

LÖÖKING AHEAD	
Sun. 8/11	9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship 12:15p Pot Luck Lunch Honoring Willow Oaks Teachers & Staff
Mon. 8/12	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 8/13	No Activities
Wed. 8/14	6:30p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 8/15	10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 8/16	Offices Closed
Sat. 8/17	9:30a UMW Social Action Day @ St. Paul UMC
Sun. 8/18	9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship 12:15p Church Council Mtg.

TAKE NOTE

A Church Council Meeting is planned for August 18th in preparation for Charge Conference.

FOOD PANTRY FOR AUGUST

Pasta Canned Meats & Fish Crackers

AUGUST 11th IS THE DAY

...to have back packs and school supplies at church to be used as decorations for the Pot Luck Lunch honoring the staff and teachers of Willow Oaks Elementary. Lunch will follow our worship service that day. Lists of needed items are available outside the Sanctuary. Please place your gifts in the big, red backpack or the striped barrel outside the office. Cash is also welcome and may be given to the office, Barbara, Rebeca or Cathy. They will shop for you. Make checks out to Aldersgate and note 'school supplies' in the memo line. Many little faces will shine when they see all the 'goodies'.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

What can you do this week to practice compassion?

THANK YOU NOTES

Thanks to everyone who thought of me, and for your prayers, cards and calls. It has been a trying time for me since March but, with God by my side, I am about to be well again. Thanks, Paul, for my new name, "Bubble Wrap Gal". Only you would come up with that! Love to all of you and again, thanks for everything.

Lorelle Woodard

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A very special thank you to each of you who prepared and served a delicious meal to the family of Jack Harding following his funeral service. Aunt Hazel's Chocolate Pie recipe was so thoughtful and very much appreciated. Thanks so much.

Wanda King

LOST & FOUND

A multi-strand rope bracelet was found in the Sanctuary. Call 683-8861, describe it, its yours!

NEW ADDRESS FOR AN OLD FRIEND

Mrs. Joan Clark
c/o Lili Turner
2121 Tomkins Lane
Millington, TN 38053
901-650-5403



LAKESHORE OFFERS SCRAPBOOKING RETREAT FOR AGES 18 TO 108

Scrapbooking is one of the best ways to preserve life's precious memories. Why not do it with others who love it as much as you? Come to Lakeshore August 16-18 to scrapbook until your eyes cross! You will also be able to go for a hike or a swim, meet new friends, and, if you can find time, rest and relax! \$135 per person will get you room and board and a great learning opportunity. For all the details, contact Lakeshore by email at office@lakeshoreuma.com or by phone at 731-584-6102.

UMW NEWS

UMW Social Action Day Open to Men

Memphis Conference United Methodist Women will hold their Social Action Workshop on Saturday, August 17, at St. Paul UMC, 2949 Davies Plantation Road in Lakeland, TN. Men are invited to be special guests.

Workshops will cover social issues including homelessness, social security, senior citizen concerns, immigration and more. A first-time children's program on poverty, for 2nd thru 5th graders, will be offered.

There will be sign-in/refreshments at 9:30a, program begins at 10a. The fee of \$10 for adults, \$7 for children will include box lunches for adults, pizza and supplies for children. August 15 is the registration deadline. Forms are available in the church office or you may contact Sandy Mauney, online at methodistwoman61@yahoo.com or by phone at 901-465-1364 or 901-488-2723.

'The Roma of Europe'

This Year's Mission Study

We have invited other churches in our District and you should invite your friends and neighbors to join us on August 20 and 27 at 10 a.m. for this year's study on the Roma people. You will find it hard to believe what these people must endure day in and day out, and learn about ways in which solutions are being sought.

There will be a potluck lunch at noon on the 27th as our closing event of the study. Please join us.

TRAVEL TIME

Now is the time to make your reservations for these tours coming up:

Oct. 14-19 Fall Foliage Tour to the Blue Ridge Mountains, Williamsburg, VA, and the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte, NC.

Nov. 12 Charlene's Tea Room in Halls, TN. Lunch and shopping plus the Veteran's Air Force Base Museum.

Dec. 3-6 Ozark Mountain Christmas in Branson, MO, with 5 Christmas Shows. Call Carolyn McDougal, 861-0841, for reservations and more details.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

Memorial Fund

In memory of Jack Harding by
Mike Bosi

Memorial Fund

In memory of Robert Barnett by
Jimmy & Jane Hight

Maintenance Fund

In memory of Robert Barnett by
Carolyn McDougal



YOU ARE INVITED

Colonial Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1500 S. Perkins, invites you to their fund raising Silent Auction and Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, August 24. Bidding opens at 5 p.m. and closes at 7. Bid on play tickets, gift cards, hand-made items, jewelry and more. There will also be a drawing for a hand crocheted afghan. You do NOT have to be present to win. Dinner will be served at 6. Adults—\$6, Children 7 to 17—\$3, 6 & under free with parent. Come and join the fun!

DISCIPLINE FOR DISCIPLES

Basic Christian Affirmations

We share the Christian belief that God's redemptive love is realized in human life by the activity of the Holy Spirit, both in personal experience and in the community of believers. This community is the church, which the Spirit has brought into existence for the healing of the nations.

Through faith in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, reconciled to God, and transformed as people of the new covenant.

"Life in the Spirit" involves diligent use of the means of grace such as praying, fasting, attending upon the sacraments, and inward searching in solitude. It also encompasses the communal life of the church in worship, mission, evangelism, service and social witness. Book of Discipline 2012

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Mark Lewis
Earline Gabriel
Betty Ray
Daniel Boice
Bill McMullin
Jackson Little
Brother Paul

Hospice Care

Mary Stanley

Dove H & R

Donnie Jones

Also remember our homebound and those in assisted care.

OUR PRESENCE

Aug. 4

Church School	45
Worship	62
Visitors	2

OUR GIFTS

Aug. 4

This Week's Offering	\$ 5,289
MTD	\$ 5,289
Apportionments TD	\$ 3,809

OUR SERVICE

Aug. 11

Greeters	Ginny Lawrence Wayne Lawrence
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Jane Hight
Children's Time	Barbara Scheirer
Lock-up	Jimmie Bedwell

OUR WITNESS

August Scripture Readers

18 Happy Gbeneneh
25 Lisa Hughes



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

How to start your day right:

“So far, God, I’ve done all right. I haven’t gossiped, haven’t lost my temper, haven’t been selfish, grumpy, nasty or overindulgent. I’m really glad about that.

But in a few minutes, God, I’m going to get out of bed, and from then on I’m probably going to need a lot more help. Thank you. In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

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Peace & Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture for August 11:

Psalm 52

Amos 8:1-12

Sermon:

“A Challenge But Also a Responsibility”