helped with the lunch provided for the teachers at Dayton Elementary School.

### Troy Hurst, Director of Church Relations

I want to personally thank the pastor, staff and congregation for your sacrificial VBS gift of **\$881 to the Lughulu people of East Africa. Because of your efforts, they will receive God's Word** in their heart language for the first time. We appreciate your help and support concerning Scripture translation.

### Rebecca Kaverman, 4th grade teacher at Dayton Elementary

Thank you so much for a wonderful lunch last Friday. It was a terrific way to end our first week of school. All of the food was delicious.

Also, thank you for donating school supplies to our students. These materials will be put to good use during the academic year.

Our school is so blessed to have the support of your wonderful church community. Thank you for always loving and caring about our kids.

# Our Faithful Servants

<b>First Service</b>	Nursery NB-18 mo Room 6	Preschool Room 13 & 14
Sept 4	Sandy Guinn	Martha Graves
Sept 11	Sheri Mellady & girls	Martha Graves
Sept 18	Sarah & Tim Row	Martha Graves
Sept 25	Martha Graves	Martha Graves

*September*

	Coordinators	
Nursery & Toddler 1	Sarah Null	296-4525
Toddler 2		
Sunbeams	LeeAnn Williams	538-3558
K-6	Jim Hiestand	296-3155

<b>Sunday School</b>	Nursery NB-18 mo Room 6	Preschool 2-4 yrs Room 13 & 14	Kindergarten Room I	Early Elementary Grades 1 & 2 Room J	Middle Elementary Grades 3, 4 & 5 Room A
Sept 4	Martha Graves	Christina Bennett-Team 1 Rene & Lauren Knuppel-Team 2	Camille Ummel Maraya P-Team 1 Sara & Jacob Marshall-Team 2	Rebecca Conner & Mindy Stader-Team 1 Kori Perdue-Team 2	Susie & Tommy Null-Team 1 Vicki & Al Millburg-Team 2
Sept 11	Martha Graves	Christina Bennett-Team 1 Rene & Lauren Knuppel-Team 2	Camille Ummel Maraya P-Team 1 Sara & Jacob Marshall-Team 2	Rebecca Conner & Mindy Stader-Team 1 Kori Perdue-Team 2	Susie & Tommy Null-Team 1 Vicki & Al Millburg-Team 2
Sept 18	Martha Graves	Christina Bennett-Team 1 Rene & Lauren Knuppel-Team 2	Camille Ummel Maraya P-Team 1 Sara & Jacob Marshall-Team 2	Rebecca Conner & Mindy Stader-Team 1 Kori Perdue-Team 2	Susie & Tommy Null-Team 1 Vicki & Al Millburg-Team 2
Sept 25	Martha Graves	Christina Bennett-Team 1 Rene & Lauren Knuppel-Team 2	Camille Ummel Maraya P-Team 1 Sara & Jacob	Rebecca Conner & Mindy Stader-Team 1 Kori Perdue-Team 2	Susie & Tommy Null-Team 1 Vicki & Al Millburg-Team 2

<b>Second Service</b>	Nursery NB-18 mo Room 6	Toddler 1 18 mo-2 1/2 yrs Room 12	Toddler 2 2 1/2-4 yrs Room 13 & 14	Sunbeams 4-5 yrs Room 8	Jr. Church Grades K-2nd Polka Dot Room	Jr. Church Grades 3rd-5th The Shop
Sept 4	Lisa Unkel Amy Willoughby Lindsey Starr	Wendie Vanette Kay Moore	Lisa Andrews Linda Hancock Alli Wickes	Clint & LeeAnn Williams	Lori & Chris Brandon	Al & Deb Baldwin Sub-Denise Hiestand
Sept 11	Deb Beck Julie Null	Chris & Sara Huffer	Julie Null Ed VanDame Maraya Phillips	Shawda & Layne Lumley	Todd & Jill Adams	Al & Deb Baldwin Sub-Denise Hiestand
Sept 18	Elizabeth Golden Sarah Null	Chrisy Wickes Jenn Tilley Holly Unkel	Susan Overdorf Lisa Hosier Victoria Heltzel	Keisha & Casey Dillon	Julie & Travis Null alternating with Brook Roberts	Al & Deb Baldwin Sub-Denise Hiestand
Sept 25	Janet Hall Bridget Winger Angela N	Colleen Moore	Renee Dexter Emily Brandon	Erin Perdue	Lynn Heltzel	Al & Deb Baldwin Sub-Denise Hiestand

<b>Monday Night</b>	Nursery Toddlers Room 13 & 14	Jr. Church Polka Dot Room
Sept 4	Martha Graves	Shirley Dominick
Sept 11	Martha Graves	Shirley Dominick
Sept 18	Martha Graves	Shirley Dominick
Sept 25	Martha Graves	Shirley Dominick



Good Afternoon,

Last Friday at MCL (August 19th) Pauline Clymer shared her story of “Bloom Where You Are Planted!” Are you digging for something to do? We need to keep busy to keep blooming. Transplant some of your “blooms” as you never know who you will touch and mainly keep your faith in our Lord! Thank you, Pauline, for sharing and again helping us Seniors bring back memories.

We’re looking into a couple of places to visit to gain some of our Senior knowledge so watch the next newsletter and Sunday bulletins.

- Friday, Sept 16th      MCL 11:30am
- Friday, Oct 21st      MCL 11:30am
- Thursday, Nov 17th    Beef & Boards “It’s a Wonderful Life” \$43 for lunch, show, & travel. We will leave at 10:30am.
- Friday, Nov 18th      MCL 11:30am

If for some reason the MCL meeting must be cancelled, you will be contacted via the phone-tree.  
Keep an eye on the Newsletter and Bulletin for details on all activities.

Ok now, watch those sidewalks that have cracks in them because **I don’t want to receive a phone tree saying someone fell!!**



Love You,  
Dane & Bea Yoder, 296-9090

**NEWS FLASH!!!**

I just talked to Michelle at Subaru and have set up a date on Friday, October 21st, 2011, at 1:00pm, to tour the car plant. The tour will be 1 1/2—2 hours long. We will have a golf cart that will hold five people and the rest of us will walk. Now this is the same day we usually meet at MCL, so watch the next newsletter and/or bulletin to sign up and look for more details!

“I wish I had taken this class when I was 20.” “If I only knew about these things when I was first married and raising my kids.” “Every young man needs to take this class.” These are just a few of the things that men from our church are saying about Men’s Fraternity. What is Men’s Fraternity? It is a series of classes that teach men what it means to be the man we were meant to be. It helps us to deal with our past junk that is affecting our daily lives. Through his teaching, Dr. Robert Lewis, former football player for the Arkansas Razorbacks, reveals how men can be better men, husbands, dads, employers, employees, and Christians. He answers the questions that men struggle with the most but are typically afraid to talk about.

**Don’t wait another year to take this course.** This is the time to take it for the first time, or the go through it again as a refresher. Classes begin the week of September 26th. For more information, check out our website at [www.daytonumc.org](http://www.daytonumc.org) under Ministries, then Adult. Also, there are brochures on the Information Center in the church lobby. In addition, Pastor Eric would love to answer any of your questions you might have about Men’s Fraternity. Let this be the year you discover authentic manhood.

# birthdays

Jean Herman	01-Sep	Ed VanDame	12-Sep	Priscilla Fossnock	21-Sep
Claire Null	02-Sep	Sadie Bowman	12-Sep	Eva Wickes	22-Sep
Dale Hickman	02-Sep	Brad Wickes	13-Sep	Sandy Guinn	22-Sep
Karen Brewer	02-Sep	Julie Hiestand	13-Sep	Michelle Batta	23-Sep
Linda Miller	02-Sep	Jerry Unkel	14-Sep	Morrie Bruinsma	23-Sep
Clint Williams	03-Sep	Madeline Stader	14-Sep	Phillis Schley	23-Sep
Phyllis Gallipo	03-Sep	Bonnie Jones	15-Sep	Bonnie Smith	24-Sep
Beth Plybon	04-Sep	Madison Love	15-Sep	Paige Morrison	24-Sep
Scotlynn Perdue	04-Sep	Kimberly DeMoss	16-Sep	Sara Huffer	26-Sep
Leann Bohm	05-Sep	Sophie Post	16-Sep	Elizabeth Golden	27-Sep
Jacob Shockney	06-Sep	Keith Hamilton	17-Sep	Lauren Fleming	27-Sep
Jill Adams	06-Sep	Sue Meiser	17-Sep	Johnathan Loft	28-Sep
Tucker Bowman	07-Sep	Brandon Blankenship	18-Sep	Julie Hankins	28-Sep
Karen Datzman	08-Sep	Gloria Deaton	18-Sep	Sherri Coley	28-Sep
Lynn Heltzel	08-Sep	Don Miller	19-Sep	Brooklynn Lahrman	30-Sep
Susan Brewer	08-Sep	Hannah Burger	19-Sep	Duane Cross	30-Sep
Jerry Oxley	09-Sep	Chuck Caldwell	20-Sep	Kent Stader	30-Sep
Beth Crum	10-Sep	Gabbie Newton	20-Sep	Lee Ann Williams	30-Sep
Shelby Baker	11-Sep	Mayah Love	20-Sep	Michele White	30-Sep



Ted & Barbara Dieterle	Sept 2	Matt & Tennille Darnell	Sept 21
Chris & Sara Huffer	Sept 6	Dick & Cindy Bart	Sept 23
Duane & Tracy Cross	Sept 7	Rebecca & Ed Deitrick	Sept 25
Mike & Sandy Aldridge	Sept 9	Dean & Nancy Pyatt	Sept 25
Jim & Denise Hiestand	Sept 10	Greg & Amy Willoughby	Sept 26
Bob & Kathy Burris	Sept 11	Walter & Marilyn Gray	Sept 27
Perry & Shirley Prather	Sept 14	Ranny & Paulette Lambirth	Sept 29

Ted & Barb Dieterle will celebrate their **50th** Wedding Anniversary this month!  
 Congratulations

<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Samantha Stader Madeline Stader	Sunday First Service Gary Strup, Jim Newton, Keith & Julie Hamilton  Sunday Second Service Duane Adams, Ned Dickerson, Dale Crum, Tom Mobley, Jack Ruckel, Joe Bixler, Ron Andrews, Tom Heltzel  Monday Evening Steve Ratcliff	Sunday First Service Randy & Marva Denham  Sunday Second Service Rick & MarJo Doyle, Burger Family, Jean Herman, Jessica Herman

# Dayton United Methodist Church

## *E*ndeavoring to:

### *Exalt*

the name of Jesus Christ in all things

### *Expand*

our knowledge and application of God's Word

### *Evangelize*

those who are without Christ

### *Edify*

the believers within the Church

### *Exercise*

our gifts in ministry

### *Extend*

our witness to the world



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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Worship Service (Formal)  
Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School For All Ages  
Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Casual)  
Monday 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (Casual)

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