

OUR PRAYERS

Jackson General
C.B. Lockhart ICU

Signature HC
Martha Wallace 323B

At Home
Aleita Tutor
Betty Ray
Earl Galloway

Hospice Care
Mary Stanley
Lynda Park

Please also remember our homebound in your prayers.

OUR PRESENCE

January 19

Church School	40
Worship	63
Visitors	2

OUR GIFTS

January 19

No count due to holiday

OUR SERVICE

January 26

Greeters	Barbara Scheirer Audrey Weaver
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Dean Tutor
Children's Time	Barbara Scheirer
Lock-up	Neil DeLong

OUR WITNESS

February Scripture Readers

2	Brother Paul
9	Happy Gbeneneh
16	Jane Hight
23	Lisa Hughes



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Clarence Jordan in *Cotton Patch Parables of Liberation* writes: God doesn't go by the kind of arithmetic that you and I go by. God has never learned to deal in fractions. God didn't get that far in school. I think he's like my father who had ten children, and many a time I thought, "Well, my goodness, with a family this big, Daddy can't love me very much. I can only claim one tenth of his love." But my father loved me with all of his love. It's just that way with love. There is no fraction in it. You can't break it up into pieces. And God wants the whole human race. He just can't deal in fractions.

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for Jan. 26th

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Sermon Title

"Unity Amongst Our Diversity"

LÖÖKING AHEAD	
Sun. 1/26	Scout Sunday 9:15a Prayer Time 9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship 12:15p Free BBQ Lunch by Scout Troop/Pack 240 12:30p Adult/Family Ministries Team Mtg.
Mon. 1/27	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 1/28	6:00p Scouts
Wed. 1/29	6:00p Fellowship & Study → 7:00p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 1/30	10:00a Bible Study 11:30a White Beans & Bingo
Fri. 1/31	Offices Closed
Sat. 2/1	8-Noon Work Day (Inside) 9:00a AFLS
Sun. 2/2	9:15a Prayer Time 9:15a Fellowship Time hosted by Fidelis Class 9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship 12:15p Staff/Parish Relations Committee Mtg.



**SUNGLASSES SUNDAY
February 9, 2014**

You can easily be part of this human-service project. All contributions of time, eyeglasses, sunglasses, and funds will help prevent blindness and improve vision around the world. All financial donations are tax-deductible. As an all-volunteer program, all funds are used to provide medical teams with materials and support in underdeveloped areas of the globe.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
Lord, give me the strength today to be better, not bitter.



LUNCH BEING SERVED ON SCOUT SUNDAY
Jan. 26, 12:15p. Right after worship.

ADULT & FAMILY MINISTRIES TEAM
...to meet on Sunday, Jan. 26, right after the lunch provided by Scout Troop/Pack 240.



WHITE BEANS & WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO
January 30 - 11:30 a.m.



CHURCH WORK DAY
Saturday, Feb. 1 8 a.m. till Noon

FELLOWSHIP TIME
...Feb. 2 at 9:15 with the Fidelis Class hosting.



VALENTINE LUNCH
February 9th

Once again our United Methodist Men are sponsoring a Valentine Lunch. Plan to join us on Sunday, February 9, right after worship. All are invited to enjoy the food and fellowship.

THANK YOU
Belated thanks to Neil, Peggy, Lorelle and Mary for their help in taking down the Christmas decorations. We missed you, Aleita, but just wait until this December! The Worship Committee

UMW NEWS

150th Anniversary of United Methodist Women's History: Voices Lost and Found
A Call for Submissions

A Conference to celebrate the 150th anniversary of UMW will be held in May, 2015, at Methodist Theological School in Ohio.

Papers, essays, historical documents, etc. that explore the history, significance, prominent persons and defining issues in the development of United Methodist Women are being sought for the occasion. Papers of 250-500 words must be received by **May 1, 2014**, to be considered. Please include a short academic profile, and send submissions to: slancaster@mtso.edu.

Conveners also hope to publish a volume of selected essays from the conference. Yours could be one of them.



FOOD PANTRY FOR JANUARY
Canned Soups Canned Pasta



**TO REITERATE...
FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

Stay up to date and mark your calendar now!

- **Jan. 26th** is Boy Scout Sunday with a free BBQ Lunch at 12:15, followed by the Adult/Family Ministries Team meeting at 12:30.
- **Thursday, Jan. 30th** Bible Study at 10 with White Beans & White Elephant Bingo 11:30
- **Saturday, Feb. 1st** is Inside Work Day at 8a.
- **Sunday, Feb. 2nd** Fellowship Time at 9:15 the Staff/Parish Relations Committee meets at 12:15
- **Sunday, Feb. 9th** is Sunglasses Sunday and our Valentine Lunch sponsored by United Methodist Men
- **Sunday, Feb 23rd** is our next Council Mtg.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for
Scholarship Fund

In memory of Evelyn Goddard by
The Fellowship Class

In memory of Doris Babb by
The Fellowship Class



"SOUP"ER BOWL SUNDAY

Super Bowl Sunday is Feb. 2nd. The Outreach Committee wants to celebrate this event with our own 'Soup'er Bowl Sunday. We will be collecting canned soup and crackers through **Feb. 9**. Everything will be donated to the Asbury UMC Food Pantry. A table will be set up outside the Sanctuary for your donations. Please contact Cathy Boice with any questions, 493-2886.

UNITED METHODIST NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER NEEDS HELP

On January 16, while picking up children at Cornerstone Prep School, our driver experienced a mechanical problem with the UMNC's bus. We were able to scramble and she used her personal vehicle to complete transporting the children home. I met the tow truck at the school and had the bus taken to Gateway Tire & Battery on Poplar. After diagnosing that the right front wheel bearing had failed, we are met with an unforeseen repair cost of \$750, which includes towing and a scheduled oil change. If you have a suggestion or can offer any assistance to enable us to overcome this challenge, please let me know, as I am scrambling, also. You may reach me at 901-323-4993 or dbillings@umnc.org.

Thank you in advance,
David Billings
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