

USHERS FOR JUNE

8:30 Traditional: Larry Lyon, Zane Cantrell, Sonny Reynolds, Kay Thompson, Ken Crutcher, Jim McElyea, Bart Bass, Wes Dugan

11:00 Traditional: John Sallee, Larry Robeson, Charlie Baum, Alan Bridges, Ron Nall, John Rhome, Ben Spielman, Bob Tuma, Don & Hanna Witherspoon

8:30 Open Table: Robin Evan, Steve & Patty Gass, Russ Connelly

11:00 Open Table: Tye & Beverly Waldon, Tonia Cunningham

WELCOME CENTER HOSTS FOR JUNE

Jane Evans, Linda Hyde, Jenny Sauls

GREETERS FOR JUNE

Geneva & Jerry Poss, Dave & Pat McIntosh

DOROTHY GALASSO BOOK TALK

The April meeting of the Dorothy Galasso Book Talk was a discussion of Per Petterson's book, Out Stealing Horses. Dr. Larry Mapp presented ideas on this Norwegian book of brooding memories. Next month on May 18, Dr. Charles Dean will discuss, The Girl Who Played with Fire by Stieg Larsson, the third installment in his Swedish murder trilogy. Joan Herring will be presiding over this last meeting of the year.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH

	<u>8:30 AM</u>	<u>11:00 AM</u>	<u>8:30 Open Table</u>	<u>11:00 Open Table</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mar 7	378	437	119	74	1,008
Mar 14	257	406	58	86	807
Mar 21	298	411	120	65	894
Mar 28 (Palm Sunday)	343	571	125	55	1,094

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PREACHING SCHEDULE

May 9

John 14:23-29

8:30 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
8:30 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon
11:00 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
11:00 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon

May 16

John 17:20-26

8:30 am in the Family Life Center	Michael O'Bannon
8:30 am in the Sanctuary	Miriam Seyler
11:00 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
11:00 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon

May 23

John 14:8-17

8:30 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
8:30 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon
11:00 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
11:00 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon

May 30

John 16:12-15

8:30 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
8:30 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon
11:00 am in the Family Life Center	Miriam Seyler
11:00 am in the Sanctuary	Michael O'Bannon

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 31st, in observance of Memorial Day.

MANY GIFTS ONE SPIRIT SERVICE COMMITMENT CARDS

You may still turn in your service commitment pledge cards by placing it in the offering plate, by dropping it by the church office, or by mailing it in. If you need a card or service opportunities brochure, please pick one up off the ushers' stands, at the Welcome Center Desk, or in the church office.

GOLDEN CROSS OFFERING TO BE TAKEN SUNDAY, MAY 9TH

The Golden Cross Fund at McKendree Village, The United Methodist-affiliated continuing care community in Hermitage, was established to help bridge the gap between what many senior adults can afford, and what it actually costs to receive quality care. Your deep commitment, sacrifice and generosity are making possible a new and improved future for McKendree Village as we celebrate our 47th year. Your generous offering on Golden Cross Sunday, May 9th, a simple act of love and tenderness, will be a sacred gift for those senior adults at McKendree Village who have outlived their financial resources. May is designated Golden Cross Month, and First United Methodist Church will join United Methodist churches throughout Middle Tennessee in celebration of Golden Cross Sunday on May 9th.

FUMC HISTORY DISPLAY, SUNDAY, MAY 16

Join in United Methodist Heritage Sunday, May 16, by viewing the FUMC history display in the Fellowship Hall, 8:00 am-12:30 pm. Display topics include former pastors, VBS, Depression Era finances, youth activities, choir, worship, and more.

We don't live in the past; we live in the present and for the future. In the past, the congregations also lived in the present and for our future. So, while we don't live in the past, the past in part lives in us. There is always a link of our present with the past and future, and that link is the goal of our History and Archives Committee and of others of you who are now or have over the years been actively involved in championing the history and the archives of our church.

The committee, with the encouragement and support of the pastors and staff and of congregational members, has recently made some renewed efforts to preserve and celebrate the church history. The historical records and photo archives are being cataloged, identified, and preserved in acid-free folders and containers and housed in a new archival cabinet in room 212. Also, an inventory of church furnishings is being made. We are beginning to record some oral interviews. The church library now has a bound volume of several chapters compiled for the uncompleted church history in the late 1970s. The church's website now includes a brief history of the church. A history bulletin board is now in the East Hallway. Resources for these projects and purchases are provided through the church's recently established History and Archives Fund, which accepts donations.

Basically, we have four tasks.

- To preserve the existing church archives—the written documents, the pictures, the artifacts, etc.
- To obtain and preserve archives in the future—as documents move from active files into the archives, as we conduct oral interviews, as we collect archives and memorabilia from congregational members, etc.
- To use these archives and other source material to write histories of the church, of Sunday School classes, of the choir, of mission projects,—the list goes on and on.
- To celebrate and remember the history of the church to you the congregation through public history programs such as the May 16 display, through the church website, through major celebrations, through a projected FUMC bicentennial in 2020, etc.

We invite you to look over the pictures, records, and artifacts in the Fellowship Hall as we as a congregation participate on May 16 in United Methodist Heritage Sunday.

