

OUR PRAYERS
Quince Nursing & Rehab Center
 6733 Quince Rd, 38119
 Dr. Fred Bellott West 105

OUR PRESENCE

July 5
 Church School 51
 Worship 64
 Visitors 1

OUR GIFTS

July 5
 Tithes & Plate Offering \$ 7002
 Church School \$ 22
 Total Rec'd \$ 7023

 July MTD \$ 7023
 YTD Conf. payments \$ 17189



Altar Flowers

There are many open dates for altar flowers. Please sign up on the flower calendar or call the church office for assistance.

OUR SERVICE

Assisting July 12

Greeters Wayne & Ginny Lawrence
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Brother Paul
Children's Sermon Barbara Scheirer
Lock-up Mary Robbins

**Scripture Readers
 for July**

19 Dean Tutor
 26 Jane Hight

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FROM THE PASTOR

I'd like to thank everyone who kept Barbara in their prayers and sent her get well cards during her recent surgery. I'm sure most of you are aware that her nasal surgery went well, and she was getting back to normal by the end of the week. Barbara, however, was somewhat surprised when I had prayer with her just prior to her surgery, even though she would never think this unusual for anyone I visit with in the hospital. I'm sure some of her surprise was because she views me more as her husband than as her pastor. All of us need spiritual support including clergy and their families. I am blessed to serve in this capacity for our church family, but let us give thanks for all our Christian brothers and sisters who support us during the trials of life.

Peace and Grace,
 Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for July 12th
 Psalm 24
 2 Samuel 6:1-19

Sermon Title
 "The Ark of God"



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., July 12 - Sat., July 18

- Sun. 7/12 9:15a Prayer Room
9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
12:15p Church Picnic
12:30p Angelfood Orders
- Mon. 7/13 No Activities
- Tue. 7/14 No Activities
- Wed. 7/15 6:00p Grades K-12 Bible Study
7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 7/16 10:00a Adult Bible Study
- Fri. 7/17 Offices Closed
- Sat. 7/18 11:30a Angelfood Distribution

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CALENDAR INFO

The August calendar will go out on July 27. Please be sure to have meetings, activities and events for the month scheduled on the office calendar no later than July 23. Thank you.

UM MEN'S PROJECT

Our collection of items for the Memphis Child Advocacy Center, is an ongoing effort.

A list of needed items may be found on the church window. Questions??? Call Rick , 484-7383 or email him, thabo99@comcast.net

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook.

William James



THANKS, GUYS!

The Men's Chorus was OUTSTANDING this past Sunday. Keep up the good work — if you're lucky, the Finchers might contact you! Ladies, watch out, you have competition.

The Music & Worship Committee



IMAX DAY TRIP

Join us July 23 for lunch at Piccadilly, then "Under the Sea" at the IMAX theater. Meet at the church at 11 a.m. to car-pool. IMAX admission is \$7.25 (15 or more \$6.50). Lunch is dutch. You may sign up on the form on the office window or the bulletin board. Call Carolyn, 861-0841, for more information.

FALL AND WINTER TRIPS

Great things are planned. Join the fun! Brochures are on the bulletin board by the kitchen. Make reservations soon. Need more info? Call Carolyn McDougal @ 861-0841. All tours are scheduled with All Aboard USA.

Sept. 22-Day trip to Pickwick Lake

Oct. 6- Day trip to Indianola, MS

Nov. 10-13-3 night trip to Pigeon Forge, TN & Asheville, NC .

Dec. 1-4-3 night trip to Branson, MO

UMW NEWS

Officers, please plan to attend our called UMW Executive Committee meeting on Sunday, July 19, at 12:15, to go over the goals to qualify us as a Platinum Unit. Bring a sandwich and Frances will furnish the rest.

Please make this **change** on your calendar for our final Unit meeting of the year - changed from November 29 to December 13. Marilyn Hathaway, our District President, is the speaker and will install our 2010 officers. She had a conflict with the November date. The Nominating Committee is working hard to fill our slate for 2010. Please let them know if you are willing to remain in your office or take any other one. I still need pictures for our scrapbook, especially from the sub-groups.

Koinonia/Rebekah Group: please be at church at 10:00 a.m. on July 14 to visit our four shut-ins. Others are invited to join us.

Aleda Kelly



CANDLE BURNING REMINDER

Your gifts to the Candle Burning Second Mile Giving through United Methodist Women have been greatly appreciated. It is not too late to give \$5.00 in honor or in memory of someone and know your money will help someone in need.

Margaret Ann Ligon
Mission Coordinator



ANGELFOOD ORDERS

Orders will be taken on Sun., July 12, at 12:30 pm. and distribution will be on Sat., July 18. Call Rebeca Ernst, 484-7385, to offer assistance.

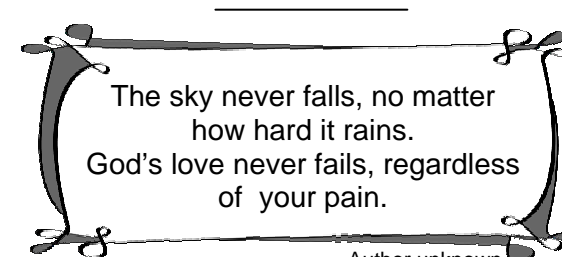
UMNC COLLECTION FOR JULY

Our July collection for United Methodist Neighborhood Centers will be paper goods: paper towels, toilet paper, napkins and tissues. Please place your donations in the box in the hall near the Sunday School Office.



VBS IN JULY

Vacation Bible School will be Friday night, July 31, Saturday, Aug. 1, during the day and Sunday, Aug. 2, during the Worship hour at Aldersgate. Lots of assistants will be needed. Call Perri Mathis, 683-7050, to volunteer.



The sky never falls, no matter how hard it rains.
God's love never fails, regardless of your pain.

Author unknown