

Lectionary for Sunday, July 18, 2010

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52 or Psalm 82; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 19, 2010

Dear Friends,

What an incredible time of worship we had on Sunday. We bring what we have, then give it to God, and then God magnifies it far beyond anything we could have ever imagined possible. So many people work in front and behind the scene each week to make our worship times excellent. Alone we can do nothing, but with God all things are possible. Thanks to our chancel choir, Meg Butler, Chris Jacobs, Mary Phillips, and the Sanctuary East Praise Band for the awesome music.

Please remember in prayer our Middle School youth and counselors who are on a mission trip to Biloxi, Mississippi this week. They are going as the hands and feet of Jesus to continue helping those who lost so much to hurricane Katrina a few years ago. Pray for their safety and the work that they will be doing. May God be glorified through their witness.

One of the ministries for which FUMC is known is our children's ministry. Did you know that we have almost 1,000 children on our rolls from the nursery through the 6th grade? To provide adult leadership for such a large number of children requires an even larger number of adults so that we meet our Safe Sanctuary policy. We are currently in need of several persons whom God is leading to be a part of this vital ministry as Sunday school teachers and shepherds. We need teachers and shepherds for the 2 and 3 year-olds at both the 9:00 & 10:30 Sunday school hours. We need a back-up teacher and shepherd for the 9:00 a.m. 4 year-olds. We need teachers and shepherds for the 4 year-olds at 10:30. We need teachers and shepherds for the 9:00 a.m. Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, and 4th grade. As you can see, there are many places in which you can be involved in the life of one of God's precious children. To volunteer or for more information, please call Becky or Sarah at 794-2734 or [click here](#) to be directed to our online sign up. Together we can show our children what an important part of our church family they are. Let me encourage some of our senior adults to prayerfully consider this ministry. Both you and your children will be glad if you do.

If you are currently involved or will soon be involved in our children's ministry as a choir leader/helper, Sunday school teacher, special friend, or a volunteer in any way, you **must** be Safe Sanctuary trained. This is a requirement to be a part of this exciting ministry. If you have not yet attended this class please plan on attending one of the following dates: Sunday, August 1 at 9:00 a.m. A204, Wednesday, August 4 at 6:30 p.m. A207, or Sunday, August 22 at 9:00 or 10:30 in A204. Thanks in advance for all you do to support this ministry.

Work continues to be done on having our North Campus land rezoned so that our new facility can be built there. So far everything has been approved with no difficulty. Our next step will be the second reading for the rezoning approval before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen on Tuesday, July 27. Please keep this meeting in your prayers.

These are busy days in the life of FUMC. God continues to surprise us in so many different ways. As we look to the future we know, the best is yet to be!!! Thanks be to God!!!

Grace and Peace,

Lynn

FIRST KIDS

Currently most of the 9:00 am Sunday school classes are in desperate need of Teachers and Shepherds as well as 2 yr. olds – Kindergarten at 10:30 am. Come teach or shepherd in Children's Sunday school during 2010 - 2011! You will be **glad you did!** Contact Becky Peeler (bpeeler@franklinfumc.org) to learn how you can serve children this year. To sign up online, [click here](#).

Parents...Please remember to continue to send in Registration forms. It makes it much easier for the Children's Ministry staff to plan for a new Sunday school year. Your child's name does not appear on a Sign in Roster without a registration form in our office. This is part of our policy to keep children as safe as we can in this place.

Children's Ministry at Franklin First UMC has a new Facebook page named, **First K.I.D.s**. Keep up to date with Children's Ministry by clicking the "like" button.

All Children's Ministry Volunteers, Children's Choir leaders & helpers, and Special Friends who have not yet attended a Safe Sanctuary Training Class should plan to attend one of the upcoming classes to be held on Sunday, August 1st at 9:00 am in Room A204; Wednesday, August 4th at 6:30 pm in Room A207; or Sunday, August 22nd at 9:00 am or 10:30 am in Room A204. Please contact Sarah Carty scarty@franklinfumc.org or Becky Peeler bpeeler@franklinfumc.org for additional information.



FELLOWSHIP



SAVE THE DATE – August 8th at 12:00 is our Annual All Ladies Birthday Luncheon, to be held in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5. Please call Amy Martin at 790-9514 or Kerry Blackwood 790-3448 for details. This year's mission message will be presented by The Bethlehem Centers of Nashville.

Where in the world . . . We are looking for: Molly Mitchell, Ashley Mount, Michael Mount, Connie Norwood, Jason Petty, Letitia Petty, Donnie Robertson, Juliet Robertson, Linda Robertson, and Suzette Robertson. If you have any information on the whereabouts of any of these people, please contact Debbie Miller in the Church office at 794-2734.

Wisdom and Grace Conference—This conference, geared towards our senior adult members, is scheduled for August 9-12 at Lake Junaluska, NC. For more information, contact Dorma Tabisz or Dot Ginn. Sponsored by the Southeastern Jurisdiction Association of Older Adults.

Dining Out for July—The Dining Out group will go to the Loveless Café, 8400 Hwy 100, Nashville, on Tuesday, July 27. Please meet at the Church no later than 5:00 pm to ride the bus. Cost of the bus will be \$1 to \$3 per person, Reservations should be made by noon on July 26. Gratuity is 18%. Call Kitty Pingston at 791-0898 with questions.

SERVICE & GENEROSITY

The Good News Class needs a storage cabinet or large bookcase. If you have one to donate, contact Nelia Westenberger at (931) 487-9887 or westcorn@bellsouth.net.

BrightStone, a local resource providing job training and life skills education for adults with special needs, will be hosting its second annual BOWLABILITY event on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday, August 16 and 17, at Franklin Family Entertainment Center. Teams may be composed of six bowlers and may be made of up friends, family members, co-workers, etc. The registration fee for a team of six is \$150, and each bowler is expected to try to raise a minimum of \$100 each. A team will be able to select either a 5:00 pm or 7:00 pm session on the evening of their choice, pending space availability. Register online at www.firstgiving.com/brightstone or via a brochure available by calling Tina at 790-4888. Sponsorship opportunities are also available for businesses, organizations, etc. and begin at only \$250. "Team Up for Brightstone!!"

Mission Dolly is a designated fund within Franklin First United Methodist Church established to offer financial and spiritual support to any family within the church community with a child undergoing treatment for a serious medical condition. For more information go to: dolly@missiondolly.org.

FIRST FAMILY MATTERS

as of July 19, 2010

Condolences to Jim Crigger and family on the death of this stepfather, Hayden Phebus.

Condolences to Dennis Bush and family on the death of his father, Harold Emerson Bush, on July 16 in Arkansas.

At Centennial: Alex Bond

Just Gone Home from the Hospital: Steve Lawrence

Please join us as we celebrate Christmas in July . . . consider donating a Target or Wal-Mart gift card to Room In the Inn. We will use the cards to purchase items like socks, underwear, and personal hygiene supplies. For more information, please contact Mary Wilder at 251-7019 or mary.wilder@roomintheinn.org.

If you are having trouble dealing with stress issues from the flood, join us at one of the following free presentations: July 20, 7:00 pm, "Resilience for the Community, Family and Yourself" at the Bellevue YMCA; July 22, 7:00 pm, "Dealing with Disaster," at Grassland Middle School.

If you have left any serving dishes, bowls, plates, etc. in the church kitchen, please come by and pick them up before July 31. Items left beyond that date will be donated to Graceworks.

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS for July 11, 2010

Sunday School Attendance	628
Worship Attendance	689
Offering this Week	\$30,348
Offering this Week—North Campus Building Fund	\$48,860
YTD Offerings	\$1,192,735
YTD Operating Budget	\$1,230,180
YTD Operating Budget Spent	\$1,123,955
Loan Balance-June 23, 2010-Activity Center	\$1,579,890
Total Principal Paid YTD-Activity Center	\$162,963
Loan Balance-June 23, 2010 -North Campus	\$3,615,689
Foundation Gifts	\$0

Questions? Call LaVerne Sweeney,
Business Manager, 794-2734

WEEK AT A GLANCE

2010 CALENDAR FOR

FRANKLIN FIRST UMC:

Please complete an Event Form
(available at the office or online) 2 to
4 weeks in advance to reserve
dates for all meetings and
activities. Also, if you should
change a date, day, or time
after completing the initial Event
Form you must contact Pam
with the update as all of our
publications rely on the accurate
information supplied to the office
staff and recorded on the
church calendar. Contact Pam
at the church office (794-2734)
if you have any questions.
pgarland@franklinumc.org
www.franklinumc.org/pdf/EOF.pdf

MONDAY, July 19

- 6:00 pm North Campus Facilities Design Sub- Committee Meeting, A210
6:00 pm Generosity Outcome Team Meeting, B101

TUESDAY, July 20

- 6:00 am Men of Momentum, Cafe
7:00 am Tuesday am Bible Study, B101
9:00 am Older Adult Fitness, Sanctuary East
10:00 am GCFA Visit, Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary East
10:00 am Ladies Sewing Circle, Kitchen
6:30 pm Facilities Design Focus Groups, A210
6:30 pm Spiritual Growth and Nurture Committee Meeting, Graham Room
6:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting, B101
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry, 3rd Floor

WEDNESDAY, July 21

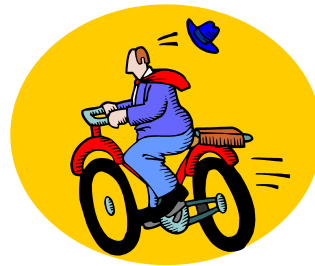
- 8:00 am Wednesday Prayer Walk, North Campus
10:00 am Prayer Shawl Group, B214
6:30 pm FirstSong Rehearsal, Historic Sanctuary
7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Historic Sanctuary

THURSDAY, July 22

- 9:00 am Older Adult Fitness, Sanctuary East
10:00 am Bridge Group, B101
6:30 pm Mission/Vision Steering Team Meeting, B101

SATURDAY, July 24

- 8:00 am Rehearsal Worship Team, Sanctuary East
8:00 am Prayer Walk, North Campus



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9:00 and 10:30 Worship Services (Blended Worship & Traditional Worship) • 9:00 and 10:30 Sunday School

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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES: It's **IMPORTANT** to keep your family and contact information up to date with the church office. Please contact Debbie Miller, your Membership Secretary, at the church office (dmiller@franklinfumc.org or 794-2734) with any changes or additions (i.e. name, address, e-mail, phone, births.) Thank you!

VIDEO SCREEN ANNOUNCEMENTS: New PowerPoint presentations are loaded each Sunday morning. If you have information for the week ahead, please let John Knorr know by the Friday before. *John Knorr*, jknorr@franklinfumc.org

NEWSLETTER AND/OR BULLETIN PUBLICATION REQUESTS: The deadline for submitting information for the Mission Menu, Franklin First UMC bulletin insert, and First Things First Newsletter is **Tuesday at noon**. Please submit to: secretary@franklinfumc.org. Thank you! *Due to limited space on printed publications, an article may not be able to run more than twice—consecutively. We will do our best to accommodate each request.*

Church Staff:

- Dr. A. Lynn Hill, *Senior Minister*
- Rev. Vona R. Wilson, *Associate Minister*
- Rev. Mark Coursey, *Minister of Evangelism & Program*
- Rev. John Williams, *Minister of Visitation*
- Rev. Becky Peeler, *Minister to Children*
- Sarah Carty, *Asst. Director of Children's Ministry*
- Jacob Fasig, *Director of Youth Ministry*
- Helen Lombardo, *Associate Youth Director*
- Mary Phillips, *Organist*
- Jim Kimmel, *Music Director—Historic Sanctuary*
- Sarah Evins, *Music Director—Sanctuary East*
- John Knorr, *Music/Media Asst.*
- Brenda Kessell, *Preschool Director*

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- LaVerne Sweeney, *Business Manager*
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