

**OUR PRAYERS**

**Methodist Germantown**

Charles Goddard 325 East

Our Sympathy. love and prayers go out to ...family and friends of Jean Aileen Martin

Please remember our homebound and those recovering at home.

Please be in prayer for the delegates to General Conference.

**OUR PRESENCE**

**March 25**

Church School	52
Worship	70
Visitors	1

**OUR GIFTS**

**March 25**

This Week's Offering	\$ 3,150
MTD	\$ 17,975

**OUR SERVICE**

**Assisting April 1**

<b>Greeters</b>	Doris Palazzini Martha Wallace
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bruce Hughes
<b>Scripture</b>	Brother Paul
<b>Children's Time</b>	Brother Paul
<b>Lock-up</b>	Jimmie Bedwell

**April Scripture Readers**

- 8 Tom Lockhart
- 15 Barry Mathis
- 22 Earline Gabriel
- 29 Brother Paul

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**Easter Egg Hunt**

Saturday, March 31  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 1 - 10



# The Flame

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

1 Corinthians 13 for Today's People

Though I can speak 5 languages, if I do not have enough love to keep me from gossiping, I'm just making noise. Though I read the Bible regularly and pray every day, if I don't have enough love to sacrifice personal desires, then my spirituality means nothing. Though, I give to charity, and provide for my family, if I do not show love to those I live and work with, my hard work is worthless.

Love has a long hard day at the office yet doesn't get snappy and short tempered. Love is happy for others. Love doesn't have to drive the fanciest car, live in the biggest house or have all the latest gadgets. Love isn't rude and selfish. Love is too busy being concerned about others to worry about its own. Love believes the best in people. Love knows what it hears and reads will affect its attitudes. Love is flexible and gives other the benefit of the doubt. Love never runs out of patience, even with those who may not do their share. Love has all the time in the world. Love never fails. I fail others; others fail me.

We all can be misguided and confused at times. Our words and deeds fall short and may not play out the way we want. We're not frail and foolish but our understanding of the world is partial at best. But when God's spirit lives in us...that changes everything.

Peace and Grace,  
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>

Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon Title

"Easter Cantata"

<b>LOOKING AHEAD</b>	
Sat. 3/31	9:00a AFLS Extra Choir Rehearsal ○ 2:00p Easter Egg Hunt ○
Sun. 4/1	☞ Palm Sunday ☞ 9:15a Fellowship Time 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship/Cantata 6:00p Women of Zion
Mon. 4/2	10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Pres. Noon News Deadline
Tue. 4/3	6:00p Cub Scouts
Wed. 4/4	6:00p Fellowship & Study No Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 4/5	Maundy Thursday 10:00a Bible Study 6:30p Maundy Thurs. Service
Fri. 4/6	✠ Good Friday ✠ Offices Closed
Sat. 4/7	Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil 9:00a AFLS
Sun. 4/08	☼ Easter Sunday ☼ 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship

**OUR MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

...will be at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 5.



**OUR LENTEN WORLD HUNGER OFFERING**

Hunger not only affects the young, but older people as well. For adults, living in poverty often means a choice between buying food or paying rent or getting needed medication. Your support and commitment to erasing hunger will do much to ease these burdens. There will be a special time during our Easter service for you to place your offering on the Chancel rail.

**THANK YOU**

My sincere thanks for the cards, your thoughts and especially your prayers. Treatments are going well.

Love,  
Frances Coffman



**JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL SUNDAY**

Palm Sunday, April 1, begins with Fellowship Time, at 9:15a, hosted by Current Events Class, then Sunday School at 9:45. The children will bring in the palm branches and then our very special choir cantata at the 10:55 service. Plan to come and bring your family and neighbors.



**ITS TIME FOR THE EASTER EGG HUNT!**

Join us on Saturday, March 31, at 2 p.m. for our Easter Egg Hunt. Ages 1-10 are invited to participate in the "Hunt". Refreshments, games and fun are in store for all. See you there!

**Attention! All Youth Over Ten**

Please be at church by 12:30 to help hide eggs and set up games. (Adults are also welcome.)

**"MAJESTY"  
EASTER CANTATA**

Sunday Morning April 1 10:55 a.m.

**STOP THOSE TELEMARKETING CALLS!**

Cell phone numbers have gone public. If you wish to stop telemarketers from calling your cell phone (calls that you can be charged for), you may call the National Do Not Call Hotline and have your number blocked for five years. **You must call from the phone you want blocked.** The DO NOT CALL Hotline: 1-888-382-1222.

**UMW NEWS**

The Women's Division 10th Southeastern Jurisdictional Quadrennial Meeting is coming up in Birmingham, AL, June 1-2. **Registration deadline is April 16.** Among other actions, the SEJ team and Women's Division Directors will be elected during this meeting.

More information is available from Kathy Booker, SEJ Pres., at bookerk2@aol.com or 615-714-3327 or Annie Woods, Vice Pres., at anniewoods34@aol.com or 321-633-8239.

You are encouraged to bring your family to enjoy the sights of Birmingham while you attend the meeting.

**KEY WOMEN'S LUNCHEON**

Mark your calendars for the Key Women's Annual Luncheon on Wednesday, May 16. Registration at 10:30, meeting at 11:00. Our day care children will perform and Linda White of Women Ablaze will be our speaker. Join us at Asbury UMC, 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd. It will be a salad lunch and we hope to see you there.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

The pathway to JOY:

J esus first O thers second Y ourself last

**WOW!**

The Key Women received 150 Easter Baskets for distribution to our daycare children and worker's children. Since this is way more than we needed, the overabundance will be shared with our food pantries to be given to those clients. Thanks again for all you do for UMNC. It is greatly appreciated.



**ITS TIME FOR THE PROM!**

UMNC is collection prom dresses, jewelry, purses, gloves, shoes and tuxes. If you have something to donate, let Sharon Lockhart know. Clothing should be on hangers. Thanks!



**HONORING OUR LOVED ONES**

Gifts have been given for

**Honorarium Fund**

In honor of Tom & Sharon Lockhart

By Warren Petty

In honor of Dean & Aleita Tutor

By Warren Petty

**Scholarship Fund**

In memory of Joe Eskridge

By Carolyn McDougal

**Memorial Fund**

In memory of Mrs. Louie Thompson

By Bill Whitaker

In memory of Joe Eskridge

By Terry & Margie Williamson



**CHRISTIAN FAMILY WEEK**

...begins May 6. In recognition of our church family we will celebrate with at Church & Family Potluck Lunch. Put the date on your calendar and think about making your favorite dish. Invite your family to join us for some great food and fellowship.

**GOING PLACES**

**Two Special Tours Offered This Summer**

June 15-22 Northern National Parks featuring Salt Lake City, Jackson Hole Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Tetons








Aug. 21-29 The Best of Eastern Canada featuring Montreal, Quebec City, Niagara Falls, and Toronto.

These are Collette Vacation Tours that fly out of Memphis to their destinations. Brochures are on the bulletin board by the kitchen. For more information, contact Carolyn at 861-0841

# Aldersgate UMC

# April 2012



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
<b>1 Palm Sunday</b>  9:15a Fellowship Time 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship/Cantata	<b>2 Ps. 36:5-11 John 12:1-11</b> 10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Pres. 12:00p News Deadline	<b>3 Ps. 71:1-14 John 12:20-36</b> 6:00p Cub Scouts	<b>4 Ps. 70 John 13:21-32</b> 6:00p Fellowship & Study No Choir Rehearsal  Holy Week	<b>5 Maundy Thursday Ps. 116:1-4, 12-19 John 13:1-7,31b-35</b> 10:00a Bible Study 6:30 Maundy Thurs. Service	<b>6 Good Friday Ps. 22 John 18:1-19:42</b> Offices Closed	<b>7 Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 Isaiah 55:1-11 Ps. 114 Romans 6:3-11 Luke 24:1-12</b> 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake
<b>8 Easter Sunday</b>  9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service	<b>9</b> 12:00 News Deadline	<b>10</b> 10:00a Koinonia Group 6:00p Cub Scouts 7:00p Love/Hope Group	<b>11</b> 6:00p Fellowship & Study NO Choir Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 10:00a Bible Study 	<b>13</b> Offices Closed	<b>14</b> 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake
<b>15</b> 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service 12:15p UMW Executive Cmte. (if needed) 6:00p Women of Zion	<b>16</b> 12:00 News Deadline  Income Tax Deadline 	<b>17</b> 6:00p Cub Scouts	<b>18</b> 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	<b>19</b> NO Bible Study	<b>20</b> Offices Closed	<b>21</b> 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake
<b>22</b> 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service  <b>Earth Day</b> 	<b>23</b> 12:00 News Deadline	<b>24</b> 6:00p Cub Scouts	<b>25 World Malaria Day</b> 6:00p Fellowship & Study 7:30p Choir Rehearsal 	<b>26</b> NO Bible Study  Please be in prayer for General Conference - Tampa, FL	<b>27 Arbor Day</b>  Offices Closed	<b>28</b> 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake  April 24-May 4
<b>29</b> 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship Service	<b>30</b>	<b>Aldersgate United Methodist Church</b> 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



## Happy Birthday

- Apr. 1 Aleita Tutor
- 2 Lisa Matlock
- Aaron Wheat
- 3 Terry Williamson
- 5 Neil DeLong
- 7 Joy Mitchell
- 17 Emily Gift
- 18 Darwin Shipley
- 24 Alan Mathis
- 26 Pam Parrish



## Happy Anniversary

- Apr. 14 Chet & Gail Wilson
- 17 Rick & Rebeca Ernst
- 20 Jimmy & Linda Paisley
- 30 David & Shannon Weaver

### ASSISTING IN APRIL

**Greeters** ..... Doris Palazzini  
Martha Wallace

**Liturgist** ..... Bruce Hughes

**Scripture** ..... Brother Paul  
Tom Lockhart  
Barry Mathis  
Earline Gabriel  
Brother Paul

**Children's Time**.....

**Lock-up** ..... Jimmie Bedwell



### A Poem for Arbor Day

Author Unknown

How beautiful is the lordly tree  
That scatters cooling shade!  
The landscape, O how fair and free  
By loving Nature made:  
The birds that build in leafy bough  
Hail each returning spring,  
And in the emerald forests now  
They make the Welkin ring.

The tree we plant in years becomes  
A monarch old and gray,  
And thousands from unbuilt homes  
Will bless our Arbor Day;  
We plant not for the present time  
But for the days in store,  
And those who come from distant clime  
Will bless us o'er and o'er.

Hail Arbor Day! With busy hands,  
With cheerful hearts and free,  
We come in Nature, loving hands  
To plant the bush or tree.  
Unto the wide, extending plain,  
Or to the sun-scorched way,  
We bring the cooling shade again  
With joy this Arbor Day.

Please help us keep our records current. If there are any omissions or errors, please call the church office, 683-8861 or email us at [office@agumc.org](mailto:office@agumc.org).