

The Northern Lights

Northern Michigan DeColores Ministries

September/October 2008

MEN'S WEEKEND #65

Location: Bear Lake Christian Church, M-72 Kalkaska

Date: September 18 - 21, 2008

Weekend Theme: "Take Up Your Cross & Follow Jesus"

Theme Song: "Take Up Your Cross" by Ray Boltz

Scripture: Mark 8:

Holy Hour: 7:00 pm Kalkaska United Methodist Church
September 19, 2008

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 10:00 am Bear Lake
Christian Church

Closing: 4:00 pm at Bear Lake Christian Church

Rector Mitch Mitchem

Co-Rector Mike Biehl

Spiritual Directors Robert Collier, Dave Rosenburg; **Head Co-ordinator** Dave Baker; **Coordinators** Kim Allen, Tom Stetler, Bob Ayala; **Chas** Mark Filipowicz, Aaron Biehl, Bill Narmore; **Head Cook** Butch Bartz; **Cooks** Ron Homan, Chuck Johnson, Brett Gallagher; **Musicians** Jim Harris, Jeff Winkler, Mike Brief; **Auxiliaries** William McKeen, Dick Wheaton, Ken Weber, Ryan Hannon, Chad Bartz; **Ideals** Keith Sutton; **Piety** Bill Davis; **Leaders** Jim Brown; **Environment** Roger Marcotte; **Christian Community In Action (CCIA)** Jeff Gelinias; **Study** Curt Britten; **Layman** Bryon Harrington; **Action** John Hayes

24-hour Pray Chapel Brian Narmore - 231 935-1877; **Food Donations** Dave & Sharon Stockford; **Kitchen Help Coordinator** Robert Sturm - 989 348-1554; **Potluck Couple** Dave & Patti Bury; **Sponsor's Chapel** Tony & Dee Miller; **Table Decorations** Carol Rosenburg & Study Group; **Faith Renewal Stoles** Mark Filipowicz; **Set-Up Crew** Tim Blanchette; **Take-Down Crew**; **Clean-Up Crew** Tim Blanchette; **Banner** Judy James, Tina Filipowicz, Linda Mitchem; **Holy Hour Homily** Pastor Scott Hoffer; **Holy Hour Hosts** Roger & Barbara Adkins; **Holy Hour Video** David & Vicki Hogerheide; **Photographer** Dave Stockford; **Cook's Aprons** Mary Kolle; **Cross Lanyards** Lynn Herbers; **Cross Painting** Mary Kole; **Coordinator's Aprons** Kaskie's Angels Reunion Group; **Musician's Aprons** Melissa & Quentin Priest; **Cha's Aprons** Kaskie's Angels Reunion Group; **Closing Hosts** Randy & Sheila Atwood; **Ice & Refrigerator Service** Terry Berden

WOMEN'S WEEKEND #66

Location: Blaine Christian Church, Arcadia, MI

Date: October 2-5, 2008

Weekend Theme: His Grace Is Sufficient

Theme Song: "Spirit Song"

Scripture: Ephesians 4:4-5

Holy Hour: 7:00 pm St. Philip's Episcopal Church

Directions to St. Phillips Episcopal Church, Beulah: Go west on US 31 at Chums Corners. It is approximately 30 miles to Beulah. As you come down the hill after passing the Best Western on the right, there are two churches on the left side of the road. Christian Science is first. Then the road to the Crystal Lake Golf Course. Then St. Phillips. It is well marked.

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 8:30 am Blaine Christian Church

Closing: 4:00 pm at Blaine Christian Church

Directions to Blaine Christian Church: Go west on US 31 at Chums Corners. proceed approximately 30 miles to the Beulah/Benzonia area. Go through the stop light in Benzonia and it is approximately 6 miles to Joyfield Rd. There is a sign directing you to turn right and Blaine Christian Church is on the corner of Joyfield Rd. and Putney Rd. about 3 miles.

Rectoress Sonja Reitan

Co-Rectoress Shirley Felt

Spiritual Directors Bob Larimer, Carlson Becker; **Head Coordinator** Jeri VanDePerre; **Coordinators** Terry DePeel, Charlene Wheaton, Heather Strum **Chas** Beth Cline, Cheryl Kemperman, Jennifer Ray, Denise Marcotti; **Head Cook** Peggy Duran; **Cooks** Donna Stowell, Deb Brief, Sherry Thompson; **Musicians** Karen David, Michelle Kellner, Darlene Miank **Auxiliaries** Roberta Dills, Heather Skiver, Nettie Borgen, Randi Wilcoxon, Doris Tufts, Val Porter; **Ideals** Char Drow; **Piety** Shannon Crossman; **Leaders** Sue Webber; **Environment** Kathy Neihardt; **Christian Community In Action (CCIA)** Cindy Fockler; **Study** Shirley Gelinias; **Laywoman** Dawn Jacobsen; **Action** Fran Martin

24-hour Pray Chapel Mary Chappel; **Food Donations** Mary Kolle; **Kitchen Help Coordinator** Linn Brown; **Potluck Couple** Cristi & Joe Goodchild

Sponsor's Chapel Deb Larimer; **Table Decorations** Pat Swartz; **Faith Renewal Stoles** Kathy Mattson

Set-Up Crew Don Crossman, Dave Reitan, Jim Miank; **Take-Down Crew** Mike Brief, Dave Reitan, Butch McKeen, Eddie Dills, Jim Miank; **Clean-Up Crew** Rick Kemperman; **Banner** Barbara Adkins **Holy Hour Homily** Marilou Schlotterbeck; **Holy Hour Hosts** Gary & Carolyn Waterson; **Holy Hour Video**; **Photographer** Dave Reitan; **Cook's Aprons** Melissa White Cross; **Lanyards Coordinator's Aprons** Sheila Atwood; **Musician's Aprons** Jen Wilcox; **Cha's Aprons** Karen Gallucci; **Closing Hosts** Todd & Noreen Shafer; **Ice & Refrigeration Service**



A Letter from the 2008 President Couple

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Have you thanked God today? Have you praised Him? Have you felt His love? We hope so. We are so blessed to live in this beautiful area where God's great works surround us. You can't walk outside without witnessing His creation. He has given us so much and all that He asks in return is a little of our time. Please, take the time right now to "be still and know that He is God". Feel the peace of His presence and praise Him for all that you are and all that you can become in Him.

The fall weekends will be here before we know it. Have you thought of who you want to share the gift of DeColores with? We hope that you are praying for all of the team members and all of the candidates that God has chosen for these weekends. We know that they will be "the best weekends ever". We must remember, "His grace is sufficient", so "pick up your cross and follow Jesus every day."

We also ask your help and prayers as we try to fill the positions on the board that will be open at the end of this year. Many opportunities are open to a willing spirit. Maybe you have been called for "such a time as this". Are you being called to be a Rector or Rectoress? It is a big commitment, but the blessings are unbelievable. Please contact any board member or us if you are interested in serving.

DeColores!
Mark and Tina Filipowicz

Letters from the Rector and Rectoress:

To the DeColores Community,

Thank you for your prayers and support for the up and coming Men's Weekend #65.

We have had three very awesome team meetings. We are bonding well as a team for serving our Lord. The rollistas have made great progress on their talks, the Holy Spirit is guiding them well. The cooks are well prepared and ready to turn out great meals for the weekend. The chas, coordinators and auxiliaries are preparing for their jobs with great anticipation. My Co-Rector and Head Coordinator keep telling me to take it easy and let them do their jobs, so I have settled down and focus now on serving our Lord and the candidates on Weekend #65. I thank everyone for their prayers and support and all those who stepped up for the outside team positions. If you are thinking of sponsoring someone, please send in the registrations soon, as the weekend is only five weeks away. I look forward to seeing everyone at Holy Hour and at the Closing. Remember this is God's weekend. The Lord has blessed all of us with being a part of Northern Michigan DeColores Ministries.

God Bless All
Mitch Mitchem

Dear DeColores Community,

We are approaching Weekend #66 and God is knitting everything together according to His plan. After some bumpy road when the 'enemy' tried to do some damage, we now seem to be a cohesive team working together toward the final outcome, a glorious weekend for God. I'm learning daily how God wants to reform me and stretch me in growth to His plans, not my own.

Just as I struggle to give up control to God, I thank Him for His lessons even when, or maybe especially when, they are hard ones to learn. A friend pointed out to me that just a few verses away from the verse I chose for the weekend, is Ephesians 2:10 which says "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Since everything has already been prepared all we need to do is move forward with confidence knowing He provides all we need.

There are several women on the weekend with health issues so I would ask for the community to pray for them. In addition many team members are traveling quite a distance to come to the team meetings (one from another State) so I would ask for prayers for safe travel for them.

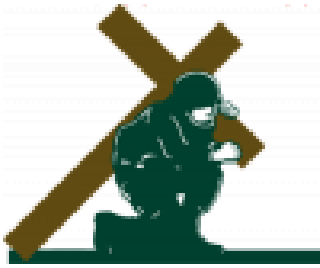
DeColores,
Sonja Reitan

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*The governing board of Northern Michigan DeColores Ministries meets on the first Saturday of each month. We meet at Kalkaska United Methodist Church on odd numbered months and First Christian Church of TC on even numbered months, beginning at 9 am. Meeting dates and locations are posted elsewhere in the newsletter. **We respectfully ask that you only use these e-mail addresses for DeColores related information, no bulk forwards or other information. Thank you!***

<p style="text-align: center;">WELCOME PASTOR SCOTT TO DECOLORES BOARD</p> <p>We would like to formally thank and welcome Pastor Scott Hoffer as Spiritual Director on the DeColores Board. Scott is from Bear Lake Christian Church and is a huge asset to our community. Thank you for your loving spirit and your willingness to serve.</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">NEEDED</p> <p>Dry eraser board and easel A step stool A small chest freezer Portable CD player</p> <p>We also need someone to drive the trailers to the weekend.</p> <p>Contact Mellody Halvorsen if you have any of these items!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TRAVERSE CITY ULTREYA HOST NEWS</p> <p>Dear DeColores Family,</p> <p>Phil. 1:3 “I thank God of every remembrance of you” and we thank everyone for your continued love and support. The attendance for June was 60 and we enjoyed Mark Knauss’ challenge to listen to God’s voice, even when we don’t feel like it. We also enjoyed the great fellowship of everyone around delicious strawberry shortcake. This month we will “SCREAM” for ice cream to make sundaes and floats. Please invite someone that hasn’t been to Ultreya in a while for great fellowship with the Lord, fellow Christians and yummy ice cream!</p> <p>For His Glory,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">John and Jeanette Borgen TC Ultreya Hosts</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOURTH DAY WORKSHOP</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, October 11th Kalkaska Church of the Nazarene 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Light lunch provided \$10.00 donation</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>What is a Fourth Day Workshop?</u></p> <p>It is an opportunity to learn more about the DeColores movement ... where it comes from, how it works, and what is involved in putting on a weekend.</p> <p>You will also learn how to prepare for a Rollo. This is an excellent way to prepare yourself for working on future teams!</p> <p>To sign up please contact Todd and Noreen Shafer - 231-258-6916 or e-mail tnshafer08@aol.com.</p>
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When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

Mark 8:34

2008 Ultreya Dates

October 27 - TC
November 24 - Kalkaska
December 29 - TC

ULTREYA - TO PERSEVERE - KEEP ON KEEPIN' ON!

Ultreyas are the last Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M.. On odd months they are in Kalkaska at the United Methodist Church on Beebe Rd., just north of Kalkaska off US 131. On even months they are in Traverse City at First Christian Church on South Airport Rd., across from Sam's Club. Please come and persevere with us. Everyone is invited. If you get the chance, please thank the members of these churches for letting us use their buildings. They are a blessing to us so thank them often! Clip and post this page for future reference!

2008 Board Meetings

September 6 - Kalkaska
October 4 - TC
November 1 - Kalkaska
December 6 - TC
January - Kalkaska

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