

OUR PRAYERS
Baptist East
(Mary) Sue Swett 4138

Rainbow Rehab
Arthur Brown 213

Hospice Care
Jimmy Craft

OUR PRESENCE

June 17
Church School 41
Worship 58
Visitors 8

OUR GIFTS

June 17
This Week's Offering \$ 1,713
MTD \$ 13,301

OUR SERVICE
Assisting June 24

Greeters Lou Pennington
Elizabeth Godbold
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Jane Hight
Children's Time Frances Morris
Lock-up Barry Mathis

July Scripture Readers

1 Brother Paul
8 Lisa Hughes
15 Tom Lockhart
22 Barry Mathis
29 Brother Paul

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dr. Donald W. Hayes, a Methodist elder and a columnist for the UM Reporter says, "As sad as all United Methodists are about the results of the recent General Conference, let us remember who we are. Even if we cannot agree on the wording of the *Discipline*, we can agree on the imperative of 'discipline'. ...It is appropriate that we disagree on matters of doctrine, but we must join hands in the bucket line when the flood waters are rising! Let us remember that Wesley connected the General Rules to the Articles of Religion. We must be sure that 'belonging' and 'believing' bear fruit in our **'behaving'**."

Does your belonging to the United Methodist Church and your believing in Methodist doctrine have an effect on your behaving?

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for June 24

Psalm 9:9-20
1 Kings 19:1-15a

Sermon Title

"What Are You Doing Here?"

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 6/24 9:45a Church School
 10:55a Worship
 12:15p UMW Unit Meeting
 12:15p Trustees Meeting

Mon. 6/25 Noon News Deadline

Tue. 6/26 No Activities

Wed. 6/27 7:30p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 6/28 10:00a Bible Study

Fri. 6/29 Offices Closed

Sat. 6/30 No Activities

Sun. 7/1 9:45a Church School
 10:55a Worship



A couple of Sundays ago I took my breakfast with me to Sunday School in a bottle. It was the #1 doctor-recommended nutritional shake. Brother Paul came to teach the class and noticed the drink, He said he had the same breakfast, too. We discussed the flavors, etc., and the slogan on each bottle that says, "To help get strong on the inside."

Brother Paul and Barbara will be back with us for another year (at least). Aldersgate is blessed to have them. Bro. Paul will continue his faithfulness and help us get strong on the inside. Welcome back, you two!

Love and prayers,
 Martha Wallace

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Aldersgate,
 Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the kindnesses shown to Mike and me following the death of our mother. We so appreciate the meal, cards, prayers and memorials. Thank you for being there for the visitation and the funeral. I don't think I need to tell you how much our mother loved all of you and especially the United Methodist Women.

Although I was at Aldersgate a relatively short time ('67-'73) the youth group played an instrumental role in my life, as did many of you. I saw so many people I hadn't seen in years. Although the circumstances were sad, it was a pleasure to see so many of you again. Thank you for everything and may God bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
 Pat Kelly Hendren
 Mike Kelly

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Thanks to each of you who helped make Father's Day a special time. We loved seeing the pictures of your Dads' and enjoyed the delicious food. A special thanks for all the honorariums and memorials.

UMW NEWS

CMEE July 12-14 at Brownsville First

The Christian Mission Education Event has a new venue this year—First UMC in Brownsville, TN. Studies will be "Immigration and the Bible", "Haiti", and "Poverty".

Reservations must be made by June 30. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Days Inn (731-772-3297) and Comfort Inn (731-734-2676). To get conference rates, mention the block reserved by Memphis Conference UMW.

Registration fee for the CMEE is \$45. Friday lunch is \$7 and Friday dinner is \$10, both to be served by the Brownsville youth as a fundraiser for their mission trip. Breakfast will be on your own. Send reservation form, with payment, to Kaye Poyner, 4151 Beech Grove Rd., Farmington, KY 42040; cell 270-832-0512; email: nance1948@hotmail.com (be sure **UMW** is in the subject line).

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Strengthen your spiritual practices with forgiveness...of others and yourself.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for July/August is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick one up today. Start your days right with great devotionals.



CREATION CARE

Did you know that in Memphis curbside recycling will pick up the following: Steel and aluminum cans, including empty aerosol cans; plastic (# 1 or 2) and glass bottles and jars (clear, green and brown); newspapers and magazines, office paper and junk mail? And now there is a program for corrugated cardboard and paperboard. Go online to "recycle Memphis" for all the details.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for
Memorial Fund

In memory of Aleda Kelly by
 Beverly Nicholson
 Nannice Mathis
 Bill & Julie Perry



BIBLE STUDY AND BINGO ~ JULY 19

Bible study 10a Lunch/Bingo 11a
 Sign up to bring salad or sandwiches.
 All are invited!

THE FINCHERS and OUR FAMILY PICNIC

The Gospel singing group from Frog Jump, TN will be here for morning worship on July 22. Following the service is our Church Family Picnic. Fried Chicken, Rolls and Drinks will be furnished. You get out your favorite recipes to fill in with salads, fruits, vegetable and desserts.



**SUMMER CAMP FOR GROWN-UPS
 At Epworth by the Sea**

The fun begins August 13-16 on St. Simons Island, GA. Grown-up Camp offers a myriad of activities and opportunities adults will love ~ from bonfires and s'mores, to sing-a-longs and games, to crafts and fishing, shrimping, yoga, horse shoes, bocce, basket weaving, entertainment, kayaking, horseback riding and everything you'd want summer camp to be. For information and camp details you may phone 912-638-8688. You may register by July 12 and view accommodations on line at www.epworthbythesea.org. Don't miss this opportunity for as much (or as little) fun in the sun as you could want at this beautiful sea-side retreat.



CHRISTIAN WRITERS CONFERENCE AND CONTEST COMING UP

Life Press presents the Christian Writers Conference on Saturday, Aug. 4, from 8:30a to 4:30p at Covenant UMC. **HOWEVER**, entries for the Writers' Contest must be submitted by **July 7** to Grandmother Earth/Life Press, P.O. Box 2018, Cordova, TN 38088. Writer's sessions, meals, door prizes and awards are included in the \$30 registration fee. Information and contest details are available from Frances Cowden at 901-309-3692 or email her at gmoearth@gmail.com.

COKESBURY-MEMPHIS HAS RELOCATED

The Cokesbury store in the Regalia Shopping Center on Poplar Ave. is now closed. As of June 18, the store opened at their new location in the Rogers Building at Christ UMC, the building that faces Laurelwood Shopping Center.

THE STORY OF RUTH

...is coming to Thursday Bible Study on June 28. This is a beautiful video production from the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. All are invited. You won't want to miss it!