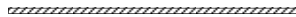


ACOLYTE COORDINATOR NEEDED!

With access to a telephone and a minimum amount of time, you can fulfill a great need in our church! The Worship Committee is looking for an Acolyte Coordinator. This is a great way to get to know the wonderful children in our congregation! Children typically serve as acolytes from 2nd through 6th grades. For more information, please call Gerry Gardner at 685-1825, or the church office, 685-8253.



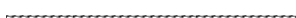
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They're GONE!!! The keys to the church van are missing! We are asking everyone who has driven the church van for an event in the last few months to please check and see if you have these missing keys. It's easy to pocket the keys and forget that you have them — no stiff fines or penalties — just please bring them back to the church office!



FLAMINGO SEASON

...is in full swing! If in doubt, just ask the people who've been flocked!! If you would like to surprise someone with a lawn full of beautiful pink flamingoes contact Craig Tate, 685-8253. What better way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or just an ordinary day, than with flamingos! Of course, if you want to avoid finding your own lawn full of pink flamingos, there's always Flamingo Insurance! For the small fee of \$35.00 Mullins youth will make sure the flamingos don't land at your house! Make checks payable to Mullins and designate "Flamingo Insurance".



LITERATURE RECYCLING

Many of you have responded to the request to recycle old Sunday School literature and devotional materials. This will be an on-going project — please continue to bring items and place in the box outside the church office. Thanks for being good stewards!

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

BUDGET

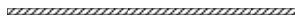
In memory of Polly Thomas in remembrance of her birthday, by Marjorie Luton



OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY

Sign ups are underway for "Jesus in the Gospels". This 30 week study, led by Dr. Brad Gabriel, will be on Sundays from 5:00—7:00 p.m., in Room 117, beginning September 7. The cost for materials is \$47.00 per person.

Kimberly Dunigan, Director of Parents Day Out, will lead a study for young women, "Living Your Life as a Beautiful Offering", at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 2. The group will meet at Kimberly's home. To sign up, or for more information, call Kimberly at 681-9217.



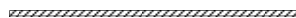
FALL BLOOD DRIVE

Lifeblood will be at Mullins UMC on Wednesday, September 17, for our fall blood drive. Please make plans now to donate that night! All donors will receive a free meal that evening. Give blood, save a life!



JUNIOR HIGH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning September 21, there will be a new Sunday School class for Junior High (6th, 7th and 8th graders). Cyndi Watkins will lead the class, which promises to be lots of fun as well as educational. If you are currently in Junior High, make plans to attend this great new class!



WHY ME?

When we're faced with an unexpected hardship, our first impulse is often to ask, "Why me? Oh God, why me?"

When a blessing comes our way, we happily accept it, yet seldom do we ask, "Why me? Oh God, why me?"

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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor

Mullins Pulpit - September 14, 2008
Scripture: Exodus 14: 10 - 31, Matthew 18: 21 - 35
Sermon: 'VICTORY AT SEA'

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:45 & 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School 9:40 am
Wednesday Dinner & Program 5:45 p.m.

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Dear Friends,

Mark your calendars, and make your plans! Several church committees are planning special events for Sunday, September 21. During worship we will recognize our 50 year members, and, we hope, welcome back Mullins members who have been away for awhile. Names and telephone numbers are available, and we hope that you will pick those up this Wednesday or next Sunday. Call the people you know and invite them to join you for worship and the Potluck Lunch. You are also encouraged to invite friends and family who are not presently active in a church. Let this be the opportunity for Mullins to become their church home. After the 10:50 service, we will gather in Fellowship Hall for food, fellowship and fun. Bring a dish for your family and one more, and we will enjoy God's bounty as only Mullins can! The day will be capped off with the Mullins Musical Review and More, featuring some of your favorite Mullins musicians and singers. Let's make plans for this to be all the fun we know it can be. Again, your part in making the party happen:

1. Be here on September 21
2. Invite missing or moved Mullins members to join you in your pew.
3. Bring a covered dish to share at the Potluck Lunch
4. Be ready to enjoy the entertainment.

See you in church!

In His Service,
Brad Gabriel

LAY SPEAKING COURSES

Rev. Steven Manskar will lead two workshops on Covenant Discipleship in the Memphis area. The first is October 4, at St. Paul UMC in Lakeland, the second is October 18, at Union City First United Methodist Church. Rev. Manskar is the author of the Advanced Lay Speaking Course, "Accountable Discipleship".

The basic Lay Speaking Course will be November 6, 6:30 p.m. and November 8, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration deadline is Sept. 19. The cost is \$20, which covers lunch and a workbook. Please mail your check to Memphis Conference CMT, 24 Corporate Blvd., Jackson, TN 38305-2315. Please indicate with registration, which workshop you plan to attend.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. UMW District Day - Grimes UMC
4:30 p.m. Youth - Cici's/Laser Quest
5:00 p.m. Yoga Class - 117-T
5:00 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels - 117
6:00 p.m. MOMs Group

MONDAY 10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - Sanctuary/FH
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
7:00 p.m. Administrative Council - Chapel

TUESDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
10:30 a.m. UMW Circle Mtg. - Parlor
6:01 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal
6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - Gym
7:00 p.m. Yoga Class
7:00 p.m. Bowling

WEDNESDAY 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - FH
8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
5:00 p.m. Lifeblood - Parking Lot
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
6:15 p.m. Beading Group - 209
6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
6:30 p.m. Prayer Service - FH
7:17 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
6:13 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal

FRIDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym

SATURDAY 8:15 a.m. Yoga - Gym
7:30 p.m. AA Mtg. - Lamplighter Rm.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR SEPTEMBER 14

Children's Message - Gwen Augustine

THE MENU FOR SEPTEMBER 17

Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20

Adults: Roast Pork, Cheese Grits, Green Beans, Salad, Bread, Dessert

Kids: Pizza or adult menu

To schedule a nursery for church meetings, please contact Stephanie Bowen, 483-4747, or the church office, 685-8253.

OUR PRAYERS

At Home
Rhodes Vawter

OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	27
Sunday School	56
10:50 Service	130
Prayer Breakfast	12
Prayer Service	82



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God

...in loving memory of Fritz Luton
by Judy and Dendy Harmon

...in loving memory of my husband, Dr. David Moore,
in remembrance of his birthday, September 14,
by Anita Moore



August, 2008

Budget Needs to Date:	\$384,952
Budget Received to Date:	\$332,342