

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

8:30 Traditional: Larry Lyon, Zane Cantrell, Kay Thompson, Bart Bass, Wes Dugan, Gabriel Fancher
11:00 Traditional: John Sallee, Larry Robeson, Charlie Baum, Alan Bridges, Ron Nall, John Rhome, Ben Spielman, Ryan Winn, Don & Hanna Witherspoon
8:30 Open Table: Robin Evans, Jimi Evans, Raheema Evans, Shawn Wright
11:00 Open Table: Tye & Beverly Waldon, Tonia Cunningham

WELCOME CENTER HOSTS FOR FEBRUARY
Charlene Arbuckle, Sandy Soetje, Pat Gritton

TOUR GUIDE HOST FOR FEBRUARY
Jerry Campbell

GREETERS FOR FEBRUARY

Traditional Services
(8:30) Dianna Cantrell, Tom Hickerson, Bart & Lucy Warner
(11:00) David Spivey, Lisa & Chase Mitchell, Sharron Robeson, Mary Kinney

Open Table Services
(8:30) Byron & Charlotte Lynn
(11:00) Dana Farley & Don Newburry

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER

	<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>
Dec 4	484	521	133	87	1,225
Dec 11	518	543	133	115	1,309
Dec 18	498	539	133	103	1,273
Dec 24	(2:00) 350	(4:00) 1,240	(7:00) 1,220	(11:00) 850	
Dec 25	(10:00) 240		(10:00) 69		309

PREACHING SCHEDULE

January 8

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

January 15

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

January 22

8:30 am in the Family Life Center
8:30 am in the Sanctuary
11:00 am in the Family Life Center
11:00 am in the Sanctuary
Enrique Hernandez
Thad Austin
Enrique Hernandez
Thad Austin

January 29

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

SNOW POLICY

Snow season is upon us, and it is important to have a policy for programming when the weather is threatening. Therefore, please make note of the following policy regarding inclement weather:

If the Rutherford County and/or Murfreesboro City Schools are closed because of inclement weather (snow, tornado, heavy rains, etc.) all church-sponsored evening programming at the church campus will be cancelled. This includes meetings, meals, choir rehearsals, and weeknight worship services. This does not include any programming by outside groups (e.g., AI-Anon, Community Bible Study, etc.). Sunday morning worship services will not be cancelled due to inclement weather. If anyone has questions, please call the church office (893-1322).

ANNUAL EPIPHANY RING ON JANUARY 8TH

The Epiphany ring is a high celebration event, in which bell choirs of the area get together to play "one last time" all the beautiful music of the season. The mass handbell group will perform several selections together and many solo selections. The concert will be on Sunday, January 8th at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center and is free and open to the public. The concert is one to put on your calendar and is a seasonal must see!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed Monday, January 16th, in observance of MLK holiday.

STAY IN TOUCH

We have been sending church-wide emails recently through Constant Contact. Several email addresses are blocking the emails from the church. Please check your spam folder or add us as a trusted site to your email. If the church does not have your current email address, please call the church office or email us and let us know 893-1322 or office@fumcm.org.

CHRISTMAS CARD BOXES

Please remember to check the Christmas card boxes to see if you have any cards to pick up. There are many cards that have not been picked up.

WINTER/SPRING WEDNESDAY SUPPERS & PROGRAMS

Mark your calendars for the Winter/Spring Wednesday suppers and programs which will begin on Wednesday, January 18th.

TRADITIONAL SERVICE AND OPEN TABLE SERVICE ALTAR FLOWER CHARTS

The 2012 Altar Flower Chart for the Traditional Service in the Sanctuary is now up on the wall beside the elevator on the first floor. The 2012 Altar Flower Chart for the Open Table Service in the Family Life Center is now up on the wall in Fellowship Hall near the coffee area. Please sign up for altar flowers in either service, especially during January, February, and March.

Up and Coming @ FUMC

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CONGRATULATIONS TO

- Brad and Caroline Young on the birth of their twin sons, **Jamison Rowan Young and Wesley Patton Young**, born Monday, December 19, 2011. The paternal grandparents are Bud and Peggy Young. The maternal grandparents are Tom and Marsha Ragsdale. Jamison and Wesley have one older brother, Sanders.
- Ben and Sarah Calvin Harris on the birth of their daughter, **Elle Grace Harris**, born Friday, December 16, 2011. The paternal grandparents are Ben and Linda Harris. The maternal grandparents are Tim and Carla Calvin. Elle Grace has two older brothers, Hudson and Brady.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to:

- Andrew and Cheryl Rieben and family in the loss of Cheryl's father, Charlie Layton, who passed away Saturday, December 10, 2011.
- Family and friends of Rev. Harold Coke who passed away Sunday, December 11, 2011.
- Fran and David Dean and family in the loss of their loved one, Charles Dean, who passed away Wednesday, December 14, 2011.
- Gordon and Cindy Ferguson and family in the loss of Gordon's father, Rev. Dr. Robert Ferguson, who passed away Tuesday, December 20, 2011.
- Bart and Lucy Warner and family in the loss of Lucy's mother, Lelia Heuer Lowry, who passed away Wednesday, December 21, 2011.
- Judy Alexander and family in the loss of her mother, Shirley Stanley, who passed away Friday, December 23, 2011.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome into our church family:

- **Jarrold Michael and Jenny Martin Grubb** of 1702 Deerrun Road, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. They have one daughter, Madelyn "Maddy" Dare. Their home phone number is 624-7446.
- **Deborah L. Gregory** of 1219 Stockwell Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37128. Her home phone number is 396-8851.
- **Annette Thomason** of 1706 Avon Road, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. Her home phone number is 624-7967.
- **Emerson Frank and Jessica Ann Judkins and their daughters, Alison Elizabeth and Caitlin Marie**, of 530 Willow Hill Circle, Murfreesboro, TN 37127. Their home phone number is 904-8692.
- **Dwayne and Karen Alexander and their son, Samuel David**, of 9136 Valley View Road, Lascassas, TN 37085. Their home phone number is 867-1634.

SENIOR/OLDER ADULT LUNCHEON

The Senior/Older Adult luncheon will be held on Thursday, January 19th, at 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be dealing with weather and hopefully one of Nashville's TV weather personality will present our program. We are always interested in what our weather is going to be so maybe we can gain some new insight about how the weather people gather the information, etc. It should be a very interesting program. Please sign up in your Sunday School class or call the church office. The price of the lunch is \$7.00. We had a wonderful program in December with Dr. Todd playing beautiful music on his violin with Miriam Seyler accompanying him on the piano. Be one of the folks who come together and enjoy a stimulating program and a great lunch each month. We never get too old to learn new things or to eat!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2011

2011 Budget Goal	\$1,907,360.00
Received	
12/04/11	\$ 56,046.57
12/11/11	\$ 47,118.20
12/18/11	\$ 38,897.41
12/25/11	\$ 48,566.13
EGive 11/28/11	\$ 1,874.00
	<u> Total</u>
	\$ 192,502.31
Total Rec'd for month of Dec.	\$ 192,502.31
REC'D YEAR TO DATE	\$1,899,080.83
52 wks x \$36,680.00 (weekly goal)	\$1,907,360.00
BEHIND YTD	<\$8,279.17>

BAPTISM

On Sunday, January 1st, we celebrated the baptism of Maximus Martinez, son of Dustin Michael and Amanda Kay Martinez. The paternal grandparents are Felix Martinez and Chris McBride. The maternal grandparents are Myron and Alice Hamilton. Maximus has one older brother, Reed.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the Lillian Branson Sunday School Class (formerly the Adventurers) for generously sponsoring the FUMC Staff appreciation luncheon recently held at the church on December 13th. The Staff Parish Relations Committee

I'd like to thank you, the members of First United Methodist Church, for the warm and wonderful hospitality that you have shown me during my internship with you. I have been overwhelmed by the generous spirit of the people of this church and the many ways you have uplifted and affirmed me in my ministry! This church will always hold a special place in my heart and I again offer you my humble thanks. You will remain in my prayers and I will look forward to hearing about your continuing and growing ministries.

Yours in Christ,
Sharon B Austell

SENIOR ADULT FUN AND GAME DAY

Did you make a New Year's resolution that you were going to do something different and fun this year?? Well, we have the answer for you! Come and join us on Fun and Game Day. We will meet on Thursday, January 12th at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. We start playing games about 10:00, play until about 11:45 am, eat lunch and resume playing after lunch is over. We are usually done by 1:30 pm. This month for lunch we are having "soup day". Four people have volunteered to bring four different kinds of soup, two people are bringing cornbread. Everyone else can bring desserts, side dishes or snacks. We play all kinds of different games like Rook, Spades, Dominos, Sequence, Checkers, etc. If you haven't played some of these games in a long time or have never played any of them, come and learn. It is a great way to relax and have fun, you also can meet new people in the church. Our number continues to grow each month and so do friendships. Come and join in the fun.

DOROTHY GALASSO BOOK TALK

The Dorothy Galasso Book Talk group will meet Tuesday, January 17th at 9:30 am in room 112. Mr. Buck Bouldin will have the program.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 2012

It's almost time for our blood drive for 2012. It will be on Wednesday, January 25th, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. The Red Cross will be in the Fellowship Hall at the second Wednesday night dinner to sign people up. I know that we have a lot of people that give on a regular basis, so I would ask that you please put this on your calendar so that you will be able to give. The Red Cross needs blood. They are running low on certain blood types so please come out and show support for this great cause. The Red Cross has made some changes to the guidelines so that more people are able to give. Check out the Missions board in the east hall for more information.

Dewey Smith, Missions Director

PERSONS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION

Ray Pettigrew-Adams Place Rehab	Dean King
Lyn McMillan-Community Care	Doug Jackson
Rebecca Bennett-NHC	Jeff Martin
Jack & Fana Robertson	Elva Soapes
Randy Flagg (Ray & Ernestine Thomas' son-in-law)	Tony Hansberry
Christine Gentry-Adams Place	Colton Sheets
John Gebhart (Amy Curtis' father)	Billie Russell
Wallace Lovelace (Donna Lovelace's father)	Sue Ridley
Becca Zeisler (John Boston's niece)	Leslie Mullins
A.J. Lay (Brigitte Burke's father)	Sarah Holt
Buddy Taylor (friend of Karon Robinson)	Janet Camp
Viola Hubbs (Jessie Seagroves' mother)	Jim Wiseman
Todd Webb (Sandy Webb's son)	Edna McPeak
Dave Anderson (Rachel McElhaney's father)	
Clara Delbridge-Alive Hospice Residence, Nashville	
Janet Hill (Judy Sallee's sister)-Loudon Healthcare	
Pete Owens (Earline Owens' husband/Jennifer Scott's father)	
Clarisse Winkler (Ellen Slicker's mother)-Adams Place	
Elizabeth Whineset (Pam Borrajo's grandmother)-South Carolina	
Rachel Boone (Sharon Boone's daughter)-Vanderbilt Hospital	
Sadie Brandon (Ellen Evans & Allan Brandon's mother)	
Charles Cantrell (Alli Brown's grandfather)-Hermitage, TN	
Church member's daughter and son-in-law, teachers in Central Asia (for safety/peace)	

MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

Chris Nall, Doug Brown, David Reynolds, Mason Harlow, Luke Naughton, William Rhome, Nicholas Phillips, Josh Berry, Clint Ervin, Chase Moss, Josh Thurman, Ben Cahill, Lloyd Denny, Mark Collins, David Walker, Blake Troutman, Richard D. Forth, Mark Thomas, Brandon Kyle Hall, Matt Crisafulli, Thomas Hosfelt, Zachary Kragness, Heather Clemens, Michael Clemens, Jeremiah Borrajo, Curt Oglesby, Patrick Caukin, Shawn Napier, Michael Maglio, Jr., Phillip DeBerry, Jay Patton, "Darkhorse" 3rd Battalion 5th Marines, Christopher Johnson, Logan Brannom, Trey Brannom, Jay Sneed, Michael Dickson, Buddie Watson, Sean Mosey

MOTHER'S DAY OUT 2012 REGISTRATION

Mother's Day Out 2012 registration will begin on Wednesday, February 1st for present MDO, preschool members, and church members, and Monday, February 6th for the community. Registration will begin at 8:30 am in the West Wing (Children's wing). There is a \$75.00 registration fee. Child must be 1 or 2 by September 30, 2012. For more information, contact the director, Julie Trollinger (893-1322 ext. 38).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parent/Mentor Confirmation Meeting - Jan. 8th. 3:00 pm in room 112

Confirmation Dinner for Confirmands, Mentors, Parents and family members. Wednesday, Jan. 11th. - 5:30 pm pictures in the Sanctuary - 6:00 pm meal. First Lesson.

2nd & 3rd Grade Fellowship - Sunday, Jan. 8th - 4:30 to 6:30 pm. \$3.00 for McDonalds

Confirmation Class Receives Crosses. Sunday, January 15th, 8:30 am Open Table and 11:00 am Traditional.

CHAOS LOCK-IN - Sunday, Jan. 15th. 8:00 pm to 8:00 am. \$10.00 to bowl from 9:00 to 11:00 pm. Bring sleeping bag and pillow. Snacks at the church. Bedtime at 2:00 am

4th & 5th Grade Fellowship - Sunday, Jan. 22nd. 4:30 to 6:30. \$3.00 for dinner.

CHAOS - Sunday, Jan. 29th - 4:00 to 6:30 pm. \$3.00 for dinner.

2nd & 3rd Grade Fellowship - Sunday, Feb. 5th, 12:00 noon till 2:00 pm (Super Bowl Sunday). \$3.00 for McDonalds.

GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the Church. This FREE book is being provided at no cost to our Church and includes the mailing to each family. The Guide Book is subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. Surveys show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize an advertiser versus a non-advertiser. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in the Guide Book, please contact Amy Jaramillo at amyjaramillo@hotmail.com or 653-8491.

CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL? MOVING SOON?

It is time for us to update our Church database with changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year. New phone number? Have you moved? Preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? If you have not already informed the church office about changes to your record, please contact the office now so that the information in the Guide Book & directory is correct. Thank you for your help!

OPERATION FLAGPOLE

By Col. Tom Hickerson

Veterans are working on a project to show our respect for the Church, Nation, and State. We plan to install three flagpoles, one each for the Christian, United States, and Tennessee flags, in front of FUMC. The flags will be on permanent display, lit at night and accented with a memorial honoring our Veterans. Our initial plan has been approved by the Trustees, and is now working through the approval processes in Murfreesboro. If you would like to participate to honor your service or that of another veteran, a designated fund has been established to help gather the \$15,000 required for the project. Be sure to put flagpole fund on your check so it can be properly credited. We will keep the Church up to date as we progress toward completion by Memorial Day.