

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:

10:00-11:00 a.m. – Prayer Ministry
4:30-6:00 p.m. – Children's Ministry
6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

February 2, 2011 – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – Administrative Council meeting

February 7, 2011 – Monday:

6:00-8:30 p.m. – Disciple Bible Study I
(First session in the Fillingame classroom)

February 10, 2011 – Thursday:

"The Power of Simple Prayer" by Joyce Meyers
(Ladies prayer study led by Michelle Bradley)

February 14, 2011 – Monday:

Valentines Day

February 21, 2011 – Monday:

President's Day
6:00 p.m. – PathFinders Fellowship
"A Culinary Journey Down Memory Lane"

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

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Jimmy Brownlee, Music Director and Business Administrator

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

This week, I am returning to the quote I featured last week:

*"Tradition is the living faith of the dead.
Traditionalism is the dead faith of the living."*

In my thinking, these two lines illustrate one of the largest challenges the Church faces today. A colleague of mine once said "I believe that every single church building should be torn down and rebuilt every 40 years." Now let me be quick to say I don't agree with him. But I do know what frustrations motivated his comment.

As human beings, we like to fall in love. After all, God created us with emotion and a desire for connection. The problem is we fall in love with the wrong things. We yearn for a connection with the past—with *our* past. We want to remember and honor our parents, grandparents, and other ancestors. We love them and miss them—or respect them if they are still alive. We should. Unfortunately, we often choose to show that love by transferring it to things and programs. We love *where, how, and when* our beloved ancestors worshipped—instead of falling in love with *Who* and *why* they worshipped. Meaning and life isn't found in the stained-glass windows (as incredible as they might be). Meaning and life is found in the One who inspired the artist.

We don't hold it against our great-grandparents that they didn't/don't worship the same way as Peter, James, and Paul, do we? Truly being the Church means constantly building on the foundations previous generations have built for us—and so leaving greater foundations for those who will follow.

Are we building in worship and ministry? Or are we content with what we have? Think carefully. The answer will determine the life or death of this—and every other—congregation.

In Christ, Always Forward!
Chris

THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, January 30, 2011
4th Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE Kathy Bantz

* There's within my heart a melody, Jesus whispers sweet and low
 Fear not I am with thee, peace, be still, in all of life's ebb and flow.
 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, sweetest name I know
 Fills my every longing, keeps me singing as I go.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Shoemaker

CHIMING OF THE HOUR *in memory of Pearl Beverett Angel*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Haley Kintzinger

THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
Praise the Lord (Crosby/Doane)

*RESPONSIVE READING Ann Wood
Psalm 112 no. 758

*HYMN OF PRAISE no. 555
Forward Through the Ages

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

*THE GLORIA PATRI no. 70

*THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Charles Ferguson

HYMN OF PREPARATION no. 600
Wonderful Words of Life

MORNING PRAYER Chris Shoemaker

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung using inside back cover of hymnal*)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY no. 95

SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir
Forever (McGowan/Wright)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: **Matthew 11:25-30** (*NT p. 11*)

SERMON Chris Shoemaker

"Follow Me and Live!"

*CLOSING HYMN – *Open Altar*** no. 398
Jesus Calls Us (Stz: 1, 3, 4 & 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.)
 **(During the closing hymn, the altar is open for prayer)

*The flower arrangement on the altar will be given by
 Emily Winslow Simpson for the glory of God and in
 loving memory of her parents Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Winslow.*

≈≈ GIFTS RECEIVED ≈≈

from	Gloria Bullard	<i>in memory of:</i>	Anne Moshell
from	Robert F. Burgin, III	<i>in memory of:</i>	Bill & Gene Daniel
			Anne Moshell
from	Elizabeth Chastain	<i>in memory of:</i>	Anne Moshell
		<i>in honor of:</i>	Ruth Bowles
from	Tim & Pat Dickerson	<i>in memory of:</i>	Anne Moshell
from	Patricia Goodman	<i>in honor of:</i>	Robbin Temples
from	David & Cassie Hester	<i>in memory of:</i>	Elizabeth Brownlee
from	Stephen & Karen Hickok	<i>in memory of:</i>	Anne Moshell
from	Jason & Julie Melton	<i>in memory of:</i>	Mary Andrews
from	Becky Miller	<i>in memory of:</i>	Anne Moshell
from	The Temples family	<i>in honor of:</i>	Ruthie Bowles

COMMUNITY PRAYERFUL CONCERNS
*Our friends and Members in nursing homes
 and assisted living facilities:* Margaret Bridges,
 Ruth Nell Goodman, Edna Hall Ferguson, Ellen Hudson,
 Donald Parks, Irma Patrick, Sara Roberts,
 Dr. Marjorie Swanson, Elizabeth Wiggins

Other Prayer Concerns: Austin Ash, Kathryn Cadle,
 Geer Dubose, James (Jimmy) Hague, Katie Hoyle,
 Marshall Lindsey, Leonard Messer, Herb & Jane Nichols,
 Evelyn Peak, Will Puckett, Ken Shoemaker,
 Jimmie Stanford, Jay Stripling, Martha Taylor, Debi Wall,
 Lucy Wall, Dawn West

Sympathy to the family of Marie Standley

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

<i>January 25</i>	Shannon Atkinson
<i>January 28</i>	Robbin Temples
<i>January 29</i>	Irma Patrick
<i>February 1</i>	Ronnie Temples
<i>February 3</i>	Jesse Bowles, III
<i>February 4</i>	Brice Herrin
<i>February 6</i>	Juanita Stuart

THOSE SERVING
SUNDAY:

Breakfast
 Buddy Reid
The Greeter
 Marsha Reid
Ushers
 Jimmy Bradley
 Walter McCrary
Acolyte
 Haley Kintzinger
Worship Leader
 Ann Wood
Children's Moments
 Charles Ferguson
Nursery Helpers
 Tanya Bonner
 Shelley Ferguson
The Offering Stewards
 Buddy Reid
 Ann Wood

A RECORD OF
OUR STEWARDSHIP
as of January 23rd:

GENERAL FUND
Contributions, 1/23:
 \$1,675.00
Needed YTD (budget):
 \$9,082.40
Collected YTD:
 \$8,236.01

CURRENT BALANCES:
 (not part of GENERAL FUND)
 Faithful Stewards: \$ 24.82
 Methodist Men's: \$ 541.47
 Mission Fund: \$ 96.01
 Organ Fund: \$ 1.00
 Parsonage Fund: \$1,697.23
 Youth Fund: \$1,143.00

Worship Attendance
January 23rd: 53

ATTENTION ALL LADIES: Interested in doing a book study of "The Power of Simple Prayer" by Joyce Meyers?? This is a great opportunity for Ladies of all ages to fellowship and grow. Come join us on Feb. 10th @ 6:30 at CUMC fellowship hall. If you would like to pre-order your book, contact Michelle Bradley at cocoabeantp@yahoo.com or 732-2354.

Grace Smith of 22 McKinnon Street, Cuthbert, GA will be honored by her family Saturday, January 29th from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at the Carnegie Club House in celebration of her 90th birthday. We cordially invite you to celebrate with us either by the gift of your presence or cards.