OUR PRAYERS

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

Homebound and Assisted Care

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Betty Smithmier

Mare Burton
Marcolle Farrow
Mava Dell Fry
Marie Hughes
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Margaret Ted Lewis
Bernice Shelby
Bernmett Smith
Martha Wallace

Methodist Germantown

Special Prayers for

Marcelle Farrow 439West

...disaster victims ...immigrants

Hospice Care Mildred Hight

...the remaining kidnapped

Nigerian girls

At Home

Clint Buchanan Karen Mosley Paige Mathis

OUR PRESENCE - May 14

Sunday School 60 Worship 79

OUR GIFTS - May 14

Offering \$ 2,566 Month to Date \$ 13,054 YTD \$ 46,233

OUR SERVICE - May 21

Greeters.....Anna Deekae

Nubari Deekae

Liturgist.....Barry Mathis

Scripture.....Jane Hight

Children's Time......Andrew Baker

Lock-up.....Jimmie Bedwell

OUR WITNESS
May Scripture Readers
28 Audrey Weaver

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Welcome Home

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Home is where you put one foot on the porch
And before your other foot even touches the landing
The door dances open.

And the first thing you see is a huge smile,
And the first thing you feel is a huge hug,
And the first thing you hear is your own name
Spoken with excitement and elation and
Jubilation and so much love.

Home is where you don't have to be anybody but you.

You don't have to be good enough ...or clean enough ...or smart enough

...Or strong enough ...or pretty enough,
Or think only the right thoughts,

Or believe only the right beliefs,

Or guard your heart or deny your mistakes,

Or hide your wounds or silence your needs, Or measure your hopes and dreams.

You don't have to pretend to be somebody you're not so you can belong.

Because at home you belong already.

You are a child of God.

So we say to you:

Come on in.

Come on in as you are.

Come on in, child of God Welcome home!

Blessings,

Virginia

(copied)

Scriptures Readings:

Acts 17:22-31

I Peter 3:13-22

Psalm 66:8-20

John 14:15-21

LOOKING AHEAD

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Sun. 5/21	10:15a Sunday School 11:30a Worship Pre-Conference Briefing has been changed to an online form at <u>memphis-umc.com</u> Click on 'orientation video'
Mon. 5/22	12:00p News Deadline
Tue. 5/23	No Activities
Wed. 5/24	Aldersgate Day 10:00a Asbury Bible Study 6:45p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 5/25	Ascension Day 9:00a Asbury Food Pantry 10:00a Bible Study

5:45p Girl Scouts

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Ascension Sunday

10:15a Sunday School

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Picnic

Memorial Day Observed

11:30a Young at Heart @ Asbury

11:30a Worship & Graduate Rec-

12:30p Church Family & Friends

Offices Closed

No Activities

Fri. 5/26

Sat. 5/27

Sun. 5/28

Mon. 5/29



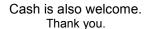
BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

...each Thursday at 10 a.m. The current study is "Bonhoeffer—Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy". Books for this study are available in the church office.

If you can't make it on Thursday mornings, you are invited to try Wednesday mornings at 10a at Asbury UMC, for the same study.



MAY FOOD PANTRY Pasta of Any Kind





THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you to everyone who brought items for the infants at the Miriam Day Care Center. It was a tremendous collection and is appreciated by the staff. If you know someone who needs a day care service, Miriam at UMNC is one of the few 3-star agencies and its curriculum is well respected by other agencies, such as Porter Leath.



LOOKING FOR 2016-2017 GRADS

Are you or do you know someone in our church family who has/is graduating any time since last June thru this June? Please call the office, 683-8861 or email office@agumc.org, with the graduate's information. Thank you.

TRY THE NEW UNITED METHODIST E-LETTER **United Methodist Now:** Inspiration for Daily Living

United Methodist Now is a biweekly e-newsletter for church members to highlight examples of Christian living, share inspirational messages, and focus on what it means to be part of our connection. On the web, you will find them at umnow@umc.org



To All Members of Aldersgate,

The students, parents, faculty and staff of Willow Oaks Elementary thank you for supporting us this year. To extend our appreciation, we invite you to join us on Monday, May 22, at 9 a.m. as we celebrate YOU!

You may R.S.V.P. to Joann Kwan, 901-264-7510 or email her at kwanj@scsk12.org.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Change your outlook this week. Focus on what uplifts and blesses others.



Are you making plans for 'Mission u'?

...to be held July 28-29, at First UMC in Jackson. TN. Study materials, guides and e-books are available on the UMW Mission Resources website at www.umwmissionresources.org.

Geographic, Spiritual Growth, or Issues studies will be offered.

Put this date on your calendar now!



Gentlemen.

Thank you for your support of the UMCOR Health Kit drive we held recently. Donations of kits and cash totaled over \$1925. These kits will remain in the Conference and be used to help in the local flood areas.

Steve Ragsdale



OUR PICNIC AND ICE CREAM CONTEST

... are on Sunday, May 28th, right after church, with our friends from Asbury.

Hamburgers and hot dogs, drinks and tableware will be provided. Bring your favorite picnic side dish to share.

There will be a Home-made Ice Cream Contest

for dessert, with a So—those of you get out your churns and enter your most If anyone has an

prize for the winner! who make ice cream, and exotic flavors delicious concoction. ice cream maker they

would be willing to loan us, just in case we need it, call Judy Stanley, 652-4821, or Barry Mathis, 299-2746.

There is a sign-up sheet on the office window name and number in your party and what you will bring, please (if you know).

Plan to join us May 28th—bring a dish and a friend!

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for

Memorial Fund

In memory of John Grinstead by Jimmy & Jane Hight

In memory of Tom Boillot by Jov Mitchell Johnny Mitchell The Fidelis Class

Building Fund

In memory of John Grinstead by Mary Robbins Cathy Boice Tom & Sharon Lockhart

ST. LUKE'S TO HOST LIVE WEBCAST OF BISHOP'S MESSAGE ON JUNE 4

Not going to Annual Conference but would like to see and hear Bishop McAlilly's message, "Sent to Serve"? You are invited to St. Luke's UMC, 480 S. Highland St., to watch the live webcast on Sunday night, June 4, at 7 p.m. No registration or sign-up is needed.

The rest of the Annual Conference will also be live-streamed for anyone who wishes to tune in from home or another location. The link is: www.memphis-umc.net/2017AC



2017 Memphis Annual Conference June 4-6 - Collierville UMC

DECISION AMERICA TENNESSEE TOUR

Rev. Franklin Graham's Decision America Tennessee Tour, will be at Tiger Lane at the Liberty Bowl, 335 S. Hollywood St., on May 21 at 7:30pm. Thousands of churches and tens of thousands of people are excited to come together to pray for their communities in the Volunteer state." said Lawrence Swicegood, Director of the tour. As this is an outdoor event, remember to bring your lawn chairs or blankets.

