



Fall 2009

# Classes & Events

Petoskey United Methodist Church  
Ministries & Programs

Yet, O LORD, you are our Father. We are the clay,  
you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Matthew 7:7-8

# PETOSKEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1804 E. Mitchell Road • Petoskey, MI 49770

## MISSION STATEMENT

To seek and nurture lifelong followers and servants of Jesus Christ.

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM-3:00 PM/Friday: 8:30 AM-noon

## STAFF:

**Pastor:** Dr. James Mitchum – [james.mitchum@petoskeyumc.org](mailto:james.mitchum@petoskeyumc.org)  
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**Early Service Coordinator:** Michelle Mitchum  
**Choir Director:** June Zoerhof  
**Organist:** Gertrude Fairbairn  
**Custodian:** Charles Murray

## COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Lay Leadership	Pastor James Mitchum
Lay Leader	Mike Webster
Membership & Evangelism	Sue Herrington
Trustees	Jerry Patterson
Techno Team	Kevin Calhoon
Staff Parish	Beth Eisch
Finance	Earl Raynal
Celebration Garden	Meredith Richter
Memorials	Lois Duiven
Church Council	Diana Bailey
Worship	Joanne Snedden
Safety Team	Joe Rautio
Missions	Deborah Cole
Education—	
-Adult Teaching Team	Deborah Cole
-Children's Ministries	LeaAnne Montel
-Youth Leadership Team	Deborah Cole
-Leadership Training Team	James Mitchum



*Dear Friends,*

A familiar song praying for change of heart and mind reads:

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart O God, may I be like you.  
You are the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart O God, may I be like you.

*Eddie Espinosa*

How do we become more like Jesus? We become more like Jesus when we give him the opportunity to shape and mold us. Whether the opportunity is in worship, small groups, Sunday school, or times of Christian fellowship, it's there we find times of spiritual growth. Find in this brochure, opportunities. Come and be molded.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor James". The script is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

*Pastor James*

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

- Contemporary Style Praise & Worship Service: 8:45 AM
- Sunday Classes for all ages: 10:00 AM
- Traditional Style Worship Service: 11:00 AM (Live broadcast on 1110 WJML)
- Kids Worship (Pre-K-3rd grade) weekly during service after children's time w/Pastor James
- Nursery Care (birth-3 years) available all morning  
*Professionally staffed & trained volunteers*

## SPECIAL SERVICES AND EVENTS

- Sunday, September 13: Open House/Ministry Fair Sunday
- Sunday, October 4: Confirmation Sunday—one service at 10:00 AM
- Wednesday, November 4: Annual Church Conference • 7:00 PM
- Sunday, November 29: Hanging of the Greens • 5:00 PM
- Sunday, December 13: Christmas Cantata—one service at 10:00 AM
- Thursday, December 24: Christmas Eve Services • 5:30 PM, 7:30 PM, 11:00 PM
- Sunday, December 27: One service at 10:00 AM

# CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

## KIDS OWN WORSHIP

**Ages: Pre-K thru 3rd grade**

Children's Church during each worship service.

Begins after "*God's Word for Our Children*" with Pastor James

## SONSHINE KIDS CHOIR

**Ages: Kindergarten-2nd grade**

Weekly – the first 10 minutes of Sunday School

## KING'S CHOIR

**Ages: 3rd-6th grade**

Begins September 16 • Wednesday evenings • 6:30-7:00 PM

*June Zoerhof*

## PETOSKEY CHILDREN'S NURSERY

Independent Preschool

*Courtney Beck (347-6581)*

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## CHILDREN, YOUTH & ADULT SUNDAY CLASSES

Age Level Sunday Classes through May • 10:00-10:55 AM

### CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY CLASSES

Preschool – Nursery: Megan Mainland

Kindergarten-1st Grade – Room 5: Joan Marshall

2nd & 3rd Grade – Room 3: Charisse Tietjen & Sue Herrington

4th & 5th Grade – Room 2: Robin & Bill Scott and Marvin Howell

Middle School – Room 4:

High School – Youth Room:

### ADULT SUNDAY CLASSES

*Enough* – by Adam Hamilton

5 weeks beginning September 20 & again November 1 • Fellowship Hall

The entire church and many small groups will be doing the study *Enough*.

*Enough* is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom on experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity.

*The Four Loves* – by C.S. Lewis

6 weeks beginning November 1 • Room 11

In the book, *The Four Loves*, Lewis will take the reader on a quest to discover and explore the various types of love felt, given, and received by humans; described in Greek thought as: familial or affectionate love (*storage*); friendship (*philia*); romantic love (*eros*); and spiritual love (*agape*). It is “probably impossible” to love any human being too much, we must, says Lewis, make sure we do not “love him too much *in proportion* to our love for God.”

–Led by Doug Mantha

Financial Peace University Orientation

1 week – September 13 • 10:00 AM • Room 9

Another Orientation will be Thursday, September 10 • 6:00 PM

Class begins on Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 PM in the Youth Room

–Led by Ed & Beth Eisch

\*\*Watch for additional class offerings.

# ADULT STUDY & FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

*\*Child care provided for all classes upon request*

## SUNDAY—

### **All Welcome – Adult Small Group**

*Enough!*, by Adam Hamilton • Evening time to be determined

### **Membership Orientation & Exploration**

Sundays • October 25, November 1 & 8th • 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Wesley Room • Childcare available upon request

*Led by Pastor James & Deb Cole (deb.cole@petoskeyumc.org)*



## MONDAY—

### **Church Hammers – Habitat Team**

Meetings every Monday evening at 6:00 PM • Room 11

(or a work bee at the home – watch for details)

## TUESDAY—

### **Men's Growth Group**

Every Tuesday at 7:00 AM • Pastor's office

Exploring biblical themes and life application each week.

### **Women's Study Group**

Tuesday Evenings • 5:45-7:00 PM • Room 2

### **UMW Reader's**

Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM

A different book selected each month.

Contact: Meredith Richter, 347-9717 or email: mrich1300@yahoo.com

### **Emmaus Gatherings**

3rd Tuesday of each month • 7:00 PM

At the Indian River United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bring a friend. Carpooling possible from PUMC

## WEDNESDAY—

### **Music Schedule**

Chancel Choir: 7:00- 8:30 PM • Wesley Room

Bell Choir: 5:00 PM • Wesley Room

Girl's Ensemble: TBD

King's Choir: 6:30 PM • Wesley Room • Begins September 16

### **United Methodist Women**

Meetings are the third Wednesday of each month • 11:00 AM

Sack or potluck lunch; business meeting and program.

Contact: Meredith Richter, President; 347-9717 or e-mail: mrich1300@yahoo.com

## THURSDAY—

### **Women's Bible Study**

*Experiencing God*, by Henry T. Blackaby

Thursday mornings starting September 10 • 9:00-11:00 AM

### **Financial Peace University**

Orientation: Thursday, Sept. 10 @ 6:00 PM & Sunday, Sept. 13 at 10:00 AM

Classes held every Thursday, Sept. 17-December 17 • 6:00 PM

—Led by Ed and Beth Eisch

### **Celebration Garden**

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4:00 PM. Watch for dates on upcoming work bees at the church. Contact Meredith Richter for more information: 347-9717, or email: mrich1300@yahoo.com

## SATURDAY—

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry Gatherings**

The first Saturday of each month (No September meeting) • 1:00-3:00 PM

Everyone is welcome to gather to learn more about the UMW prayer shawl ministry at Petoskey UMC. If you have started a shawl—bring it with you; if not—come and learn to knit/crochet one! Pick up a brochure in the narthex or contact Marilyn Mann or Pauline Webb for more information.

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

### EMAIL AND PHONE PRAYER CHAIN

How to reach the prayer chain: 1.) E-mail prayerchain@petoskeyumc.org; 2.) During office hours, phone the church and speak to Laurie Taylor or Deborah Cole. 3.) After office hours and on the weekend, phone the church—347-2733 and choose option 9 to leave a message. This will be checked throughout the day or in case of emergencies – call Deb anytime.

### PERSONAL DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL

- Weekly online devotions written by church members updated every Tuesday at [www.petoskeyumc.org](http://www.petoskeyumc.org). Contact Emily Calhoon if you would like to contribute a devotion – [emily.calhoon@petoskeyumc.org](mailto:emily.calhoon@petoskeyumc.org)
- **Upper Room Daily Devotional** available on the Welcome Center
- Library/CCN Videos available for checkout

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNERS

If you are willing to coordinate this (you don't have to do all the cooking), contact Deb Cole. This is a great ministry to the church and to the community.

### EMMAUS GATHERINGS

Gatherings: 3rd Tuesday of the month at Indian River UMC, 7:00 PM

Praise & worship, guest speakers, & fellowship. Everyone is invited to attend. Bring a friend.

# YOUTH STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Youth events happen most Sunday evenings for Middle School and High School between 6:00-9:00 PM. Groups will do service/mission projects each month. Check your e-mails (get me updated e-mail address if you do not receive weekly updates). Also, watch the *Belltower*, bulletins, web site, monthly youth schedule, the bulletin board outside Deb's office and/or listen to weekly announcements in church for continued updates on activities. Get Involved in Your Church—I encourage each of you to be part of a team and take ownership of your commitment to the PUMC; to the body of Christ. (See listing of areas under “*Use Your Gifts & Talents*” in this brochure.) The Church needs you; God needs you!

## SPECIAL DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **September 20: 5:30-7:30 PM:** Middle & Highs School & Parent Orientation – dinner included
- **October 4:** Confirmation Sunday – one service 10:00 AM
- **October 23-24:** Superstart – Grades 4th-6th – Youth Conference in Grand Rapids
- **November 1: 6:00-8:00 PM:** Spoken Groove – Community Youth Event
- **January 24:** 2010 Confirmation Orientation
- **January/February 2010:** Cedar Campus Retreats
- **April 30-May 1:** Acquire the Fire – MSU Breslin Center, Lansing, MI
- **May 16: 7:00 PM:** Baccalaureate at Petoskey Middle School

## SPECIAL EVENTS— MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### SWISS STEAK DINNER

**Wednesday, September 23 • 4:30-7:00 PM**

Sponsored by the Church Hammers. Proceeds to benefit the Habitat for Humanity Home.

### TWELFTH ANNUAL WOMEN OF GRACE RETREAT

**September 12 • 8:30 AM-4:00 PM • Guest Speaker: Kristen Cottingham**

Kristen Cottingham is a vibrant and enthusiastic young woman with a passion for God's Word. She shares her heartwarming, everyday moments to teach truth about God and then she demonstrates how life may be joyfully lived beyond the mundane tasks of life. (Watch for more information to sign up)

### MISSIONS & MINISTRY FAIR AND OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, September 13 • before and after service**

Children's Sunday School will begin today; Adults are welcome to browse through the Fair while children are in their class. Take time to sign up for one of the many classes offered.

# SPECIAL EVENTS— MARK YOUR CALENDARS -CONTINUED

## YOUTH KICK-OFF & ORIENTATION

**September 20 • 5:30-7:30 PM (dinner included)**

Worship, dinner, & gathering for youth (grades 6th-12th) & parents (activities for younger children)

## 2009 RUMMAGE SALE

**The UMW Fall Rummage Sale is October 9 & 10.** Please begin bringing your rummage to the church garage on Thursday, October 1. We will accept rummage until noon on Thursday, October 8. Limited pick up service is available. Please watch for worker and food donation sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Contact Susan Wirgau for more information: 347-5463 or [onthebay@chartermi.net](mailto:onthebay@chartermi.net).

## GREAT GOSPEL SING-OUT OF THE NORTH

**Sunday, October 11 • 3:00 PM • Petoskey United Methodist Church**

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**Monday, October 19 • 12:30-6:30 PM**

At the Red Cross Building. Watch for sign-ups.

## EMMAUS WALKS

**Men's: October 22-25 • Women's: October 29-November 1**

Applications are available on the website at [www.nmemmaus.org](http://www.nmemmaus.org)

## ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

**Wednesday, November 4 • 7:00 PM**

Start with our annual church meeting then join in a time of worship. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

## HANGING OF THE GREENS

**November 29 • 5:00-7:00 PM**

Come for a time of worship, stay for dinner, and help decorate the church for the Advent Season. Activities for all ages.

## ANNUAL PETOSKEY C.S. LEWIS FESTIVAL

**The 2009 festival kickoff weekend—October 24th.** [www.cslewisfestival.org](http://www.cslewisfestival.org).

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

**Wednesday, December 16 • 11:00 AM**

# VOLUNTEERS IN MISSIONS & MINISTRY

## MISSIONS KIOSK & BULLETIN BOARD

Visit the Missions Kiosk in the lobby to learn about all the mission opportunities. Below is a list of current mission and ministry activities that happen within and through our church. We have included names for contact if you are interested in finding out more!

- Celebration Garden – *Meredith Richter*
- Cuban Missions – *Nick White*
- Emmet County Outreach Program – *Deb Cole*
- Equal Exchange – *Jan Serra/Sharyn Hanson*
- Habitat/Church Hammers – *Connie Lenau*
- Handymen – *Fred Fry*
- Heifer International – *Hank Kuehl*
- Helping Hands – *Stacey Burns*
- Kid's Hope – *LeaAnne Montel*
- Manna – *Dave, Pam & Tate Moyer*
- Mission Information Team – *Joelle Wilcox*
- Nomads/29ers – *Bill & Pauline Webb*
- Northern Michigan Cooperative Ministries – *Meredith Richter*
- Prayer Chain – *Office Staff*
- Prayer Shawl Ministry of UMW – *Pauline Webb/Marilyn Mann*
- Receipts/Flip Tops/Soup Labels – *Betty Doherty/Patterson's/Ruth Hansen*
- Scholarships/Mission Funds – *Martha Radcliffe*
- Ukraine Missions – *Dan Cole*
- UMCOR – *Meredith Richter*
- UMW – *Meredith Richter*
- Youth Missions – *Deb Cole*

## KIDS HOPE USA



Want to do mission work but can't see yourself going to a far off country? Look no further than Ottawa Elementary School right here in Petoskey. If you can offer one child, one hour per week, this is for you. Contact LeaAnne Montel ([kidshope@petoskeyumc.org](mailto:kidshope@petoskeyumc.org)).

## UMCOR (UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE ON RELIEF)

Great Gospel Sing Out of the North • October 11 at 3:00 PM

Globes for UMCOR will be out in the sanctuary on the first or second Sunday of each month for your donation.

## CELEBRATION GARDEN COMMITTEE

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month • 4:00 PM

Watch for dates on upcoming work bees at the church.

For more information contact Meredith Richter 347-9717 or email: [mrich1300@yahoo.com](mailto:mrich1300@yahoo.com)

# VOLUNTEERS IN MISSIONS & MINISTRY -CONTINUED

## EQUAL EXCHANGE COFFEE, TEA & COCOA

The display table is in the Narthex and will have items out throughout the week and each Sunday morning for purchase. When you purchase EE products, you join a network that enables farmers in Latin America, Africa, and Asia to stay on their land, support their families, plan for the future, and care for the environment.

*Talk with Sharyn Hansen or Jan Serra for more information.*

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, YOUTH AND MISSIONS

Bring in items—containers are in the Narthex. Grocery Receipts from Olseon's for Christian Education (*Betty Doherty*), Flip Tops from pop cans for the Grand Rapids Community House (*Patterson's*), Campbell's Soup Labels for McCurdy School in New Mexico (*Ruth Hanson*), old cell phones and copier ink cartridges for Youth Missions, and Penny Perimeter for missions (*Pearl Dally*).

## THE CHURCH HAMMERS – HABITAT TEAM

**Meetings every Monday evening at 6:00 PM at the job site or in Room 11 @ PUMC**

The Church Hammers, a mission of Petoskey United Methodist Church, host a team of seven churches who work together to build a Habitat for Humanity home for a partner family. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help with work bees, food and fundraisers.

*Contact Sue Hutchinson, Connie Lenau or the church office for more information.*

## THE HANDYMAN MINISTRY

Volunteers do repair jobs for those in need.

*Led by Fred Fry and Tim Brubaker*

## 29ERS

Mechuwana United Methodist Camp; Winthrop, Maine

September 27-October 8, 2009

*Contact: John Schwetz, 231-873-5907, or e-mail: pjschwetc@alldial.net*

## NOMADS—Nomads On a Mission Active in Divine Service

NOMADS is a mission outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church. The NOMADS program is specific to individuals and couples with RVs wishing to be involved in Christian Service. There are also occasional opportunities for those who do not have RVs. Membership in the United Methodist Church is not required.

The Webb's are United Methodist NOMADS to contact for questions.

Nomad Projects offered for the Fall 2009/Winter-Spring 2010 Project List will be published August 2009. *Contact: Bill Webb, 348-1084 or online: nomadsumc.org*

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# VOLUNTEERS IN MISSIONS & MINISTRY -CONTINUED

## MANNA DONATIONS

We are currently serving over 100 families. Our goal is to supply all families monthly with the selected items. Please give as you are able. *Contact Dave, Pam or Tate Moyer for questions.*

August:	Pancake mix & syrup
September:	Jiffy mixes – all kinds and sizes
October:	We will collect items for Thanksgiving baskets—boxed mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, green beans. We will also take monetary donations for the meat.
November:	Peanut butter & jelly
December:	Spaghetti sauce & pasta

## MISSION SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Overseas Mission, Individual Scholarships, Family Scholarships—Application forms are available through the office and online. *Contact Martha Radcliffe (347-0796) with questions*

## USE YOUR GIFTS & TALENTS IN OTHER WAYS

Consider serving others with your time, talents, and treasures in one of the following ways:

- Children's Worship Volunteer:** LeaAnne Montel (lamontel@petoskeyumc.org)
- Coffee Hour Hosts:** Chuck Johnson (early ) & Carolyn Kube (late)
- Counters:** David Meyer (dlmeyer@merace.com)
- Greeters:** Sue Herrington (sue1952@sbcglobal.net)
- Office Helpers:** Laurie Taylor (ifo@petoskeyumc.org)
- Liturgist:** Joanne Snedden (jsnedden@parishonline.tv)
- Music Ministry:** June Zoerhof/Michelle Mitchum/Jane Andrews
- Membership Secretary:** Barb Fry
- Nursery Volunteers:** LeaAnne Montel (lamontel@petoskeyumc.org)
- Sound & Media:** Frank Montel (hammerfor@hotmail.com); Amy Scott
- Ushers/Acolytes:** Bill Snedden (jsnedden@parishonline.tv)
- Vacation Bible School:** LeaAnne Montel (lamontel@petoskeyumc.org)
- Women's Retreat:** Judy Brummeler (jrae38@charter.net)
- Youth Activity Leader:** Deb Cole (deb.cole@petoskeyumc.org)

*\*Children & Youth Volunteers require screening by our safety policy*

## NOT SURE ABOUT YOUR SPECIFIC GIFTS?

Consider taking a spiritual gifts inventory by setting up a meeting with Pastor James or Deb Cole.