

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:

4:15-5:45 p.m. – *Children's Ministry*
6:00 p.m. *Adult Choir Rehearsal*

August 14, 2010 – Saturday:

9:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m. – *Pathways to a Healthy Church*
(Trinity UMC, Warner Robins, GA)

August 16, 2010 – Monday:

6:00 p.m. – *PathFinders Fellowship*

September 1, 2010 – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – *Light Supper*
6:30 p.m. – *Administrative Council meeting*

September 6, 2010 – Monday:

Labor Day

September 8, 2010 – Wednesday:

6:30 p.m. – *Charge Conference*



Pathways to a Healthy Church

August 14, Trinity UMC

9:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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

My brother just purchased his first house. It's been a long time coming—he's searched for many months, been hampered by possibly crooked realtors, and missed the \$8000 tax rebate from early in the year. Yet, he found a great first home, complete with a workshop and swimming pool, and it's close to his job in Lee County. Yesterday, I got to walk through his house for the first time. It's a solid house, only three years old—but there's a lot of work to be done. He needs new flooring, new paint, repairs from a kitchen fire, and I think the pool has alligators in it. (We can't see for all the pond scum!) The last owners obviously didn't care what condition the house was left in, and now Matthew has to fix it all. (Of course, Kerri and I will help him!)

In the national United Methodist Church, our "house" is not in great shape. We house conflicting theologies, suffer from declining membership (as most denominations do), and spend more than we receive—and on things we all don't agree on. Too much of this, and the next generation won't want the trouble of making the "repairs" that will need to be made. It will be easier to walk away to some other Church.

The United Methodist Church became strong by focusing on two things: Evangelism (including missions) and Education (from Sunday Schools to colleges). We've done it for a long time, and we became good at it. In my opinion, we are losing our focus. Charles Wesley said that the uniting of "knowledge and vital piety" (faith and intellect) was paramount. Until we return to what I believe is this special, God-given mission of Methodism we'll continue to see the paint peel and the roof leak.

In His Love & Service,
Chris

THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, August 15, 2010
12th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE Kathy Bantz
 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Shoemaker
 CHIMING OF THE HOUR Grace Crittenden & Jimmy Brownlee
 LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Hunter Bantz
 THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
Lo, the Hosts (Fosdick, Hughes)

***RESPONSIVE READING:** Ann Wood
Psalm 80 **no. 801**
***HYMN OF PRAISE** **no. 374**
Standing on the Promises
***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostle's Creed*) **no. 881**
***THE GLORIA PATRI** **no. 70**

***THE PEACE**
 CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Bennie Mattox

HYMN OF PREPARATION **no. 348**
Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling (Stz: 1, 3 & 4)

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

OFFERTORY
***DOXOLOGY** **no. 95**
 SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir
God Over All Is God to Me (Lippencott/Akers)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: **Hebrews 11:29-12:2** (*NT p. 212*)
 SERMON Chris Shoemaker

“What Would They Think?”

***CLOSING HYMN** **no. 380**
There's Within My Heart a Melody (Stz: 1, 2, 3 & 5)
***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
 Dr. & Mrs. E. M. Molnar for the glory of God and in
 memory of Mr. & Mrs. Tibor Molnar.*

== GIFTS RECEIVED ==

from William H. Bates, Jr.	in memory of: George Daniel
from Jesse Bowles, III	in memory of: G. W. Daniel
from Ruth F. Bowles	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Sally Boyett-Whatley	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Jimmy & Patricia Bradley	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Margaret Bridges	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Ann Bynum	in memory of: Bill Daniel, Leonard Lane
from Billy & Patty Childress	in memory of: Bill Daniel, Leonard Lane
from Grace Crittenden	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Jerry & Pat Farrow	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Gerry & Patricia Goodman	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from The Robert Goodman family	in honor of: Ruth Nell Goodman
from Atlas & Evelyn Hester	in memory of: Leonard Lane, Gray Yarbrough
from Deker & Jo Hixon	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from John & Margaret Hunt	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Bobby S. Lovett	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Mary Martin	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Walter & Bennie Mattox	in memory of: Bill Daniel, Leonard Lane
from Linda Meadows	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Anne Moshell	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Anna Paul	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from David & Leisa Perry	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Sarah Anne Staples	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Dewey & Sherry Turner	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Gene & Carlene Vierling	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Mary E. Walker	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Dave & Dian Wallis	in memory of: Leonard Lane
from Maxine Ward	in memory of: Bill Daniel
from Allen & Ann Wilson	in memory of: Bill Daniel

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: Margaret Bridges, Florence Clarkson, Jason Faulkner, Edna Hall Ferguson, Ruth Nell Goodman, James (Jimmy) Hague, Cassie Hester, Mary Hester, Rob Hester, Keith Hidle, Katie Hoyle, Marshall Lindsey, Larry Morris, Herb Nichols, Evelyn Peak, Will Puckett, Carol Shiley, Nevaeh Sloan, Jimmie Stanford, Martha Taylor, Debi Wall, Lucy Wall, Grayson Ward

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

August 11 Charles & Shelley Ferguson ♥
 Richard Mathews, III
 Larry Wilkerson
August 12 Jim & Cherrie King ♥
August 13 Collin & Connie McCrary ♥
August 14 Tommy & Tanya Bonner ♥
 Hiram Goodman †
August 16 Jim King
August 17 Faye McCrary
 James Daniel Smith
August 20 Patricia Bradley
 Bebe Puckett
August 22 Lisa Bridges
August 23 Kathryn Hardwick
 Frank Prochaska

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY:

Breakfast
 Jimmy Brownlee
The Greeter
 Crispin Gilbert
Ushers
 Tommy Bonner
 Buddy Reid
Acolyte
 Hunter Bantz
Worship Leader
 Ann Wood
Children's Moments
 Bennie Mattox
Nursery Helpers
 Crispin Gilbert
 Josh Temples
The Offering Stewards
 Jimmy Bradley
 Jimmy Brownlee

A RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP
as of August 8th:

GENERAL FUND
Contributions, 8/8:
 \$4,378.00
Needed YTD (budget):
 \$84,012.18
Collected YTD:
 \$72,307.54
CURRENT BALANCES:
 (not part of GENERAL FUND)
 218 Church Street: \$1,770.33
 Faithful Stewards: \$ 451.41
 Methodist Men's: \$1,086.14
 Mission Fund: \$ 727.05
 Parsonage Fund: \$1,944.10
 Youth Fund: \$1,143.00

Worship Attendance
August 8th: 72