

Important Days/Dates to Remember

Each Sunday:

9:15 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 20, 2011 – Tuesday:

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

September 22, 2011 – Thursday:

5:00 p.m. – Trustees meeting

September 27, 2011 – Tuesday:

7:00 p.m. – Columbus District Bishop's Hour

(St Paul's United Methodist Church, Columbus, GA)

September 29, 2011 – Thursday:

5:30 p.m. – Relay for Life Kickoff

(Cuthbert First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall)

October 5, 2011 – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – Administrative Council meeting

October 9, 2011 – Sunday:

12:15 p.m. – Firefighters Service Luncheon

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'm departing from the usual Biblical and church themes to go a slightly different direction. On Monday, my laptop computer died. The first question I asked myself (well, the second question after "What did I do to break it?") was "Is my data safe?" Everything else about a computer can be replaced or repaired, but if your information, documents, pictures and the like are lost sometimes they are lost forever. That's why it's so important to *back up*, or copy, your data to a safe place.

While it is certainly good advice to keep your computer data safe, many of us don't realize that there is an incredible amount of priceless information being lost every single day. And when I say "lost," I mean that there is *no possible way* to ever get it back—it's gone completely and forever.

This priceless information is in the minds of our parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts, uncles, and family friends. This mortal life is temporary, and we are losing the rightly-named Greatest Generation by the thousands per day. Their stories, experiences, and eyewitness accounts of life are being stolen by death, stroke, brain injury, Alzheimer's (a Satan-created disease if there ever was one), and countless other robbers of memories. Even the stresses of everyday living can cause us to forget.

It's long past time to begin "backing up our minds" and the minds of those we love. Write, type, audio record, or video the memories of our living ancestors. Those precious memories, good and bad, happy and sad, need to be shared with the generations to come.

Sadly, we will never know all that we have already permanently lost. But we can make sure that we don't lose more. Let's start "Backing Up Our Minds." Those who follow us will be so much richer for it.

In Christ, Always Forward,
Chris

THE LORD'S DAY
 Sunday, September 25, 2011
 15th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE Kathy Bantz
 CHIMING OF THE HOUR Grace Crittenden & Jimmy Brownlee
 LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
 THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
All Creatures of Our God and King (Draper/Williams)
***CONGREGATIONAL JOYFUL SINGING** (Insert provided)
 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Chris Shoemaker
***HYMN OF PRAISE** no. 154
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Stz: 1, 4-6)
***RESPONSIVE READING** Charles Ferguson
Psalm 8 no. 743
***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostle's Creed*) no. 881
***THE GLORIA PATRI** no. 70
***THE PEACE**
 CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Buddy Reid
HYMN OF PREPARATION no. 561
Jesus, United by Thy Grace (Stz: 1, 2, 4, & 6)
 MORNING PRAYER Chris Shoemaker
THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung using inside back cover of hymnal*)
 OFFERTORY
***DOXOLOGY** no. 95
 SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir
 SCRIPTURE LESSON: **Philippians 2:1-13** (*NT p. 186*)
 SERMON Chris Shoemaker

"What's Missing?"

CLOSING HYMN – Open Altar* no. 536
Precious Name (Stz: 1 & 3)
***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 Margaret Bridges for the glory of God and in
 memory of Frank Bridges.*

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

September 20	Linda Meadows
September 21	Frank Bridges †
September 22	Stuart Stanford
September 23	Shay Lovett
September 24	Tracie Atkinson
September 25	Nelson Coffin
	Patricia Goodman
September 25	Walter & Faye McCrary ♥
September 29	Wiley Hardwick, Jr.
September 30	Bonnie Lindsey
September 25	Shannon & Ann Marie Atkinson ♥

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:

Mae Bell, Kathryn Cadle, Jane Cartée, Patrick Childress,
 Geer Dubose, Perry Everson, Jerry Farrow,
 Sgt Jim Fulford, III, Karl Gotshall, James (Jimmy) Hague,
 Katie Hoyle, Marshall Lindsey, Drake Merritt,
 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.*

Breakfast Starts at 9:15 a.m.

We've all become a little too lax about starting all our Sunday School classes on time. So, we decided to move the breakfast forward just 15 minutes to allow for plenty of food and fellowship before Sunday School officially starts at 9:45-10:30 a.m. This way there will be enough time for a meaningful Sunday School class, right? Thanks!

Jimmy Brownlee

World-Renowned Men's Fish Fry

Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets on sale NOW!!

Catfish Filets, French Fries, Cheese Grits, Hushpuppies,
 Coleslaw and Something Sweet – all for just \$10.00!

**THOSE SERVING
 SUNDAY:**

Breakfast
 Buddy Reid
Greeter
 Patricia Bradley
Ushers
 Jimmy Gilbert
 Atlas Hester
Pianist
 Kerri Shoemaker
Worship Leader
 Charles Ferguson
Children's Moments
 Buddy Reid
Nursery Helper
 Patty Childress
Offering Stewards
 Jimmy Bradley
 Jimmy Brownlee

**A RECORD OF
 OUR STEWARDSHIP
 as of September 18th:**

**GENERAL FUND
 Contributions, 9/18**
 \$982.95

Needed YTD (budget):
 \$100,053.70

Collected YTD:
 \$79,585.39

CURRENT BALANCES:
 (not part of GENERAL FUND)
 Faithful Stewards: \$ 6.62
 Methodist Men's: \$1,222.89
 Mission Fund: \$.01
 Organ Fund: \$3,751.00
 Parsonage Fund: \$ 40.58
 Youth Fund: \$1,143.00

**Worship Attendance
 September 18th: 42**