

**OUR PRAYERS**

**LeBonheur**

Logan Singer

**Signature at St. Francis**

Martha Wallace 225

**Special Prayers** for

...kidnapped girls/Nigeria

...disaster victims

**At Home**

Marcelle Farrow

Virginia Jones

Wayne Lawrence

Dean Tutor

Terry Williamson

**Our Sympathy**, love and prayers go out to

...Family and friends of Doris Palazzini

...Dean & Aleita Tutor and family in the loss of their daughter-in-law, Sadie Tutor.

**Homebound and Assisted Care**

Martha Allen	June Burton	Carolyn Escue
Ray Escue	Mava Dell Fry	Earl Galloway
Helen Griffin	Doris Hight	Marie Hughes
Virginia Jones	Margaret Kenley	Ted Lewis
Betty Ray	Elmer Ray	Bernice Shelby
Chris Simmons	Emmett Smith	Betty Smithmier

**OUR PRESENCE - October 30**

Sunday School	47
Worship	68
Visitors	5

**OUR GIFTS - October 30**

Offering	\$ 1,547
Month to Date	\$ 10,505
Apportionments to Date	\$ 6,776

**OUR SERVICE - November 6**

<b>Greeters</b>	Peggy Brightwell Aleita Tutor
<b>Scripture</b>	Rebeca Ernst
<b>Children's Time</b>	Dean Tutor
<b>Lock-up</b>	Jimmie Bedwell

**OUR WITNESS**

**November Scripture Readers**

6 Rebeca Ernst  
13 Happy Gbeneneh  
20 Lana Solomon  
27 Jay Finzel



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**The Perfect Weed Control**

by Antje Hill

I shook my head in disbelief at the weeds that had managed to come up in our flowerbeds. They were green and disgustingly healthy looking, more so than the flowers we had planted in the spring. I knew these weeds would have to be taken out by the root if we were to be rid of them.

This is not unlike our spiritual life. No matter how God-like we want to be, a little neglect is all it takes for weeds to take root in our life. Less than Christ-like characteristics can creep in slowly with no warning. We don't wake up one morning and decide to be bitter or angry or unforgiving. It happens from neglect of letting God lead our lives.

In today's fast paced world, it is easy to lose patience, get angry, forego forgiveness or be extremely judgmental of people. These attitudes flourish when we don't use God's powerful Word as poison control to get at the root of the problem. Supernatural? You bet it is. There are no "self-help" books that can do for us what our Creator can. He made us, He understands our lean to selfish ways. He also knows how to lead us to peace and contentment.

A gentle breeze blew as if the Holy Spirit was saying, "I'm here. Don't neglect our relationship. I am your peace and contentment. I will keep the weeds out."

*"You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You."* God knows all about peace. It's paid for and He is willing to take us there and keep us there, on a daily basis.

**Scriptures for the Week:** Haggai 1:15b-2:9  
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-29  
Luke 20:27-38

**OUR PRAYERS (con't)**

Kristen Boggs	Tom Boillot	Palma Borgognoni
Jim Brazile	Brenda Brazile	Phil Cannon
Melissa Cole	Jaunay Davis	Miriam Davis
Doug Dennis	Corella Edwards	John Elkins
Jeanne Gillis	Gordillo Family	Andrew Hamilton
Diane Harrison	John Hight	Mildred Hight
Jeff Irwin	Mark Jones	Wayne Lawrence
Freda Lipford	Ursula Lewis	Carla Martin
G. Martin Family	Bill McClain	Jesse McClerkin
Lillian McDonald	Glenn Moore	Lou Ella Morris
Joe Moseley	Warren Petty	Moira Pomije
Claire Rainey	Wade Reeves	Stephanie Roberts
Marie Souder	Cindy Stanfil	Everett Tutor
David Weaver	Shannon Weaver	John Williams
Margie Williamson		

## LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 11/6	<b>All Saints Sunday</b> 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship 2:00p Charge Conference at Asbury UMC
Mon. 11/7	10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Presbyterian Noon Newsletter Deadline
Tue. 11/8	10:00a Koinonia Group 7:30p Love/Hope Group
Wed. 11/9	10:00a Bible Study -Asbury 10:30a Hospital Auxiliary 6:45p Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 11/10	9:00a Food Pantry-Asbury 10:00a Bible Study-Join us! 11:00a Golden Cross Key Women 5:00p Girl Scouts
Fri. 11/11	10:00a Senior Games Day @ Asbury 5:45p Girl Scouts Offices Closed
Sat. 11/12	No Activities
Sun 11/13	<b>Commitment Sunday</b> <b>Veteran's Sunday</b> 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship 12:30p Harvest Dinner



Saturday night, Nov. 5

## NOVEMBER 13TH IS A BIG DAY FOR ALDERSGATE

We have a lot to celebrate on Sunday, Nov. 13, beginning with celebrating our gifts from God by bringing our Estimate of Giving cards to the altar at the close of service for Commitment Sunday.

### Calling All Military

**Veteran's Sunday** (November 13), we will be recognizing and celebrating our members and loved ones who have served or are serving in the military. In preparation for our Honor Roll of Veterans, please give us a hand. If you, a family member, or other church members you know are in or have been in the military, please give the information to the church office by Nov. 4. Rank and branch of service, please. If you prefer, you may call the office, 683-8861, to give us your information.

### To Top It All Off

We will share a delicious **Harvest Dinner** following the worship service. Turkey & dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, sweet potato casserole, fruit salad, rolls and pie is the fare for the day and children will have the choice of chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, with a brownie or the adult menu. **The reservations deadline is Nov. 9.** You won't want to miss all this good food and fellowship with friends!!!



### FILL A SHOEBOX

...for Operation Christmas Child. You may choose a boy or girl and an age range. Labels and suggestions are in the brochure on the table outside the Sanctuary. It also has a list of "non-allowed" items. **Please adhere to the instructions.** Shoeboxes are available at the church to be filled with small gifts. You may also include a photo and a personal note. If you include your address, the child may be able to write to you. Please add \$7 for postage in an envelope inside the box. If you are unable to fill a box, you may choose to donate the \$7 postage fee. **Your box must be at the church by Sunday, Nov. 6,** to be delivered to a distribution center.

Think of the child receiving your gift and how they experience God's love through you.

## IN THE WORDS OF WESLEY

Are you ready for the Lord's return? Am I? I can think of no more important question to get settled, can you?

~ John Wesley ~



## THANKSGIVING DAY LUNCH - NOV. 24th

Aldersgate will once again be sharing our blessings at a Thanksgiving Day lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for those in our community. Dinner will be prepared by Mary Proctor but all other areas: set-up, serving, greeting, transportation, clean-up, and desserts, will depend on us. We ask you to prepare your favorite dessert and bring it to church between Sunday, Nov. 20th and any time before 10:30a on Thursday, Nov. 24th. Helpers will be needed on Wednesday night and on Thanksgiving Day in 2 hour shifts (or for the entire time—your choice). Please contact Barry Mathis at 901-299-2746 or [bamathis@att.net](mailto:bamathis@att.net), to sign up. You can help us fill lonely hearts as well as empty tummies by volunteering your assistance. Thanks so much!



SORRY—NO PETS ALLOWED IN CHURCH.

## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

### Memorial Fund

In memory of Doris Palazzini by Jimmy & Jane Hight

In memory of Peggy Baker by

Jimmy & Jane Hight  
Joy Mitchell

### Scholarship Fund

In memory Doris Palazzini by

Carolyn McDougal  
Joyce Kernodle

In memory of Peggy Baker by

Carolyn McDougal  
Joyce Kernodle

**REMEMBER - CHARGE CONFERENCE**  
...is Sunday, Nov. 6, 2:00 p.m., at Asbury UMC  
Be sure you have marked it on your calendar!



## BASKETS FOR THANKSGIVING

Items are needed to fill baskets (or boxes) to be given out by United Methodist Neighborhood Centers in time for the holiday. The list for a complete basket is below and also available at church:

2 bx. dressing mix	2 cans cranberry sauce
2 cans corn	2 cans green beans
40 oz. can yams	26 oz. bx. Instant potatoes
40 oz. biscuit mix	1 bx. family size tea bags
4/5 lbs. flour	4/5 lbs. sugar
1 cake mix	1 can frosting
24 oz. oil	1 jar instant coffee
1 bx. powdered milk	\$15 Kroger gift card or cash to purchase

Please have all baskets and/or items & cash to the church by Sunday, November 13, for delivery to UMNC.


## THE UPPER ROOM

...for Nov/Dec is still available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick one up today.

# Aldersgate UMC

# November 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Pastor: Dr. Virginia Jones Finzel                      Outreach Minister: Rev. Goyo De la Cruz                      Choir Dir: Lisa Hughes                      Organist: Lana Solomon                      Pianist: Lynn Coffman</p>		<p><b>1 All Saints Day</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury                       6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>3</b>                      9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury                      10:00a Bible Study                       5:00p Girl Scouts</p>	<p><b>4 World Community Day</b>                       5:45p Girl Scouts                      Offices Closed</p>	<p><b>5 UMW Work Day @ Reelfoot</b></p> 
<p><b>6 All Saints Sunday</b>                      Daylight Savings Time Ends                      10:15a Church School                      11:30a Worship Service                      2:00p Charge Conference at Asbury UMC</p>	<p><b>7</b>                      10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Pres.                       Noon News Deadline</p>	<p><b>8</b>                      10:00a Koinonia                        7:00p Love/Hope</p>	<p><b>9</b> 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury                      10:30a Hospital Auxiliary                       6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury                      10:00a Bible Study                      11:00a Golden Cross Key Women                       5:00p Girl Scouts</p>	<p><b>11 Veteran's Day</b>                       10:00a Sr. Adult Game Day @ Asbury                       5:45p Girl Scouts                       Offices Closed</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>
<p><b>13 Commitment Sunday</b>                      10:15a Church School                      11:30a Worship Service                      12:30p Harvest Dinner</p>	<p><b>14</b>                       Noon News Deadline</p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury                       6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>17</b>                      9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury                      10:00a Bible Study                       5:00p Girl Scouts                      6:30p UM Men @ Asbury</p>	<p><b>18</b>                       5:45p Girl Scouts                      Offices Closed</p>	<p><b>19</b>                       NO Sewing Group</p>
<p><b>20 Christ the King Sunday</b>                      10:15a Church School                      11:30a Worship Service</p>	<p><b>21</b>                       Noon News Deadline</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> NO Bible Study @ Asbury                       NO Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>24 Thanksgiving Day</b>                       11:00a to 1:00p Lunch in FH                       Offices Closed</p> 	<p><b>25</b>                      11:30a Young at Heart – Asbury                       5:45p Girl Scouts                       Offices Closed</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27 First Sunday of Advent</b>                      10:15a Church School                      11:30a Worship Service/Hanging of the Green</p>	<p><b>28</b>                       Noon News Deadline</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury                       Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>4459 Willow Road                      Memphis, TN 38117                      Phone: 901-683-8861                      Email: office@agumc.org                      Website: www.agumc.org</p>		



## Happy Birthday

- Nov. 1 Hayden Bond  
Alyssa Little  
2 Cathy Barrie  
Emmett Parrish  
4 Millie Hernandez  
Eric Wheat  
6 Brandon Bellott  
8 Karen Mosley  
10 Anna Deekae  
11 Karen Hall  
11 Amadeus Santana  
13 Bill Turner  
14 Carolyn McDougal  
15 Scott McMullin  
Lou Pennington  
16 Catherine McCollum  
JoAnn Shelton  
18 David Deekae  
Fortune Gbeneneh  
19 Martha Ruth Allen  
20 Sorbari Deekae  
Cusi De la Cruz  
Bruce Hughes  
24 Stanley Gallimore  
27 Pat Tully  
28 Wayne Lawrence  
30 Brad Weaver



## Happy Anniversary

- 11 Richard & Karen Hall

### ASSISTING IN NOVEMBER

Greeters.....	Peggy Brightwell Aleita Tutor
Liturgist.....	Bruce Hughes
Scripture.....	6 Rebeca Ernst 13 Happy Gbeneneh 20 Lana Solomon 27 Jay Finzel
Children's Time.....	6 Dean Tutor 13 Bruce Hughes 20 Bruce Hughes 27 Bruce Hughes
Lock-up.....	Jimmie Bedwell

Please help us keep our records current. If there are any omissions or errors, please call the church office, 683-8861, or email [office@agumc.org](mailto:office@agumc.org).



### Can you help?

Memphis Conference archivist and historian Ann Phillips needs help identifying a photo that recently crossed her desk.

This photo is believed to be a group of United Methodist Men, some associated with Colonial Park United Methodist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, but also other churches. It's believed to have been taken in the 1950s or early 1960s and that the hats many of the men are wearing say "Memphis Annual Conference."

The building itself has not been identified, which is the biggest piece of missing information

If you have any information (new, different or confirming) about this photo that you would like to share, contact Phillips at 731-664-5540

OR [aphillips@memphis-umc.org](mailto:aphillips@memphis-umc.org)

**In our effort to assist the elderly in Wesley Housing and those who cannot provide enough food for their families, we will collect these items for the entire month of November. BUT, please have all baskets and basket items to the church by Nov. 13th. Thank you for helping!**

### Golden Cross

Bring smiles to the faces of Wesley residents:

Combs & Brushes,	Lotion	Deodorant
Shampoo	Shower Caps	Tooth Brushes
Toothpaste	Hand Soap	Peanut Butter
Soup	Juice	Aspirin
Tylenol	Postage Stamps	Canned Meats
Canned Fruits	Canned Vegetables	Paper Goods
	Household Cleaners	

Please leave your gifts in the Golden Cross basket near the Sunday School office.

A complete food basket for UMNC or any of these items for the Food Pantry:

2 cranberry sauce	2 cans corn	2 cans green beans
2 boxes stuffing mix	40 oz. can yams	26 oz. instant potatoes
1 box powdered milk	1 small instant coffee	4/5 lbs. sugar
4/5 lbs. flour	24 oz. canola oil	40 oz. biscuit mix
1 cake mix	1 can frosting	1 box family-size tea bags

\$15 Kroger Gift Card or cash/check to purchase

Other Food Pantry and non-perishable items are also welcome.