

MULLINS MESSENGER

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“A CHURCH ALIVE AND SERVING CHRIST”
SINCE 1845

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

Sunday Morning Worship Services:
8:45 in Mullins' Chapel – 10:50 in Mullins' Sanctuary



Mullins Pulpit – March 7, 2010

Scripture: Luke 13:1-9

Sermon: “Is Compassion Your Point?”



Pastor's Corner

Brothers and Sisters on the Journey,
Invite someone to Easter worship.
More than that, invite someone to our
Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday
Worship, or Good Friday Lunch and

devotion experiences. That is evangelism.

Some points to remember when you make the invitation:

1. In today's culture, invitation is evangelism. While most of us grew up in a culture where everybody “got” Christianity, whether they believed it or not. Today most people under the age of about 40 don't “get” Christianity. They don't know the basic beliefs. They don't know the story. They don't know the church, for sure! Let's be honest—many people under the age of 40 have a positive view of Jesus and a negative view of his followers. In this situation, honest invitations to share the great good news that you have will count.

2. Don't argue. For the coming generation, arguments assume another side with equal validity. Also, according to surveys and research, arguments “feel” like attempts at conquest. Conversations, on the other hand, are what friends do, are what happen about something

really worth sharing, and are ways for you to share without seeming to impose. Arguments are political, commercial, and strident in the world of the young.

3. Don't imply that our faith can be reduced to four steps or three ideas or anything like that. That approach worked great after World War I and until recently. But that is an engineering approach to what young folks experience as a mystery. As the child of an engineer and former statistician, I like steps and formulas as the like. People a decade younger than I am approach truth more like poetry, though. Respect that and accept that. After all, we really do know that the Lord of Creation cannot be reduced to anything we can fully understand anyway.

So, evangelize! Invite someone to the musical presentation (cantata, for those of us who know “church speak”) on Palm Sunday, March 28. Invite someone to the experience of Maundy Thursday or Good Friday or the Easter Egg Hunt or Easter Sunday. It's evangelism. See you in church.

Grace for the Journey,

Brad

Honoring Our Loved Ones

Gifts have been given to:

BUDGET

In memory of **Jim Bland** by the Crusader Class and Mrs. W. A. McGinnis

In memory of **Virgil Foster** by the Crossroads Class

In memory of **Russell Vaiden** by the Crusader Class

In memory of **Louise Clift** by Mr. and Mrs. Norm Kercher

In memory of **Marjorie Luton** by Ruth Shapard, Evelyn Vowell, Lyn Smith, Georgeann Schanke, Rachel Fuchs, Mr. and Mrs. Norm Kercher, and Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

In memory of **Marjorie Luton** by Sally Lehning

MUSIC

In memory of **Jim Bland** by Ann Smith

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY

In memory of **Marjorie Luton** by Aaron Foster

Our Prayers

As members of the body of Christ, we are always in prayer for one another. At this time our thoughts and prayers go out especially for:

June Phillips, Room 2925 ICU, Baptist Memorial Hospital

Jean Phipps, Room 215 ICU, Baptist Memorial Hospital

Lynne Sweatt, Baptist Collierville (soon going to Rehab)

Margaret Callihan, at home

Erin Rohman and **baby**, at home

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to:

the family and friends of **Louise Clift**

Linda Morris in the loss of her aunt,
Imogene Morris

Children's Easter Clothes

Once again, Church Women United is helping provide new clothes for Easter for children in need. If you would like to donate a dress, socks, boy's shirt or slacks, or money to purchase these items, they would be most welcome! Donations may be left at the church office at Mullins. These items will be delivered to the Salvation Army for children of mothers who are in the shelter there.



Checks should be made out to the Salvation Army.

Donations Needed for Easter at UMNC!



United Methodist Neighborhood Center needs donations of candy, grass for Easter baskets, and plastic eggs. Donations may be left in the church office or given to Lyndall Jones. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Thank You!

We had a wonderful show of support for the blood drive on February 24. Fifteen members signed up to give blood, with seven units of blood being donated that evening. Remember, if you were unable to give at that time, you can go by one of the many Lifeblood centers in the community.

Our next scheduled blood drive is May 19.

Tina and Scott Campbell
Health and Welfare Representatives

Lakeshore Wants Your Camp Memories

Lakeshore United Methodist Assembly is collecting stories and pictures in an effort to compile a Thanksgiving and Advent Devotional for November and December 2010. Please write about your Lakeshore Memory and include a scripture for your story. Send all stories to:

Bill Walker
1458 Pilot Knob Road
Eva, Tennessee 38333



**Mullins Cookbook to Celebrate
165-Year History (1845-2010)**

Ladies and gentlemen, sons and daughters of the church, pull out your best recipes to submit for the NEW Mullins Cookbook, to be published for sale before our month-long celebration in July 2010, being planned by our Family Life Committee.

Recipes may be submitted in handwriting (printed), typed, or in a “Word” document. Please include the following:

1. Your name and phone number
2. Title of recipe, number of servings, cooking temperature
3. Ingredients
4. Directions

The recipe deadline is April 18, 2010.

Do you have a church cookbook that dates before the UMW’s 1988 “Our Daily Bread” book? We would like to borrow it/them for a *Mullins Old Timers’ Recipes* section. You may leave recipes and books in our church office or email Margaret Brown at mbrown@dbrown.com, fax to 386-0558, phone 388-9190. Contact Margaret Brown for additional information.

Congratulations

... to Erin and Grant Rohman on the birth of their son, Steven Benjamin!



Unsung Heroine/Hero

One person from each church will be honored as the “Unsung Heroine/Hero” at the Asbury District Laity Banquet on April 27, 2010, at Christ United Methodist Church. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. (cost \$10), and childcare will not be provided. You may nominate only ONE PERSON. Please do not nominate former recipients of this award. For a complete list of award winners, please contact the church office. All nominations must be in the church office by Tuesday, April 6.

Official Nomination Form

I nominate: _____
for the 2010 Unsung Heroine/ Hero Award

Nominated by: _____

**MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR
MARCH 7:**

Liturgist: Linda Mahan

Ushers and Greeters:

Lawrence Lewis (Head Usher), Jerry Cohen, Don Dunavant, John Weaver, Juanita and Larry Woodard

Children’s Church Leader: Lisa Weaver
No Children’s Message—Communion
Sunday

CHANCEL FLOWERS

are being placed to the glory of God

... in honor of Tina and Scott Campbell in appreciation for all they do for Mullins by Nancy and Paul Blankenship

... in loving memory of Fritz Luton in remembrance of his birthday, March 3, by Judy and Dendy Harmon

The Worship Committee invites you to join us on Sunday mornings in the Narthex for coffee and conversation following the 10:50 worship service.



THE MENU FOR MARCH 10:

- Corn Beef and Cabbage
- Crowder Peas
- Salad
- Dessert

*Adults \$5, Children 12 and under \$3,
Family Max \$20*

Dinner is held on Wednesday nights at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a brief prayer service and an interesting program. Everyone is invited to attend and to enjoy the fellowship. Your first dinner is complimentary!

If you’re not already on the list, please call the church office to let us know you’re coming so we’ll be sure to have plenty of food.



SPRING SPORTS SIGN UPS

Interested in playing volleyball, soccer, or baseball/softball??? Contact Lauren Gam at 685-8253.

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Geraldine Finley
David Campbell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday, March 7

- 8:45 a.m. Worship—Chapel
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:50 a.m. Worship—Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Youth
- 4:00 p.m. Bible Study—Room 212

Monday, March 8

- 9:00 a.m. Walking in the Gym
- 6:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group—Reception Room
- 6:15 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts—Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts—Gym
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee—Room 212
- 7:00 p.m. Evangelism Committee—Room 209

Tuesday, March 9

- 6:30 a.m. Career Support Group—Gym
- 9:00 a.m. Walking in the Gym
- 6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class—Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Yoga Class—Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 10

- 7:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast—Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Walking in the Gym
- 5:45 a.m. Fellowship Dinner—Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
- 6:15 p.m. Maanza a Leza Beading—Room 209
- 6:30 p.m. Program
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 11

- 9:00 a.m. Walking in the Gym
- 7:00 p.m. Companions in Christ—Room 209

Friday, March 12

- 9:00 a.m. Walking in the Gym

Saturday, March 13

- 11:00 a.m. Yoga—Fellowship Hall

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