

**OUR PRAYERS**  
At Home Tom Lockhart

**OUR PRESENCE**  
September 6

Church School	40
Worship	74
Visitors	6

**OUR GIFTS**  
September 6

Tithes & Plate Offering	\$ 7003
Church School	\$ 20
Total Rec'd	\$ 7023
September MTD	\$ 7023
YTD Conf. payments	\$ 17189



**THE ALTAR FLOWERS**

...for September 13 are being placed to the glory of God in loving memory of Marshall Jennings, in remembrance of his birthday, by his loving family.

**OUR SERVICE**

**Assisting September 13**

<b>Greeters</b>	Margaret Ann Ligon Audrey Weaver
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bruce Hughes
<b>Scripture</b>	Renee Little
<b>Children's Time</b>	Frances Morris
<b>Lock-up</b>	Neil DeLong



**Scripture Readers for September**

20 Warren Petty  
27 United Methodist Women

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**FROM THE PASTOR**

Since we have recently celebrated Labor Day, I share this prayer written by Wesley Taylor.

Gracious God, you call us into the vineyard to labor. You call us into schools and offices, into nursing homes and stores, into factories and onto the streets, to labor with you, gathering your harvest in all times and places. You call us wherever there is need of your healing word. You call us wherever people hunger and thirst for righteousness.

You call us wherever people mourn or bow beneath the yoke of oppression. Grant us the faithfulness to answer your call whenever we hear it, not troubling to judge whether we were among the first called or the last; let us simply come to your side to work with our brothers and sisters to welcome all people into your commonwealth of peace. Amen.

Peace and Grace,  
Brother Paul

Scripture Readings for September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Psalm 19  
Mark 8:27-38

Sermon Title  
"What Messiah Do You Follow?"

## THE WEEK AHEAD

- Sun., Sept. 13 - Sat. Sept. 19
- Sun. 9/13 9:15a Fellowship Time  
9:45a Church School  
10:55a Worship  
12:15p UMYF  
12:30p Anglefood Orders  
1:30p UMW Dist. Annual Mtg.  
6:30p UMM Festival  
Planning Meeting
- Mon. 9/14 Noon Newsletter Deadline
- Tue. 9/15 6:30p Girl Scouts
- Wed. 9/16 5:00p Zumba Class  
6:30p Fellowship & Study  
7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 9/17 10:00a Adult Bible Study
- Fri. 9/18 Offices Closed
- Sat. 9/19 UMW Conference Annual Mtg.  
9:00a AFLS  
11:30a Angelfood Distribution



### THE BUCKET IS FULL!!!

A great big THANK YOU to all who have signed up to fill our bucket for UMCOR. Please have all items in by Sunday morning, Sept. 13. That is District Annual Meeting for UMW at Collierville UMC, where we will deliver the completed bucket.



## Thank You

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to all who have been so thoughtful with cards, calls, gifts and visits. What would we do without a loving church family to encourage and uphold us. Thank you for your many acts of kindness and may God richly bless each of you.

Martha & Gene Meyer



### THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Come at 10 a.m. every Thursday morning and enjoy this time of fellowship and study. On Sept. 10, following the study, we are going to Three Little Pigs for lunch. We will carpool there and back to the church.

### GRIEF SHARE

...a grief recovery and support group invites those who have lost a loved one recently or not so recently, to join the group at St. Paul UMC, on Sundays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Sept. 13 through Dec. 6. The Rev. Dr. Ron Johnson, Director of the Counseling Center at Bartlett UMC, will facilitate. You may join at any point. You do not have to attend every meeting. The cost is \$15. Child care is provided for children up to the 5th grade. Brochures are available in the church office or call Deb Suddarth, 387-0007.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

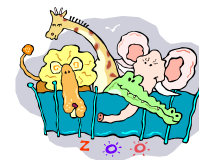
Children have learned that no matter how hard you try, you can't baptize cats!

## UMW NEWS

Obviously, our Food and Faith study was a success. We are still getting thank you notes from other groups who attended.

Sunday, September 13, is our District Annual Meeting day at Collierville UMC. According to their president, we should be there by 1:30 p.m. so we will leave Aldersgate at 1:00. If you don't want to go home first, we can eat somewhere close by before going. We have two scrapbooks ready to take, one for miscellaneous items and one for photos. Some of us are working to get our new UMW room in shape, hopefully by UMW Sunday. Again, we thank the trustees and all others who brought the contents of our upstairs room downstairs.

Aleda Kelly



### OCT. 14 - SENIOR DAY AT THE ZOO

Senior Day at the Zoo means free admission and free tram rides. We'll eat lunch at Back Yard Burger in the zoo. Drivers and cars needed to car pool to leave the church at 9:30 a.m. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the kitchen or call the church office, 683-8861, or Carolyn McDougal, 861-0841, for reservations.

## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

The following gifts have been given:

### Memorial Fund

In memory of Dr. Fred Bellott

by Jimmy & Jane Hight

Kathryn Clark

Dr. Mike Kelly

### Scholarship Fund

In memory of Dr. Fred Bellott

by Keith & Frances Coffman

### Pew Cushions

In memory of Dr. Fred Bellott

by the Fidelis Class

Neil & Jean DeLong

Joyce Kernodle

### Conference Askings

In memory of Dr. Fred Bellott

by Charles & Evelyn Goddard

## THE UNITED METHODIST MEN

...will hold their planning session for the Fall Festival on Sept. 13th at 6:30 p.m. This is a BIG community event! Sign up for your booth NOW. The registration deadline is Oct. 10. Spaces are 10'x10'. The fee is \$30. Forms are available in the church office or you may call Rick, 484-7383, or email him, [thabo99@comcast.net](mailto:thabo99@comcast.net) for info, forms or to volunteer.



### ANGELFOOD ORDERS

...will be taken on Wed., Sept. 9, from 6-7 p.m. and Sun., Sept. 13, from 12:30 -1:30 p.m. Menus are

available outside the church office. Check out the Thanksgiving Box available for pre-order. Call Rebeca Ernst, 484-7385, for more information.