OUR PRAYERS

Our Ministers Our Church Our Leaders Our Ministry Teams Our Children & Youth Our Homebound **Our Missionaries** Our College Students Our Fire Dept. Our Police Dept Our City Our Military

Homebound and Assisted Care

Carolyn Escue Martha Allen June Burton Ray Escue Marcelle Farrow Mava Dell Frv Earl Galloway Doris Hight Marie Hughes Margaret Kenley Wayne Lawrence Ted Lewis Betty Ray Bernice Shelby Emmett Smith

Betty Smithmier Martha Wallace

Vanderbilt Hospital

Cindy Garner Stanfil

Hospice Care

Mildred Hight

Memphis Jewish Home

Doris Bellott

Special Prayers for ...the Vargas family

Teresa McMullin

Karen Mosley

Tom Boillot

Richard Morris

...disaster victims

...immigrants

At Home

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to ...the Scheirer family & friends of Rickie Conrad

> **OUR PRESENCE - April 9** 86

Worship

OUR GIFTS - April 9

Offering \$ 3.010 Month to Date \$ 6.128 YTD \$ 39,473

OUR SERVICE - April 16

Greeters..... Lilian Garcia **Audrey Weaver**

Liturgist..... Rebeca Ernst

Scripture..... Dr. Finzel

Children's Time.. Peggy Brightwell

Lock-up...... Neil DeLong

OUR WITNESS April Scripture Reader

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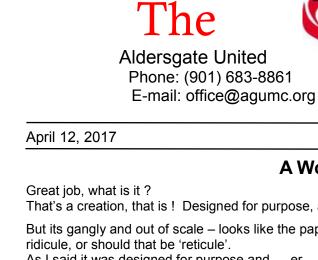
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A Work of Art?

By Keith Wallis

Great job, what is it?

That's a creation, that is! Designed for purpose, and it is specially adapted for its environment, unique.

But its gangly and out of scale – looks like the paper slipped in the photo-copier. Stretched to the point of ridicule, or should that be 'reticule'.

As I said it was designed for purpose ander.... horticulture.

A strong wind would blow it over, it'll need guy ropes!

Nope, it can widen its supports to give it stability, a bigger 'footprint'. It won't need to evolve either 'cos its taller than all its fellows.

Hope it doesn't get an itchy head.

Ha, thought of that – it just rubs it against a tree.

It'll have to be a tall tree!

That's why I designed it that way, you Philistine.

Ok, its not a design – it's a work of art.

Thank you. I was thinking an 'abstract'.....No, no, maybe more like.... surrealist!

There's a limit to how inventive you can be with the raw material of four legs, a body, a head and a tail, you know! Maybe the tail is too much – I'll make it shorter. OK, what are you going to call this invention of mine then - I said you could name it.

I was thinking 'Gerry' as in Gerry built.

Come on, be fair, it deserves better than that,

Alright – something as unique as its shape – how about "Giraffe"?

Giraffe, yes that sounds about right, I like that.

Shall we move on to the next one – now this one has two teeth that sort of surf out either side of its nose.

Oh no, you've got that distortion thing going again. And those ears are enormous.....

What "work of art" has God helped you create? Be forever grateful!

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 **Scriptures Readings:** Acts 10:34-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-18 or Matthew 29:1-10

LOOKING AHEAD Sun. 4/16 **Easter Sunday** 10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship Mon. 4/17 12:00p News Deadline Tue. 4/18 4:30p UM Men's Fish Fry at Archer's Chapel in Frog Jump, TN Wed. 4/19 NO Asbury Bible Study NO Choir Rehearsal Thu. 4/20 9:00a **Asbury** Food Pantry **NO** Bible Study 5:45p Girl Scouts 6:00p UM Men @ Asbury Offices Closed Fri. 4/21 5:45p Girl Scouts Sat. 4/22 Earth Day 12:30p Non-member event - FH 10:15a Sunday School Sun. 4/23 11:30a Worship 12:30p Spaghetti Lunch

PLEASE NOTE — DATE CHANGE

The April Trustees meeting has been changed to Monday, April 24, at 7:00 p.m.



Margaret Craft Plant Scholarship Fundraiser

Spaghotti Lunch

Sunday, April 23, 2017 12:30p Fellowship Hall

Your donation to the Scholarship Fund earns you a free lunch!



For Reservations call or email the Church Office 683-8861 office@agumc.org Or sign up on the office window



THANK YOU NOTES

To All Who Helped with the Easter Egg Hunt, What a day! We had about 150 children plus 50 or so adults join us for the Egg Hunt, and YOU made it possible. Thank you so much for your donations of candy, time and effort. Special thanks to the Easter Bunny. You were a big hit! Extra thanks to the folks at Asbury UMC for helping make it a great day.

Dear Aldersgate Family.

Thank you all so much for your generous donation of 30 cuddly teddy bears and gift cards valued at \$65. Each bear will make its way to the arms of a child who desperately needs the comfort a cuddly bear provides. The gift cards will be kept on hand for emergency client needs.

Over 1.000 kids come to the Child Advocacy Center every year. On that special day, when their healing begins, they get to choose a teddy bear. Some of those children will hug a bear that you provided.

On behalf of every young child you have comforted, thank you.

> Virginia Stallworth **Executive Director**

BIBLE STUDY TAKES A BREAK

We're taking a "spring break". There will be no Bible Study on April 13th, 20th and 27th. We will resume on May 4th with "Bonhoeffer, Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy".

EARTH DAY APRIL 22, 2017

Earth Day is now recognized in over 190 countries around the world. It reminds us to be aware of our world—what helps and what hurts. and to do our part to care for 'our home' in as many ways as we can. Did you know...



- ... that recycling one ton of paper saves 17 mature trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 3 cubic yards of landfill space and 2 barrels of oil?
- ...burning that ton of paper would create 15,000 pounds of carbon dioxide?
- ...that those 17 saved trees can absorb 250 pounds of carbon dioxide from the air each year? Imagine what a whole forest can absorb!

Recycle Reduce Reuse



Ladies, we are in a new quardennium, starting this year. The priority issues for 2017—2020 are climate justice, criminalization of communities of color and mass incarceration, economic inequality and maternal and child health.

In June 2016. United Methodist Women began a two-year mission study on climate change. The following two years (2018/2019) our mission will emphasize the issue of economic inequality, while 2019/2020 will focus on mass incarceration.

We will continue to grow our Legacy Fund permanent endowment to help support the work of future generations as they address the needs of women. children and youth of their day and we will celebrate our 150th anniversary in 2019.



UM Men's Fish Frv Tuesday, April 18 4:30 p.m.

Archer's Chapel UMC, Frog Jump, TN

Metro District United Methodist Men Roundtable

Saturday, April 29, 8:00 a.m. Crossroads UMC 9315 E. Shelby Drive, Collierville, TN

April 26th is the deadline for the District Roundtable. Contact Steve Ragsdale, 901-647-7546 or stevier56@yahoo.com

Breakfast served at 8 a.m. Program starts at 8:30. We will collect and assemble items for UMCOR Health Kits. Please bring items (in bulk-NOT prepacked) from the list below or cash donations may be made. The cost for each kit is \$12.00.

Each kit will need:

1 hand towel (15"x25" up to 17"x27") Please, NO kitchen, cleaning or microfiber towels.

1 washcloth 1 metal file or nail clippers

1 bath-size soap 6 bandaids

1 toothbrush(packaged) \$1 to purchase toothpaste 1 gallon-size, sealable, plastic bag

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for **Honorarium Fund**

In honor of Lana, Lisa, Lynn and the Choir for the great Easter music by Nancy Murdock

HOLY WEEK

April 13 - Maundy Thursday

6:30p Communion Service hosted by Asbury

April 14 - Good Friday

Come & Go Stations of the Cross 4 to 7p hosted by Aldersgate

April 16 - Easter Sunday 11:30a Worship Service Celebrate the risen Christ!

APRIL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned Vegetables (NO glass jars, please) Cash is also welcome. Thank you.



THE JAZZ AMBASSADORS FREE CONCERT

The Jazz Ambassadors of the US Army Field Band will present a concert at Collierville UMC, 454 West Poplar Ave., on Thursday, April 20, at 7:00p.

Tickets are free and available at the Harrell Theatre Box Office, 440 W. Powell Rd., Collierville, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Harrell Box Office with your request. More information is available from Jeannie Jones, 901-826-5069 or jonesw9586@bellsouth.net.

'TEA AND TOUR' FOR SENIORS

"A Feast for the Eves-200 Years of American Still-life", featuring rarely seen works by American artists will take place at the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, 1934 Poplar Ave, on Thursday, April 27. from 2p to 4p. Drawn from a private collection. these pictures represent an extraordinary range of subject matter. The exhibit is free for Brooks members. \$3 for non-members. Tea and treats will be served in the Terrace Room afterwards.