

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Mark Lewis Bill McMullin
Cathy McCollum Tom Lockhart
Katherine Hudak
Betty Ray-into Baptist East on 9/12

Hospice Care

Earline Gabriel Mary Stanley

Please also remember our home-bound and those in care facilities.

OUR PRESENCE

Sept. 8

Church School	45
Worship	64
Visitors	2

OUR GIFTS

Sept. 8

This Week's Offering	\$ 6,565
MTD	\$ 10,256
Apportionments TD	\$ 3,809

OUR SERVICE

September 15

Greeters	Barine Deekae Fortune Gbeneneh
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	UMW/UMM Sunday
Children's Time	Ed Stanley
Lock-up	Barry Mathis

OUR WITNESS

September Scripture Readers

15 UMW/UMM Sunday
22 Barry Mathis
29 Brother Paul



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Here is some food for thought by Chuck Swindoll:

“Words can never adequately convey the incredible impact of our attitudes toward life. The longer I live the more convinced I become that life is 10 percent what happens to us and 90 percent how we respond to it.”

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for Sept. 15th

Psalm 14:1-7

Luke 15:1-10

Sermon Title

“UMW & UMM Sunday”

LÖÖKING AHEAD

Sun 9/15	UMW/UMM Sunday 9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship with Rev. DeAndre Brown, Guest Minister 12:15p Reception
Mon. 9/16	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 9/17	10:30a Travel Slide Show 6:00p Cub Scouts
Wed. 9/18	7:00p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 9/19	NO Bible Study
Fri. 9/20	Offices Closed
Sat. 9/21	9:00a AFLS 11:00a UMW Annual Conference Day in Paducah, KY
Sun. 9/22	9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship with Dr. Steve Parrish, Guest Minister



FOOD PANTRY FOR SEPTEMBER

Sugar Cake Mixes Flour



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Show your gratitude. Let others know how they benefit your life.



TRAVEL SLIDE SHOW HIGHLIGHTS OF 2014 TOURS

...September 17 in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30, hosted by Carolyn McDougal. The May 23-June 1 tour will be Hawaii by Land & Sea; August 17-24 will be the Canadian Rockies by Rail, and October 1-7 will be Autumn in New England. Come and bring your friends. Please RSVP to Carolyn, 861-0841.

MANY THANKS

...To the Fellowship Class for the delicious refreshments last Sunday for Fellowship Time.



BIRTHDAY BASH COMING UP

We're having a party so come celebrate!
Sign up for a cake or to decorate.
Sept. 29 is the party date!

The sign up sheet is on the office window. Choose your birth month (or someone else's if you like) and bake a cake or help decorate that month's table.



CANCER SUPPORT GROUP AT CHURCH HEALTH CENTER

Wings Cancer Support Group now meets at the Church Health Center, 1115 Union Ave., on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. To learn more about this meeting, you may call 901-259-4673.



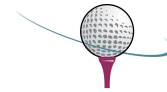
MEMPHIS DULCIMER AND FOLK GATHERING

Interested in workshops for dulcimer, ukulele, steel drum or penny whistle? Join the gathering at Second Baptist Church on September 20 & 21, 4680 Walnut Grove. There will be vendors and mini-concerts throughout the event. The main concert on Friday evening at 7 p.m. will feature Lee Cagle, Joe Collins, Doug Felt, Guy & Sherrie George, Ilace Mears, Doug Pedi and Rick Thum. Admission to this concert is \$10. 17 and under are free.

UMW/UMM SUNDAY

Everyone is invited to the reception following our UMW/UMM worship service on Sept. 15, to greet Rev. DeAndre Brown, founder of Lifeline to Success and our guest speaker for the day, and members of his congregation. The United Methodist Men will be cooking hamburgers and hot-dogs and the United Methodist Women are asked to bring side dishes and desserts. The UMW Unit meeting is being postponed until October 13th.

Some of you may have heard of Lifeline to Success, Rev. Brown's program to rehabilitate men who have been incarcerated. His program and its blight patrol have been featured in articles in the Commercial Appeal, but did you know the United Methodist Church helps sponsor this program through the United Methodist Neighborhood Centers? When the food pantry and clothes closet in Frayser closed, UMNC offered the use of its building to the program rent-free.



TAAUMCUMM GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our Thirty-fourth Annual Aldersgate United Methodist Church United Methodist Men's Golf Tournament is on September 28th at Cherokee Valley Golf Club in Olive Branch, MS. Tee time is 12 Noon. The fee of \$55 per person includes greens fee, cart, awards and prizes. Call Dean Tutor, 274-0089, to sign up individually or for your team. Will you win closest to the pin or longest drive???

Want to play golf the week before our tourney? Sign up for the Wesley Senior Ministries Golf Classic on Thursday, Sept. 19. This fund-raiser for Golden Cross Ministries will be at Wyndyke Country Club, 8535 Winchester Rd. There will be two rounds—6:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. The fee for individuals is \$125. You may contact David Kabakoff or Kristi Owens at 901-213-1930 for more info and to register.



ALDERSGATE FALL FESTIVAL

...is coming up on October 12.

Come join the fun as a vendor, a volunteer, a participant or all three! Visit the Yard Sale, the Concession Stand, the Book Sale and so much more. Entertainment will be offered by the Peacemakers from the Memphis Police Department and Art for Life's Sake students and maybe a few surprises! Mark your calendars now and don't miss out on all the excitement!

DISCIPLINE FOR DISCIPLES Distinctive Wesleyan Emphases

We assert that God's grace is manifest in all creation even though suffering, violence, and evil are everywhere present. The goodness of creation is fulfilled in human beings, who are called to covenant partnership with God. God has endowed us with dignity and freedom and has summoned us to responsibility for our lives and the life of the world.

In God's self-revelation, Jesus Christ, we see the splendor of our true humanity. Even our sin, with its destructive consequences for all creation, does not alter God's intention for us—holiness and happiness of heart. Nor does it diminish our accountability for the way we live. Despite our brokenness, we remain creatures brought into being by a just and merciful God. The restoration of God's image in our lives requires divine grace to renew our fallen nature.

Prevenient Grace

We acknowledge God's prevenient grace, the divine love that surrounds all humanity and precedes any and all of our conscious impulses. This grace prompts our first wish to please God, our first glimmer of understanding concerning God's will, and our "first slight transient conviction" of having sinned against God. God's grace also awakens in us an earnest longing for deliverance from sin and death and moves us toward repentance and faith.