

OUR PRAYERS

At Home

Betty Smithmier David Weaver
 Betty Ray Pat Tully
 Don Speraw

Hospice Care

Mary Stanley Lynda Park

Our Sympathy. love and prayers go out to
 ...Norris Gabriel & Family in the loss of his sister,
 Dorothy Jean Howell.

Homebound

Martha Allen	June Burton	Joan Clark
Gerri Colosia	Mava Dell Fry	Earl Galloway
Helen Griffin	Marie Hughes	Donnie Jones
James Matlock	Martha Meyer	Lorene Nance
Doris Palazzini	Jane Pifer	Bernice Shelby
Emmett Smith	Harold Smith	Martha Wallace

OUR PRESENCE

May 4

Church School	35
Worship	50
Visitors	0

OUR GIFTS

May 4

This Week's Offering	\$ 4,052
MTD	\$ 4,052

OUR SERVICE

May 11, 2014

Greeters	Ginny Lawrence Wayne Lawrence
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Renee Little
Children's Time	Bruce Hughes
Lock-up	Emmett Parrish

OUR WITNESS

May Scripture Readers

18 Peggy Brightwell
 25 Jane Hight



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Rob Bell shares the following. "Our tendency in the midst of suffering is to turn to God. To get angry and bitter and shake our fist at the sky and say, 'God, you don't now what it's like! You don't understand! You don't have a clue how much this hurts.'

The cross is God's way of taking away all of our accusations, excuses and arguments. The cross is God taking on flesh and blood and saying, 'Me too.'"

Peace and Grace,
 Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for May 11th

Psalm 23

Acts 2:42-47

Sermon Title

"Day by Day"

LÖÖKING AHEAD

Sun. 5/11 **Mother's Day**
 9:15a Prayer Time
 9:45a Sunday School
10:15a Muffins for Mom
 10:55a Worship

Mon. 5/12 Noon News Deadline

Tue. 5/13 10:00a Koinonia Group
 6:00p Cub Scouts
 7:00p Love/Hope Group

Wed. 5/14 **10:30a Methodist Hospital Aux.**
NO Fellowship & Study
 7:00p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 5/15 **NO** Bible Study

Fri. 5/16 Offices Closed

Sat. 5/17 **Change the World Weekend**
 9:00a AFLS

Sun. 5/18 **Change the World Weekend**
 9:15a Prayer Time
 9:45a Sunday School
 10:55a Worship
12:15p Fish Fry & Walk-a-thon



You have the opportunity to give an honorarium or memorial to the church in recognition of someone special:

HONOR THY MOTHER

... or a special woman by giving a gift in her name. A special insert will appear in the Mother's Day bulletin. Please complete this form, enclose payment, and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office. **Deadline is May 8th.**

Given by _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Please place gift(s) in Hon/Mem Fund or _____ Fund

THANK YOU NOTES

My Friends,
 To everyone who prayed for me while I was sick, I thank you—and for the cards, the calls, the flowers and your love. Barbara, the flowers were beautiful; Jimmy & Jane, all of your visits were special; Audrey, thank you for your visits and the goodie bag. One day I found Ginny looking down at me. She and Wayne had come by with Tom & Sharon & Lorelle, with Valentine candy. Lynn, I appreciate the book. I read it first thing each day. Shannon, your flowers were beautiful and you brought candy and the sweet fragrance of Easter. Aleita, thank you for the calendar. And, Brother Paul, your visits brightened my days.
 For all of your loving touches, I thank you. Hope to see you soon.

Martha Wallace

A huge THANKS goes out to everyone who helped in any way with the BBY&F Sale this past Saturday. Between the book sale, bake sale, yard and food sales, we raised \$542.40 for the Lakeshore Scholarship Fund!



FISH FRY AND WALK-A-THON WILL HELP SEND KIDS TO LAKESHORE

The Children's Class and the Current Events Class invite you to join them on May 18 right after church for their combined Walk-a-thon and Fish Fry fundraiser to benefit the Lakeshore Summer Camp Fund. This year, the cost for one camper at Elementary Camp is \$333.

The children (and adults) will be walking the course laid out around the parking lot (or inside the church if the weather does not cooperate). You may participate in several ways: you may sponsor a walker at so much per lap completed or a set dollar amount; you can become a walker and get your own sponsors; you may purchase luminaries at \$5 each in honor or memory of someone, which will be set up along the course with the names of those honored on them; you can help with the fish fry or set up or clean up or you could be an encourager and root every one on.

Need more info? Call Rebeca, 484-7385, or Aleita, 274-0089, or Barry, 299-2746. Even if you cannot attend the event, you may still make a donation.

UMW NEWS

A Note in Advance

The UMW Unit meeting previously set for June 22nd has been postponed until July 13th. Please mark your calendars now! The emphasis remains Golden Cross Ministries.

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Group meetings this month are on May 13. Koinonia meets at 10 a.m., Love/Hope meets at 7 p.m. The Outreach emphasis for Love/Hope for May is copy paper and cleaning supplies for UMNC.

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One of the United Methodist Women's mission studies for 2014 is *The Church and People with Disabilities: Awareness, Accessibility and Advocacy* by Peggy A. Johnson. Studying this issue is not about charity; it is about ensuring that our church and society are fully inclusive of people who live with disabilities. Advocacy for the rights of these people encompasses more than physical accessibility like wheelchair ramps and audio books but also environmental justice, ending poverty, empowering women, holding governments accountable and increasing access to education. Several articles in the current *Response* are about what people with disabilities **do**—the same acts of service and advocacy as others. The stories also show how a holistic approach to advocacy is important in all ways United Methodist Women work to make the lives of women, children and youth more safe and happy. (Excerpts from *Response*)



GOING PLACES

Our next tour is a day trip on Mississippi's DELTA BLUES TRAIL, on June 17. Brochures are on the bulletin board by the kitchen.

Two more tours coming up this year are:

- Rocky Rail Highlights, August 17-24. Tour the Canadian Rockies, Banff, Yoho National Park, Icefields Parkway, Jasper & Vancouver
- Autumn in New England, October 1-7. See Boston & Salem, MA; Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine.

Special Note: April 22-30, 2015 is a tour to Israel. Book now and save \$250.

Call Carolyn, 861-0841, for all the details and/or reservations.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for
Scholarship Fund
 In honor of Dorothy Goolsby by
 Barry, Cindy & Tyler Pilkinton

'JERUSALEM' AT THE IMAX - WHAT A SHOW!
 Have you signed up yet? Time is running out for our church outing on May 8, for lunch at the Women's Exchange at 11:00a, followed by 'Jerusalem' at the IMAX Theater (admission is \$8.00). We will need to carpool for this event and will leave the church at 10:30a. There is a sign-up sheet on the office window or you may call the church office, 683-8861. Please indicate if you will drive when you register.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Grace is a blessing and a gift that is God's good pleasure to give.

FOOD PANTRY FOR MAY

Canned Tuna Peanut Butter

GOLDEN CROSS NEEDS

Bath Towel Sets Kitchen Towels Pot Holders
 Good bargains can be found at Dollar Tree.

MUFFINS FOR MOM

Mother's Day - May 11 - 10:15a



BOX LUNCH & BINGO

Are you ready for fun, food, prizes and surprises? Then you'll just have to join us on Thursday, May 29th for boxed lunches and bingo. Reservations are a must for a box lunch from Chick-fil-A with a sandwich, chips and a cookie. Beverages will be provided. Prizes will also be provided. We will even provide the bingo cards! You may sign up on the office window and drop your \$5 in the offering plate or leave it in the church office. Come! Have fun!