

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MESSENGER

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Someone once said that "when it rains, it really pours!" Numerous Trenton residents and businesses have experienced a most unexpected and painful loss of property as a result of flooding and even a few tornadoes. It actually reminds me of Jesus' parable about the two builders: one who built his house on the sand and the other who built his house on the rock. The intent of the parable clearly teaches everyone an extremely invaluable lesson. Preparations and foundations are essential if you plan to survive a flood or crisis.

As our church prepares for the summer, I pray that every member and friend will maintain your "consistent" and prayerful support. We have slowly but surely allowed our attendance and financial levees to become weak and insecure over the previous summer months. Someone said to me the other day: "Brother Tommy, you know that everyone gets behind in their giving during the summer months." Well, many of us committed disciples would have to disagree with that statement because it is not the case nor will we let it happen on our watch! It's not what everybody else does, but life hinges on our personal decisions and commitments to Christ on a daily basis.

How can we ever expect to experience genuine joy in our giving to God when we have become unfaithful stewards? There are some people in our church who need to realize that we need them to "rise up" and help us stabilize our financial levees that we may be a strong church well prepared to do ministry. We cannot achieve this status unless some of our uncommitted givers become much more consistent, especially in seasons throughout the year. The Bible teaches us that God cannot continue blessing us when we spend too much on ourselves or on our pleasures and literally assume that our church will spiritually prosper. As your pastor, I'm just challenging "everyone" to sincerely pray and respond regarding the welfare of our church levees!

In Christ's Service,

Rev. William T. Jowers

SPECIAL SPEAKER ON SUNDAY, JUNE SIXTH

Franky Hodges, our church's lay leader, will be speaking at the 10:50 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 6th. The Love Notes Handbell Choir will also be presenting their music on June 6th during the worship service. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered on the following Sunday, June 13th, when Brother Tommy returns from Virginia.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Brother Tommy and Beverly will be gone from Sunday, June 6th, through Thursday, June 10th, to visit their children in Lebanon, Virginia. Their granddaughter, McKenna Jowers, will be graduating from Lebanon High School. Please contact Rev. Gene Rollins (686-8169 or 693-4742) who will be covering for Brother Tommy for all emergencies.

MEMPHIS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Please keep all our conference laity and clergy delegates in your prayers as we prepare for the 171st Session of the Memphis Annual Conference at Collierville United Methodist Church, June 6th-8th, at Memphis, Tennessee. Jim Proudfit is our laity delegate representing our church; our reserve delegate is Judy Woods in case Jim is absent from any voting session; and Bill Woods has been elected as one of the Brownsville District's Laity delegates "at large."

The "at large" delegates insure that the voting ratio will be equally balanced between clergy and laity.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CANDLEBURNING OFFERING

Please turn in your Candleburning Offering this week. These special offerings are used entirely for Christian Missions. Betty Denton has challenged all UMW members with the following statement: "Let's make this the best year ever!"

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

Sincere appreciation is expressed to the children, youth, adult counselors, especially to Leah Jean Rollins who directed our musical. God bless you for your countless hours of preparation! Our church family and friends provided a large attendance for this special presentation. The Biblical message was well presented; the music was most beautiful; the drama was simply inspirational; and the humor really exhibited the children's amazing talents. The group received a standing ovation following their performance. We are extremely proud and thankful for these precious children who make our church family so unique and loving!

IN MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED VETERANS

WORLD WAR I

R. E. Davis -- Husband of Dorothy Davis
A. R. Dixon-- Father of Carol Perry
Murray E. Jones-- Uncle of Murray Jones
Robert H. Jones -- Great-Grandfather of Walter Bridges
J. B. Johnston -- Father of Mary Lou & Elizabeth Johnston
C. B. Singleton, Sr. -- Father of C. B. Singleton, Jr.
R. T. Williams -- Father of Rod Williams
Cecil Yates -- Father of Archie & Robert Yates
M. O. Zarecor -- Husband of Pearl Zarecor

WORLD WAR II

Joe M. Alexander -- Former Member
Dr. Edward C. Barker --Husband of Joseta Barker
Bob Barton -- Husband of Joyce Barton
Hardy Brasfield -- Husband of Neoma Brasfield
E. C. Charlton -- Father of Pat Zarecor
Vaughn Dabbs -- Former Member
Waco Denton -- Husband of Betty Denton
Albert J. Dollar -- Husband of Erma Dollar
Granville H. Evans -- Husband of Agnes Evans
Norman E. Helms -- Husband of Glenna Helms
Robert K. Hicks -- Former Member
Billy Hight -- Brother of Vivian Hight
Glyn Jackson -- Husband of Bettye Jackson
M. C. Joyner -- Husband of Frances Joyner
Walter Kilzer -- Husband of Dot Kilzer
George B. Lott -- Husband of Alice Lott
Hubert Love -- Father of Ann Burton Love
Harry Montgomery -- Husband of Brownie Montgomery
Coy Nelson -- Husband of Geraldine Nelson
Robert Patterson -- Husband of Emylin Patterson
Lyle Putnam -- Husband of Carolyn Putnam
E. C. Smith II -- Husband of Jean Smith

IN MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED VETERANS

KOREAN WAR

James D. Bowles -- Husband of Jo Bowles
Jere Halliburton -- Husband of Carolyn Blankinship
Mark Hardaway -- Husband of Jewell Hardaway
Elam Lewis -- Husband of Carolyn Mays

SPECIAL LOVE OFFERING FOR FLOOD VICTIMS OF TRENTON

A special offering was received for the Trenton flood victims on Sunday, May 23rd, following the morning worship service. If you would like to make a contribution, please make your check payable to the Christian Women's Job Corps, a local Trenton charitable organization that helps needy families. Mayor Tony Burriss has requested that we

and other churches direct all contributions to this local organization because absolutely all money collected will be "used only" for the flood victims of Trenton. If you need additional information, please contact Ms. Faye Lynn Hartfield who is the director.

2010 GRADUATES

Congratulations are expressed to Alex Jones, Amanda Geater and Kaylee Hayes who recently graduated from Peabody High School.

Congratulations are expressed to Karrie Crossnoe Bunch, Jennie Lynn Crossnoe, Julie Joyner, and Rebecca Taylor who recently graduated from the University of Tennessee at Martin, TN.

Congratulations are expressed to Kevin Mosley, grandson of Barbara Griggs, who recently graduated from Nashville Auto-Diesel College.

CHURCH CLEANING SIGN-UP LIST

We need volunteers to clean the various areas of the church. Since we no longer employ a janitor, we really need to enlist some new volunteers to share the cleaning responsibility.

NEW TRENTON UMYF WEB SITE

Here is the web site address to the new website that was put together for The DIVE, our UMYF Student Ministries. The church has a very nice website with a page for youth, but we felt that this one would speak more to the youth themselves. Everyone is welcome to take a look around and see all the exciting things going on! www.thediveministries.com

YOUTH NEWS FROM JACOB ROSS

Summer Program 2010
The Dive Student Ministries
Trenton First United Methodist Church

June 1st Cal's "Last Supper" (before surgery)
To show love and support to our friend Cal Crenshaw, we will go to Jackson for dinner and a movie the night before he goes in for surgery.

June 9-July 28 "Wet-n-Word" Poolside Bible Study
Every Wednesday from 7 pm-8:30 pm
Students bring snack foods (no meal provided)
Location TBA

July 9-11 "Memphis Mission Madness"
Group will leave for Memphis on Friday afternoon to participate in a number of mission projects. We will be staying at Scenic Hills UMC and will worship there Sunday morning. Other activities include a drive-in movie and Redbirds game as well as going to a local pool to swim and hang out (includes showers).

July 30-31 "Back to School Bash"
This is a lock-in to celebrate the end of the summer and the beginning of a new school year. This will be a chance to welcome the new 6th graders to the program.

August 14 "Go With the Flow" Buffalo Canoe Trip
We will be taking a day trip to float the buffalo. All students 6-12 grade and their parents (or other willing adults) are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Other Activities

June 6th & July 25th Diamond Jaxx Game
If the Jaxx continue their promotion allow free admission with presentation of church bulletin.

One Thursday a month: "Midnight Movie Mania"
One (possibly two if needed) Thursday night a month we will go to Jackson to see a midnight release of a new movie agreed upon by the group.

Third Saturday of each month (beginning in August) "Next Step" This program is for High School Seniors and college students. It will be a time of fellowship to learn about some of the responsibilities of being on your own in the college world and to catch up with our college friends returning home for a visit.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our children are really looking forward to Vacation Bible School, June 14-17, Monday through Friday, from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The theme will be "Galactic Blast", a program about outer space, space ships, solar systems, and time warps. God's marvelous creation of the earth and the universe will be the Biblical basis of this event, thus teaching our children various Bible verses that emphasizes God's

power and ingenuity. Volunteers are needed to decorate, and additional volunteers are also needed throughout the week. Please contact Michele Phelan, our director, to volunteer your help.

SYMPATHY IS EXPRESSED TO: The Mischke Family in the death of their loved one, Mrs. JoAnn Mischke.I

HOSPITAL NEWS: Michael Peyton Lambert, grandson of Joyce Flack, Methodist LeBonhour Hospital in Memphis recovering and making progress. Josea Barker, discharged from Methodist University Hospital in Memphis and presently at home recovering.

PRAYER AND CARE: Thomas Cherry, Bill Goodrich, Bill Richardson (Nephew of Anne Coble), Bill Goodrich, Kelly Lambert.

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY: Doug Ferguson (son of Susie & Bob Ferguson, deployed to Iraq), James Patrick Inman, Paul Michael Ross (brother of Jacob Ross), Chris Smith, Jesse Vinson (grandson of Harold & Barbara Griggs), Chais Milligan Wallsmith (son of Christy & Michael Wallsmith, son of Michelle Wallsmith, deployed to Afghanistan), Brad Ballentine (husband of Kerri Ballentine deployed to Afghanistan) .

IN RETIREMENT HOMES: Agnes Evans, Greenbriar Meadows, 436 Hannings Lane, Martin, TN 38237; Dorothy Hardaway, Room 5, Harlan Morris Home, 400 Harlan Morris Drive, Trenton, TN; Tassie Hopkins, Bailey Park Community Living Center, 2400 Mitchell Street, Humboldt TN 38343.

IN NURSING HOMES: Finis Carr, Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street, Dyer TN 38330. Charlene Lemond, Apt. 258, Trezevant Terrace, 3437 Waynoka Ave., Memphis, TN 38111, phone 901-746-5967. Helen McCormick (stepmother of Peggy Davis) is in Dyer Nursing Home, Connie Helms (mother-in-law of Glenna Helms) Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street Dyer, TN 38330, Velma Hodges, (mother of Frank Hodges) Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street Dyer, TN 38330, Dr. T. Wilson. Haynes, Morningside of Jackson, 1200 North Parkway, Jackson, TN. Vivian Hight, Humboldt Manor, 2031 Avondale Road, Humboldt, TN 38343, Rod Williams, Veterans Home, Humboldt, TN 38343.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

01-Jordan Leigh Grant	21-Debbie Grant
06-Dot Davis	21-Becky George
06-Caleb Avery	22-Bob Holman
07-Chris Smith	22-Karin Johnson
15-Erma Dollar	28-Anne Peeples
17-Alexandra Avery	28-Rod Williams
19-Rachel Proudfit	30-Hunter Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE: Betty Jackson

USHERS FOR JUNE

*R. B. Hodges	Alex Jones	Storm Johnson
Daniel Hodges	Cal Crenshaw	Bethany Crockett

GREETERS FOR JUNE

June 06	Jim & Sandy Milligan
June 13	Ken & Marilyn Holder
June 20	Gloria Jones & Carol Ann Halliburton
June 27	Bobby & Adele Moore

ACOLYTES FOR JUNE

June 06	Cydney Beth Lane & Gracey Estes
June 13	Rachel Lambert & Maddie Vernon
June 20	Cade Roberts & Spencer Vickers
June 27	Claire Rollins & Gracie Williams

CHILDREN'S SERMONS FOR JUNE

June 06	Carolyn Blankinship
June 13	Jeff Carr
June 20	Brother Tommy Jowers
June 27	Betty Denton

CALENDARMay 31 -- June 5 LAKESHORE SUMMER CAMPTuesday, June 1

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Health Clinic

Wednesday, June 2

6:00 p.m. - Love Notes Handbell Choir Rehearsal -- Set up -- help if you can at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 6

8:45 a.m. - Love Notes Handbell Choir Rehearsal
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School (Nursery Available)
 10:50 a.m. - Worship Service (Nursery Available)
Love Notes Handbell Choir Performance

Wednesday, June 9

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Sunday, June 13

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School (Nursery Available)
 10:50 a.m. - Worship Service (Nursery Available)
 5:30 p.m. - UMYF - Program and Snack Meal

Monday, June 14

6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. -- Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 15

6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. -- Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, June 16

6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. -- Vacation Bible School

Thursday, June 17

6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. -- Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 20

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School (Nursery Available)
 10:50 a.m. - Worship Service (Nursery Available)

Wednesday, June 23

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Sunday, June 27

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School (Nursery Available)
 10:50 a.m. - Worship Service (Nursery Available)

Monday, June 28

6:30 p.m. - Loyal Workers

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR MAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 55 MORNING WORSHIP: 90

VISITORS: 7

Rosie & Madalyn Boyd
 Michele & Raegan Holyfield
 Jere & Sherry Kail
 Scottie Freeman

MEMORIALSTO THE TRUSTEES MEMORIAL FUNDIN HONOR OF LUTHER & ANNE COBLE

Roger & Judie Reasons

IN MEMORY OF VOLLIE HARBER

Charlie & Dorothy Lancaster

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT L. BECTON

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Billy & Judy Woods

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IN MEMORY OF ROBERT "BOBBY" BECTON

Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Singleton, Jr.

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT "BOB" BECTON

Charlene G. Lemond

SANCTUARY FUNDIN MEMORY OF LOUISE CHARLTON

Pat Zarecor

IN MEMORY OF CHARLTON ZARECOR

Pat Zarecor

YOUTH FUNDIN HONOR OF ALEX JONES

Henry & Trudy Phillips

CHOIR FUNDIN HONOR OF GARY BLANKINSHIP

Fisherman's Class

WEDDING OF JULIA MADDOX & JEREMY LESTER

All friends and family are invited to celebrate with Julia Maddox and Jeremy Lester at their come and go wedding reception on Monday, June 28, 2010, in Jackson, TN. Please come anytime between 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. to enjoy dessert with the couple at Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2838 Paul Coffman Drive. The couple will exchange their vows at a family wedding ceremony in Gatlinburg, TN.

Questions or directions, call Julia 731-613-1570 or e-mail at jmaddox@tennergy.com.

The couple is registered at Target, Macy's and Bed & Bath.

NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you for all of your cards and prayers during my surgery and recovery. I am making good progress and hope to be out and about soon.

Janis Bellew

Dear Friends,

I want to thank Rev. Tommy Jowers, our most caring pastor, and our most caring congregation for your thoughtfulness during the last nine months for my brother, Robert "Bobby" Becton.

Thank you for the phone calls, visits, cards, flowers, memorials, delicious food and most of all your prayers.

Sincerely,

Noraine Becton and Family

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

We have made some significant progress toward the completion of our pictorial church directory. Our pictorial directory committee will be meeting to finalize all data soon. Please contact Michele Phelan, our coordinator, for additional information or to remit a picture of your group or loved one.

CHURCH OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED FOR
MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 31