

OUR PRAYERS
Signature @ St. Francis

Phil Weaver 507

St. Francis

Mary Grace Petty 1037

OUR PRESENCE

April 17

Church School 55
Worship 99
Visitors 12

OUR GIFTS

April 17

Total Rec'd \$ 3,840
MTD \$ 11,998

Apportionments TD \$ 5,600

OUR SERVICE

Assisting April 24

Greeters Margie Williamson
Lorelle Woodard
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Dean Tutor
Children's Time Frances Morris
Lock-up Jimmie Bedwell

OUR WITNESS

May Scripture Readers

1 Brother Paul
8 Happy Birah
15 Jane Hight
22 Lisa Hughes
29 Brother Paul

EARTH DAY

April 22

Do something good for our planet.



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EASTER BREAKFAST

Join us on Easter morning at 8 a.m. for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be finished in plenty of time for our 10:50 worship service.

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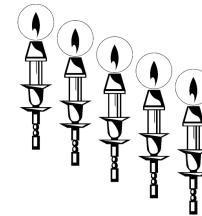
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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

If you weren't able to make it to our Palm Sunday service this past week, you missed a phenomenal Easter Cantata by our chancel choir. Again, thanks to Perry, Lana, and Lynn as well as the entire choir for their hard work in preparation for this choral rendition of Jesus' last week of earthly life.

I would encourage you to contemplate the events of Jesus' last week of life as we prepare for the celebration of Easter this Sunday. Hope to see you Thursday for our Maundy Thursday service which this year will focus more on the events of Good Friday.

Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul



Scripture Reading for April 24th

Colossians 3:1-4

Luke 24:-12

Sermon Title

"The Empty Tomb"

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. 4/24 Easter Sunday †
8:00a Easter Breakfast
9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
Mon. 4/25 Noon News Deadline
Tue. 4/26 No Activities
Wed. 4/27 6:00p Fellowship & Study
NO Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 4/28 10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 4/29 Offices Closed
Sat. 4/30 9:00a AFLS

**NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS
NEEDS FOR APRIL & MAY**



Crib Sheets, Diapers, Baby Wipes and Baby Lotion. Your help is greatly appreciated. Gifts may be placed in the tub in the hall. Thank you.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for May/June is available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick yours up today!



**MAY 1 IS
GOLDEN CROSS SUNDAY**

Make a difference by lending a hand. Pray for this ministry, give a donation, or volunteer. Items needed include the following:
Shampoo Lotion Tooth Brushes
Tooth Paste Deodorant Hair Brushes
Hand Soap Combs Paper Towels
Toilet Paper Bath Powder Tin Foil
Stamps Disinfectant Detergent
Window Cleaner Scouring Powder
Cash donations are used 100% for direct support of the elderly. Checks may be made out to Aldersgate and designated "Golden Cross" in the memo line. Please place your gifts in the round basket near the Sunday School office. Thank you.

THANK YOU

Our Chancel "Easter Garden" looks beautiful thanks to Dean & Aleita Tutor, Tom Lockhart, Dennis LeClear and Mary Robbins, who picked up, delivered and arranged the lovely hydrangeas. Many thanks!

The Worship Committee
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Our grateful thanks to all who helped make "happy faces" at our Egg Hunt. It was cold but our hearts were warmed as forty children scattered to find 1,400 eggs with candy, play games, have snacks and visit with the Easter Bunny (our own Daniel Boice).

Save the dates of June 3, 4 & 5 for another heart-warming experience for our church family and community at Vacation Bible School. WE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST.

Children & Youth Ministries

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Easter is more than something to dye for.

COMING UP

May 2-8 Christian Family Week - See the May 1st bulletin insert for activities to share each day.

May 3-4 Trip to Columbia & Franklin, TN - Some spots are still available. Call Carolyn if you are interested.

May 8 Mother's Day - Muffins for Mom at 10:30, hosted by the adult SS Classes. Bring your mom and pictures. Be sure to have a card with names for your pictures.

May 19 Lunch & Bingo - At 11:30, after Bible Study. Get your White Elephant gifts together, wrapped beautifully so everyone will want to take home that special gift.

June 7-11 Trip to Williamsburg and Jamestown, VA. Brochures are on the bulletin board.

June 12 **The Finchers are coming back to Aldersgate!** Bring your family, friends and neighbors for an evening of great gospel music!

UMW NEWS

Don't let the approaching vacation season slow us down in our UMW work. We're looking forward to a mini study on Haiti, May 10 & 17, and our Methodist Auxiliary program at the June Unit meeting, with Eddie Grigg as our speaker.

Make plans now to attend the Christian Mission Education Event in July and our Spiritual Growth Study in August, when we will invite other churches to join us.

Check out the Missionary Bulletin Board for a reply from a missionary and please look at pages 22,23 in our yearbook to see if you can help with our goals for a platinum unit.

Following our March meeting, we have a lot more to share about who and what we are with prospective new members. We must have 2 to remain a platinum unit.

Thank you so much for your concern for Aleda during this time with three health problems hitting her all at once. She is feeling better now.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Honorarium/Memorial Fund

In honor of Mike Bosi by
Don & Sheri Grear

In memory of Carol Bosi by
Joe & Pat Banks
Don & Sheri Grear
Marcelle Farrow

In memory of Juanita Galloway by
Joe & Pat Banks
Marcelle Farrow
Joy Mitchell

In memory of Jean McCarty by
Joy Mitchell

In memory of Gene Meyer by
Marcelle Farrow
Jimmy & Jane Hight

Apportionments

In honor of Kathy Earl by
Aleda Kelly

Scholarship Fund

In memory of Gene Meyer by
Keith & Frances Coffman

HONOR THY MOTHER

... or a special woman by giving a gift in her name. A special insert will appear in the Mother's Day bulletin. Please complete this form, enclose payment, and drop in the offering plate or return to the church office.



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In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Please place gift(s) in Hon/Mem Fund or _____ Fund

