

LÖÖKING AHEAD

Sun. 8/25	9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship
Mon. 8/26	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 8/27	10:00a UMW Mission Study and Lunch
Wed. 8/28	6:30p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 8/29	10:30a Bible Study
Fri. 8/30	Offices Closed
Sat. 8/31	9:00a AFLS
Sun. 9/1	9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship 12:15p Staff/Parish Relations
Mon. 9/2	Labor Day Offices Closed

TAKE NOTE

- A Staff/Parish Relations Committee meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 1, following our worship service.
- Fellowship Time, hosted by the Fellowship Class, will be on September 8 at 9:15, due to the holiday the prior weekend.



WOMEN'S HEALTH CONFERENCE

Our Body, Ourselves

...is coming up Thursday, September 26, 8a.m. to 2p.m., at the UT Alumni Center, 800 Madison Ave. Learn how to balance your home life, family and friends, work, medical needs, movement/exercise, emotional life, nutritional needs, and your faith life.

Registration is required and seating is limited. To register, call 901-701-2254 or visit ChurchHealthCenter.org/WHCregistration.

THANK YOU NOTES

A BIG thank you to our Aldersgate family for your calls, cards & visits while Mark was in the hospital. We love all of you and miss you very much, but I know most of you understand. Mark is improving every day. Not quite ready to run a race yet, but he's working on it! Thanks again for all your thoughtfulness and prayers.

Mark, Marsha & Dixie

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Many, many thanks to Barry & Tyler Pilkinton for all their hard work and long hours in changing out the sound system after we had the piano moved. The Trustees really do appreciate all that you do for the church. Our sound system is much better since you have taken on this project. Our church is very lucky to have such dedicated people.

The Trustee's Committee

FOOD PANTRY FOR AUGUST



Pasta Crackers
Canned Meats & Fish



GREETERS NEEDED

We have no greeters signed up for October, November or December of this year. The list is on the office window. Please sign up for a month you like.

EPWORTH BY THE SEA PRESENTS

"Curtain Call - Encore! Encore!"

An event for older adults
September 23-26, 2013

From "An Evening with the Grateful Ed" (Ed Kilbourne) to a hymn sing in Lovely Lane Chapel, come enjoy the pleasures of St. Simons Island, GA. Hear "John Wesley" give a St. Simon's history lesson, and the "Plantation Lady" bring the plantation era alive. Music by "timandannie" will include some of your favorites. There will also be a cruise on a shrimp boat and a tour of Epworth and more! Visit www.epworthbythesea.org for a full agenda or call 912-638-8688.

UMW NEWS

Gear up! Our busy fall season is underway!
>> The final session of our Mission Study, *The Roma of Europe*, will be Tuesday, Aug. 27, at 10:00a.m., with a salad lunch to follow. Please bring your friends and a little extra food to help feed our guests from other churches.
>> The 41st District Annual Day Celebration is Sunday, September 8, from 2 to 4, at Crossroads UMC. We will celebrate our accomplishments, remember those whom we've lost and elect officers, among other things.
>> UMW/UMM Sunday is September 15, which will include our Candle Burning Ceremony.
>> Conference Annual Meeting is Saturday, September 21, at Lone Oak UMC in Paducah, KY. Registration forms are available in the church office. Sign-in begins at 11:00 a.m.
>> Our Celebration of Children's Sabbath will be Sunday, October 13.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for Sept/Oct is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick yours up today!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God's promises are an anchor for our lives.



Going Places

Now is the time to sign up for these great tours:
Oct. 14-19 Enjoy the Fall Foliage Tour to the Blue Ridge Mountains, a visit to Williamsburg, VA, and the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte, NC.
Nov. 12 Lunch at Charlene's Tea Room in Halls, TN, a chance for some early Christmas shopping and a visit to the Veteran's Air Force Base Museum.
Dec. 3-6 Ozark Mountain Christmas in Branson, MO, with 5 Christmas Shows. A great way to feel the Christmas Spirit.
Call Carolyn McDougal, 861-0841, for reservations and more details.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

To The Honorarium Fund

In honor of Norris & Earline Gabriel by

Tom & Sharon Lockhart

In honor of Warren Petty by

Tom & Sharon Lockhart

To The Memorial Fund

In memory of Robert Barnett by

Terry & Margie Williamson

In memory of Elizabeth Cochran by

Lou Pennington

DISCIPLINE FOR DISCIPLES

Basic Christians Affirmations

We share with many Christian communions a recognition of the authority of Scripture in matters of faith, the confession that our justification as sinners is by grace through faith, and the sober realization that the church is in need of continual reformation and renewal.

We affirm the general ministry of all baptized Christians who share responsibility for building up the church and reaching our in mission and service to the world.

With other Christians, we declare the essential oneness of the church in Christ Jesus. This rich heritage of shared Christian belief finds expression in our hymnody and liturgies. Our unity is affirmed in the historic creeds as we confess one holy, catholic, and apostolic church. It is also experienced in joint ventures of ministry and in various forms of ecumenical cooperation.

Nourished by common roots of this shared Christian heritage, the branches of Christ's church have developed diverse traditions that enlarge our store of shared understandings. Our avowed ecumenical commitment as United Methodists is to gather our own doctrinal emphases into the larger Christian unity, there to be made more meaningful in a richer whole.

If we are to offer our best gifts to the common Christian treasury, we must make a deliberate effort as a church to strive for critical self-understanding. It is as Christians involved in ecumenical partnership that we embrace and examine our heritage.

Book of Discipline 2012

OUR PRAYERS

Methodist North

James Baker 233

At Home

Mark Lewis

Bill McMullin

Cathy McCollum

Germantown Meth.

Lillian McDonald 425W

Hospice Care

Earline Gabriel

Mary Stanley

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to ...Gracie Collins & family in the loss of her brother-in-law and sister-in-law in a house fire.

OUR PRESENCE

Aug. 18

Church School	43
Worship	62
Visitors	2

OUR GIFTS

Aug. 18

This Week's Offering	\$ 1,538
MTD	\$ 9,466
Apportionments TD	\$ 3,809

OUR SERVICE

Aug. 25

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

OUR WITNESS

September Scripture Readers

- 1 Brother Paul
- 8 Tom Lockhart
- 15 Barry Mathis
- 22 Renee Little
- 29 Brother Paul



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Scripture for Aug. 25: Psalm 71:1-6; Jeremiah 1:4-10

Sermon: "Do You Hear God Calling?"

SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT

I will not lack **peace**...for He makes me lie down in green pastures.

I will not lack **provision**...for He leads me by still waters.

I will not lack **hope and encouragement**...for He restores my soul.

I will not lack **guidance**...for He leads me in paths of righteousness.

I will not lack **deliverance** in tough times...for even when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

I will not lack **companionship**...for You are with me.

I will not lack **protection**...for Your rod and staff comfort me, and You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies.

I will not lack **health and healing** in all the events of life... for you anoint my head with oil.

I will not lack an **abundant life**...for my cup overflows.

I will not lack **anything**...for goodness and mercy follow me all the days of my life.

I will not lack an **eternal, heavenly home**... for I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(excerpted from "The Lord Is My Shepherd" by Robert J. Morgan)

Peace, Provision, Hope, Encouragement & Grace,

Brother Paul