

OUR PRAYERS

At Home
Ed Stanley (surg 8/9)
Karen Hall
Juanita Galloway
Baptist East
Randy Smith 2135
Vanderbilt
John Meeks 11010
Anniston AL Hosp.
Margaret Conyers

OUR PRESENCE

August 1 Church School 53
Worship 83
Visitors 2

OUR GIFTS

August 1
Tithes & Plate Offering \$ 7238
Church School \$ 29
Total Rec'd \$ 7267

MTD \$ 7267
YTD apportionments \$ 10938

OUR SERVICE

Assisting August 8

Greeters Lou Pennington
Sue Swett
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Lisa Hughes
Children's Time VBS Program
Lock-up Barry Mathis

August Scripture Readers

15 Tom Lockhart
22 Barry Mathis
29 Brother Paul

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NEED BOOKS FOR FESTIVAL SALE

We are in need of books for the Fall Festival. Bring them to Barbara in the Health Room or call her, 746-8949, for pick-up or to get empty boxes for your donations. Thanks!

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FROM THE PASTOR

I received this quote from the School of Servant leadership and I thought I'd share it with you. It was written by Fr. Thomas Keating. "As we move into our inmost being ... we are given openness of heart and a refined inward eye to perceive the mystery of the Divine everywhere and in everything.... that which is hidden from our senses and intellect becomes more and more transparent as we are being transformed into the mind and heart of Christ."

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for August 8
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:34-40

Sermon Title
"An Unexpected Guest"



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., Aug. 8 - Sat., Aug. 14

- Sun. 8/8 9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship and VBS Presentation
- Mon. 8/9 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 8/10 4:30p Confirmation Class
- Wed. 8/11 6:00p Angelfood Orders
7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 8/12 No Activities
- Fri. 8/13 Offices Closed
- Sat. 8/14 8:00a AFLS



**Bloom
Where You Are
Planted**

Based on Matthew 13:1-9



An Aldersgate Family Experience

Friday, Aug. 6 - 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 7 - 10 to 3

Closing Ceremony

Sunday, August 8 - 10:55 a.m.



NEED A RIDE?

Please let the office know (683-8861).

THANK YOU

Thank you Aldersgate Friends
...so very much for all the cards, calls and visits during my recent surgery. Special thanks to Brother Paul and Barbara for being so attentive.

Audrey Weaver

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
MUST BE IN NOW**

Applications for the fall 2010 semester scholarship requests are available in the church. If you would like the application through email, please contact Renee Little at: rwlittlepd@yahoo.com or call her at 634-7342

Applications may be returned to the church office or emailed to the above email address. The deadline is August 6.

GOING PLACES!

Coming Tour:
Sept. 14-24



Fall Foliage in the Northeast
Going on this tour???



Get your reservations in this week!

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You are invited to a Collette Slide Presentation of 2011 tours on August 30 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. These tours are Australia and New Zealand; Charleston, SC & Savannah, GA; Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park; Trains of the Colorado Rockies and Israel: A Biblical Journey. Join us and bring a friend.

Call Carolyn for more info: 861-0841

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Making any wise choice
requires Christ-centered thought.

UMW NEWS

August will be a busy month with Vacation Bible School, the luncheon for Willow Oaks and a number of other activities...and we are preparing for the Spiritual Growth Study on the Epistles of John on Aug. 24 & 31. We have heard from a number of churches who will join us and be taking parts in the study.

This year, there are so many activities, they are in a separate book. We will need help from all of you, especially in providing articles for display. We will set up tables and displays after the Willow Oaks Luncheon. The first display will be Bibles of different translations, so please be willing to share yours.

At the end of the first session we will make posters showing stories of "good & bad", "light & dark" news articles, so please start saving articles now and bring them to the UMW Room. Thanks.

Aleda Kelly

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During August we will be accepting gifts for the Candle Burning Program of UMW. You may give \$5 in honor or memory of someone and the money will go to missions. The names of those remembered will be lifted up on UMW Sunday in September. I hope your response will be great as always!



Margaret Ann Ligon
UMW Missions Coordinator

**ART FOR LIFE'S SAKE
SEEKS BOARD MEMBERS**

AFLS is seeking 3 new board members for the coming season. Interested individuals should contact the director at 901-240-3349 (cell) or 901-685-8126.



YOUR'RE INVITED

The Directors, Staff and Children of **First Works** invite you to an open

house fund-raiser at their new location at Highland Heights UMC on Thursday, August 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. Tour the facility, enjoy refreshments and entertainment. \$25 per person. Please R.S.V.P. by email at:

firstworksmemphis@gmail.com

If you prefer, cash donations are gratefully accepted. Send to FirstWorks, 3476 Summer Ave, 38122.

ANGEL FOOD INFO

Angel Food orders will be taken Wed., August 11 from 6 to 7 p.m., and Sun., Aug. 15 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Distribution will be on Sat., Aug. 21, 10 to 11am. Assistance is needed. Call Rebeca Ernst, 484-7385, to volunteer.



**SCHOOL SUPPLIES
& POT LUCK LUNCH
Sunday, August 15**



Backpacks, school supplies and great food will be the order of the day. Whip up your favorite dish to share and grab your choice of items for the Pot Luck Lunch on August 15, where we will honor our adopted school, Willow Oaks. Please check the lists available on the table outside the Sanctuary for needed supplies. Place your gifts in the BIG backpack outside the church office or bring them to the lunch on August 15. Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks may be made out to Aldersgate with "Willow Oaks" in the memo line.