

OUR PRAYERS

St. Francis	Family & Friends
Otis McKee 560	Manny Lim
	Teresa Hudak
	George Gildersleeve

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to Earl & Juanita Galloway in the loss of his sister, Annette Brasfield

OUR PRESENCE

November 14

Church School	52
Worship	74
Visitors	9

OUR GIFTS

November 14

Tithes & Plate Offering	\$ 3726
Church School	\$ 31
Total Rec'd	\$ 3757
MTD	\$ 9609
YTD apportionments	\$ 22946

OUR SERVICE

Assisting November 21

Greeters	Sharon Lockhart Barbara Scheirer
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Lisa Hughes
Children's Time	Renee Little
Lock-up	Margie Williamson

Scripture Readers

28 Tom Lockhart

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

It's hard to believe that the holiday season is upon us and it is time to begin preparing for Christmas. Here's a story about a little boy's perspective on the Christmas story.

He'd learned all about the wise men from the East who brought gifts to the baby Jesus. He was so excited; he could hardly wait to tell his parents. As soon as the boy arrived home, he immediately began: "I learned all about the very first Christmas in Sunday school today! There wasn't a Santa Claus way back then, so these three skinny guys on camels had to deliver all the toys! And Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer with his nose so bright wasn't there yet, so they had to have this big spotlight in the sky to find their way around!"

Enjoy Thanksgiving first!
Peace and Grace,
Brother Paul

Scripture Reading for Nov. 21
Jeremiah 23:1-6

Sermon Title
Rev. Dennis Neenan preaching Nov. 21



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun., Nov. 21 - Sat., Nov. 27

- Sun. 11/21 Christ the King Sunday
Dennis Neenan, Guest Min.
9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
- Mon. 11/22 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 11/23 No Activities
- Wed. 11/24 No Fellowship & Study
7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 11/25 Happy Thanksgiving
Offices Closed
- Fri. 11/26 Offices Closed
- Sat. 11/27 9:00a AFLS



Please Note

Hanging of the Green will take place on Sunday, Nov. 28 at the 10:55 Worship hour.

THE DECEMBER CALENDAR Schedule Now!

Please have all December activities and parties on the December calendar by Nov. 22. The calendar will go out with the Nov. 24 newsletter.

Some December Events

- Dec. 5 - 9:15a Fellowship Time
Current Events hosting
- Dec. 11-9:00a Book & Bake Sale sponsored by Current Events
- Dec. 19 - 6:00p Christmas Cantata
- Dec. 24 - 6:30p Communion Service

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Put your faith in the power of God and rest in the comfort of divine love and light.

THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you for your support of our Harvest Dinner as a climax to our Commitment Sunday. The many food items you brought will be great help to UMNC as they help needy families.

Carolyn McDougal

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On behalf of UMNC I want to thank everyone for their generosity in providing food for Thanksgiving baskets. The back of our SUV was full. A special thanks to the Fidelis Class for providing 2 complete baskets and funds for 2 turkeys. Not only is Aldersgate the church of the warm heart, we are the church of big hearts.

Sharon Lockhart

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The doors again fold, the Ladies Room faucet does not drip and the floor is clean thanks to Tom Lockhart and Jimmie Bedwell's repair mission. Thanks, guys! The church grounds looked great for our Harvest Festival thanks to Wanda Tabor, who picked up leaves and trash around the grounds. Thanks, Wanda!



OXFORD CLASS CHRISTMAS CARD

The Oxford Class is continuing the tradition of our Church-wide Christmas Card. Wish Merry Christmas to your Aldersgate family and help buy toys for children who might not have a Christmas, as well. Give what you would spend on cards and postage for your church friends or any amount you choose. Donors will be listed on our giant Christmas Card. Please see Terry Williamson to donate.



LET'S CELEBRATE UMNC DEC. 5th

The Memphis Conference will celebrate with United Methodist Neighborhood Centers on December 5 with a Special Day of Recognition in the churches throughout the Conference.

UMNC has been serving Memphis and Shelby County for 103 years with Food Pantries, Thrift Stores, a Refugee Program, Miriam Child Development Center, the Smith Center, utilities and rental assistance.

Underprivileged children are sent to Lakeshore Camp, families in need are given food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas toys and UMNC is recognized as a 2010 United Way Agency.

Only your financial and "in kind" gifts make it possible for UMNC to continue to lend a helping hand to those in need. Give yourselves a pat on the back and celebrate on Dec. 5 the good that is done through UMNC. You may reach UMNC at 323-4993, to donate and to congratulate them on a job well done.



ANGELFOOD

Distribution will be on the 20th. Assistants needed. Call Rebeca Ernst to volunteer, 484-7385



NEED A RIDE?

Please let the office know (683-8861).

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to

Memorial Fund

In memory of Martha Burford by
Norris & Earline Gabriel

In memory of Dorothy Hyatt by
Norris & Earline Gabriel
Tom & Sharon Lockhart

Church Maintenance

In memory of Annette Brasfield by
The Fellowship Class
Charles & Evelyn Goddard

Pew Cushions

In memory of Dorothy Hyatt by
Wanda Tabor
Kathryn Clark
Carolyn McDougal

In memory of Marcie (Molnar) by
Kathryn Clark

LOST & FOUND

If you lost a bracelet on the church parking lot, it has been found. Describe it and its yours!



GOING

PLACES!

Special Tours for 2011

Feb. 8, let's go to Reelfoot Lake to see the eagles and enjoy a great lunch at Boyette's.

Mar. 29, travel to Scott, AR, to the beautiful, old southern home, Marlsgate Mansion, and enjoy a special lunch.

April 4-7, visit Cajun Country in Lafayette, New Iberia and Alexandria, Louisiana, for a truly exciting experience.

Call Carolyn for all the details, 861-0841.