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First United Methodist Church

Covington, Tennessee

Rev. Tim Carpenter - Pastor

October 21, 2010

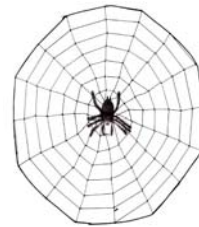
CHARGE CONFERENCE

The annual Charge Conference will be held November 7 at 9:40 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our District Superintendent Sandra Leatherwood will chair the meeting. The purpose of the conference is to approve the slate of officers and the clergy salaries for 2011. All members of the Administrative Board should attend.

TRUNK OR TREAT



Trunk or Treat will be held on
Sunday, October 31 from 5:00
p.m. until 7:00 p.m.



There will be a moon bounce and a slide for the children. FUMC needs volunteers to bring their cars and distribute out candy. Candy donation boxes will be placed downstairs. Please make your plans to drop your candy off at the church!

ALL SAINTS DAY



FUMC'S 2010 All Saints Day will be held on **Sunday, November 7**. On this day, we honor those of our church family who have died in the last year. Below is the proposed listing for those that will be honored. If you know of someone that should be included on this list, please contact the church office at 476.9694 so the records can be corrected.

Persons to be Remembered:

Bill Barber, Duke Harris Brasfield, Charles Eugene Butler, Horace Cooley, Louise Cooley, Leslie Culver, Lewis Daniel Elliston, Linda Gatlin, Mildred Peeler Gray, Geoffrey Max, Marie McDivitt, Ruth Ann McDow, Clara Jane Phelps, Michael Shoaf Thornton, Billy Wilson and Leo Wingate

NEW ARRIVAL

Eli Harrell was born Wednesday, October 20. He weighed 7 pounds and 15 ounces. His parents are Bradley and Rachel Harrell. Grandmother Carliss said he is perfect, wide eyed with a head full of hair and a dimple in his chin. Everyone is doing well. Bradley, Rachel and Eli's home address is 1792 Appling Oaks Circle, Cordova 38016. Rachel's FUMC family include her mother and step father, Carliss and Don Chastain. Their address is 1409 Countrywood, Covington 38019.



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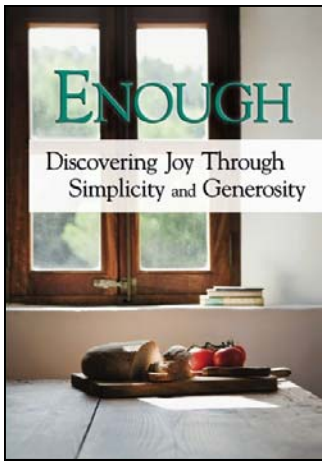
Facilities

Rebecca Paris
Custodian

Kenny Summers
Maintenance

Staff Mission Statement

"The staff of First UMC is dedicated to aid the congregation in carrying out its mission while welcoming persons in the church with respect, care, and concern, and upholding the ideals of Jesus Christ."



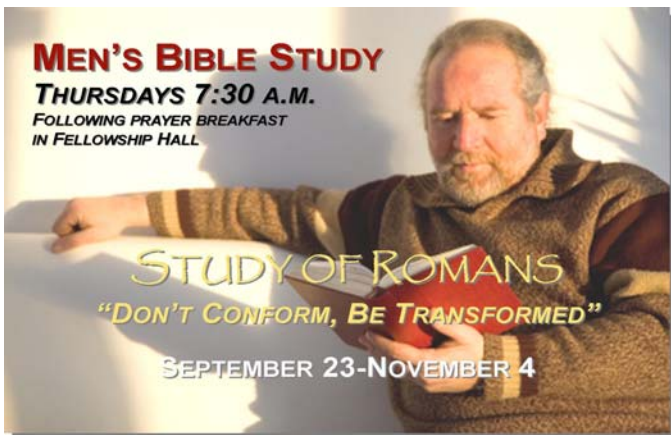
CONSECRATION SUNDAY OCTOBER 31

In our worship services on the 31st, we will have the opportunity to consecrate our personal commitments for the coming year. You will receive an estimate of giving commitment card in the mail during the week of October 25-29..

We invite you to prayerfully consider what your offering to God through our church will be in the coming year, fill out a card, and bring it forward at the conclusion of the worship service.

THIRD MONDAY FUN & INFORMATION FORUM

You are invited to come and join us in the Fellowship Hall on **Monday, November 15.** **Lina Shankle from Hometown Flowers** will be showing us Christmas decorating ideas. The item that Lina makes will be given as a door prize. Also, **Mary Elizabeth Jones, from Methodist Hospice** will be speaking about "Dealing with the Holiday Blues and Blood Pressure Clinic in the Cockrill Gift Classroom. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend!



JOIN US FOR THE THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP!

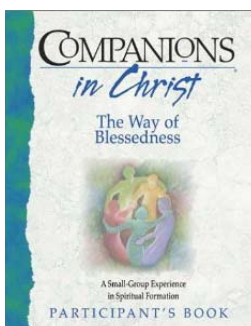
Thursday mornings
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Oct. 28 - Dec. 30, 2010
Cockrill-Gift classroom
adjacent to the sanctuary

A gathering just for women for fellowship, study and reflection together on our spiritual journeys.

First half hour - Light refreshments and visiting

Last hour - Study and reflection on reading

CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED IF NEEDED.



Our text for the study is called *The Way of Blessedness* from the *Companions in Christ* series, which is published by the Upper Room. Cost of the study book is \$10. Books will be available after worship on Sunday, October 24.

The study focuses on the Beatitudes found in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5 and examines all the ways in which God makes us "blessed" and how we can in turn be a blessing to others. Join us!

UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS SCHEDULE

October 24

Morning Song Service

Frank Racy
Barbra Racy

Traditional Service

Dawn Carpenter
Kendy Erwin

October 31

Morning Song Service

Larry Anderson
Joey Caldwell

Traditional Service

Barbara Lakey
Stephanie Phillips



AVAILABLE BOOKS

There are books available from Mrs. Louise Elliston's estate. They are on tables in the Fellowship Hall. Please help yourself. You may send your letters of appreciation to **Joan Elliston, 4620 North Park Avenue, Unit 705 East, Chevy Chase MD 20815**. Thank you.



TRANSPORTATION NEEDED

A visitor has indicated she would like to begin attending our traditional service here at FUMC, but does not have transportation.

She lives at 502 Meadowview Cove, located just off Mueller Brass Rd.

She can be ready at 10:40 a.m. each week. If you would be able to provide transportation please contact Bill or Holley in the church office at 476.9694 for more information..

Thank you!

TRIBUTES RECEIVED AS OF OCTOBER 19, 2010

(DESIGNATED TO THE ALTAR GUILD FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Dwight Liles by Gary M. Liles and Bernie Liles, In memory of Tom Liles by Gary M. Liles and Bernie Liles.

(DESIGNATED TO THE BEREAVEMENT MEAL FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of James Paul Layne by Jack and Dot Peyton.

(DESIGNATED TO THE BUILDING FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Dick Timberlake by Waymon and Naomi McDade.

(DESIGNATED TO THE FOOD PANTRY OF FUMC)

In memory of Linda Gatlin Parr by Jack and Dot Peyton.

(DESIGNATED TO THE LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Dick Timberlake by The Go Class.

(DESIGNATED TO THE MEMORIAL FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Mary Helen Bradley Blount by Lance Thompson and Linda Lee Turner and Marianne B. Turner; In memory of Horace and Louise Cooley by J. Payson Matthews; In memory of Louise Cooley by Jimmy and Yvonne Bryant and Gayle S. Myers; In memory of Dick Timberlake by David and Tobie Smith; In memory of Albert Uttz by Jack and Dot Peyton.

(DESIGNATED TO THE WORSHIP AND CHOIR FUND OF FUMC)

In memory of Dick Timberlake by Jim and Beverly Smith.

Scheduled Events for October 20 through November 3, 2010

Wednesday, October 20, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. Fall Bible Studies
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Class
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 21, 2010

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Tim Carpenter - Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Cockrill Gift
 1-3:00 p.m. Altar Guild-Sanctuary/Cockrill Gift
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Classroom

Saturday, October 23, 2010

9:00 a.m. Brighton Food Pantry

Sunday, October 24, 2010

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 1:00 p.m. Delayed broadcast of traditional worship service, KBJ
 5:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

Monday, October 25, 2010

6:00 p.m. Rebroadcast of Morning Song worship service KBJ

Tuesday, October 26, 2010

10:30 a.m. UMW Executive Committee Meeting - Cockrill Gift Classroom
 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting - Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. Fall Bible Studies
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Class

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 28, 2010

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Tim Carpenter - Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Cockrill Gift Class
 1- 3:00 p.m. Altar Guild-Sanctuary/Cockrill Gift
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Sunday, October 31, 2010

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 1:00 p.m. Delayed broadcast of traditional worship service, KBJ
 5:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat
 Moon bounce and Slide for children.



Monday, November 1, 2010

6:00 p.m. Go Getters Meeting and Potluck Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Rebroadcast of Morning Song worship service KBJ
 7:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting - Cockrill Gift Classroom

Tuesday, November 2, 2010

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting - Fellowship Hall
 6:30 p.m. ZUMBA - Sr. High Class

Wednesday, November 3, 2010

5:00 p.m. Church Wide Meal - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Worship - Sanctuary
 6:30 p.m. Fall Bible Studies
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study
 6:30 p.m. Children's Music & Studies
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Go Class
 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

October 10, 2010

MorningSong -	91
Sunday School -	139
Traditional Worship -	134
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 1,208.00
Traditional Worship Offering -	\$ 4,517.25

October 17, 2010

MorningSong -	116
Sunday School -	96
Traditional Worship -	143
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 6,029.00
Traditional Worship Offering -	\$ 3,521.90

BI-WEEKLY SAMARITAN REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 15

51 households received goods from the Brighton food pantry.

6 households received assistance with utilities totaling \$ 555.31 (paid to the vendor)

1 household received a space heater. (\$ 48.29)

2 households received \$ 632.00 for rent. (paid to the vendor)

One member forwarded information about a new grant for households seeking utility or rent assistance. This information has been shared with many individuals this week. It may be interest to you.

The West TN Housing Resources Network (also known as the West Tennessee Homeless Resource) has received a new grand as of Oct. 1. It is to provide assistance with utilities and rent for qualified persons. Individuals are to call a helpline: 866-307-5469. At this time, the helpline is overwhelmed with responses. The called should continue calling to reach a 'live' person.

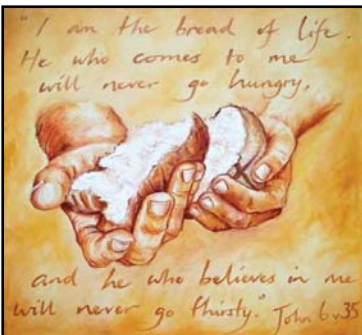
The current balance of the Samaritan Fund of a \$ 726.78.

GRIEF SUPPORT AND RECOVERY GROUP

There will be an upcoming grief support and recovery group meeting on Mondays. The dates will be October 25, November 1, 8 and 15. You are invited to attend these sessions. They will be held in the **Community Room at Baptist Hospital Tipton from 6:15 until 7:30 p.m.** Cindy Pease, from the Christian Counseling Center, will facilitate these sessions.

GO GETTERS

The next Go Getters gathering will be on **Monday, November 1** at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. **We will enjoy a catered dinner of chicken and dressing with all the trimmings. The cost will be \$ 7.00 per plate.** Following dinner Jeff Phillips, Youth Pastor at the Church of Christ will present a program on Patriotism. All adults 55 and older are invited to attend. Don't miss this evening of food and fellowship.



BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY

We would like to express thanks to all who have donated peanut butter and macaroni and cheese to the food pantry. For anyone who has not donated, please consider giving macaroni and cheese for Saturday's food pantry day at Brighton, It was not available on the shopping list again from the Food Bank.

Thank you in advance for your help!!

METHODIST PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL

It is time to order your holiday greenery from the MPNS. There are many items to choose from. You may also have a fresh item mailed to friends or family. There is an order form available in the church office. You may also contact **Andrea at 603.0126.**

The deadline to place your 2010 order will be Sunday, October 31.

Thank you in advance for your support of our nursery school!



UPCOMING MENUS FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Make your reservations no later than Monday at 4:00 p.m. for the meal. You may contact the church office at 476.9694 or email: hmorris_fumc@bellsouth.net Thank you! "Standing" reservations are encouraged!

Adult Menu for October 27

Beef Stroganoff & Egg Noodles
Asparagus
Rolls

Children's Menu

Chicken Nuggets
Macaroni & Cheese

Dessert

Lemon & Key Lime Pies

Adult Menu for Nov. 3

Tacos
Refried Beans
Chicken Quesadillas
Cheese Dip with Chips

Children's Menu

PB & J Sandwiches
Macaroni and Cheese


Dessert

Cake & Chocolate Icing

THANK YOU

"Thank you so much for your support, prayers, visits, help and continued support during our illnesses. There is no way to describe how much we appreciate your moral and spiritual support. You have truly made a difference to us. We are so thankful to be a part of this church."

Randy and Jan Palubicki



Birthdays...

October 23 through November 2

October 23 - Jeffrey Bryant, Drew Shelley
October 24 - Shirley Hensley
October 25 - Mary Sam Dawson
October 26 - Rebecca McDowell
October 30 - Dale Byrd, Molly Flanagan
October 31 - Kendall, Jackson, Kenneth Kugler,
Susan Sampson
November 1 - Arnold Bull, Bo David,
Susan Misenhelter
November 2 - Gail Ganier, Jennifer Jones,
Lillie McDaniel

"Dear Church Members,
I would like to thank all of you for the thoughts and prayers offered for my son, Charles. Many prayers were answered in the success of his recent surgery. I would appreciate continued prayers for his remaining treatments.
Sincerely, Ruth Glass"

"Thank you so much for the cards, well wishes and visits during my recent hospitalization. Thank you to Bill Face and Tim Carpenter for your faithful visits. Please keep us close in your thoughts and prayers.
Martha Wallace"

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'Leading people to Christ; Learning to be disciples; Loving through service'