

**OUR PRAYERS**  
**HealthSouth Rehab-Central**  
Marie Hughes 320B

**Allenbrooke Rehab**  
Merwin Gene Meyer 102D

**At Home**

Jimmie Bedwell	Hugh Rhodes
Martha Wallace	Amy Posey
Roger Umnuss	Dee Carroll

**OUR PRESENCE**

**February 6**

Church School	56
Worship	79
Visitors	5

**OUR GIFTS**

**February 6**

Total Rec'd	\$ 10,527
MTD	\$ 10,527

**OUR SERVICE**

**February 13**

<b>Greeters</b>	Elizabeth Godbold Jeanette Leslie
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bruce Hughes
<b>Scripture</b>	Jane Hight
<b>Children's Time</b>	Tom Lockhart
<b>Lock-up</b>	Barry Mathis

**OUR WITNESS**

**February Scripture Readers**

20	Lisa Hughes
27	Tom Lockhart

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**FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN**

"Do you think it would be wrong for me to learn the noble art of self-defense?" a religiously-inclined young man asked of his pastor. "Certainly not," answered the minister; "I learned it in youth myself, and I have found it of great value during my life."

"Indeed, sir! Did you learn karate, kung fu, or some other system?" "I learned Solomon's system." "Solomon's system?" "Yes, you will find it laid down in the first verse of the fifteenth chapter of Proverbs: 'A soft answer turns away wrath.' It is the best system of self-defense of which I know."

This short story reminds me of the Scripture from Matthew we will look at this Sunday. See you then.

Peace and Grace,  
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>

Psalm 119:1-8  
Matthew 5:21-37


Sermon Title

"Cut It Out!"

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., Feb. 13 - Sat., Feb. 19

Sun. 2/13 9:45a Church School  
10:55a Worship  
12:15p Valentine Lunch  
12:30p Anglefood Orders  
6:00p Women of Zion

Mon. 2/14 Noon News Deadline  
**Happy Valentine's Day!** 

Tue. 2/15 No Activities

Wed. 2/16 6:00p Fellowship & Study  
7:30p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 2/17 10:00a Bible Study  
11:00a Lunch & the IMAX

Fri. 2/18 Offices Closed

Sat. 2/19 9:00a AFLS  
9:00a UMW Mission Study  
@ Crossroads



## THE ALDERAIRES QUARTET ENTERTAINING AT VALENTINE BANQUET

The Alderaires, fun and games are on the menu in addition to Baked Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls & Dessert for a cost of \$5 for adults, \$3 for 12 and under. Grab your sweetheart, a friend, or come alone to the Valentine Banquet on Feb. 13, right after church, sponsored by our UMW-Men. Call us at 683-8861 by Feb. 9 for reservations.

The Joy Makers (Children & Youth Classes) will host a Valentine's Party for all children right after lunch when the adult program starts.

## THANK YOU

A special Thank You to the Fidelis Class for providing refreshments for our Fellowship Time Feb. 6. Next Fellowship - March. 6.



## GET ON BOARD

...for the trip to the IMAX Feb. 17. We'll leave the church at 11 for Dutch Treat lunch at the Women's Exchange. We have 1:00 reservations at the IMAX to see "Hubble 3D" about the space program. Sign up outside the church office or on the bulletin board by the kitchen and indicate if you will drive. Come and enjoy the fellowship!

## GOING PLACES!

March 29 - *Marlsgate Mansion*, Scott, AR. Tour & lunch included.

April 4-7 - *Cajun Country, LA* - Lafayette, Vermillion Museum, Tabasco Factory, Kon-Rico Rice Mill, Alexander Mouton Mansion housing Mardi Gras costumes, zydeco music and Cajun dancing!

May 3-4 - *Columbia, TN* - Antebellum home tour with progressive dinner in the homes and tour of Franklin, TN historic area.

June 7-11 - *Williamsburg, VA* - Tour of the homes and shoppes in the historic area and the Jamestown settlement.

Sept. 26-Oct. 8 - *New England Fall Foliage* - Virginia, Pennsylvania (with Amish country and the Sight & Sound Theater production of "Joseph"), Massachusetts, Maine (Portsmouth, Kennebunkport & Bar Harbor), Niagra Falls, NY and Ohio.

Call Carolyn, 861-0841, for details.

## UMW NEWS

The Mar. 20 Unit meeting, focusing on our organization as United Methodist Women, beginning in the 1800's, is taking shape. We have already had replies for our former presidents Doris Bellott, Doris Hight and Joye Smith. Joye cannot join us due to her health. All have happy memories of their time at Aldersgate and the love and support shared by all. We assume all past presidents who are still at Aldersgate will attend. In addition to our very early presidents, does anyone know an address for Joanne Allison?

For our newest members, many of these presidents were heads of the Wesleyan Service Guild, for working women, and the Women's Society of Christian Service, before we became the United Methodist Women.

A reminder to turn in your Call to Prayer and Self-denial offering if you have not already done so. This offering helps support our Deaconesses.

Earline is collecting our Methodist Hospital Auxiliary offering. Lets show her our support with 100% participation, and see Renee if you have not received your Yearbook by email.



## SUNGLASSES SUNDAY FEBRUARY 13

### Commit an Act of Kindness

Donating used or unused sunglasses, discarded eye glasses or making a donation for an eye exam are acts of kindness that will be felt around the globe. Please place your donations in the box near the Sanctuary door or drop your check in the offering plate designated "Project 20/20".

## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to  
**The Memorial Fund**  
In memory of Martha Burford by  
Bernice Shelby



## ANGEL FOOD ORDERS

...will be taken on Sun., Feb 13, 12:30 to 1:30. Distribution will be on Sat., Feb. 19, from 10 to 11. For information or to volunteer, call Rebeca Ernst at 484-7385.

## UMNC FOOD PANTRY RUNNING LOW

You may help by bringing any non-perishable food items, especially canned meats, peanut butter, crackers, mac & cheese and canned fruit. Cash also gratefully accepted. Drop your gifts in the bin by the education wing or place cash in the offering plate noted "Food Pantry".

## OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

The United Methodist Neighborhood Centers are in the process of setting up a volunteer schedule for working in the Thrift Store. Help is needed Tues., Wed., and Thurs. for the 9-12 or 1-4 shifts, one day a month or more. If you would like to help, let me know what day(s) and shift(s) interest you. Thank you. Sharon Lockhart 754-3429

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"And now faith, hope and love abide, these three, and the greatest of these is love".

I Cor. 13:13