

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MESSENGER

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## **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Since the weather has significantly improved, I am really becoming infected with the fishing fever. The fever first hit me while I was serving at Parsons First United Methodist Church, where I bought a used bass boat, equipped with all the bells and whistles. Our sons were even more excited with that 150 Mercury outboard motor because they had just learned to water ski. Now, you can see how I handled that difficult situation: When they were in school, I fished; and when they were out of school, they took charge! Fishing and skiing taught me some unforgettable spiritual lessons that have nourished my Christian faith over the years.

Some of the disciples of Jesus were fishermen by vocation. Do you remember Jesus' miracle of teaching these disciples how to catch a record amount of fish? He simply told them: "Cast your nets here!" You might expect them to say: "Reverend, please keep to your preaching, but leave the fishing up to us professionals." The Bible records no objections from them; it only says that they obeyed and were literally overwhelmed at the result, a record catch—so large that their net almost broke.

We are like those early disciples because only Jesus can teach us how to fish for new members and believers. How long has it been since you invited a friend, relative, or a new resident to church? Like fishing and skiing, results and pleasure can be enhanced through the context of experience. I sure wish my congregation would go fishing, at least on a weekly basis!

In Christ's Service,

Rev. William T. Jowers

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## **YOUTH NEWS by Jacob Ross**

No UMYF on Sunday, April 5, or April 12, Easter Day. On Friday, April 10, Good

Friday UMYF activities will begin at 11 a.m. in our sanctuary.

## **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

If there should be an emergency while Bro. Tommy is taking a few days off to visit his son in Virginia, please contact Rev. Gene Rollins, pastor of Union United Methodist Church, located on Highway 54 E (866-8169).

## **YOUTH AND CHILDREN INTERESTED IN GOING TO LAKESHORE,**

please contact Alicia Estes for registration forms (home: 855-2002, cell: 571-0303).

## **CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT SATUR., APRIL 11 IN MEMBERS' YARDS ON ROSEMONT DRIVE**

10 a.m. to noon, to include lunch in the backyard of Barbara and Frank Parker. All parents, please contact Alicia Estes (855-3002 or 571-0303) or Michele Phelan (855-1559) to help with providing the lunch. All who wish to support this activity, please bring plastic eggs filled with candy and/or "prize eggs" to the church office by Sunday, April 5.

## **LENTEN WORLD HUNGER OFFERING**

The above offering will be received and dedicated on Easter Sunday, May 12th, during the morning worship service. Please be sure to set aside some daily and weekly offerings that we may provide immediate assistance to God's malnourished children in America and throughout the world.

## **EASTER LILIES FOR OUR SANCTUARY**

It is time to order your lilies in memory and in honor of your loved ones. Please get your orders in by next Sunday. This will be a bulk order so that we will get the biggest and best plants. Include your payment of \$20 for each lily along with your order and the names of those you are remembering or honoring. Place your order form in the offering plate this Sunday or mail your order to the church at 500 South College Street.

Our world-wide UM Creation Care Team would like to encourage all churches and

**OBSERVE EARTH HOUR THIS SATURDAY EVENING**

their members to observe Earth Hour this Saturday evening, March 28, from 8:30pm until 9:30pm. Earth Hour is a 1-hour span of time when people all across the globe are asked to cut the power (or at least the lights). By turning off steeple lights and other outdoor decorative lighting as well as the power to all our appliances and indoor lighting during this one hour, we have the opportunity to make a witness to the need to think about our energy consumption every day. Every family in our church can help, too, by cutting the power, lighting a few candles and enjoying one another's company fully for this short time. Each kilowatt saved is helpful to our environment and the creation that God so clearly called "good." To find out more information, we encourage you to go to [www.earthhour.org](http://www.earthhour.org). Join the millions across the world for this 1 hour free of the energy that has proven so harmful to so many.

**PASTOR'S CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Please be in daily prayer for all those involved in the confirmation class. Class members: Teagan Bartholomew, Blake Estes, Jake Hinson, Daniel Hodges, Sydney Phelan, Christian Roberts, Rachel Rollins, Logan Wallsmith, and Bailey Williams. Adult Mentors: Carolyn Blankinship, Betty Denton, Glenna Helms, Marty Hinson, Barbara Jones, Sid Phelan, Betty Poteet, Judie Reasons, Larry Ridings. **Be sure that your child brings his or her Bible to class this Sunday at 4:30 sharp.**

**GOSPEL SING FRIDAY TO BENEFIT WANDA DYAN DORADO AND HER DAUGHTER, ROSA**

Friday, March 27, at 7:00 p.m. at Christ Chapel Church, Clay Farm Road (between Atwood and McLemoresville). Singing Fire Fighters, Under Grace, Frog Jump Gospel Quartet.

**MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

Wednesday, April 8

Noon Luncheon at Trenton First United Methodist Church

Devotion by Joel Pigg, pastor of Salem Baptist Church

Thursday, April 9

Noon Luncheon at Salem Baptist Church

Devotion by Clyde Rose, pastor of Trenton First Assembly of God

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service at First Baptist Church

Sermon, John Singleton of Soul's Harbor Pentecostal Church

Friday, April 10

Noon Luncheon at Trenton First Presbyterian Church

Devotion by Wm. T. Jowers of Trenton First United Methodist



Phone 855-0561 to win the golden dollar by identifying this lovely girl. Give your photos from your childhood or youth to Carolyn or Gary Blankinship. The last photo in the newsletter was of **Sally Satterfield Wyatt**.

**PRAYER AND CARE:** Terry Agee, Mattie & Finis Carr, Pat Goodrich, Bill Goodrich, Lennie Mai Hicks, Willie Johnson, Louise Potts, Charlene Lemond, Terry Rivas (sister of Lori Michel), Janice Singleton, C.B. Singleton.

**SYMPATHY** is expressed to Rod Williams on the death of his sister-in-law, Peggy Gallimore Williams (please note correction)

**IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY:** Otto and Hans Bauer (nephews of Gina Williams), James Patrick Inman, Paul Michael Ross (brother of Jacob Ross), Chris Smith, Jesse Vinson (grandson of Harold & Barbara Griggs), Chais Milligan Wallsmith.

**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.

**IN NURSING HOMES:** Finis & Mattie Carr, Dyer Nursing Home, 1124 North Main Street; Vivian Hight, Humboldt Manor, 2031 Avondale Road., Humboldt.



**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MARCH:**

Sammy Dickey

**USHERS FOR MARCH**

\*Judie Estes        Judy Woods  
 Judie Reasons  
 Joyce Flack        Janice Dickey  
 Joseta Barker

**MEALS FOR OUR YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENINGS**

To volunteer to feed the youth, call Glenna Helms 692-3531

March 29     Jim & Debbie Grant  
 April 5       NO UMYF  
 April 12      NO UMYF  
 April 19      Abby Ferguson

Supper volunteers need to be present from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. The meal is served at 5:30. If you are unable to come at 5:30 or to stay after the meal until 7:00, contact Glenna Helms at 692-3531.

**GREETERS**

March 29     Barbara & Harold Griggs  
 April 5       Debbie Grant & Michael  
 Wallsmith  
 April 12      Pat Zarecor & Jo Bowles  
 April 19      Berlyne & Bob Holman

**ACOLYTES**

March 29     Gracey Estes & Annie  
 Bartholomew  
 April 5       Tyson Bartholomew & Josey  
 Phelan  
 April 12      Rachel Rollins & Bailey  
 Williams  
 April 19      Claire Rollins & Gracie  
 Williams

**SUNDAY WORSHIP LAY READERS**

March 29     St. John 12:27-36     Judy  
 Woods  
 April 5       St. Mark 11:1-10     Charlotte  
 Zarecor  
 April 12      I Corinthians 15:1-11   TBA  
 April 19      Acts 3:12-19         TBA

**CHILDREN'S SERMONS**

March 29     Sandy Hodges  
 April 5       Sherry Buchanan  
 April 12      Jeff Carr  
 April 19      Betty Denton

**CALENDAR****Friday, March 27**

7:00 p.m. - Singing at Christ Chapel Church on Clay Farm Road to benefit Wanda Dyan Dorado and her daughter, Rosa Dorado

**Sunday, March 29**

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
 10:50 a.m. - Worship Service  
 4:30 p.m. - Confirmation Training Class  
 5:30 p.m. - first Vacation Bible School Planning Mtg. for volunteer counselors, parents, & all others who are interested.  
 5:30 p.m. - UMYF meal followed by UMYF meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Love Notes Handbell Choir rehearsal

**Wednesday, April 1**

5:30 p.m. - Wonderific Wednesday Meal - Pot-Luck  
 6:00 p.m. - UMYF upstairs. Adult study in the fellowship hall.  
 6:00 p.m. - Children's Music Time. No Crafts this week.  
 7:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal in the sanctuary

**Thursday, April 2**

7:00 p.m. - Sweet Spirits meeting at the home of Debbie Grant.

**COMING EVENTS****Sunday April 5--Palm Sunday**

10:50 a.m. - Children's Choir and Children's Handchimers to perform in worship service.

**Friday, April 1--Good Friday**

11 a.m. - UMYF activities in our sanctuary

**Saturday, April 11**

10 a.m. - Children's Easter Egg Hunt on Rosemont Drive

**Sunday, April 12-Easter Sunday**

10:50 a.m. - Love Notes Adult Handbell choir to perform .

Also, Reception and Dedication of Lenten Hunger Offerings.

**2009 Vacation Bible School Dates**

Monday through Thursday, July 13-16, 6-8 p.m.

Theme: CAMP EDGE, "Experiencing God Anywhere"

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**ATTENDANCE MARCH 22, 2009**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL: 74 MORNING  
WORSHIP: 92**

**VISITORS IN WORSHIP MARCH 15:**

Stephanie Hale, Isaac Hale, Brandie & Dayton Alford, Katey & Wally Vernon, Maddie Vernon, J.T. Vernon, Parker Vernon, Lynda Hammonds, Molly Hinton, Emma Dickson, Rev. Jim Calhoun and Pat Calhoun, Jacob and Beth Davis Winn, Jessie Vinson.

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**MEMORIALS**

**IN MEMORY OF BEA LOWERY,  
J.C. NOWELL,  
DR. JAMES HALL**

Frances Taylor

**IN MEMORY OF PEGGY GALLIMORE  
WILLIAMS**

Barbara & Murray Jones

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**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR  
MARCH 22**

**TO SANCTUARY DEBT ON MARCH 22**

None

**YEAR TO DATE FOR SANCTUARY**

**DEBT: \$583**

**TO YOUTH FUND ON MARCH 22**

None

**YEAR TO DATE FOR YOUTH FUND**

**\$580**

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**APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

2-R.S. Phelan.

3-Christy Wallsmith.

5-Claire Rollins.

7-Emily Walker.

10-Charlie Lancaster.

10-Rayford Washburn.

12-Terry Agee.

14-Storm Johnson.

17-Tony Blackburn.

18-Tommy Jowers.

20-Emily Jones.

20-Carol Edwards.

22-Virginia Cherry.