

## OUR PRAYERS

**Allenbrooke NH/Rehab Hospice Care**  
 Bill Whitaker 206 Mary Stanley  
 (to go home Nov. 5)

**Forest Cove NH At Home**  
 Chris Simmons 129 Earl Galloway  
 Lynda Park  
 Linda Ann Gullick Terry Williamson  
 (Breast ca surg on 11/3 ) Becky Roberts  
 Jeanette Leslie

### Special Prayers for

...Dean & Aleita while traveling  
 ...kidnapped girls from Nigeria

Martha Allen	June Burton	Gerri Colisia
Jack Eaton	Mava Dell Fry	Helen Griffin
Marie Hughes	James Matlock	Lorene Nance
Doris Palazzini	Jane Pifer	Bill Quinn
Betty Ray	Bernice Shelby	Emmett Smith
	Harold Smith	

## OUR PRESENCE

### November 2

Church School	47
Worship	83
Visitors	15

## OUR GIFTS

### November 2

This Week's Offering	\$ 3,578
MTD	\$ 3,578
Apportionments TD	\$ 7,090

## OUR SERVICE

### November 9, 2014

<b>Greeters</b>	Margie Williamson Lorelle Woodard
<b>Liturgist</b>	Bruce Hughes
<b>Scripture</b>	Renee Little
<b>Children's Time</b>	Lisa Hughes
<b>Lock-up</b>	Barry Mathis

## OUR WITNESS

### November Scripture Readers

16	Warren Petty
23	Judy Stanley
30	Dean Tutor



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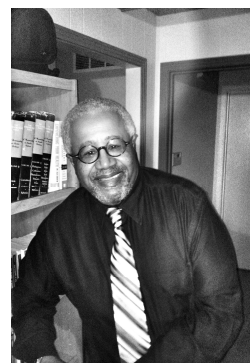
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## THE WRITE REVEREND



The Apostle Paul, writing from a Roman prison cell to the Philippian church, demonstrated tremendous courage in the face of adversity when he wrote to these co-laborers in Christ: "I've learned by now to be quite content whatever my circumstances. I'm just as happy with little as with much, with much as with little. I've found the recipe for being happy whether full or hungry, hands full or hands empty. Whatever I have, wherever I am, I can make it through anything in the One who makes me who I am" (Philippians 4:12-13 The Message).

In his first inaugural address to the American people, as they struggled to cope with the depth of the Great Depression, FDR said: ". . . first of all, let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself—nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance."

Borrowing from both Holy Writ and from FDR, I feel comfortable asserting that in the love of the One who makes us who and what we are, we have nothing to fear and need not be paralyzed with unjustified terror by any nameless, unreasoning action or intent that stands in the way of our progress and growth.

Take youth ministry for example. Who would have imagined that we would literally have a room full of children and youth last week celebrating Halloween. While neither of the churches in the Parish has more than a handful of youth by themselves, one of our classrooms was busting at the seams with young people who just started showing up. Beginning during Fall Break, one group Milton Craft (our Youth Minister) met on the parking lot playing football while the other group just started showing up on Wednesday evenings and accepted our invitation to come back. It just happened! God made it happen! With five kids added to the mix from Asbury, along with several parents, a good time was had by all! Thanks be to God! "...the only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

*Herbert*

Scriptures for the week: *Joshua 24:1-3A, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7 (UMH #799); I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25: 1-14*

**LÖÖKING AHEAD**  
 Sun. 11/9 Veteran's Day Recognition  
**9:00a Scholarship Committee**  
 Koffee in the Kitchen  
 9:45a Sunday School  
 11:00a Worship  
**12:15p Church Council**

Mon. 11/10 Noon News Deadline

Tue. 11/11 10:00a Koinonia Group  
 6:00p Cub Scouts  
**NO** Love/Hope (Meets the 18th)

Wed. 11/12 **10:00a Bible Study at Asbury**  
 10:30a Meth. Hospital Auxiliary  
 6:00p Fellowship & Study  
 7:15p Choir Rehearsal

Thu. 11/13 9a-12p Food Pantry Open  
 at Asbury  
**11:30a BBQ & Bingo**

Fri. 11/14 Offices Closed  
 10:30a Senior Game Day-Asbury

Sat. 11/15 9:00a AFLS  
 9:00a UMW District Officers  
 Training @ Centenary UMC

Sun. 11/16 Koffee in the Kitchen  
 9:45a Sunday School  
 11:00a Worship  
**12:15p Harvest Dinner**



**HARVEST DINNER - NOVEMBER 16**

Sunday, the 16th, is our big day — The Harvest Dinner, catered by Mary Proctor. Adults \$8, 12 & under \$4. **Reservations are a must**, to provide us with the number of mouths we will feed. The sign-up sheet is on the office window or you may call the office, 683-8861.

**OUR PARISH CHARGE CONFERENCE**

...is Monday, November 24, 7:00 p.m.  
 at Asbury UMC, 2969 S. Mendenhall Rd.

**REMEMBER - CHURCH COUNCIL**

...will meet November 9, 12:15p



**BBQ & BINGO**

...Thursday, November 13 ...11:30a.  
 Come enjoy barbeque with all the fixin's (for your generous donation) and win some great prizes when you shout BINGO! Prizes will be provided, so just bring yourself and a friend or two. **Please make reservations so we can feed everyone.** Sign up on the window or call 683-8861.



**THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER**

Aldersgate will again offer Thanksgiving Day dinner to invited guests, our way of 'giving back' in a ministry to the Memphis community. Dinner will be prepared by Mary Proctor but all other areas: set-up, serving, greeting, dessert making, clean-up, etc., will depend on us.

Helpers will be needed on Wednesday night and on Thanksgiving Day in 2 hour shifts (or for the entire time—your choice). Please contact Judy Stanley at [judy@crumpmortgage.com](mailto:judy@crumpmortgage.com) or 901-652-4821 or Barry Mathis at 901-683-7050, 901-299-2746 or [bamathis@att.net](mailto:bamathis@att.net), to sign up.

You can help us fill lonely hearts as well as empty tummies by volunteering your assistance.

**Calling All Pie Bakers**

We need your famous pies to serve our dinner guests. Please let Jane Hight (737-9053) or Sharon Lockhart (754-3429) know if you will help by making a pie (or 2 or 3). Thanks!

**TRIVIA NIGHT BENEFITS  
 COLONIAL PARK YOUTH**

You are invited to Trivia Night on Saturday, Nov. 8, starting at 6:30 p.m. There will be teams of 6, bring your own or make one there. Food, fun and prizes are in store. Tickets are \$10 per person at the door. Food concessions available for purchase. Childcare for ages up to 10 available (with reservations, \$5 per child). Contact Christie at [centrekin@colonialpark.org](mailto:centrekin@colonialpark.org) or 683-5286, for info.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

STOP! Go look out a window.  
 Take in the beauty of God's creation.

**UMW NEWS**

Please note! The Love/Hope Group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 18th, rather than on the 11th, due to scheduling conflicts.

There will be no Toy Store at UMNC this season. This year, our church-wide Christmas Card will help sponsor "Santa's Sack". We will purchase toys, clothes, etc., for the children in the Day Care, Preschool and After School Programs, about 100 children. We will have the name, age and sex of a child on a card attached to Santa's Sack. There will be a suggested gift list based on ages.

We will also be supplying food baskets to the dedicated UMNC staff who are so devoted.

As well as our church-wide Christmas Card sponsoring this program, you may choose to sponsor a child or two or donate a food basket. Cash or checks for either project are also welcome. The deadline to participate is December 18, If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Lockhart, Key Woman from Aldersgate.

**UMW Young Women's Leadership Program  
 July 6 - 16, 2015 Seoul, Korea**

The registration deadline for this conference is December 19, 2014. Information and forms may be found on line at [www.umwonline.org](http://www.umwonline.org), flickr, youtube, pinterest and facebook.



**FOOD PANTRY FOR NOVEMBER**

You may give all of a basket or any part, as you prefer. All items must be at the church by Sunday, November 16. Thank you!

- \$15 Kroger Gift Card or Cash or Check
- 2 Boxes Dressing Mix
- 2 Cans Cranberry Sauce
- 2 Cans Corn
- 2 Cans Green Beans
- 40 oz. Sweet Potatoes
- 4/5 lbs. flour
- 1 Jar Instant Coffee
- 1 Box Cake Mix
- 4/5 lbs sugar
- 24 oz. Oil
- 1 Can Frosting
- 40 oz. Biscuit Mix
- 20 oz. Instant Potatoes
- 1 Box Powered Milk
- 1 Box Family-size Tea Bags

**HONORING OUR LOVED ONES**

Gifts have been given for  
**Memorial Fund**  
In memory of Mary Hicks by  
 Joy Mitchell and Johnny Mitchell

**Communion Offering**  
In memory of Kinder & Betty Fox, Nancy's Parents  
 By Henry & Nancy Blanks  
In memory of H.H. & Jane Blanks, Henry's Parents  
 By Henry & Nancy Blanks

**OUR ADVENT STUDY**

...begins November 30. Books can be ordered for \$11.00. Please call the office to order, 683-8861.

**BELLEVUE'S DENTAL VAN  
 COMING TO ALDERSGATE**

FREE dental care will be available to those who qualify:

- ~ Clients must live in the 38117 zip code and provide proof of residence
- ~ Clients must NOT have dental insurance
- ~ There are NO income limits

Cleanings will be done on Wednesday, Dec. 3, from 7 a.m. to Noon. Extractions and fillings will be done on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 7 to 10 a.m. Space is limited. We would like to offer this service to our members first. If you are interested, please call the church office at 901-683-0130 to make an appointment.



**"CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY"**

...features a country home with landscape covered in snow, foothills in the background and Christmas trees lining the driveway. The perfect place to spend an old-fashioned Christmas.

This painting by Libby Anderson has been donated to Aldersgate for our Christmas Card Program benefitting United Methodist Neighborhood Centers. Libby's husband, Bob, serves on the Board of UMNC.

Libby has several websites including *Libby Anderson Daily Paintings*. Most of her paintings are in small sizes and she uses several mediums. The Oxford Class is grateful for the generous gift of her time, talent and framing. We hope the members of Aldersgate will enjoy it.