

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Frances Coffman Margaret Ann Ligon
Frances Morris Sandra Lamon

Primacy Rehab

Charles Goddard

Camden Rehab

Gabe Colosia

OUR PRESENCE

February 19

Church School 42
Worship 68
Visitors 4

OUR GIFTS

February 19

Unavailable due to President's Day holiday.

OUR SERVICE

Assisting February 26

Greeters Elizabeth Godbold
 Jeanette Leslie

Liturgist Bruce Hughes

Scripture Dean Tutor

Children's Time Judy Stanley

Lock-up Neil DeLong

OUR WITNESS

March Scripture Readers

4 Brother Paul
11 Happy Gbeneneh
18 Jane Hight
25 Lisa Hughes

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Thankfully, I'm getting extremely close to having all the work completed for my Doctor of Ministry degree. I now have more time to read other material not associated with my project. What I like to do is read a fictional book for pleasure, along with some type of devotional literature to help with my spiritual growth.

As we begin the Lenten season, may I make a suggestion. As part of your Lenten journey, consider reading something to help you grow closer to God during this season of self-denial and repentance, as we all seek to become more Christ-like in our lives.

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for Feb. 26th

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Sermon Title

"Baptism and the Christian Life"

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 2/26 First Sunday in Lent
 9:45a Church School
 10:55a Worship
 12:15p Called Trustees Meeting

Mon. 2/27 Noon News Deadline

Tue. 2/28 6:00p Cub Scouts

Wed. 2/29 6:00p Fellowship & Study
 7:30p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 3/1 10:00a Bible Study
 11:15a White Beans & Bingo

Fri. 3/2 World Day of Prayer
 Offices Closed

Sat. 3/3 9:00a AFLS

Sun. 3/4 Second Sunday in Lent
 9:15a Fellowship Time
 9:45a Church School
 10:55a Worship
 6:00p Women of Zion

THANK YOU NOTE

Aldersgate Family,
 Tilford & I would like to thank each and every one for your cards, prayers, thoughts and calls for Tilford's mother Sarah Woodard. This is truly the church with the caring and warm heart. Our love and thanks to all of you.
 Tilford & Lorelle Woodard

ATTENTION TRUSTEES

There will be a called Trustees meeting on Sunday, Feb. 26, right after church. Please plan to attend.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for March/April is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Don't miss out on this great devotional guide. Pick yours up today.

FELLOWSHIP TIME

...on March 4 will be hosted by the Oxford Class. Come join us!



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER IS FRIDAY, MARCH 2

The World Day of Prayer is an ecumenical prayer movement developed by Christian women in response to issues of concern around the world. Each year a different country provides worship, Bible study and prayers materials. This year's theme, "Let Justice Prevail", comes to us from the women of Malaysia and is about how "informed prayer" flows into "prayerful action". This movement, carried out in more than 170 countries and regions, brings together people of varied cultures, races and traditions to affirm their faith in Jesus Christ and to share their hopes and fears, joys and sorrows, opportunities and needs.

Through World Day of Prayer, we affirm that prayer and action are inseparable, and both have immeasurable influence in the world.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to

Memorial Fund

In memory of Sarah Woodard by
 Terry & Margie Williamson

HELP STILL NEEDED

Needed at UMNC Food Pantry:

- Peanut Butter
- Dry Milk
- Canned Tuna Fish
- Canned Vegetables

The blue bin is in the hall!

Needed at Methodist Hospital Auxiliary:

- Deodorant
- White Elephant Items

The wooden box is next to the blue bin in the hall.

YOU ARE INVITED

To Lenten Concerts @ 2nd Pres.

Baroque Music for Organ & Orchestra will be presented on Sunday, March 11 at 4 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of music for reflection including concertos by Handel and Bach played by Lenora Morrow and the Chamber Orchestra. *Handel's Messiah*, Parts 2 & 3 will be presented on Sunday, March 25 at 4 p.m. Setting the tone for Lenten meditation, the Laudis Domini Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra will offer some of the most intimate movements from this beloved oratorio.

Join us at Second Presbyterian Church, 4055 Poplar Ave. You may call 454-0034 for further information.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Grow each day in spiritual understanding. Spiritual practices are refreshing to the soul.



WHITE BEANS & BINGO
March 1 11:15am

Come all and join the fun!



Sign up on the office window or the kitchen bulletin board to bring your choice of Beans, Cornbread, Relish Tray or Dessert. Drinks will be provided. And don't forget those White Elephant prizes, all beautifully wrapped, for our lucky winners.



WAKE UP THOSE TASTEBUDS
Spaghetti Lunch

... to benefit our Children & Youth Ministries is coming up on Sunday, March 11, right after our worship service. You don't want to miss it! Mark your calendar now! Reservations may be made by calling the church office, 683-8861, or Aleita Tutor, 901-274-0081.

GOING PLACES

Chattanooga and Perks - April 18-20

Come join the fun in Chattanooga and a couple of stops on the way. \$397 per person-double, will get you lunch at Mary Bobo's Dining Room and a tour of the Jack Daniels plant (no samples!) on the way, a guided tour of Chattanooga, lunch on the Delta Queen and so much more. Call Carolyn McDougal, 861-0841, to sign up.



CREATION CARE

LaGrange College, GA, the oldest private school in Georgia and part of the North Georgia Conference of the UMC, has a new library, built with recycled and energy efficient materials and is LEED certified. It also offers water-conserving plumbing, designated parking for carpool and fuel efficient vehicles and has a rainwater collection program for use in campus landscaping. The college received the Energy Star rating from the Environmental Protection Agency.

To enhance our future outlook, the Oikos Scholars Program at LaGrange provides academic opportunities for students interested in social and ecological responsibility.

THE WAFFLE SHOP & LENTEN PREACHING

...coming up on March 15, at Calvary Episcopal Church. We will leave the church at 10:30 for an 11:00 lunch, followed by the service featuring Dr. A.J. Levine, Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Vanderbilt University. Drivers are needed to carpool. Sign-up sheets will be available on the office window and the kitchen bulletin board. Join us and enjoy some of Calvary's specialties like waffles and hash or fish pudding.

DON'T FORGET- SET CLOCKS AHEAD
on Saturday, March 10

Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday morning, Mar. 11.



Aldersgate UMC



March 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4459 Willow Road Memphis, TN 38117 Pastor: Rev. Paul Scheirer Director of Music: Perry Wilson Organist: Lana Solomon		Phone: (901) 683-8861 Fax: (901) 683-1374 Email: office@agumc.org Website: www.agumc.org		1 10:00a Bible Study 11:15a White Beans & Bingo 	2 Offices Closed	3 9:00a AFLS 
4 2nd Sunday in Lent 9:15a Fellowship Time 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service 6:00p Women of Zion	5 10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Pres. Noon News Deadline 	6 6-9 Cub Scouts	7 NO Fellowship & Study Minister's Retreat @ Kenlake 7:30p Choir Rehearsal 	8 NO Bible Study	9 Offices Closed	10 9:00a AFLS  Set Clocks Ahead One Hour
11 3rd Sunday in Lent 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service 12:15p Spaghetti Lunch to benefit Child/Youth Ministries 	12 Noon News Deadline	13 10:00a Koinonia  6-9 Cub Scouts 7:00p Love/Hope	14 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	15 Short Bible Study  10:30a Lenten Service & Lunch @ Calvary Episcopal	16 Offices Closed	17 St. Patrick's Day  9a to 12 noon UMW "A Day Apart" Mini Retreat 9:00a AFLS
18 4th Sunday in Lent 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service 12:15p UMW Unit Meeting	19 Noon News Deadline	20 6-9 Cub Scouts 	21 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	22 10:00a Bible Study	23 Offices Closed	24 9:00a AFLS 
25 5th Sunday in Lent 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service 	26 Noon News Deadline 	27 6-9 Cub Scouts	28 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	29 10:00a Bible Study 	30 Offices Closed	31 9:00a AFLS Extra Choir Rehearsal Today 2:00p Easter Egg Hunt 



Happy Birthday

- Mar. 1 Rebecca Bedwell
 Jeremy Bellott
 Greg Bishop
 Margaret Ann Ligon
 Shannon Pitner
 2 Frances Morris
 6 Christopher Little
 7 John Farrow
 12 Matthew Bedwell
 14 Brock Tschume
 19 Perri Mathis
 23 Courtney Bierbrodt



Happy Anniversary

- Mar. 11 Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold

ASSISTING IN MARCH

- Greeters** Margie Williamson
 Lorelle Woodard
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Brother Paul
 Happy Gbeneneh
 Jane Hight
 Lisa Hughes
Children's Time..... Renee Little
Lock-up Barry Mathis

Daffodils By William Wordsworth

I wander'd lonely as a cloud
 That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
 When all at once I saw a crowd,
 A host, of golden daffodils;
 Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
 Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
 And twinkle on the Milky Way,
 They stretch'd in never-ending line
 Along the margin of a bay:
 Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
 Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they
 Out-did the sparkling waves in glee:
 A poet could not but be gay,
 In such a jocund company:
 I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
 What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie
 In vacant or in pensive mood,
 They flash upon that inward eye
 Which is the bliss of solitude;
 And then my heart with pleasure fills,
 And dances with the daffodils.

Did you know that daffodils are also called March Lilies?