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GRACE PHELPS ORDAINED

We are pleased to announce that Grace Phelps was ordained on June 6th at the Annual Conference in Paducah, KY. With her family present, Grace was fully set apart for the work of a Deacon in Full Connection. Grace, a lifetime Methodist, graduated from Memphis Theological Seminary in 2009. Having served at Covington First Methodist in many laity roles, she now serves as the Minister of Small Groups and Program Ministries. Congratulations to Grace!
A letter from Grace is on page 2.



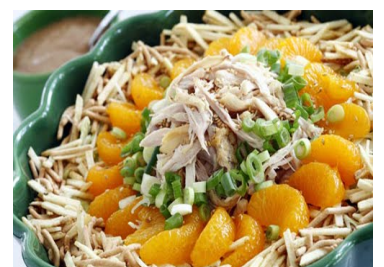
One Special Worship Service!

July 3, 2011

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SALAD TASTING LUNCHEON - The 23rd Annual Salad Tasting Luncheon sponsored by the United Methodist Women will be Tuesday, June 21 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. We have about 60 salads donated thus far but we'll need a total of 100 salads to ensure that there is plenty to serve. The UMW asks that you please consider donating a salad by contacting Carliss Chastain at 475-6635. A sign-up sheet is also posted on the UMW bulletin board across from Grace Phelps' office. The salads need to be delivered no later than 10:00 a.m. the morning of June 21 to the church kitchen or salads can be delivered on Monday if it is more convenient.

****Child care will be provided during the luncheon.**





10:00 a.m.
**Worship Service
 in Sanctuary**

11:00 a.m.
Sunday School

12:00 noon
Potluck Meal in

July 3 Potluck Meal

Hamburgers, hotdogs, buns and chips will be provided.

Please bring a dish such as cole slaw, lettuce/tomato/cheese slices, beans, etc... and desserts!

FROM GRACE...

The Ordination Service of Worship at Annual Conference in Paducah last week was truly a remarkable experience. I was honored to have Rev. Tim Carpenter and Rev. Bill Mullins stand with me as Bishop Richard Wills spoke these words:



“Almighty God, pour upon Grace Elizer Phelps the Holy Spirit for the office and work of a Deacon in Christ’s holy church. Amen.

Grace Elizer Phelps, take authority as a Deacon to proclaim the Word of God and to lead God’s people to serve the world in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

I am so grateful for the love and support of this congregation during the years of work, education and service that led up to this moment. I very much appreciate the guidance, encouragement and support of Rev. Bill Mullins, Rev. Tim Carpenter, Rev. Bill Franklin, Rev. Joy Weathersbee and Bill Face during these years. I also appreciate the love and support of my family during this time. Thank you for the gracious love offering which was presented to me by Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPR) Chair Ray Newbill on behalf of the church on the evening of my ordination and the reception in my honor on Sunday, June 12 was absolutely lovely! The table was beautiful and the food delicious and I appreciate so much all the kind words of support and congratulations. Thanks to all who made that event possible. It is my great joy and privilege to be able to serve this church.

As a Deacon, I am not a part of the itinerant appointment system as Elders are. Deacons must find their own place of service and request that the Bishop appoint them there. I am grateful that the SPR committee requested that I be appointed here for yet another year and I look forward to serving with each of you in ministry.

MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUM TRIBUTES

In Honor of **Doug and Mary Carpenter**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Tim Carpenter**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Bill Jim and Helen Davis**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Andi Katherine Delashmit**

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In Honor of **Bill Face**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Justin Hansen**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Memory of **George May**

UMCOR Spring Storms Fund by Rebecca May

In Honor of **Peggy Miller**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Holley Mills Morris**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Rebecca Paris**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Grace Phelps**

Samaritan Fund by Joey, Ann, David and Christie Caldwell; Bill Jim and Helen Davis; Ray and Janice Newbill; and Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Russell Phelps**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Jason Smith**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Memory of **Jon Strong**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Honor of **Kenny Summers**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton

In Memory of **Demsey Walker**

Samaritan Fund by Dot Peyton



Monument Valley, AZ

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

June 5, 2011

MorningSong -	99
Sunday School -	118
Traditional Worship -	141
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 3,604.00
Traditional Worship Offering-	\$ 8,328.02

June 12, 2011

MorningSong -	91
Sunday School -	130
Traditional Worship -	167
MorningSong Offering -	\$ 1,552.00
Traditional Worship Offering-	\$ 3,474.41

Happy Birthday!
June 16 - June 30

Jun 16	Victoria Mathis	Jun 24	Mary Gene Matheny
	Judy Whitehorn		Leah Stalcup
Jun 17	Drew Lazure IV	Jun 25	Michael David
Jun 18	L.C. Bierman	Jun 26	Lois Twohig
Jun 19	Marti Locke	Jun 27	Charles Maxwell
Jun 21	Dorothy Baker	Jun 28	Phronia Dailey
	Bernadine Bierman		Van Shelley
	Luke Tartaglione	Jun 30	Doris Ann Gray
Jun 22	Molly Turner		



PEANUT BUTTER IS NEEDED FOR THE BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY! The shopping list from the Mid-South Food Bank has been very slim, offering no meats or any kind of protein. Peanut butter is a very important staple, particularly when meats are not available. Please drop donations by the church office or place jars in the cardboard box in the hallway going into the sanctuary on Sunday morning. Thank you!

Morning Song
ON THE SQUARE
SERVICE OF PRAISE
SUNDAY @ 8:30 A.M.

AT THE CHAMBER CENTER



POSITION AVAILABLE

The position of Music Director is available. Applicants should have ability in direction of Traditional Chancel Choir and ability in leading Contemporary Praise Team. Handbell direction is desired, as well as ability to play piano. The position is part time, and requires presence on Sundays and Wednesdays. Salary is negotiable. Interested applicants see Rev. Tim Carpenter or email tim@clergy.net.

POSITION AVAILABLE

The position of Children's Director is available. Applicants should have experience working with children in an educational or church setting. The scope of duties will include coordination and participation with Wednesday evenings, Vacation Bible School, Children's Church and occasional summer activities. The position is part time, salary is negotiable. Interested applicants see Rev. Tim Carpenter at the church or email tim@clergy.net.



WORSHIP BROADCASTS

Live radio broadcast of the Traditional Worship on WKBL AM 1250 @ 11:00 a.m.

Traditional service: Delayed broadcast on KBJ Cable TV, Channel 5 (city) and 19 (county). Sundays at 1:00 p.m. and Tuesdays at 12 Noon.

MorningSong on the Square: Delayed Broadcast on KBJ Cable TV, Channel 5 (city) and 19 (county). Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

Also, live streaming of the traditional service is available at www.covingtonfumc.com, as well as streaming of past services, at any time.

SAMARITAN REPORT

May 28, 2011 through June 10, 2011:

- 1 household received \$20 towards food (paid to the vendor).
- 3 households received rent assistance totaling \$200 (paid to the vendor).
- 1 household received lodging (totaling \$32 and paid to the vendor).
- 1 household received \$25 with vehicular gas (paid to the vendor).
- 8 households received assistance with utilities totaling \$393.30 (paid to the vendor).

Grand Totals January 1, 2011 through today's date:

- 3 individuals received \$344.82 for bus ticket to return home (paid directly to the vendor)
- 11 individuals received \$175 total in groceries (paid directly to the vendor).
- 11 households received lodging (totaling \$753.99 and paid to the vendor).
- 4 households received miscellaneous items (totaling \$205 paid to the vendor).
- 2 households received \$59.39 in prescription assistance (paid directly to the vendor).
- 16 households received \$1,271.70 in rent assistance (paid directly to the vendor).
- 75 households received assistance with utilities totaling \$6,186.05 (paid to the vendor)
- 23 households received a total of \$510.00 in vehicular gas (paid directly to the vendor).

Total households assisted: 145
 Total amount expended: \$9,946.58
 Balance of Samaritan Fund is -\$26.59 (negative)

During the week of June 4 through June 10, the following requests were turned down for Samaritan assistance:

- Request for assistance with \$190 utility bill. Household is mother and three children. Mother is able-bodied but says she has not worked in "years". Says she normally pays her bills by selling her food stamps, but bill is too high this month. Owes her landlord rent as well and has no idea where she will get funds to pay it. With no plan or efforts to find employment, her situation is not sustainable.
- Request for assistance with rent \$425 plus \$120 court cost. One adult in the household who draws Supplemental Security Income of \$674. Has routinely paid her rent to Covington Housing Authority late but says "everybody does it". Rent was due 1st of the month in May and on May 27, the CHA manager filed for judgment in court to compel her to pay the rent she owes. She now owes last month's rent, plus this month's rent plus \$120 court cost. Said she had "other bills" she used the rent money for. Not a sustainable situation.
- Request for \$94.83 for electrical bill. The household consisted of one adult, two children under 2 years old. This is the second request by the individual since January 1. In both cases, the household did not provide adequate income to pay bills for month. There are no preparation/plans in place to pay the bill(s) the next month.
- Request for \$148 in rent assistance. The household consisted of 1 adult and four children ages 12, 10, 7 and 4. Household income of \$694 monthly SSI disability (for one of the children); \$80 weekly of child support and \$561 food stamps. The adult has not worked since 2008 with a child's illness. She hopes to return to work when school resumes as all children will be enrolled. The adult shared her billfold had been stolen with the SSI check inside at her apartment complex. No police report had been filed. Claimed denied based on lack of police report and SSI checks are usually automatically deposited and/or can be replaced.
- Request for \$124 for electric bill. The household consisted of two adults and three children (three generations). The adult shared her husband had left the home with the electric bill funds. Previous assistance has been supplied to this household in 2010 and the file was marked no additional help for a 12 month period. Request denied based on previous assistance awards.



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT - Congratulations to Tom Rogers and Lisa Wilson who are engaged and will be married on Saturday, July 9, in Anchorage, Alaska where Lisa currently resides. Lisa will be relocating here to west Tennessee, where they will make their home. Tom's address is 817 Byars Store Road, Stanton, 38069-5060, or they can be reached at "tomnlisarogers@yahoo.com".



Annalea Posey won first place at the 4H Western Division Horse Show in Martin, Saturday, June 4th. She competed in the "walk/trot" class. She received a big trophy and had a big, relieved, smile on her face. She has spent many hours with her horse, perfecting her skills. Annalea is the daughter of FUMC's John and Elizabeth Posey. Their address is 1380 Faulkner, Atoka 38004. Annalea's brother is John Oliver.



We congratulate Becca Paris, daughter of Jim and Rebecca Paris (FUMC's custodian) on her appointment to Lauderdale County All Star Softball Team. Becca's home address is 1740 Crutcher Road, Henning 38041

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY -

Mrs. Dorothy Baker will celebrate her 90th birthday on June 21st. Mrs. Baker's address is 936 West Liberty, Covington 38019. Congratulations, Mrs. Baker!



Vacation Bible School
July 18 - 21
9 a.m. - noon



Volunteers
 needed.
 Please contact
 Hope Turner at
 476-2649

CONGRATULATIONS -

- **Caroline Jacobs** received a softball scholarship to Southwest TN Community College in Memphis. Caroline is the daughter of Robin and Teena Jacobs. Her home address is 6063 Mt. Carmel, Covington 38019.
- **Jana McCommon** recently completed her Master's degree in Social Work at UT Memphis. Jana's home address is 1106 Kelly's Chapel Road, Burlison, 38015.
- **Annette Thornton Maxwell** was awarded her Master's in Business Administration at Bethel University. Her home address is 359 Fairway Drive, Covington, 38019

FUMC CALENDAR JUNE 15 - JUNE 28, 2011

Wednesday, Jun 15, 2011

6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl—Go Classroom
 6:00 p.m. Youth Group
 6:00 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, Jun 16, 2011

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
 1-3:00p.m. Altar Guild - Sanctuary/
 Cockrill Gift

Saturday, Jun 18, 2011

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry - Covington

Sunday, Jun 19, 2011

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 6:00 p.m. No Youth Group Father's Day

Tuesday, Jun 21, 2011

11:00 a.m. Salad Tasting Luncheon -
 Fellowship Hall (until 1:00 p.m.)
 5:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - Education Bldg.
 7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting - Cockrill Gift

Wednesday, Jun 22, 2011

6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl - Go Classroom
 6:00 p.m. Youth Group
 6:00 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study (concluding)
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, Jun 23, 2011

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
 1-3:00p.m. Altar Guild - Sanctuary/
 Cockrill Gift

Saturday, Jun 25, 2011

9:00 a.m. Trust Co. Bank, Brighton Food
 Pantry

Sunday, Jun 26, 2011

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, Jun 27, 2011

6:30 p.m. Joint Finance / Administrative
 Board Committee - Cockrill Gift

Tuesday, Jun 28, 2011

5:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - Education Bldg.



**FUMC Regular Office Hours:
 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday**

THANK YOU...

"Just a note to say a BIG thank-you to all of you for your prayers for healing after my recent surgery. Staples are OUT and in-house PT is finished!! How's that for 3 weeks post op??!! Not that I do not need further prayers but you can take me off the prayers list as I am sure that space is needed by others. Again I thank you all. I love you all and miss you so much!"

Pam Deen White
 520 Norris Crossing Road
 Bells, TN 38006



UPPER ROOM PRAYER SCHEDULE



June 19
Morning Song Service
Janet Gairhan and Doris Ann Gray

Traditional Service
Rhonda Patton, Nancy Peeler and
Phyllis Richmond

June 26
Morning Song Service
Bob and Shirley Hensley

Traditional Service
Mike and Alice Morrison

July 3
Morning Song Service
Wanda Lakey and Kathy Wallace

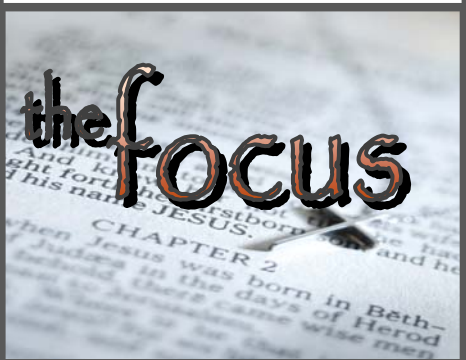
Traditional Service
Joe and Debbie Winberry

"Leading Others to Christ,
Learning to Be Disciples,
Loving through Service."

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COUNSELING

Counseling is available for individuals or couples. Cindy Pease, M.H.S.P., Licensed Professional Counselor, Nationally Certified. For appointment call the FUMC office 476-9694, ext.18.



Fees are based on ability to pay.