

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:

5:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

May 27, 2010 – Thursday:

6:00 p.m. – PathFinders Fellowship “Dining Out”
6:00 p.m. – Trustees meeting

May 31, 2010 – Monday:

Memorial Day (CUMC office will be closed)

June 2, 2010 – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – Light Supper
6:30 p.m. – Trustees/Admin Council meeting
(opening with a brief Special Charge Conference)

June 6, 2010 – Sunday:

12:00 p.m. – Last Worship Service led by Scott Tucker
(Covered Dish Luncheon afterwards)

June 13, 2010 – Sunday:

Sunday Worship led by “Daddy Rick” Lanford
(from The Methodist Children’s Home)

June 20, 2010 – Sunday:

Father’s Day
First Worship Service led by Chris Shoemaker
(Luncheon afterwards)

June 21, 2010 – Monday:

PathFinders Fellowship (“Karaoke”??)

July 4, 2010 – Sunday:

Independence Day

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Rev. Shane Green, District Superintendent Rev. James R. King, Jr., Bishop
Jimmy Brownlee, Music Director and Business Administrator

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

Patty and I purchased our first home this week. On Tuesday, we sat around a big table with bankers and lawyers and realtors for what they call a **closing**. For them I guess that’s a good name. Their side of the business is done, but ours is just beginning. That house has just become ours. I’d rather call it an **opening**.

All changes are like that, aren’t they? They have two sides, a **closing** and an **opening**.

So we are preparing together for a change in our church life. What will those two sides look like for us?

I’ve had to come to terms with **closing** my list of dreams and plans, my “could haves” for Cuthbert United Methodist Church. Those dreams weren’t really mine anyway. They have always belonged to you and to the Lord who put us together for this season.

Closing is difficult work. In the church, we won’t exchange money and signatures like we did at our house **closing**. It’s more difficult work for us because we’ve shared our faith in Christ, our common experiences of his Spirit. We’ve lived together, even in just one year, through life and death, through joy and pain.

Closing is difficult work. It’s hard to learn how to say good-bye to the formal role we’ve had as pastor and church member. It’s hard to transition to the see-you-later of a new role as friends.

Closing is difficult, but necessary work. **Closing** has to come before **opening**.

Opening your hearts to welcome and love a new pastor and his wife; to hope in God for new plans and new dreams; and to commit in a fresh way to the vitality and life that we know is possible for this church.

Let’s close well, so we can open well.

With joy,

Scott

THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, May 30, 2010
Trinity Sunday

PRELUDE
 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
 CHIMING OF THE HOUR
 LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
 THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP
Spirit of Faith, Come Down (Wesley/Mason)

Kathy Bantz
 Scott Tucker

Haley Kintzinger
 Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE READING:** Patricia Goodman
Psalm 8 **no. 743**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** **no. 64**
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostle's Creed*) **no. 881**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** **no. 70**

***THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Patricia Goodman

HYMN OF PREPARATION **no. 368**
My Hope Is Built

MORNING PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Back inside cover of hymnal*)

OFFERTORY
***DOXOLOGY** **no. 95**

SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir
Jesus Is the Friend Who's Always There (Price/Besig)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: **Romans 5:1-5** (*NT p. 145*)

SERMON Scott Tucker
"The Fruit of Christian Hope"

***CLOSING HYMN** **no. 369**
Blessed Assurance

***PASTORAL BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION**
*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.*

POSTLUDE

*(Those who are able, please stand.)

*The flower arrangement on the altar will be given by
 Anne Moshell for the glory of God and
 in honor of her sons, Mike, Phil, and Kim.*

≈≈ GIFTS RECEIVED ≈≈

from **Grace Crittenden** in memory of: **Jerry Brazeal**
 from **Anne Moshell** in honor of: **Ann Bynum**
 from **Buddy & Marsha Reid** in memory of: **Jerry Brazeal**
Corky Hamilton

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

May 25 Evelyn Yarbrough †
 May 26 Graham Lovett
 May 28 Patty Tucker
 May 29 Clinton Tamsett Gilbert
 Amelie Watts

June 2 Barbara Bridges
 Neal & Krissey Smith ♥

June 3 Sonja & Scott Rowland ♥
 June 6 Robert Lee & Louise Hester ♥
 Pat Wilkerson

June 7 Robert & Heidi Goodman ♥

COMMUNITY PRAYERFUL CONCERNS

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

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

Other Prayer Concerns:

Stella Barr, Margaret Bridges, Florence Clarkson,
 Bill Daniel, Jason Faulkner, Ruth Nell Goodman,
 James (Jimmy) Hague, Cassie Hester, Mary Hester,
 Rob Hester, Katie Hoyle, Leonard Lane,
 Marshall Lindsey, Larry Morris, Allene Nelson,
 Herb Nichols, Evelyn Peak, Barbara Sealy, Nevaeh Sloan,
 Jimmie Stanford, Debi Wall, Lucy Wall, Grayson Ward

THOSE SERVING
SUNDAY:
Breakfast
 Ann Wood
The Greeter
 Dian Wallis
Ushers
 Jimmy Bradley
 Walter McCrary
Acolyte
 Haley Kintzinger
Worship Leader
 Patricia Goodman
Children's Moments
 Patricia Goodman
The Offering Stewards
 Dave Wallis
 Ann Wood

Worship Attendance
May 23rd: 78

A RECORD OF
OUR STEWARDSHIP
as of May 23rd:

GENERAL FUND
Contributions, 5/23:
 \$834.50
Needed YTD (budget):
 \$54,494.38
Collected YTD:
 \$43,872.53

CURRENT BALANCES:
 (not part of GENERAL FUND)

Choir Fund: \$1,197.09
 Faithful Stewards: \$ 451.41
 Methodist Men's: \$1,086.14
 Mission Fund: \$ 964.05
 Parsonage Fund: \$1,206.31
 Relay for Life: \$ 155.00

Recognizing our 2010 High School Graduates:

Shea Barnett – Auburn High School (5/25)
Cal Patterson – Ebenezer Christian School, Maryland (5/21)
Addison Parker Stone – Lee County High School (5/29)

PathFinders Fellowship - Dining Out ("Dutch")
May 27, 2010 – 6:00 p.m. (at the Back Porch, Shellman)
If you need a ride, please call the Church office!

Special Charge Conference – June 2nd
*There will be a brief Special Charge Conference session at the beginning of
 our Trustees/Admin Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. to set the pastoral
 salary for the second half of 2010 (starting July 1st).*