

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Martha Wallace
Mark Lewis
Betty Ray
Earl Galloway
Pat Tully

Hospice Care

Mary Stanley
Lynda Park

OUR PRESENCE

March 16

Church School	38
Worship	66
Visitors	4

OUR GIFTS

March 16

This Week's Offering	\$ 3,081
MTD	\$ 12,151

OUR SERVICE

March 23, 2014

Greeters	Mary Robbins Barbara Scheirer
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Renee Little
Children's Time	Peggy Brightwell
Lock-up	Tom Lockhart

OUR WITNESS

March Scripture Readers

30 Brother Paul

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Blessed are we whose sins are forgiven. Our shortcomings and failures are covered by God's mercy.

Blessed are we to be honest and naked before God. We come just as we are, and we are loved unconditionally.

When we hide from God, that's when trouble starts. The guilt and shame become too burdensome to bear alone. Fear and worry weigh us down. We cannot sleep.

Confession is good for the soul. As soon as we tell God the truth, the fear lifts. So pray and confess! Tell God everything. We will share our burdens and concerns, our sorrow and joys. God is eager to hear our prayers. In God we will find refuge, forgiveness and hope. We sing with joy for God is good and merciful!

Blessed are we who walk day by day with the living God!

Based on Psalm 32

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for March 23rd

Psalm 95

John 4:5-42

Sermon Title

"Living Water"

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LÖÖKING AHEAD

Sun. 3/23	9:15a Prayer Time 9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship
Mon. 3/24	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 3/25	Day trip to Hot Springs 6:00p Cub Scouts
Wed. 3/26	NO Fellowship & Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 3/27	NO Bible Study 10:30a Leave Church for Lenten lunch and preaching at Calvary
Fri. 3/28	Offices Closed
Sat. 3/29	9:00a AFLS
Sun. 3/30	9:00a Prayer Time 9:45a Sunday School 10:55a Worship

FOOD PANTRY FOR MARCH

Canned Vegetables

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a well preserved body, but rather a skid in sideways, chocolate in one hand, wine in the other, and yelling "Woo Hoo! What a ride!!!"



EASTER EGG HUNT

Coming up April 12

...and the Easter Bunny needs your help providing plastic eggs and lots of individually wrapped candy for the hunt. Children 1-10 are invited to hunt. All others are invited to cheer them on. Come join us for the fun! Please leave your gifts in the church office.

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FOR LENTEN LUNCH AND PREACHING
Our trip to Calvary Episcopal Church for lunch and Lenten Service has been postponed until March 27, due to unforeseen circumstances. Meet at Aldersgate on Thursday, March 27, at 10:30. Bus transportation will be provided. Your only cost is for lunch at the famous Calvary Waffle Shop and a gratuity for the driver. Come join us for this popular trip. Please sign up NOW on the office window.

A TRIBUTE TO PERRY WILSON

Together Again
by Terry Williamson

He left us today, Perry Wilson was his name. It was our world's loss, and heaven's gain. His pain is now gone, he suffers no more. Everything changed when he entered the Door. God met him there, he said, "Come with me. You'll like it here, just you wait and see." Then he heard a voice say, "Perry, its me." He turned to look and who did he see? It was Fran, and on her face was a smile. "Perry, I've been waiting for a long, long while." Then they joined hands and walked into the night. Everything was better, he was now alright. They're together again, till the sun turns to dust, And they're standing at the gate waiting for us.

God bless you, Perry. We love you!!!



GOING PLACES

Sunny beaches and spring flowers are just what you need! Sign up now for a tour going to Pensacola, FL and Mobile, AL, April 28 thru May 1. We will watch the Blue Angels flight training at Pensacola Naval Air Base, shop at the BIG Outlet Mall in Foley, AL and visit Bellengrath Gardens with the beautiful azaleas and spring flowers. Brochures are no the bulletin board by the kitchen or call Carolyn McDougal at 861-0841.

UMW NEWS

To all our wonderful UMW ladies, a big thank you for staying after our meeting to put together 11 Easter baskets. Thank you, also, to everyone who brought items to fill them. The overflow was given to Aleita for Methodist Hospital Auxiliary and for assessment needs at UMNC.

As we celebrate March as Women's History Month, let us give thanks for the women who came before us, for the sisters who stand beside us and for those who will come after us to take on United Methodist Women's mission of 'Faith, Hope and Love in Action' with women, children, youth and the disenfranchised'. (Response Magazine)

MAKE IT HAPPEN

Assembly 2014: Louisville

Learn more about how you can make change happen each day through your giving and engagement. Find new ways to do more together! Speakers? **Yes!** Music? **Yes!** Networking? **Yes!** Worship? **Yes!** Child Care? **Yes!**

Come for powerful worship, dynamic speakers and amazing music. Come talk about challenging and complex issues in a real way. Assembly is April 25-27. Registration by mail due by April 1 for \$270. Onsite registration will be \$285. Mail forms and fees to UMW National Office, Gift Processing, P.O. Box 29925, New York, NY 10087-9925.



LENTEN WORLD HUNGER OFFERING

During Lent we ask you to participate in our World Hunger Offering. If you do not already have one, Lenten calendars are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. This is a wonderful way to make food available to some of God's children who need it most. Help becomes available to organizations such as My Father's House in Tanzania, Africa. This is a food ministry to street children. Our World Hunger Offering will be collected during our worship service on Easter Sunday.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

Memorial Fund

In memory of C.B. Lockhart by
Don & Tillie Speraw

In memory of Perry Wilson by
Betty Smithmier
Jimmy & Jane Hight
Martha Ruth Allen
Jeanette Leslie
Terry & Margie Williamson
Don & Tillie Speraw
Mike Bosi

In memory of John Keenan by
Jimmy & Jane Hight

Music Fund

In memory of Perry Wilson by
Doris Bellott
Wally & Jeanette Wicke

Scholarship Fund

In memory of Perry Wilson by
Jerry & Patsy Bierbrodt
Alexander Bros. Tile & Marble, Inc.
Sonja Thorsen
Celia Ridley
Nancy Taylor
The Oxford Class
Emily Walpole
Jane Garland

FUN TO BE HAD AT TRIVIA GAME NIGHT

The Alzheimer's Association is holding their 9th Annual Trivia Night - "Remember When - Magical Mystery Tour", on Saturday, April 12th at Christian Brothers High School. Doors open at 5:30, games begin at 6:30. Seats at a table for 8 are \$30 each. Interested??? Please contact Rebeca Ernst at heyuena@yahoo.com or 901-484-7385, as soon as possible. Let's fill a table!!! It will be great fun!!! For more information or to sign up for your own table of eight, see <http://www.alzheimersdayservices.org/>.