

## 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:**

4:30-5:45 p.m. Children's Ministry  
6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### **September 1, 2011 – Thursday:**

6:00 p.m. – Trustees meeting

### **September 7, 2011 – Wednesday:**

6:00 p.m. – Supper provided  
6:30 p.m. – Charge Conference

### **September 14, 2011 – Wednesday:**

6:00 p.m. – Administrative Council meeting

### **September 20, 2011 – Tuesday:**

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

### **September 22, 2011 – Thursday:**

6:00 p.m. – Trustees meeting

### **October 9, 2011 – Sunday:**

12:15 p.m. – Firefighters Service Luncheon  
(Covered dish in the Fellowship Hall)

**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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### **Chris Shoemaker, Pastor**

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)

We ended last week with a question: “Do we believe this man called Christ?” Truly, our faith and life as Christians depends on the answer. To begin, just how do we determine if someone is trustworthy? I suspect books could be devoted to the answer, but perhaps it might come down to two tests: *Do their words match their actions?*, and *do their actions create and inspire trust in themselves?*

Do Christ’s words and teachings match his actions? Does he do what he says he’ll do? As far as I can find in Scripture, Christ’s words match his actions thoroughly and completely. Don’t take my word for it, open the Bible and read for yourself. Draw your own conclusions. Decide for yourself if anything Christ says doesn’t add up to what he does. If you reach the same conclusion I have, then it’s on to the next step.

Do Christ’s actions themselves create and inspire trust? Are his actions worthy of imitation? Be careful here. Check thoroughly. A bank robber might be perfectly open and honest about his/her love of robbing banks—that would, indeed, pass the first test, but not the second. Open the Word and watch him feed the hungry, heal the sick, and minister to people’s deepest needs.

Perhaps the biggest reason I stepped from atheism to Christianity was that I realized that Christ was indeed trustworthy. I couldn’t find any reason not to trust him—for his every word was carried on his life and actions. The evidence of what can be seen in the Word gives plenty of reason to trust Christ in the things not yet revealed.

Do you trust him? If so, are you living like you do? Imagine for a moment that Christ is standing before you. He asks one question: “Are you really living like you trust me, or not?” What would you say? What would you *want* to say?

Chris

**THE LORD'S DAY**  
*Sunday, August 28, 2011*  
*11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

PRELUDE Kathy Bantz  
 CHIMING OF THE HOUR Grace Crittenden and Jimmy Brownlee  
 LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

**\*CONGREGATIONAL JOYFUL SINGING** (Insert provided)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Shoemaker  
**\*OPENING HYMN MEDLEY** (Insert provided)  
**\*THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Buddy Reid  
 MORNING PRAYER Chris Shoemaker  
*THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)*

**CELEBRATIVE HYMN MEDLEY** (Insert provided)

OFFERTORY *Are Ye Able (Marlatt/Mason)*  
 \*DOXOLOGY no. 95

SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir  
*Promise Medley (Skipper/Pethel)*

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Grace Crittenden  
*Romans 8:31-39 (NT p 148), Hebrews 6:4-6 (NT p 207), Psalm 51:10-12 (OT p 492)*  
 SERMON Chris Shoemaker

**"What We Believe and Why, Part 9:  
 Can You Lose Your Salvation?"**

**\*CLOSING HYMN – Open Altar\*\*** no. 733  
*Marching to Zion (Stz: 1 & 4)*

**\*PASTORAL BENEDICTION**

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 Anna Paul for the glory of God and in memory  
 of Bill & Gene Daniel and Dexter Paul.*

**≈≈ GIFTS RECEIVED ≈≈**  
 from **Billy & Patty Childress** in memory of: **Sara Roberts**

**BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

<i>August 26</i>	Zac Andrew Eubanks
<i>August 30</i>	A. J. King
	Kayla Wall
<i>August 31</i>	Bennie Mattox
<i>September 1</i>	Olivia Watts
<i>September 2</i>	Buddy & Marsha Reid
<i>September 3</i>	Bobbie P. Engram †
	Rosemary Ferguson
<i>September 4</i>	Louise Hester †

**COMMUNITY PRAYERFUL CONCERNS**

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

Margaret Bridges, Ruth Nell Goodman,  
 Ellen Hudson, Irma Patrick,  
 Dr. Marjorie Swanson, Elizabeth Wiggins

**Other Prayer Concerns:**  
 Madelyn Atkinson, Kathryn Cadle,  
 Jane Carteé, Patrick Childress, Geer Dubose, Perry Everson,  
 Ricky Farrow, Sgt Jim Fulford, III, Karl Gotshall,  
 James (Jimmy) Hague, Katie Hoyle, Marshall Lindsey,  
 Leonard Messer, Julian Nichols, Evelyn Peak, Will Puckett,  
 Ken Shoemaker, Jimmie Stanford, Jay Stripling,  
 Martha Taylor, Buck Wall, Debi Wall,  
 Eddie Wall, Lucy Wall, Dawn West

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

**LOVE**

*A little boy walks into the pet shop and places his bag of coins on the counter. "I want to buy that little dog," he says, pointing. "Oh no," says the store owner, "not that one. It has a broken leg that won't heal properly."*

*"I've saved my money for weeks for that very dog," the boy says insistently. As the store owner goes for the dog, he says, "You can have the dog, but I want you to understand that he will never walk without a limp." Hearing that, the little boy reaches down and pulls up his pants leg revealing a leg brace. "Mister," he says, "you don't know what love can do."*

**THOSE SERVING SUNDAY:**

**Breakfast**  
 Lizzy & Amelia Stanford

**Greeter**  
 Robbin Temples

**Ushers**  
 Buddy & Marsha Reid

**Children's Moments**  
 Buddy Reid

**Scripture Reader**  
 Grace Crittenden

**Nursery Helper**  
 Bennie Mattox

**Offering Stewards**  
 Jimmy Brownlee  
 Patty Childress

**A RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP as of August 21<sup>st</sup>:**

**GENERAL FUND Contributions, 8/21**  
 \$579.10

**Needed YTD (budget):**  
 \$88,618.99

**Collected YTD:**  
 \$72,853.42

**CURRENT BALANCES:**  
 (not part of GENERAL FUND)

Faithful Stewards:	\$ 194.82
Methodist Men's:	\$1,222.89
Mission Fund:	\$ .01
Organ Fund:	\$3,226.00
Parsonage Fund:	\$ 40.58
Youth Fund:	\$1,143.00

**Worship Attendance**  
**August 21<sup>st</sup>: 44**