

**Lectionary for Sunday, June 20, 2010**

I Kings 19:1-15a; Psalm 42; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

June 21, 2010

Dear Friends,

What a joy to be together in worship on Sunday as we honored our fathers. Thanks, dads, for showing us the love of Jesus through your words and actions. If God has blessed us with a Christian father, then we are indeed blessed beyond all measure. We were also blessed with some incredible music. Thanks to the Grateful Bluegrass Band for your music in Sanctuary East, as well as Richard & Katy Williams (son and daughter-in-law of our own Rev. John Williams) for your powerful duet in the Historic Sanctuary. All who were here knew that “we had been to church!” Thanks for sharing God’s gift to you with us.

The 2010 session of the Tennessee Annual Conference is now history. All of us express our thanks to the lay members who represented Franklin FUMC: Dot Ginn, Naomi Drake, Connie Clark, Rex Thigpen, Andy Miller, and Betty Plant. They were faithful in attendance and participation in the business of the conference. It was also a sacred moment when we participated in the Service of Ordination as Elder for Rev. Vona Wilson. This is the culmination of many years of seminary education, hard work, supervision, testing, and sacrifice. All of us celebrate with Vona this milestone in her call to ministry. Many of the FUMC faith community came to support her and for that my thanks.

Perhaps the highest point of conference for me was Tuesday night when Bishop Wills “fixed” (confirmed) the pastoral appointments for the 2010/2011 Conference Year. It was then that I officially returned to FUMC for my ninth year to be in ministry with each of you through the greatest church in the Tennessee Conference. How did those eight years pass so quickly? It was then that I knew that I would continue to be a part of the best staff of any church in the connection as our appointed staff (Vona, Mark, & Becky) and our non-appointed staff would continue at FUMC for another year, too. I speak for all of us when I say, “We are glad to be back!!!” We now continue our journey into God’s future together.

We continue to get commitments for our **Imagine: God’s Vision, Our Future** capital campaign. As of today we now have 411 families that have responded for a total of \$8,254,698. If you have not yet returned your card, please do so as soon as possible. If you need another commitment card, please call the church office (794-2734) and we will get one to you. We continue to seek God’s guidance as the plans for the North Campus unfold. I still believe that by spring of 2011 we will be able to break ground for our new facility and begin writing the next chapter in the long history of FUMC. What an honor to be a part of that.

Everything is in place now for amazing things to happen at FUMC. We turn our attention to what lies before us, following unafraid where God may lead us. What was believed by some in former days is now believed by more and more each day, the best is yet to be!!! Thanks be to God!!!

Grace and Peace,

Lynn

## FIRST KIDS

### Will you help plant the seeds of faith?

Christianity is always one generation away from extinction. All it takes is for us to forget to teach children about Jesus and share the Jesus we love with them for Christianity to not be here 40 or 50 years from now. Sign up to serve in Children's Sunday School 2010-1011 as a teacher or shepherd TODAY!!



**Parents, please remember** to place your child's Sunday school registration form on top of your stack of mail to be returned!

Registration forms for children's Sunday school have been mailed. Please return those by July 9. These forms help the children's ministry staff to prepare for the upcoming Sunday school year. Return by mail or place in the box at the Welcome Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

## FELLOWSHIP

**The Dining Out Group** will meet on June 22 at 5:30 pm at Longhorn's Steakhouse Restaurant, 774 Old Hickory Blvd., Brentwood. Call Kitty Pingston at 791-0898 with questions.

**A Walk to Emmaus reunion group** for ladies is forming with plans to meet the third Thursday of the month; however, the June meeting will be on June 24 in B202 at 7:00 pm. Call 794-0515 for further information.

**Join us at the North Campus** for food and fun on July 4th from 5:30—9:30 pm. Sign up on the Mission Menu or register online.

**The J.L. Clay Senior Citizen's Center** is holding their annual picnic on Wednesday, June 30th at Short Park located on 2nd Avenue North in Franklin. The picnic begins at 10:00 am and a program to honor the senior veterans begins at 11:30. Whitt's barbecue will be served at a cost of \$10 per person. For more info call 794-7853.

**Development of North Campus**—The Building Committee is proceeding with the process of gaining approval from the City of Franklin for the development of North Campus. The first step in this process is to have the property rezoned to allow for a church use. The property is currently zoned "Estate Residential". We are seeking to rezone the property to "Civic Institutional", which requires City approval of both the rezoning and of a concept plan. A significant milestone in the process was achieved recently when the Franklin Municipal Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend the zoning change, along with our concept plan, at its May 27th meeting.

The Board of Mayor and Alderman will now consider the rezoning request. As rezoning is a municipal ordinance, BOMA must read and vote on the rezoning three times, currently scheduled for June 22nd, July 27th, and August 10th, with a public hearing being held at the July 27th meeting. Several subsequent steps in the city's regulatory process remain after the approval of the zoning, including approvals of a regulating plan, site plan, and building permits, so we are still very early in the approval process. We are excited about the progress made thus far and look forward to further developing our plans for the development of North Campus.

**The Primetimers** will have their July dinner/meeting on Tuesday, July 13th, 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Anita Pringle will be preparing our barbecue dinner with baked beans, potato salad, Texas toast, and cherry and blackberry cobblers. The cost is \$6.00. Reservations should be made by Friday, July 9th by calling the church office or by signing up on the Mission Menu in the church bulletin. We are delighted that the Williamson County Community Band will be providing entertainment. **All church members and visitors are invited to enjoy the music starting at 6:45 pm.**

## SERVICE & GENEROSITY

**All Veterans and their spouses or widows** and their families and friends are invited to a free dinner at 6:30 pm on June 25 at the Senior Citizens Park on Second Avenue North in Franklin. The dinner is hosted by the American Legion. Call 794-5233 and leave a message on the answering machine of how many people will attend.

### FIRST FAMILY MATTERS

as of June 21, 2010

**At Baptist Select:** Jim Beck, Petey Parsons

**At Vanderbilt Children's Hospital:** Jack Johnson

**At St. Thomas:** Mercer Darden

**Just Gone Home from the Hospital:** Susan Wrenn, Lisa Schell, Ron Styers

**The Cherub Disciple Choirs** need a director for the Kindergarten choir! While Carrie Altman is on maternity leave from directing the kindergarten portion of the Cherub Disciples, we are looking for a new director. The music is already planned. You just have to step in and direct! For more information contact Sarah McGinley at [sbmcginley@comcast.net](mailto:sbmcginley@comcast.net) or 794-1276.

**Have you seen . . .** If you have any information on the whereabouts of the following people, please contact Debbie Miller in the Church office at 794-2734: Mrs. Luther Layne, Christopher and Sandra Lovorn, Ashley Lovorn, Robert and Sharoud Matthis, Paul Matthis, Phillip McMaster, Bailey McMeans, Michael and Kim Miller, Lauren Miller, or Isaac Miller.

### RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS for June 13, 2010

Sunday School Attendance	585
Worship Attendance	821
Offering this Week	\$22,401
Offering this Week—North Campus Building Fund	\$28,036
YTD Offerings	\$1,030,394
YTD Operating Budget	\$1,054,440
YTD Operating Budget Spent	\$956,290
Loan Balance-May 20, 2010-Activity Center	\$1,599,490
Total Principal Paid YTD-Activity Center	\$143,362
Loan Balance-3/26/10 -North Campus	\$3,815,689
Foundation Gifts	\$25

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.

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[www.franklinfumc.org/pdf/EOF.pdf](http://www.franklinfumc.org/pdf/EOF.pdf)

### MONDAY, June 21

9:00 am Vacation Bible School  
9:20 am Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
5:30 pm Vacation Bible School  
5:45 pm Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
6:30 pm Small Group Ministry Team

### TUESDAY, June 22

6:00 am Men of Momentum, Cafe  
7:00 am Tuesday am Bible Study, B101  
9:00 am Older Adult Fitness, Sanctuary East  
9:00 am Vacation Bible School  
9:20 am Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
10:00 am Ladies Sewing Circle, Kitchen  
5:30 pm Vacation Bible School  
5:45 pm Vacation Bible School Service Squad

### WEDNESDAY, June 23

8:00 am Weekly Prayer Walk, North Campus  
9:00 am Vacation Bible School  
9:20 am Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
5:30 pm Vacation Bible School  
5:45 pm Vacation Bible School Service Squad

### THURSDAY, June 24

9:00 am Older Adult Fitness, Sanctuary East  
9:00 am Vacation Bible School  
9:20 am Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
10:00 am Bridge Group, B101  
5:30 pm Vacation Bible School  
5:45 pm Vacation Bible School Service Squad  
6:30 pm Stewardship Committee Meeting, Graham Room

### SATURDAY, June 26

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

## Franklin First United Methodist Church

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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](mailto: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](mailto:jknorr@franklinfumc.org)

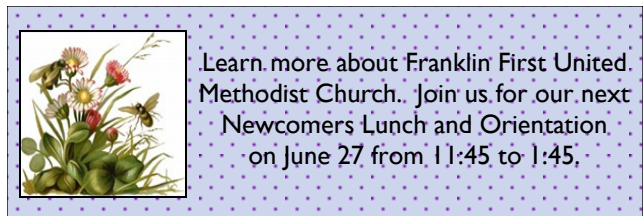
**NEWSLETTER AND/OR BULLETIN PUBLICATION REQUESTS:** The deadline for submitting information for the Mission Menu, Franklin First UMC bulletin insert, and First Things First Newsletter is **Tuesday at noon**. Please submit to: [secretary@franklinfumc.org](mailto:secretary@franklinfumc.org). Thank you! *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*

**Office Staff:**

- LaVerne Sweeney, *Business Manager*
- Pam Garland, *Office Manager-Financial Secretary*
- Debbie Miller, *Membership Secretary*
- Laura Lindquist, *Church Secretary*
- Carmen Greenwald, *Receptionist*
- Amber Wakefield, *Childcare Coordinator*
- Roy Reed, *Facilities Supervisor*
- Juanita Hill, Bert Miller, Sid Bradley, Jr., Arthur Polk, *Custodians*



Learn more about Franklin First United Methodist Church. Join us for our next Newcomers Lunch and Orientation on June 27 from 11:45 to 1:45.



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