

Sun. 2/28 **LOOKING AHEAD**
3rd Sunday in Lent
 10:15a Sunday School
 11:30a Worship

Mon. 2/29 Noon Newsletter Deadline
 6:00p Prayer Walk @ **Asbury**

Tue. 3/1 No Activities

Wed. 3/2 10:00a Bible Study @ **Asbury**
 Noon Devotional & Soup Lunch
 at **Asbury**
 6:45p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 3/3 9:00a Food Pantry @ **Asbury**
 10:00a Lenten Bible Study

Fri. 3/4 Offices Closed
 World Day of Prayer

Sat. 3/5 9:00a AFLS
 6:00p Spanish Worship Srvc @
El Redentor

Sun. 3/6 4th Sunday in Lent
 10:15a Sunday School
 11:30a Worship
 2 to 4 Non-church Gathering



WANT TO HELP WITH WORSHIP?

Now is your chance! You may sign up on the office window to be the Liturgist for any Sunday during the first half of the year, or call the office, 683-8861, and give Kathy your date of preference.

NEW ADDRESS FOR AN OLD FRIEND

Mr. Tom Boillot
 1914 Poplar Ave., Apt. 1004
 Memphis, TN 38104-7642

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Is God asking you to move forward into tougher challenges?
 Be still and listen.



LENTEN LUNCHEON @ ASBURY

As in the past, Asbury UMC is offering a Devotional and Soup/Sandwich Lunch each Wednesday during Lent. All are invited and encouraged to attend a brief service at Noon, followed by a soup & sandwich lunch for \$2 per person. Join the crowd on Wednesdays, Feb, 17th & 24th, and March 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd.

World Day of Prayer 2016

...is Friday, March 4. Since 1920 Christian women in the U.S. and Canada have practiced a "Day of Prayer" and now, 170 countries around the world will participate. Their motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" signifies that prayer and action are inseparable. Everyone is invited to affirm their belief and faith in Christ; pray for and with others about the burdens of others; understand and appreciate that God loves all people everywhere. The host country for WDP 2016 is Cuba. The women of Cuba call all of us to explore the depths of God's love.

COME FOR BREAKFAST!!!

Join us on Easter morning for our annual Easter Breakfast at 8:30 a.m., sponsored by Aldersgate United Methodist Men. No reservations needed. Cooks and servers are greatly encouraged to contact Bruce Hughes, 262-1508, to volunteer. There is no charge, however, donations will be accepted. Come celebrate the bounty of our risen Lord and Savior.

FOOD PANTRY FOR FEBRUARY

Pastas and
 Red Spaghetti Sauce
 (Canned only, please)



Cash is always appreciated.
 (Make checks out to Aldersgate and write 'food pantry' in the memo line.)
 Thank you.



OUR NEW EMBLEM

The curves are thinner, more refined and graduate from thick to thin. It uses official UMC cross/flame. Text is bottom aligned with the emblem to reinforce the feeling of a flame shape and text always appears with the emblem.

(Copied from unitedmethodistwomen.org)

The Emblem of United Methodist Women, the cross and flame, symbolizes our organization. The cross and flame are ancient symbols of the church and appear on the United Methodist Church emblem. Both symbols remind us of the opportunities and obligations of discipleship. Paul's words to Timothy have fresh and contemporary meanings, "I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God which is within you." (2 Timothy 1:6). As United Methodist Women, we give our gift of God with others through mission.



GOLDEN CROSS NEEDS

We are still collecting for Audrey and the Golden Cross Key Women's meeting on March 10. Items for Move-in Kits and Bountiful Blessing Bags are needed. Here are a few more suggestions:

- Peanut Butter
 - Instant Coffee
 - Oatmeal
 - Seasonings/Spices
 - Cookies
 - Complete Boxed Meals
 - Grape Jelly
 - Instant Potatoes
 - Crackers
 - Tuna Helper
- Complete lists are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Please place items in the basket near the Sunday School office. Thank you.



LENTEN HUNGER OFFERING
"Love Your Neighbor as Yourself"

Did you know that a missionary and his wife from the Memphis Conference, Eric & Elizabeth Soard, serve one of the feeding programs supported by our Lenten Hunger Offering? "Our Father's House", called Nyumba ya Baba Wetu in Swahili, feeds street children in the Mara Region of Tanzania.

THE UPPER ROOM

...for March/April is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick up your copy now and don't miss a day of these great devotionals.



EASTER LILIES

Honor your loved ones this Easter by placing flowers in the Sanctuary. Please complete the form below and return it, with payment, to the office or in the offering plate.

Given by _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

The cost is \$15 each. Make checks to Aldersgate UMC and designate "Easter Flowers" or "Lilies" in the memo line. The deadline is March 16th.

St. Francis Memphis

Eloise Miller

Baptist Memorial

Janet Milewski ICU

Jackson/Madison

Ted Lewis ICU

Paterson, NJ

Irvin Scheirer

Corinth, MS

Virginia Kemp Jones

Hospice Care

Sylvia Edwards

Juanita Caldwell

At Home

Jay Finzel

Terry Williamson

Marie Hughes

Linda Burrow

Peggy Brightwell surg 3/1

Special Prayers for

...kidnapped girls/Nigeria

...disaster victims

OUR SYMPATHY, love and prayers go out to
...Jimmy Hight, Betty Jones, families and friends in the
loss of their brother, Lloyd Hight.

Homebound and Assisted Care

Martha Allen	June Burton	Mava Dell Fry
Earl Galloway	Helen Griffin	Margaret Kenley
Doris Palazzini	Betty Ray	Bernice Shelby
Chris Simmons	Emmett Smith	Harold Smith
Betty Smithmier	Martha Wallace	Bill Whitaker

OUR PRESENCE - February 21

Sunday School	55
Worship	72
Visitors	6

OUR GIFTS - February 21

Offering	\$ 1,600
Month to Date	\$ 7,500

OUR SERVICE - February 28

Greeter	Anna Deekae Nubari Deekae
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Judy Stanley
Children's Time	Gaby Gordillo
Lock-up	Henry Blanks

OUR WITNESS

March Scripture Readers

6	Renee Little
13	Warren Petty
20	Dean Tutor
27	Nubari Deekae



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IT CAN BE FORGIVEN!

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Though deep the depth and high the height
Though strong the stench, awful the sight
Yet your sin can be forgiven
Great is His grace, come believing

Though strong the guilt and far the stray
Though ill your health and short your days
Yet your sin can be forgiving
There is pardon for the living

Though you be so shattered within
By the brutality of sin
The Healer is standing by thee
To heal and save like He did me

Murderers come, and adulterers;
Haters of God, idolaters
Have equal share of saving grace
For Jesus, no sin is too great!

Oh His grace is greater than sin
When His power enters within
It will wrought in thee a new man
To now walk in His holy plan

Come to Him with all of your guilt
There's a holy pardon for thee!
He will by no means cast you out
Come beloved, by faith, have no doubt!

Scriptures for the week: Isaiah 55:1-9

I Corinthians 1:-:1-13

Psalms 63:1-8

Luke 13:1-9

Aldersgate UMC



March 2016

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY		THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Virginia Jones Finzel Outreach Min: The Rev. Goyo De la Cruz Choir Dir: Lisa Hughes Organist: Lana Solomon Pianist: Lynn Coffman			1		2 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury Noon Devotion & Lunch-Asbury 6:45p Choir Rehearsal	3 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 10:00a Bible Study	4 World Day of Prayer Offices Closed	5 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake 6:00p Spanish Service @ Asbury/EI Redentor
6 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service 2-4 Non-church gathering	7 10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Pres. Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury	8 10:00a Koinonia 7:00p Love/Hope	9 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 10:30a Hospital Auxiliary Noon Devotion & Lunch-Asbury 6:00p Staff/Parish Relations 6:45p Choir Rehearsal 10:59p One Harvest Order Deadline	10 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 11:00a Golden Cross Key Women 5:00p Girl Scouts	11 10:30a Sr. Adult Game Day @ Asbury Offices Closed	12 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake 6:00p Spanish Service @ Asbury/EI Redentor		
13 Girl Scout Sunday 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service 12:30p UMW Unit Meeting	14 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury	15	16 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 10:00a UMNC Key Women Noon Devotion & Lunch-Asbury 6:45p Choir Rehearsal	17 St. Patrick's Day 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 6:00p UM Men @ Asbury	18 Offices Closed	19 9:00a Arts For Life's Sake 10:00a Sewing Group 1:00p One Harvest Distribution 6:00p Spanish Service @ Asbury/EI Redentor		
20 Passion/Palm Sunday 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service & Easter Cantata	21 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury	22 Holy Week	23 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury Noon Devotion & Lunch-Asbury NO Choir Rehearsal	24 Holy Thursday 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 5:00p Girl Scouts	25 Good Friday 11:30a Young at Heart – Asbury Offices Closed	26 Holy Saturday 7:00p Prayer Vigil @ Asbury/EI Redentor		
27 Easter Sunday 8:30 a Easter Breakfast 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service	28 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury	29	30 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury NO Choir Rehearsal	31 9-12 Food Pantry at Asbury 10:00a Bible Study	4459 Willow Road Memphis, TN 38117 Phone: 901-683-8861 Email: office@agumc.org Website: www.agumc.org			

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR MARCH

Hot Cereals

Such as
Oatmeal, Cream of Wheat, Grits, Quinoa

Cash is also welcome.

(Make checks payable to Aldersgate and write "Food Pantry" in the memo line.)

Thank you.



Happy Birthday

- Mar. 1 Rebecca Bedwell
- Jeremy Bellott
- Greg Bishop
- Margaret Ann Ligon
- Shannon Pitner
- 2 Frances Morris
- 7 John Farrow
- 11 Ana De la Cruz
- 12 Matthew Bedwell
- 14 Brock Tschume
- 15 Dorothy Christiansen
- 16 Christopher Little
- 19 Perri Mathis



Happy Anniversary

- Mar. 1 Scott & Scarlet McMullin
- 11 Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold

ASSISTING IN MARCH

Greeters	Nubari Deekae Fortune Gbeneneh
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	6 Renee Little 13 Warren Petty 20 Dean Tutor 27 Nubari Deekae
Children's Time	6 Judy Stanley 13 Andrew Baker 20 Judy Stanley 27 Judy Stanley
Lock-up	Mary Robbins

Please help us keep our records current. If there are any omissions or errors, please call the church office, 683-8861, or email office@agumc.org.



Opportunities for Prayer, Study, & Reflection During Lent

- March 2 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury
Noon Devotional & Lunch at Asbury
- March 3 10:00a Bible Study @ Aldersgate
- March 4 World Day of Prayer
- March 5 6:00p Spanish Worship Service @ Asbury
- March 6 10:00a Worship @ Asbury
11:30a Worship @ Aldersgate
- March 7 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury
- March 8 10:00a Koinonia UMW Group
7:00p Love/Hope UMW Group
- March 9 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury
Noon Devotional & Lunch at Asbury
- March 10 10:00a Bible Study @ Aldersgate
- March 12 6:00p Spanish Worship Service @ Asbury
- March 13 Girl Scout Sunday @ Aldersgate
10:00a Worship @ Asbury
11:30a Worship @ Aldersgate
12:30p United Methodist Women Unit Meeting
- March 14 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury
- March 16 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury
Noon Devotional & Lunch at Asbury
- March 17 10:00a Bible Study @ Aldersgate
6:00p United Methodist Men @ Asbury
- March 19 6:00p Spanish Worship Service @ Asbury
- March 20 Passion/Palm Sunday
10:00a Worship @ Asbury
11:30a Worship @ Aldersgate with Cantata
- March 21 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury
- March 23 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury
Noon Devotional & Lunch at Asbury
- March 24 10:00a Bible Study @ Aldersgate
- March 26 7:00p Spanish Prayer Vigil @ Asbury
- March 27 Easter Sunday
10:00a Worship @ Asbury
11:30a Worship @ Aldersgate