

# MULLINS MESSENGER

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“A CHURCH ALIVE AND SERVING CHRIST”  
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Wednesday, May 26, 2010

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



Mullins Pulpit – May 30, 2010

Scripture: John 16:12-15  
Sermon: “Triangle Trade”



## PASTOR'S CORNER

June is busting out all over as the old song has it.

We have church staff changes: Ms. April Riley has accepted our position as a new Director of

Children's Ministries. We welcome her on May 30. Photo and bio to follow. We believe that Mullins' request for the Reverend Scottie Brafford to receive a non-salaried appointment here as Minister of Spiritual Formation has been approved, and as soon as that is official (read, in writing), a photo and bio of her will appear here as well.

We have fabulous ministries with children: Summer Stage begins June 1! Look out for lots of young children. VBS is June 14-17. Look out for even more young children and for some faux Egyptians as they follow Joseph's Journey!

We have denominational news: At Annual Conference, the Rev. Kevin Conrad will cease to be the Asbury DS. Our new Superintendent is the Rev. Sandra Leatherwood. We all look forward to a long and prosperous relationship with Sandra and hope that she will be seen often here at Mullins UMC.

The 171<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Memphis Annual Conference begins Sunday, June 6. Nearly 1,000 delegates will attend. The Memorial Service is at 4:30

and Opening Worship is at 7:30 that night. The Reverend Dr. Len Sweet will speak to the Conference three times: 1:30-2:05 p.m., Monday, June 7; 8:30-9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 8; and 1:20-2:20 p.m., Tuesday, June 8. You are invited to attend. Ministries of the Conference will be reviewed. A Conference budget that includes pay raises for the District Superintendents will be proposed. We will hear from Lambuth University about its changing status. The entire pre-conference package of material is on line at the Conference web site, [www.memphis-umc.org](http://www.memphis-umc.org). You can follow proceedings on Twitter if you Twit.

We have Sunday school news: Beginning Sunday, June 6, in the Fellowship Hall, during the Sunday school hour, I will offer a reading group for adults. We will use several short stories from well-known Southern authors as we look at Jesus in the Southland. If you are interested, please let me know so that I can make enough copies of the stories.

Well, I guess we have moved past “those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer.” Summer at the corner of Mendenhall and Walnut Grove is one more season to study and worship, serve and grow. See you Sunday.

Blessings,

*Brad*

## 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:

**Frances Vawter** at home

**OUR SYMPATHY**, love and prayers go out to:

the family and friends of **Mae Cook**

## HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

### BUDGET

In memory of **June Phillips** by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hausmann, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hill, Carolyn Irvin, Mary Winton, Rachel Fuchs, Sally Lehning, Bill and Jean Emerson, Mr. and Mrs. George Liesmann, Sammie Powell

In memory of **Peg Jackson** by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hausmann

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A gift has been given to VBS by Angie Smith

## THE FINCHERS GOSPEL

**SINGERS** will be in concert on Sunday, June 13, 2010, at 5 p.m. at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4459 Willow Road, Memphis, Tennessee. Aldersgate UMC invites us to join them for an evening of great, heart-warming music!

## WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THOSE PLASTIC BAGS?

Does your household have an overabundance of plastic bags from Target, Walmart, grocery stores, etc.? If so, Parents Day Out at Mullins UMC will be glad to take the ones you don't need! PDO uses these bags on a daily basis, so we go through A LOT of bags! Please bring your extra plastic bags to the PDO or church office. Thanks!

## YOU DID IT!

Thank you, Mullins you "filled up the bus".

The response to the blood drive May 19 was a testimony to the abundant generosity of Mullins UMC. Lifeblood had Mullins scheduled for 16 sign-up or appointment slots. Not only were all the slots filled, but 14 volunteers were able to donate that evening. Thanks go out to all 16 as well as to the Hostess Committee who, as always, provided a delicious meal that night.

Remember you may also give at any of the many Lifeblood Community Donations Centers. Donors are eligible to give every 58 days, so those who gave May 19 are eligible to donate again July 14. Our next scheduled drive at Mullins is December 8. Scheduling additional donations before October 12 will allow donors to be eligible before our blood drive during Advent.

Thank you to all the members of Mullins who participate in or assist and support the blood drive and the donors.

Scott & Tina Campbell  
Health and Welfare Committee



## VBS—COMING REALLY SOON!

Can you believe Vacation Bible School is almost here! It's going to be a very exciting week, but in order for it to be as successful as last year's VBS, I need **your** help for the following:

I need your help completing the set for VBS on **Saturday, May 29, beginning at NOON.**

Also, Grownups and Youth, please consider volunteering for the actual week of VBS. Although lots of you have already volunteered to help, I still have room if you want to jump on board! I **PROMISE** you that you will have fun and feel great about giving your time to these kids! See me for details.

Kids, we are going to have an awesome time learning about Egypt and Joseph and his whole family. The music is great, the crafts are fun, and I **PROMISE** you, you're going to have a blast.

Thanks, Lisa Weaver

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United will meet at Buntyn Presbyterian Church on Monday, June 7, at 9:30 a.m. The program topic is "Identity Theft." Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Nancy Blankenship.

## LOOKING FOR ALL ONE WAY SINGERS

We hope to have a reunion of all the ONE WAY SINGERS July 24 and 25, 2010. Please call Sandy Scruggs at 754-4790 if you have contact information for any members of this group.

## CASUAL DRESS BEGINS

On Sunday, June 6, "Casual Dress" for worship begins and will continue throughout the summer months. We want everyone to be comfortable during worship in the hot summer months, however, please keep modesty in mind.



## LAMBUTH UNIVERSITY SAYS WE ARE LAMBUTH!

The following article is a letter written to Lambuth University students from its president:

This week at Lambuth University we have great reasons to celebrate. After a long period of uncertainty, we are happy to announce that Lambuth has new investors who will ensure our stabilization, sustainability and future success. While we still need to go through an approval process with SACS, we can now look forward with confidence and excitement about Lambuth's future.

The rumors that we are closing are FALSE.

The rumors that we are cutting athletic programs are FALSE.

Everything is a GO for opening the fall semester as normal.

If everything goes as planned, you should not notice any difference in the Lambuth you know and love.

In fact, when you return in the fall, you will have the unique opportunity to be part of the new Lambuth University. This will be a very exciting period in the history of our school and you get to be a part of it.

We need your help to get out this message to as many people as possible. Please forward it to all of your friends. Put it on your Facebook pages and Twitter. Contact your teammates, sorority sisters and fraternity brothers. The more we can reinforce this message, the better we will be.

Keeping our enrollment as strong as possible is the best way to help the new LU be a genuine success. Lambuth needs you!

After all, WE ARE LAMBUTH!

Whatsoever things are true,  
Dr. Bill Seymour, President

## MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Stress is a natural part of life. You can feel physical stress when you have too much to do, or when you've had too little sleep, aren't eating properly, or have been ill. Stress can also be emotional: you can feel it when you worry about money, your job, or a loved one's illness, or when you go through a devastating life event, such as the death of a spouse or the loss of a job. When stress is not managed, it can affect many parts of your life, including work and performance on the job.

The key to coping with stress is to learn your personal limits for stressful situations. You must learn to accept or change stressful or tense situations whenever possible. Some of the following suggestions may help quickly, but if your stress is constant, it may need more attention or even lifestyle changes.

- Take one thing at a time
- Be realistic
- Visualize
- Meditate
- Exercise
- Find a Hobby
- Share your Feelings
- Adopt a healthy lifestyle
- Be flexible
- Don't be overly critical

You can ease stress by talking with friends or family. But if that isn't enough, talk with your doctor, spiritual advisor, or employee assistance program (EAP). He or she may suggest that you see a mental health professional to help you manage your stress or suggest other resources. Seeking help is not a sign of weakness; it's a healthy thing to do.

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR MAY 30:

**Liturgist:** Lynn Bergwerk

**Ushers and Greeters:**

Scott Campbell (Head Usher),  
Kathryn Black, Tina Campbell,  
Carol Ann Moreland, Jackie and  
Pete Westergaard

**Children's Church:** Tammy  
Williamson

**Children's Message:** Rachael  
Scarborough

## 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 JUNE 2:

*Fried Chicken*  
*Potato Salad*  
*Green Bean Salad*  
*Bread*  
*Dessert*

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

**PLEASE NOTE: June 9 is the last Fellowship Dinner until August 11**

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.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE** will be held at Collierville United Methodist Church beginning Sunday, June 6, through Tuesday, June 8, 2010

## CHECK LIGHTS AND DOORS!

When leaving the church facility, please be sure lights are turned off and doors are securely locked. Thanks for helping and being good stewards!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

### CHURCH STAFF:

#### Senior Pastor:

Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel  
[bwgmullins@bellsouth.net](mailto:bwgmullins@bellsouth.net)

#### Director of Music Ministries:

Bryan R. Dunn  
[bryan.r.dunn@gmail.com](mailto:bryan.r.dunn@gmail.com)

#### Director of Youth and Recreation Ministries:

Lauren Gam  
[lauren@mullinsumc.org](mailto:lauren@mullinsumc.org)

#### Director of Parents Day Out:

Kimberly Alston  
[ihavejoy43@gmail.com](mailto:ihavejoy43@gmail.com)

#### Church Secretary:

Susan Tutt  
[susmullins@bellsouth.net](mailto:susmullins@bellsouth.net)

#### Organist:

Aaron Foster  
[aaron@mullinsumc.org](mailto:aaron@mullinsumc.org)

#### Custodians:

Geraldine Finley  
 David Campbell



### OUR PRESENCE (LAST WEEK):

#### Sunday:

8:45 Service ..... 28  
 Sunday School ..... 63  
 10:50 Worship Service..... 125

#### Wednesday:

Prayer Breakfast..... 9  
 Prayer Service ..... 68

### Thursday, May 27

9:15 a.m. Walking in the Gym  
 6:30 p.m. UMW Night Circle

### Friday, May 28

9:15 a.m. Walking in Gym

### Saturday, May 29

11:00 a.m. Yoga—Fellowship Hall  
 12:00 noon VBS Work Day—Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, May 30

8:45 a.m. Worship—Chapel  
 9:40 a.m. Fifth Sunday Gathering—Fellowship Hall  
 10:50 a.m. Worship—Sanctuary  
 4:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group—Gym  
 5:00 p.m. Yoga

### Monday, May 31

Church Office and Parents' Day Out Closed for Memorial Day  
 New Orleans Mission Team Departs

### Tuesday, June 1

6:30 a.m. Career Support Group—Gym  
 8:30 a.m. SUMMER STAGE BEGINS  
 9:15 a.m. Walking in the Gym  
 6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class—Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 p.m. Yoga—Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, June 2

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast—Fellowship Hall  
 8:30 a.m. Summer Stage  
 9:15 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. Beading Group—Room 209  
 6:30 p.m. Program  
 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 3

8:30 a.m. Summer Stage  
 9:15 a.m. Walking in the Gym

### Friday, June 4

8:30 a.m. Summer Stage  
 9:15 a.m. Walking in Gym

### Saturday, June 5

11:00 a.m. Yoga—Fellowship Hall

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### June 7, 2010

9:30 a.m. Church Women United—Buntyn Presbyterian Church

### June 11, 2010

12:00 noon 2010 Lakeshore Golf Classic—Jackson National Golf Course

### Week of June 14-17

9:00 a.m. VBS—Egypt: Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

# Theater Training Camps



## Summer Stage

4 North Mendenhall Drive, Memphis, TN • 901-681-9217

An extraordinary summer camp experience to **Educate, Challenge, and Inspire**

Music • Choreography • Backstage Training  
Games • Devotions • Arts & Crafts • Set Design

**Hours:** 8:30—3:00  
Monday—Friday  
Camps for Ages 6-10 & 11-13

**Camp Dates:** June 1 – July 2  
**Closed July 5—July 9**  
July 12—August 6

### Tuition

\$50 Supply Fee  
\$95 per week (5 days) \$65 per week (3 days)  
\$50 per week (2 days)

**Showcase Performance—Friday, July 30, 2010**



## Building Life Skills Through Drama

Wizards and Wardrobes and Wookies, Oh My!  
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 FREE, Fun-Filled Family Film Fest  
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We invite you and your family to a FREE and fun-filled summer film series.

Seating is limited so register early. Deadline: One week before the film.

Date	Time	Our Feature Film	Length
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Entire Film Series</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> June 20	2 p.m.	The Wizard of Oz	102 m
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Star Wars Series-PG due to violence and mild language.</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> June 27	2 p.m.	Star Wars	121 m
<input type="checkbox"/> July 4	2 p.m.	The Empire Strikes Back	127 m
<input type="checkbox"/> July 11	2 p.m.	Return of the Jedi	135 m
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Chronicle of Narnia Series-PG due to violence.</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> July 18	2 p.m.	Lion, Witch, and Wardrobe	135 m
<input type="checkbox"/> July 25	2 p.m.	Prince Caspian	144 m

This film series is brought to you by your neighbors at Mullins United Methodist Church, 4 North Mendenhall Road, Memphis, TN 38117 (901.685.8253)

We hope you enjoy our hospitality and welcome you to our fellowship. So that everyone may enjoy the films, please be aware of our expectations.

- An adult family member will attend with each child.
- Children younger than 8 years of age will be cared for in our free nursery.
- If you decide you can't make it after you register, please call the church office and let us know so that someone on the waiting list can attend.
- We are providing light snacks. Help us clean up the area as you leave.
- Above all else, ENJOY and COME BACK.

Please print both pages of this form, check the events you wish to attend on the first page, complete the information on this page, and mail both pages to:

**Mullins United Methodist Church**  
**4 North Mendenhall Road**  
**Memphis, Tennessee 38117**

OR fax to: (901) 681-0317 OR email to [susmullins@bellsouth.net](mailto:susmullins@bellsouth.net)

**Contact Name for Registration:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Nursery Needed?  Yes  No

Can we let you know about other fun-filled family events such as our annual crafts fair?  Yes  No

How did you hear about our event?

- Radio
- WKNO Checking on the Arts
- KLOVE
- Newspaper
- Friends
- Flyer
- Poster
- Church or community newsletter
- Vacation Bible School
- PDO