

JUNE 12, 2005
 WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

9:00am Sunday School
 10:15am Morning Worship
 On the Radio Each Sunday on WDXL 1490 AM at 11:00am
 Taped from a previous Sunday.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

USHERS

Tommy Holmes, Wes Odle,
 Jim Stowe, and Jeff Odum*

GREETERS

Betty Walker and Jan Thomas

ACOLYTES

Dylan Ross and Timothy Rogers

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in
 loving honor of Sue Anderson's birthday.

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Carole Small

NURSERY CAPTAINS FOR JUNE

Wendy Hopper and Jacqui Weatherly

INFANT NURSERY

SS hour: Ellen Scott and Suzanne Enochs

Worship: Bart & Jana Shaull and Stephenie Rogers

TODDLER NURSERY

Pam Helms, Michael Robinson, and Laura Dyer

VISITOR'S MINISTRY TEAM

Martha Hay

KITCHEN MINISTRY TEAM

Barbara Clement

OFFERING COUNTERS

Bonnie Ward and Hattie Lou Veteto

Our Loyalty Report

Sunday, June 12, 2005

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Sunday School: 115

Morning Worship: 297

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Received this week for the budget: \$ 5,008.92

Needed each week for budget: \$ 7,296.22

Needed for budget to date: \$ 175,109.28

Received for budget to date: \$ 159,993.79

Difference: \$ - 15,115.49

Adopt A Tile this week: \$ 250.00

Adopt A Tile to Date: \$ 3,250.00

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I GOT MY MIND ON MY MONEY AND MY MONEY ON MY MIND

More than a line from a Snoop Dogg's hit song, the title above describes the many discussions of the Memphis Annual Conference last week concerning: **the Conference Budget**, *church apportionments*, the debate over budget-cutting vs funding YOUR mission/ministry of the Memphis Annual Conference.

Yep, that's right; YOUR mission and ministry, because that is to whom the missions and ministries of the Conference belong—the Conference members. YOUR giving to apportionments makes the ministries and missions of the Memphis Conference possible. If the apportionments aren't fulfilled, the money isn't there for missions and ministries, which is what we're supposed to be about as Christians.

Christians have always known what it takes to get our church leaders' attention—money, or rather, the withholding of our money. In seminary we were given the story of a church member making demands upon the church with this question. "Would you, as pastor, do what that member wanted?" After we answered, we were asked, "Would it matter if that member were a **HUGE financial contributor to the church?**"

The reason the Conference argued about the church budget and Conference money is not because we Memphis Conference church members are broke. It's because people aren't giving to the church; so apportionments suffer. I was glad to see that Lexington 1st has paid its apportionments in full for 20 straight years!!.

While the church is called to be responsible stewards of all God-given gifts (*including money*), there is something fundamentally wrong with our preoccupation about money and the power we perceive that money has. It's an almost worldly obsession.

Hey, here's something to discuss. If the church starts sounding and behaving just like the world, then who will the people turn to for spiritual help?

Stan

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Friday, June 17

6:00 pm **Adult's Movie & Discussion Night**

6:00 pm D & J Pampered Chef Shower

Sunday, June 19

Father's Day

9:00 am Sunday School

10:15 am Morning Worship

Monday, June 20

Wrather Hall Floor Redo – All Day

2:00 pm Ruth Hurt Circle Meeting

7:00 pm Anne Medearis Circle Meeting

Tuesday, June 21

Wrather Hall Floor Redo – All Day

4:45 pm Evening Prayer

6:00 pm Mentor's Meeting

7:00 pm Facilities Meeting

Wednesday, June 22

Wrather Hall Floor Redo – All Day

5:00 pm H.O.P.E. Board Meeting



It's that time again. The photos for the 2005 Church pictorial will be taken on August 4th, 5th, 6th and again on August 12th and 13th. Jan

Edmonson will be in Wrather Hall before and after Church on July 19th and 26th to enable you to pick the time for you and your family to have your pictures taken. If you are unable to make an appointment please give Jan a call at 967-9766 by July 30th. We are working with a new company, *First Choice Resources, Inc.*, for the pictorial and if you are unable to make arrangements with Jan they contact you by phone for your appointment. Start planning your wardrobe now because the time for the new pictorial directory is fast approaching.

Please join us in welcoming **Barbara and Ken Graffing** by transfer of church membership from Center Ridge United Methodist Church. They are the parents of Tabitha Eubank.

We also received **Angie and Chris Bartel** by transfer of membership last Sunday. Angie is transferring from Palestine Cumberland Presbyterian church and Chris is transferring from St. Andrew's Catholic church. Their sons, **Ethan and Will**, were baptized and added to our Preparatory Roll on Sunday, June 12, 2005.



Our **Annual Men's Chorus** will be this Sunday, June 19th, during worship. We invite all Dads and sons to be in the choir room immediately following Sunday School to learn our song. *There is no age limit, young or old, and no talent requirements, good or bad.* Please join us to lift an anthem of praise in

one voice on this **"Father's Day"**.



Jim Bowman has been appointed to Oak Hill United Methodist Church in Georgia. In an email Jim said that the church is about 30 miles from their home. The membership roll says that they have 68 members and the PPR chairman says they have around 25 present each Sunday. The church is located in a tourist area and some families just "drop in" for worship. Please keep Jim and Pia in your prayers as they start their new appointment on June 26th. Pictures of Oak Hill UMC can be seen on the bulletin board just outside the church offices.



What a great week we had at Vacation Bible School. What a great bunch of kids and a terrific bunch of tribe leaders and area workers. I hope everyone got a chance to see the decorations. We really had our church looking like a Jerusalem Market Place. If you sent items for us to use you may start picking them up at your earliest convenience. Most items are in Wrather Hall and are ready to be returned to their rightful owners. **THANK YOU** so much for loaning us your stuff. It really made the place look great.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

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| Joanna Small | Ruth Hart |
| David Dunham | Carol Helms |
| Melinda Hill | Sharnell Woods |
| Dena Stowe | Johnny Mattox |
| Chris Deneweth | Mary Jean Butters |
| "Doc" Melton | Wallace Sibley |
| Betty McCormick | Janet McGhee |
| Family and Friends of Brad Lewis | |
| Family and Friends of Kathy Blurton | |
| Family and Friends of Pam Sullivan | |
| Family & Friends of J. T. Adcox | |



ADOPT A TILE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Jerry & Becky Graves
in honor of David Small
in honor of the Bell Choir
in honor of the Sanctuary Choir
in honor of the Children's Nursery
- Charlotte & John Paulk
in memory of Ona Mae Houston
in memory of Johnny Houston
in honor of James Autry Houston
in honor of Harry D. Paulk
in memory of Mamie Paulk
- Judy Conger Larson
in memory of Coby Conger
in honor of Jo Ann Armstrong
in honor of Betty Hall Walker
in honor of Mildred Douglass
in honor of Kathryn Webb
in honor of Thelma Anderson Burke
in honor of Betty Threadgill
in honor of Jean Threadgill
in honor of John Threadgill
in honor of Ben Holcomb
- Nita T. Hart
in memory of Norris B. Hart

Don't forget: Friday, June 17th is "Pizza and a Movie Night". All adults are invited. We will begin eating at 6:00 pm and the movie will start around 6:30. The movie is "Shadowlands". It is 131 minutes long, a 1993 drama/romance, and is rated PG. There are 5 discussion starter questions for after the movie that we can discuss as a group.

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