

Important Days/Dates to Remember

Each Sunday:

9:30 a.m. *Light Breakfast Fellowship*
9:45-10:30 a.m. *Sunday Schools (for all ages)*
11:00 a.m. *Worship Service*

Each Wednesday:

4:00 p.m. *Childrens Choir Rehearsal*
5:00 p.m. – *Prayer/Bible Study Ministry*
6:00 p.m. *Adult Choir Rehearsal*

January 25, 2010 – Monday:

6:00 p.m. – *PathFinders Fellowship: BINGO NIGHT!!!*

January 28, 2010 – Thursday:

6:30 p.m. – *The Love Boat Cruise Dinner Theatre*

January 31, 2010 – Sunday:

9:50 a.m. – *Staff/Pastor/Parrish Relations (SPPR)*
Committee meeting (Church Library)

February 3, 2010 – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – *Light Supper (by Patty Childress)*
6:30 p.m. – *Trustees/Administrative Council meeting*

February 9, 2010 – Tuesday:

6:00 p.m. – *Trustees meeting (Fellowship Hall)*



Are you a member of the Cuthbert United Methodist Church? If not, would you like to become a member? Scott Tucker, our pastor, would love to speak to you personally about becoming a member. He can be reached by calling his:

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(11:00 a.m. Sunday services televised Mondays at 6:00 p.m., cable channel 17)

I've been reading through the New Testament book of Acts recently. Acts is the first "church history" book. It tells the best stories of the followers of Jesus after he returned to heaven.

The book captures me every time I read it, but this time I'm noticing something new.

Prayer is everywhere in Acts. You barely get through a chapter or a paragraph, and someone is praying.

The disciples prayed in an upstairs room. They prayed when they ate. They went to the Jerusalem temple at the regular prayer times. They prayed when things were going well and the church was growing. They prayed when things got tough and their leaders were being arrested and executed.

They prayed.

It seems that, in the book of Acts, prayer is both natural and supernatural for the followers of Jesus. Does that make sense?

Prayer is natural: it just happens, like we breathe or eat or sleep. In Acts, there's no sense of, "Well, I guess we *ought* to pray." (Have you ever noticed how quickly *ought* will kill the desire for the good? That's the power of artificial religion over authentic relationship with God!)

Prayer is supernatural: it really matters, changing circumstances and, perhaps most importantly, changing us to make us aware of what Jesus Christ is doing in the world.

How different would we be—and how different would our church be—if we were experiencing prayer like our forefathers and foremothers did in Acts?

With joy,

Scott

THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, January 24, 2010
Third Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE	<i>Peace Be Still (Baker)</i>	Eleanor Flathman
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Scott Tucker
CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES		
THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP		Chancel Choir
	<i>Now, Our Wants and Burdens Leaving (Longfellow)</i>	
*THE RESPONSIVE READING		Robbin Temples
<i>Psalm 19</i>		no. 750
*HYMN OF PRAISE		no. 154
	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>	
*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (<i>The Apostle's Creed</i>)		no. 881
*THE GLORIA PATRI		no. 70
*THE PEACE		
CHILDREN'S MOMENTS		Ann Stanford
HYMN OF PREPARATION		no. 553
	<i>And Are We Yet Alive</i>	
MORNING PRAYER		Scott Tucker
THE LORD'S PRAYER (<i>Back inside cover of hymnal</i>)		
OFFERTORY	<i>Trust and Obey (Sammis/Towner)</i>	
*DOXOLOGY		no. 95
SPECIAL MUSIC		Chancel Choir
	<i>Worship the Lord with Gladness (Wright)</i>	
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Philippians 1:27-2:11 (<i>NT p. 185</i>)	
SERMON		Scott Tucker
	<u>"But God, I Wanted To Do It My Way!"</u>	
*CLOSING HYMN		no. 536
	<i>Precious Name</i>	
*PASTORAL BENEDICTION		
*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION		
	<i>May the love of God be with us as we go our separate ways, Serving God by serving others; finding hope and joy each day.</i>	
POSTLUDE		

*(Those who are able, please stand.)

*The flower arrangement on the altar will be given by
 Billy & Patty Childress for the glory of God and in
 loving memory of Roma & Joe Swanson.*

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

<i>January 19</i>	Winse White †
<i>January 20</i>	Ella Pearl Mims Carl Patterson
<i>January 23</i>	Tommy Bonner
<i>January 24</i>	Ruthie Bowles
<i>January 25</i>	Shannon Atkinson
<i>January 28</i>	Robbin Temples
<i>January 29</i>	Irma Patrick

COMMUNITY PRAYERFUL CONCERNS

*Our friends and Members in nursing homes
 and assisted living facilities:*

Elizabeth Brownlee, Louise Hester, Anne Moshell
 Irma Patrick, Ruth Rainey, Sara Roberts,
 Dr. Marjorie Swanson, Elizabeth Wiggins

Other Prayer Concerns:

Clay Barnett, Margaret Bridges, Joyce Chellis,
 Bill Daniel, C. D. ("Corky") Hamilton,
 Mary Hester, Rob Hester, Katie Hoyle,
 Heather Andrews Land, Charles ("Chuck") Lashley,
 Leonard Lane, Marshall Lindsey, Allene Nelson,
 Donald Parks, Evelyn Peak, Barbara Sealy,
 Nevaeh Sloan, Jimmie Stanford,
 Florence ("Flo") Trunnell Sikula,
 Lucy Wall, Grayson Ward

Sympathy to the family of Lorene Torbert

*Please call the church office to update our list of
 Community Prayerful Concerns.*

**THOSE SERVING
 SUNDAY:**

Breakfast
 Patty Tucker
The Greeter
 Robbin Temples
Ushers
 Jimmy Gilbert
 Atlas Hester
Acolyte
 Matt Bradley
Worship Leader
 Grace Crittenden
Children's Moments
 Ann Stanford
The Offering Stewards
 Jimmy Gilbert
 Dave Wallis

**Worship Attendance
 January 17th: 70**

**A RECORD OF
 OUR STEWARDSHIP
 as of January 17th:**

GENERAL FUND

Contributions, 1/17:

\$1,404.00

Needed YTD (budget):

\$6,811.80

Collected YTD:

\$8,065.25

CURRENT BALANCES:

(not part of GENERAL FUND)

Choir Fund: \$ 712.12

Faithful Stewards: \$ 451.41

Methodist Men's: \$1,086.14

Mission Fund: \$ 908.93

Parsonage Fund: \$ 250.67

Youth Fund: \$1,118.00

The Spirit is Moving in our Church:

The Haiti Challenge: No one can do it all, but we can surely help with contributions and Health Kits. Many of you have already donated both! Thank you! Let's keep the momentum going to help those in such dire need.

Relay for Life: Please read Patricia Goodman's wonderful article (attached) about upcoming Relay for Life events in our area, AND her inspiring testimony! Thanks to her moving message, I'm getting more involved this year!

"Cookies for Kids": Look for more details on our Annex bulletin board!

SPPR meeting: (1/31 at 9:50 a.m. in the Church Library) With Shane Green (our District Superintendent) to keep our Pastor and his family here!

*Yours in Christ,
 Jimmy Brownlee*