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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Easter Sunday is always an extremely inspirational worship service as we celebrate the glorious and triumphant resurrection of Jesus Christ! Several special happenings will definitely enhance this worship service: Our "Love Notes Handbell Choir" will present several musical compositions; 8 members of the Confirmation Class will make their profession of faith, receive the Sacrament of Baptism, be given the vows of church membership; the Lenten World Hunger Offering will be received and dedicated; our Chancel Choir will present an anthem entitled "Alleluia, Praise the Lamb!"

We had a great attendance last Sunday during Palm Sunday, but we are even more excited about the attendance on Easter Sunday. Since we are presently witnessing a significant increase concerning prospective members, retuning members, and former members—we have every reason to remain hopeful and confident that spiritual revitalization has become much more than a dream!

As the pastor of this wonderful church, I want to invite and to encourage everyone to keep this congregation in your daily prayers that we may always exemplify the love and grace of our Risen Lord!

In Christ's Service,

Rev. William T. Jowers

note of thanks

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FUMC CHILDREN'S HAND CHIMERS AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR PARTICIPANTS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO OUR PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE. THE CHILDREN WORKED VERY HARD IN PREPARATION FOR THESE PERFORMANCES, AND WE WERE TRULY BLESSED BY THEIR TALENT. MANY THANKS TO BYANNE RIDINGS, BETY LANE, LAURA VICKERS AND PEGGY DAVIS FOR THEIR INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE WITH KEEPING THINGS ORGANIZED BEHIND THE SCENES AND DURING WORSHIP. THANKS TO BYANNE RIDINGS FOR PROVIDING SNACKS FOR THE CHILDREN AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL. "THANK YOU" TO SANDY HODGES FOR THE EXTRA TIME SHE CONTRIBUTED TO RUNNING SOUND FOR OUR PRACTICES AND THE SERVICE. LASTLY, WE APPRECIATE ALL OF THE SUPPORTIVE PARENTS WHO MADE SACRIFICES TO HAVE THEIR CHILDREN AT REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AND ALLOWED THEM TO BE INVOLVED IN SUCH A REWARDING EXPERIENCE.

YOUTH NEWS by Jacob Ross

No UMYF on Sunday, April 12, Easter Day. On Friday, April 10, Good Friday, UMYF activities will begin at 11 a.m. in our sanctuary.

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

Easter Egg Hunt 10 a.m. to noon. Lunch in the backyard of Barbara and Frank Parker. Parents, please contact Alicia Estes (855-3002, 571-0303) or Michele Phelan (855-1559) to help with providing the lunch. **WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF EGGS FILLED WITH CANDY OR PRIZES TO HIDE, SO PLEASE BRING YOURS TO THE CHURCH BY SOMETIME THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 10.**

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.

PASTOR'S CONFIRMATION CLASS

All confirmands, parents, and mentors:

During next Sunday morning's worship service, please remember to bring a United Methodist Hymnal with you when we assemble the Confirmation Class at the altar for the baptismal service and the church membership service.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR THOSE EXTRA DOLLAR SPECIAL OFFERINGS EVERY SUNDAY!

Our church started the "extra dollar" offering program back in January. We are asking everyone to simply take a pew envelope and give an extra dollar "or more" every Sunday. Please put your name on these pew envelopes because the "extra dollars" really accumulate, and we want to give you credit. Please know that these "extra dollars" are definitely helping our budget, but the greatest beneficiary is always the individual giver. The cross was Christ's sacrificial gift; what is yours and mine?

YOUTH AND CHILDREN INTERESTED IN GOING TO LAKESHORE,

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

Phone 855-0561 to win a golden dollar by identifying this young man. Give your photos from your childhood or youth to Carolyn or Gary Blankinship. The last photo in the newsletter was of **Betty Poteet**.

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

HOSPITAL NEWS: Mattie Carr has been discharged from Gibson General Hospital, is at home in Dyer Nursing Home.

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 APRIL: Berlynne Holman

USHERS FOR APRIL

*Billy Woods	Henry Phillips	Charlie Lancaster
Billy George	Harold Griggs	Roger Reasons

MEALS FOR OUR YOUTH ON SUNDAY EVENINGS

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

April 12	NO UMYF
April 19	Abby Ferguson
April 26	Christy & Michael Wallsmith
May 3	Judy & Billy Woods

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

April 12	Pat Zarecor & Jo Bowles
April 19	Berlynne & Bob Holman
April 26	Jeff Carr & Murray Jones
May 3	Erma Dollar & Dot Davis

ACOLYTES

April 12	Rachel Rollins & Bailey Williams
April 19	Claire Rollins & Gracie Williams
April 26	Annie Bartholomew & Sydney Phelan
May 3	Cade Roberts & Christian Roberts

SUNDAY WORSHIP LAY READERS

April 12	I Corinthians 15:1-11	TBA
April 19	Acts 3:12-19	TBA
April 26	I John 3:1-7	TBA
May 3	TBA	Joyce Flack

CHILDREN'S SERMONS

April 12	No children's sermon
April 19	Betty Denton
April 26	Jeff Carr
May 3	Peggy Davis

CALENDAR

Thursday, April 9

Noon – Holy Week Luncheon at Salem Baptist Church

Speaker: Ronnie Coleman, pastor of First Baptist Ch.

7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Community Worship at First Baptist Ch.

Speaker: John Singleton of Soul's Harbor Church

Friday, April 10

11:00 a.m. – UMYF Good Friday Observance in our sanctuary

Noon – Holy Week Luncheon at First Presbyterian Church

Speaker: Wm. Thomas Jowers of FUMC Trenton

Saturday, April 11

10 a.m. to noon – Children's Easter Egg Hunt on Rosemont Drive

To include children's luncheon out of doors, weather permitting

Sunday, April 12--Easter Sunday

8:45 a.m. - Handbell choir rehearsal in the sanctuary

9:15 a.m. – Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School

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

Also, Reception and Dedication of Lenten Hunger Offerings

No UMYF meeting

Tuesday, April 14

6:45 a.m. – UMYF Breakfast Club at Cotton's Café

7:00 p.m. – Evangelism Team

Wednesday, April 15

5:30 p.m. - Wonderific Wednesday Meal--prepared by Fishermen Class

6:00 p.m. - UMYF upstairs. Adult Bible Study downstairs.

6:00 p.m. – Children decorating teacups and teapot for church display

7:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal in the sanctuary

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 2

9:00 a.m. – UMW District Mission Book Study (a 4-hour study):

“Native American Survival” at Alamo FUMC, lunch free

2009 Vacation Bible School Dates

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

Theme: CAMP EDGE, “Experiencing God Anywhere”

ATTENDANCE APRIL 5, 2009

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 91 MORNING WORSHIP: 175

VISITORS IN WORSHIP APRIL 5: Wally, Katey, Parker, Maddie, and J.T. Vernon.; Brandie & Dayton Alford; Tyler Selph; Rachel & Jim Proudfit; Beth & Noble Grant; Michele & Joe Elliott, Judy Dotson; Linda McKenzie & Elizabeth McCullauff; Charlie Flack; Kelly, Peyton, & Rachel Lambert; Marley Hendrix; Mike Roberts, Stephanie & Isaac Hale; Amy & Mary Page Pearson (daughter and granddaughter of Beth Thompson); Denise Hensley (daughter of Beth Thompson)

PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER on the attendance pad every Sunday morning during worship so that our visitors will do that, too.

MEMORIALS

Please note: Memorial donations need to be on a check that is a **separate** check from your other offerings.

IN MEMORY OF “COACH” KILZER

Dot Kilzer

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL 5

TO SANCTUARY DEBT ON APRIL	\$60
YEAR TO DATE FOR SANCTUARY DEBT:	\$723
TO YOUTH FUND ON MARCH 22	\$50
YEAR TO DATE FOR YOUTH FUND	\$630

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.0