

OUR PRAYERS

Jewish Rehab
Bernard Rainey
(Lorelle's brother)

Special Prayers for
...kidnapped girls
from Nigeria
...earthquake victims
in Nepal
...flood victims in
Texas

Rehab-Paterson, NJ
Irvin Scheirer

At Home
Darwin Shipley, Sr.

Homebound and Assisted Care

Martha Allen June Burton Jack Eaton
Mava Dell Fry Earl Galloway Helen Griffin
Marie Hughes Margaret Kenley Doris Palazzini
Mary Grace Petty Jane Pifer Betty Ray
Bernice Shelby Chris Simmons Emmett Smith
Harold Smith Betty Smithmier Martha Wallace
Bill Whitaker

OUR PRESENCE - September 27

Sunday School 33
Worship 71
Visitors 5

OUR GIFTS - September 27

Offering \$ 2,347
Month to Date \$ 12,429
Apportionments To Date \$ 6,776

OUR SERVICE - October 4

Greeters Margaret Ann Ligon
Audrey Weaver
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Barry Mathis
Children's Time
Lock-up Barry Mathis

OUR WITNESS

October Scripture Readers

11 Nubari Deekae
18 Renee Little
25 Judy Stanley



ALDERSGATE United Methodist Church
4459 Willow Road
Memphis, TN 38117-6917



60th Anniversary Celebration
October 25, 2015
Memories and Merry Making

Please make your lunch res-
ervations by October 12.
You may call the office, 683-
886, or sign up on the office
window.



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Pastor's Ponderings "..."that they all may be one" John 17:21

The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, a time when we celebrate our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Originally called World Wide Communion Sunday, World Communion Sunday is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933. It was an attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity.

Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Although churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with the Presbyterians from the beginning, it wasn't until 1940, when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world, that the practice became widespread. It really caught on during WW II. When the emphasis was on trying to hold the world together, World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized oneness in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The key word for World Communion Sunday is communion, or unity. It is a day when we mark the almost universal Christian practice of breaking bread with one another and remembering both the night of Jesus' betrayal, when Jesus instituted what we now call the Lord's Supper, as a lasting remembrance and of Jesus' sacrifice. World Communion Sunday is a time for remembering that around the globe in different languages, with different traditions and customs, and in various forms of liturgy the Lord's Supper is celebrated throughout Christendom.

Sunday, October 4, starting at 10:00am, we'll celebrate World Communion Sunday at Asbury UMC. Following the Communion service, we'll have the Festival of Cultures celebrating the different cultures represented in Aldersgate, Asbury, and El Redentor churches. Come and celebrate!

Blessings always,
Virginia

This Week's Scriptures: Job 1:1, 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

Sun. 10/4 **LOOKING AHEAD**
World Communion Sunday
10:00a Worship Service/Asbury
Festival of Cultures @ Asbury

Mon. 10/5 10:00a Church Women United
 @ Buntyn Presbyterian
 Noon Newsletter Deadline
 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury

Tue. 10/6 No Activities

Wed. 10/7 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury
 6:45p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 10/8 9-Noon Food Pantry @ Asbury
 10:00a Bible Study
 5:00p Girl Scouts

Fri. 10/9 Senior Game Day @ Asbury
 Offices Closed

Sat. 10/10  9:00a **Work Day** in preparation
 for 60th Anniversary
 Celebration
 9:00a AFLS
 6:00p Spanish Service and
 Children/Youth Fellowship
 at **El Redentor/Asbury**

Sun. 10/11 10:15a Sunday School
 11:30a Worship
 12:30p Anniversary Committee



2nd ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF CULTURES
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

This Sunday is the day! Join us at 10 a.m. for one service at Asbury, followed by food and fun from 11 to 3. Bring a lawn chair and be prepared for a great time!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes, you have to look back in order to understand the things that lie ahead.

— *Catherynne Valente*

THANK YOU

Dear Aldersgate,
 Thank you for our going away luncheon and the beautiful picture of Aldersgate. We will cherish it and our memories of Aldersgate. We love you and miss you.

Terry & Margie

ABOUT OUR 60TH



Join Us On Our Work Day
We Want To Look Good!

...around the church and grounds for our big 60th Anniversary Celebration. We will have lots of guests and want the place to shine! The Trustees are sponsoring a **Work Day on Saturday, October 10, starting at 9 a.m.**, to spruce up our facilities. YOU can help replace ceiling tiles, etc., in preparation for the big day. SEE YOU THERE!

Baptism Photos Sought

Were you or a family member baptized at Aldersgate? WE WANT YOUR PHOTOS for a special display at our 60th Anniversary Celebration. Photos may be left in the church office or given to Lisa Hughes to be included in our exhibit. **Be sure to label and date all pictures** before handing them in.



Anniversary Cookbooks



...can be had for only \$15. Please make checks out to Aleita Tutor. Just wait till you see what's in store! Thank you so much to all who participated. It truly is the work of many hands (especially Aleita's!). Special thanks to you, Aleita!

TRAVEL TIME

Reservations for the Branson Christmas Tour, December 1-4, are still being taken. Deposits are due NOW to save your space. Call Carolyn for all the details, 861-0841.

UMW NEWS

Thank you

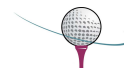
A big thank you to those involved in making UMW/UMM Sunday a great day! Ladies & gentlemen, you did a great job. Thank you, thank you again! Special thanks to Virginia for sharing about Grace Place. It was an eye-opener.

MOR Weekend is Nov. 7-8

The time is now to prepare for our **Mission Outreach Retreat—"Hands in Mission"**, at Lakeshore. The registration deadline is October 23. There will be a display of mission work done this year around the Conference, so bring those posters, pictures, and paraphernalia showing how you have been involved in outreach. Each local Unit is invited to sponsor 1 or 2 "young" women and encourage all ages to attend. And remember, there are District and Conference Scholarships for first-timers, so—if you are a first-timer or know one, Lana will have all the information you need. Registration forms are available in the church office.

CHOIR NOTES

Now through December 20, everyone is invited to join the Choir on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 to 7:15 for 'Christmas music'. No long-term commitment to every Wednesday forever and ever—just praise the Lord in music in our Christmas Cantata, then you can relax until the next cantata!



TAAUMCUMMGT

Thirty-sixth Annual Aldersgate
United Methodist Church

United Methodist Men's Golf Tournament

...is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, our **60th Anniversary weekend!** It will open at 9 a.m. at Audubon Park Golf Course, 4160 Park Ave., where our very first golf tournament was held, way back in 1979. Make plans NOW to participate. Call Dean Tutor, 274-0089, for details and to sign up. If friends are coming to town for our 60th Anniversary Celebration, invite them to join us!

FIVE WISHES PROGRAM

How to handle your final wishes.

Our own Lynn Coffman, now associated with Crossroads Hospice, will present "Five Wishes" on Thursday, October 22 at 11 a.m., right after Bible Study. The focus of this program is how to plan for your final wishes to be carried out by your family or the person in charge. Good information for everyone to know.



OFFERING A HELPING HAND WITH LOVE

Food Pantry for October

Canned Meats and Fish
 Chili Stews Ravioli
 Peanut Butter

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Grace Place

Yarn, especially Christmas colors
 Birthday Cards Stamps
 Embroidery Thread Aida Cloth
 Subscriptions to the Upper Room

These items may be placed in the shiny, blue box outside the office. Thank you.

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Thanksgiving Is Coming

In Christian love, we will again be helping supply Thanksgiving Baskets for UMNC to give to needy families. You may give a completed basket or items for a basket, or cash/check or \$15 Kroger gift cards(included in each basket). Basket items:

2 cranberry sauce	2 canned corn
2 green beans	2 bags stuffing
1 large can yams	12 oz. instant potatoes
1 box powdered milk	1 small instant coffee
4/5 lbs. sugar	4/5 lbs. flour
48 oz. canola oil	40 oz. biscuit mix
1 cake mix	1 can frosting

1 box family-size tea bags








Please make checks out to Aldersgate and note UMNC Baskets in the memo line. If giving gift cards, be sure to place them in an envelope marked UMNC Baskets.

Please have all items at the church no later than November 11th.

Aldersgate UMC



October 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Pastor: Dr. Virginia Jones Finzel Outreach Min: Rev. Goyo De la Cruz Choir Dir: Lisa Hughes Organist: Lana Solomon Pianist: Lynn Coffman</p>		<p>4459 Willow Road Memphis, TN 38117 Phone: 901-683-8861 Email: office@agumc.org Website: www.agumc.org</p>		<p>1 9 to 12 Food Pantry @ Asbury 10:00a Bible Study</p>	<p>2 Offices Closed</p>	<p>3 9:00a AFLS 6:00p Spanish Worship & Children/ Youth Fellowship @ El Redentor</p>
<p>4 10:00a Festival of Cultures All Parish churches meet at Asbury UMC</p> 	<p>5 10:00a Church Women United @ Buntyn Presbyterian Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>8 9 to 12 Food Pantry @ Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 5:00p Girl Scouts</p>	<p>9 10:30a Senior Game Day @ Asbury Offices Closed</p>	<p>10 9:00a AFLS  9:00a Work Day in preparation for 60th Celebration 6:00p Spanish Worship & Children/ Youth Fellowship @ El Redentor</p>
<p>11 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service</p>	<p>12 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury</p>	<p>13 10:00a Koinonia 7:00p Love/Hope</p>	<p>14 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 10:30a Meth. Hosp. Auxiliary 6:45p Choir Rehearsal 10:59p One Harvest Order Deadline</p>	<p>15 9 to 12 Food Pantry @ Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 6:00p UM Men-Asbury</p>	<p>16 Offices Closed</p>	<p>17 9:00a AFLS 6:00p Spanish Worship & Children/ Youth Fellowship @ El Redentor</p>
<p>18 Children's Sabbath 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service 12:30p UMW Executive Mtg.</p>	<p>19 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>22 9 to 12 Food Pantry @ Asbury 10:00a Bible Study 11:00a 5 Wishes Program w/Lynn Coffman 5:00p Girl Scouts</p>	<p>23 11:30a Young at Heart @ Asbury Set-up for Anniversary Offices Closed</p>	<p>24 9:00a AFLS 9:00a Golf Tournament @ Audubon Park Golf Course 1:00p One Harvest Dist.-Asbury Set-up for Anniversary 6:00p Spanish Worship & Children/ Youth Fellowship @ El Redentor</p> 
<p>25 60th Anniversary Celebration 10:15a Church School 11:30a Worship Service 12:30p Lunch & Activities</p> 	<p>26 Noon News Deadline 6:00p Prayer Walk @ Asbury</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 10:00a Bible Study @ Asbury 6:45p Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>29 9 to 12 Food Pantry @ Asbury 10:00a Bible Study</p>	<p>30 Offices Closed</p>	<p>31  Happy Halloween  9:00a AFLS  Set Your Clocks Back! 7:00p Prayer Vigil @ El Redentor</p>



Happy Birthday

- Oct . 1 Joyce Kernodle
Teresa McMullin
Keith Wilson
- 2 Kathy Haggard
Clifford Watson
- 3 Kathryn Ragan
- 4 Don Speraw
- 7 Frances Molnar
Betty Ray
- 10 Tucker Schneider
- 11 Keith Coffman
- 13 Karl Hughes
- 15 Jamie Craft
- 16 Sharon Lockhart
- 19 Ben Bedwell
Nova Bedwell
- 20 Dixie Bradsher
- 22 Tonya Mabry
- 23 Michael Fergie
Yobani Hernandez
Rhonda Hicks
Marsha Lewis
- 26 Earl Galloway
- 27 Virginia Finzel



Happy Anniversary

- Oct. 18 Gary & Laura Schneider
- 19 Barry & Cindy Pilkinton
- 26 Tom & Sharon Lockhart

ASSISTING IN OCTOBER

Greeters	Margaret Ann Ligon Audrey Weaver
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	4 Barry Mathis 11 Nubari Deekae 18 Renee Little 25 Judy Stanley
Children's Time	4 11 18 Judy Stanley 25
Lock-up	Barry Mathis

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.



...1 hour on Saturday, October 31st. (Yes, that's right. It's Halloween!)
Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday morning, November 1.

REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

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Peanut Butter



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Did You Know Sabias?



Hispanic Heritage Month
Mes da la Herencia Hispana