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ATTENDANCE REPORT – MAR 7

Current Membership	1309
New Members Year To Date	5
Baptisms Year To Date	3
8:30 Worship Service	95
9:30 Worship Service	95
10:45 Worship Service	209
TOTAL MORNING WORSHIP	399
9:30 & 10:45 Sunday School	253

STEWARDSHIP REPORT – MAR 7

Budget Offering Sunday	24,399.00
2010 Wkly Requirements	19,205.61
Bdgt Offering To Date	177,124.90
Bdgt Offering Year Ago	14,332.40
Bdgt Off Yr Ago to Dt	159,011.32
Building Fund	3,903.00
Building Fund This Year	30,142.00

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Gary Chapman	Senior Minister
Rev. Allen Gibson	Associate Minister
Rev. Jan Johnson	Associate Minister
Denise Carrizales	Business Administration
Kristie Logsdon	Children's Ministry
Jean Grimes	School-Age Childcare
Leisa Benningfield	Pre-School Childcare
Sandra Kuerzi	Director of Music
Dorothy Deane Smith	Food Service Director
Dewey Cruze	Youth & CLC
C. J. Lennon	Media Technology
Mary Craig Haley	Office Manager
Chris Apple	Custodian

Parson to Person

Preaching in Lent is not a barrel of laughs. Among Biblical texts assigned to this six-week period there are multiple stories about serpents, wilderness, commandments, suffering, temptation....My pulpit time so far during this Lenten season has focused on the expulsion of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden, a long foodless, waterless time of testing for Jesus, and an angry Jesus coming to clean house – God's house! (And should I even risk mentioning that the next sermon takes us, along with Jesus, into the graveyard?)

I once heard of a preacher who left parish ministry and told a friend that his greatest relief was never, ever having to preach through Lent again!

But given the core of our faith, none of this Biblical material ever turns out to be gloomy. It is very heavy. It is not without considerable pain, severity, and some disturbing shadows. But all of that also points beyond itself to the rest of the story. And though I feel the full weight and challenge of Lenten preaching, I would never be happy to never preach through Lent again.

All my sober contemplations of our failures, our mortality, and the tremendous costs of divine and human fidelity are performed with an eye cast toward a victorious outcome. Remember: Every Sunday in Lent is a "little Easter" not to be counted among the forty days of Lent. Every Sunday is a Resurrection celebration.

So, yes, we will be tested, will suffer, will die. But Christ was, too. Marked as we are by our failure and sure death, we follow One who was victorious and who lives and reigns forevermore!

Gary



Worship at Memorial ♦ March 14, 2010

8:30 and 10:45 am John 11:1-45 Rev. Gary A. Chapman
Six Stops on the Way to Easter: The Cemetery

Life with Christ is not always safe, but it's always strong with the power to lead us through the graveyard and out the other side to new life.

9:30 am Luke 15 Rev. Allen Gibson
The Punch Line Comes at the End

Billboard:



Sunday, March 21

A MUMC Youth Fund-Raising Event
Seating 4:30 pm / Dinner 5 pm / Show 5:30 pm
Get your tickets by March 14...or before they sell out!
\$7 for Dinner & Entertainment
Cake Auction

Proceeds raised for the 2010 Mission Trip to Lake Junaluska.

Reserved seating for full tables only....All other seating is open.

**TOP
100
HITS
of
all
Time**

Our Church Family...

♥ We extend sympathy to Dr. Lucian Moreman and family on the death of his father, Lucian Y. Moreman, of Valley Station, KY, on March 2.

What's Happening...

Daylight Savings Time Begins

This **Sunday, March 14**, marks the beginning of **Daylight Savings Time**. Don't forget to **move your clocks ahead one hour** on Saturday evening, so you won't be late for church and Sunday School! This is also a good time to check the batteries in your smoke alarm, carbon monoxide, and other home safety and security devices.



One Great Hour of Sharing

Sunday, March 14, is **One Great Hour of Sharing**, one of six special Sundays designated by the United Methodist Church for special offering. Your special offering on this day **supports the administrative work of UMCOR**, United Methodist Committee on Relief, so that all gifts designated to a particular program or relief effort can go 100% to that program because UMCOR's administrative expenses are covered in advance. We have recently seen the significance of this planning in the earthquake relief work in Haiti. All of your gifts for Haiti are going to work in that region because of the foresight of United Methodists who give through One Great Hour of Sharing. An **informational brochure** and **offering envelope** will be included in your Sunday bulletin.

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE WHO HAS SOLD ITEMS ON EBAY...

To offer advice concerning use of photos, selling costs, and accounting records for a church project. Please contact Tom Cooper at 769-1410.

Tuesdays in Lent

Our Lenten **preaching/lunch series** features a different speaker and special music each week. Worship begins at **12:05 pm** each Lenten Tuesday until Holy Week. **Lunch follows at 12:30 pm**. No reservation is required. Donations for the meal will be accepted.

MARCH 16

DR. NATHAN WHISNANT (TUNNEL HILL BAPTIST CHURCH)

SPECIAL MUSIC: EDNA GOMBOS

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MARCH 23

REV. GARY A. CHAPMAN (MEMORIAL UMC)

SPECIAL MUSIC: SANDRA KUERZI

WOW on Wednesday

WOW, our Wednesday evening fellowship meal and activity night, begins at **6 pm** with a delicious meal and activities for all ages. To make your reservation, please **fill out the WOW insert in your Sunday bulletin** and place it in the offering plate, or **phone the church by 4 pm on Monday** to let us know you will be there.

Bread Bakers Needed

Our **Bread Ministry** is in need of bakers. At present, **Martha VanMeter** is our only baker. She has faithfully provided loaves of bread for our Sunday visitors for several years. We would like to have **one or two additional bakers to assist** her in this project. If you love to bake and would like to be a part of this ministry of hospitality, please **phone Ruth Hudson** at 737-5219. Our 2x2 Teams make the deliveries each week. Bread has been well received by our visitors, and this is a warm, welcoming way of saying, "We're glad you came."

Elizabethtown Mission Team

On **May 2-8**, the **Elizabethtown Mission Team** will be working in **McVeigh, KY**, helping with home repairs. If you are interested, please contact Johnny Scott (877-1450) or David Dozer.

Mountain Mission Truck at MUMC

The **Methodist Mountain Mission Truck** will pick-up donated items at Memorial on **Wednesday, March 24**. **Urgent needs** include **household items**, such as dishes, silverware, pots and pans, and small kitchen items. **Good usable furniture** is also needed. In the **clothing** line, there is a need for underwear, socks, and shoes. Please keep your donations at home until the week of March 21. Thank you for your help.

Upcoming MUMS Senior Activities

Mark your calendar for these **upcoming MUMS Senior Gatherings and trips**. **Advance reservations** are needed for the trips, so don't miss out on the fun!

- **Mar 16 – MUMS will clean the sanctuary in preparation for the Easter worship services. We need everyone to bring cleaning rags, buckets, etc., at 9 am.**
- **Apr 20** – MUMS Gathering at 10:30 am. Betty Long's gardening tricks will help you have a green thumb!
- **May 7** – Hidden Hill Tour of a unique mini-arboretum, sculpture gallery, and unusual plant nursery located just north of Louisville in Utica, IN. We will stop for lunch before our 1 pm tour.
- **Aug 9-12** – Older Adult Retreat at Lake Junaluska. The event includes worship, Bible study, workshops, and lots of fellowship. **Advance reservations are a must**, so it's not too early to register. Check with Jan Johnson for more details.

Vacation Bible School 2010



Coming June 13-18

See Kristie Logsdon if you would like to help.

Items of Interest

- **Did You Know?** David Phy will be performing at the Brown Theater on March 24. He is part of a group performing "In the Mood," songs from the 40's and big band era.
 - **Did You Know?** On April 24, Beth Moore will be speaking in a simulcast event at Parkway Baptist Church in Bardstown. A group of 10 or more pays only \$15 for the teaching time and a boxed lunch. Phone Sarah Lamance for details at 765-5821.
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Saturday, March 27, from 10 am - 12 noon
Pancake Breakfast, Egg Hunt, Easter Story & more...



The **Children's Events Team** needs **volunteers** for this Big Event. Here's how you can help:

- People to help decorate on Friday evening, Servers, Egg Hiders, and Clean-Up Helpers after the event.
- Individually Wrapped Candy for the Eggs (Bring to the collection tub in Fellowship Hall.)

To volunteer, contact Kristie Logsdon. Thanks for helping.

Women's Bible Study

On **Monday, April 12**, from **10-11:30 am**, a new Sisters Bible Study for Women will begin in the Chapel. This 6-week study is "**Finding Balance - Loving God with Heart and Soul, Mind and Strength**" by Becca Stevens. Through a study of New Testament women, we will consider balance in our lives between service and worship, duty and devotion, doing and being. Workbooks will be ordered from Cokesbury. **Sign up by Tuesday, March 30**, by phoning **Sherry Pile** at 862-4462.

Justice Ministry Update

April 8-11, 2010 - Caring for Creation: A Faith-Based Eco-Justice Event, Lake Junaluska, NC – An experience for laity and clergy addressing how the faith community can promote justice for Earth and its people. Discover your role in environmental care! Contact Audrey Myers or Kathy Burrell for more information.

Could this be YOUR calling? –

In partnership with congregations and faith-based organizations **EQUAL EXCHANGE's Interfaith Program** is a bridge between some of the poorest communities in the world and our own. EQUAL EXCHANGE helps farmers build better lives for themselves and their families. Are you an eco-friendly minded person interested in helping MUMC's EQUAL EXCHANGE program? **We are looking for someone to lead and build this fair trade program** within our church. Contact Kathy Burrell if you can help.

UMW Yard Sale

Saturday, May 1

8 am til noon in the Gym



DONATIONS ACCEPTED
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Service Broadcast on Comcast Channel 2 at 3 PM and 8 PM on Sunday
and on Brandenburg Telecom Channel 1 at 3 PM on Monday
10:45 AM Service Broadcast Live Over WRZI 101.5 FM

This newsletter was mailed on 3/10/10.

This Week at Memorial

Sunday, March 14 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Daylight Savings Time Begins / One Great Hour of Sharing
8:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:45 am Traditional Worship
10:45 am Sunday School
12:00 noon Jubilee Ringers
3:00 pm Eagle Scout Ceremony (Sanct/FH/Kit til 5 pm)
4:00 pm Confirmation Class (FH til 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm UMYF Youth Group
6:00 pm Tadpoles and FROGS (til 7:30 pm)
6:00 pm Worship Service (Chapel)

Monday, March 15

5:30 pm Staff Parish Relations Team (Conf Rm)
6:30 pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting (FH til 9 pm)
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 233 in Gym
7:30 pm Volleyball vs. Northside Baptist Blue @ FCC

Tuesday, March 16

10:00 am District Pastor Cluster Mtg (Conf Rm)
11:15 am Weekly Prayer Ministry (Prayer Chapel til noon)
12:00 noon "Tuesdays in Lent" Service & Lunch (Sanct/FH)
6:00 pm 9:30 Band Practice (Sanctuary til 7:30 pm)
6:30 pm Healing Care Group (Chapel)

Wednesday, March 17 – St. Patrick's Day

10:00 am "Footprints" Small Group (Chapel til 2 pm)
6:00 pm WOW Meal
6:30 pm JAMS (Jesus and Me!) for Children (til 7:30 pm)
6:30 pm UMYF Youth Group (til 8 pm)
7:00 pm Bible Study (Chapel)
7:30 pm Cathedral Choir (Choir Rm)
7:30 pm Childcare Committee Meeting (Conf Rm)

Thursday, March 18

7:00 am Youth Prayer Breakfast (FH/Kit)
6:30 pm "Safe Sanctuaries" Meeting (Conf Rm)
6:30 pm Labyrinth Prayer Experience (FH)
7:00 pm Cancer Support Group (Youth Rm)
7:00 pm Justice Ministry Mtg (Library)
7:00 pm Heartland Men's Chorus (Choir Rm)
7:00 pm 35 & Over B'ball vs. New Hope @ FCC

Friday, March 19

10:00 am KY Conf Evangelism Team (Conf Rm til noon)
6:00 pm Moms for Christ (Chapel til 7:30 pm)

Saturday, March 20 – Spring Begins

UMW District Mission Study (TBA)
7:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH/Kit)
6:00 pm Emmaus Service (W) (Sanct/Gym til 11:30 pm)

Worship Attendants for March 14:

Acolyte: Maggie Cook. **Crucifer:** Katherine Cook. **Scripture Readers:** (8:30) Susie Corder; (10:45) Jim Fugitte. **Ushers:** (8:30) Tom Brumfield, Jean Grimes, Larry Light, Rick Stickel, James Wimp; (9:30) Mike Crane, Tom Jaco; (10:45) Richard Boyette, Don Appler, Bob Armes, Roland Dixon, Bob French, Paul Hoover, Ernie Skaggs, Jackie Waldeck. **Welcome Center Greeters:** (8:30) Bill Baumfalk; (9:30) Vicki Abshire; (10:45) Fred & Jeanette Rogers. **Van Drivers:** Tom & Jennifer Jaco. **Bread Ministry:** Cori Zaring.