

## OUR PRAYERS

**Methodist Central**    **Methodist G'town**  
Norris Gabriel 934Twr    Gene Finger 308 East

### Baptist Memorial

Reba (Joyce) Price    4126

### Hospice Care

Tina Gift

### At Home

Michael Dunn  
Sandra Johnson

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## OUR PRESENCE

### January 20

Church School	52
Worship	73

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## OUR GIFTS

### January 20

This Week's Offering	\$ 3,212
MTD	\$ 10,327

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## OUR SERVICE

### Assisting January 27

<b>Greeters</b>	Peggy Brightwell Audrey Weaver
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bruce Hughes
<b>Scripture</b>	Jane Hight
<b>Children's Time</b>	Brother Paul/Barbara
<b>Lock-up</b>	Neil DeLong

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## OUR WITNESS

### February Scripture Readers

3	Brother Paul
10	Lisa Hughes
17	Tom Lockhart
24	Barry Mathis

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Mark Twain once related a conversation he had with a businessman, who said to him: "Before I die, I mean to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land where I will climb Mount Sinai and read the Ten Commandments aloud at the top." "I have a better idea," replied Twain. "You could stay at home and keep them."

The question for us is how will we live out our faith?

Peace and Grace,  
Brother Paul

### Scripture Readings for Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>

Psalm 19  
Luke 4:14-21

### Sermon Title

"An Honor and a Privilege"

**LOOKING AHEAD**

- Sun. 1/27 Scout Sunday  
 9:00a Trustees Mtg.  
 9:45a Church School  
 10:55a Worship  
 12:15p FREE Barbeque Lunch presented by the Boy Scouts. All are invited.  
 12:30p Adult/Family Min. Team in Fidelis Classroom
- Mon. 1/28 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 1/29 NO Cub Scouts Tonight
- Wed. 1/30 6:00p Fellowship & Study  
 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 1/31 10:00a Bible Study
- Fri. 2/1 Offices Closed
- Sat. 2/2 9:00a AFLS  
 2:00p Norris Gabriel's 90th Birthday Celebration
- Sun. 2/3 9:15a Fellowship Time  
 9:45a Church School  
 10:55a Worship  
 12:15p Staff/Parish Cmte. Mtg.


**DISCIPLINE FOR DISCIPLES**

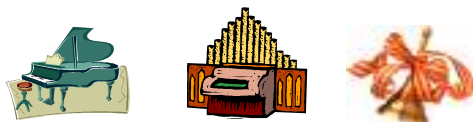
**Articles of Religion of the Methodist Church**

Article XI—Of Works of Supererogation  
 Voluntary works—besides, over and above God's commandments—which they call works of supererogation, cannot be taught without arrogance and impiety. For by them men do declare that they do not only render unto God as much as they are bound to do, but that they do more for his sake than bounden duty is required; whereas Christ saith plainly: When you have done all that is commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants.

The Articles of Religion are reprinted from the Discipline of 1808

**DON'T FORGET**

 ...the Trustees meeting at 9 a.m. (not 9:15) on 1/27. Lunch will be provided by the Boy Scouts at 12:15 and the Adult/Family Team meeting will follow at 12:30 p.m.



**FOR YOUR MUSICAL ENJOYMENT**

The next 2 **Music at Noon** concerts at Bartlett UMC, 5676 Stage Rd., will be at 12:10 on Wednesday, January 30, featuring Brian Ray, Instructor of Piano at Rhodes College and Wednesday, February 6, featuring Jill Dyson, Gospel Singer/Songwriter. A light lunch is available for purchase following each concert.

On Saturday, February 2, at 7 p.m., St. George's Episcopal Choir will present **Candlemas Evensong**. You may call 901-754-7282, ext.33 for all the details.

**"With a Song in My Heart - A Valentine Tribute"** will be Chris Nemeč's annual benefit concert on Sunday, Feb. 10, 4:00p.m., at Lindenwood Christian Church. Habitat for Humanity will be the recipient of the proceeds. Enjoy music by Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Rodgers & Hammerstein, Andrew Lloyd Webber and more. General admission is \$10; reserved seating, reception and more (Golden Circle) is \$50. You may contact Lindenwood, 2400 Union Ave, at 458-1652.

**Music for Organ & 2 Handbell Choirs** will be presented at Germantown United Methodist Church at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17. This will include works by Handel, Bach and Widor. Germantown UMC, 2331 S. Germantown Road.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Have you made God smile today?

**UMW NEWS**

The McKendree District UMW will present our District Mission Study Day Apart on Saturday, February 23, at Emmanuel UMC, 2404 Kirby Rd. This year's theme is *Poverty*. Registration will begin at 9:30. The program will be from 10 to 2, led by Sandy Mauney, Memphis Conference Mission Coordinator for Social Action.

The US Census Bureau ranks Memphis the poorest large metro area in the nation with more than 14% of all families living below the poverty line. We will turn to the Bible for new directions in moving our community toward a future where all may have life abundantly.

Lunch will be available for a donation to mission. Please bring non-perishable food items for local food banks.

To plan appropriately we need to know how many to expect. **Make reservations please, by Feb. 11**, with Phyllis Gay at [phyllisp-gay@yahoo.com](mailto:phyllisp-gay@yahoo.com) or phone her at 901-485-8416.

Have you checked out the McKendree District UMW's web site lately? Our new Communications Coordinator, Stephanie Sonnenfelt, encourages all of us to use it to share ideas, ask questions and get inspired. You may contact her by email or phone to be added to the members part of the site at [stephanie.sonnenfelt@gmail.com](mailto:stephanie.sonnenfelt@gmail.com) or at home 901-324-3477 or by cell 540-230-3617.

**UMW BOOK REPORT**

Would you be willing to sell your house and downsize as well as give half the proceeds to a non-profit? That's what Kevin & Joan Salwen of Atlanta, Georgia, did when their 13 year old daughter, Hannah, challenged them to live a simpler lifestyle and make a difference in the world in *The Power of Half*, in the Social Action category of the UMW Reading Program.

Learn how they did it and perhaps get some ideas for yourself and your family on living with less and getting more out of it. The book is in the Church Library.



**FOOD PANTRY FOR JANUARY**

Soup & Crackers



**MCLAREN TO SPEAK AT CALVARY ON FEB. 28**

Mr. Brian McLaren's public speaking covers a broad range of topics including postmodern thought and culture, Biblical studies, Christian leadership, global mission, evangelism and spiritual formation, worship, inter-religious dialogue, and the relation of faith to ecology, public policy, social justice, and global crises.

He has appeared on many radio and TV broadcasts including Larry King Live, Religion and Ethics News-weekly, and Nightline. His work has also been covered in Time (where he was listed as one of America's 25 most influential evangelicals), Christianity Today, Christian Century, the Washington Post, and many other print media.



Brian travels extensively, and his personal interests include ecology, fishing, hiking, music, art, and literature.

Brian is married to Grace, and they live outside of Washington, DC. They have four young adult children.

A sign-up sheet will soon be on the office window for Noonday Preaching and the Waffle Shop at Calvary Episcopal for Thur., Feb. 28.



**GOING PLACES Bus Tour to Tupelo**

Join us on March 19 and take a trip to see Elvis Presley's boyhood home and church and the newly renovated Museum and Antique Auto Museum. Contact Carolyn McDougal for more information at (901) 861-0841.