

# Facts From First

A Newsletter from First United Methodist Church  
Cleveland, Tennessee

Rev. Andrew L. Henry, Senior Pastor

February 24, 2010

*"Putting Christ First"*

## 40 Days of Prayer 50 Days of Evangelism

*Easter is the time when the  
sun rises on new life.*

Will you participate in Prayer & Fasting for forty days? Will you expect God's grace to work through the church as we pray & fast? Devotional guides are available in the church office or online at [clevelandumc.com](http://clevelandumc.com) Let's make a commitment to pray together until The Resurrection.

## Adult Sunday School Spring Kick-Off!

On Sunday, March 7th, the church will kick off the Sunday School Spring Quarter by having all adult Sunday School Classes join together at 9:30 AM in the Commons. Come and enjoy a light breakfast while Pastor Drew teaches the first lesson in the Adult Bible Studies "Teachings on Community." If you've been thinking about coming to Sunday school, this is a great time to see what learning opportunities are available on Sunday mornings.

## UNITED METHODIST MEN DAY WITH THE BISHOP

**Saturday, March 6th**

8:30 AM Registration & Coffee

Who Should Attend: Any man from age 15 and up

Contact: Don Wood 473-9982 or [dkwood08@aol.com](mailto:dkwood08@aol.com)

Price: \$20.00/person by Friday, February 26, 2010  
or \$25.00/person at the door

-This gathering is for ALL men of the church. It will be held at First UMC in Rogersville, TN. This is our day with Bishop Swanson. We have a business meeting in the morning, lunch and afternoon Worship Service with Holy Communion lead by Bishop Swanson. Come and learn what all the United Methodist Men's Ministry is doing in our Conference. Enjoy meeting new men in the church and renewing old friendships.

-Scouts are encouraged to attend and bring a canned food item as their registration. This food will be donated to "Manna Kitchen" at First UMC Rogersville.

-The Upper Room Prayer Line will be open from 10 am to 12 Noon.

-Learn more information about Calling All Men 2010.

## CAMP LOOKOUT WORKDAY

**Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

All UMC Men and Women of the  
Chattanooga and

Cleveland District churches  
are encouraged to be a part  
of this special event. We will

leave the church at 6:30 AM.  
Breakfast starts at 7:30 AM,  
start working by 8:00 AM, and  
break for lunch around 12:00 PM.

Lunch will be followed by a time for  
group devotion, then back to work for  
a few more hours. We will end at  
3:00 PM. Please call the church  
office and let us know you plan on  
attending or for details.

*Workday takes place rain or shine – warm or cold!*



## African American History and Methodism

~Faithlink~

Methodism has a rich and vibrant African American history that has shaped all United Methodist Christians. What is this history, and how has it enriched Christian faith?

Want to learn more about it? Join a discussion this Sunday morning 9:45-10:30 AM. Meet us in the Homebuilders Sunday School class next to the Commons.

## REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP AT CAMP LOOKOUT

Last summer was nearly full, with 648 children in attendance, so register early!

There is an early-bird discount of \$15 with a deadline of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

There are 3 ways to register:

1. Online; [www.holstoncamping.com](http://www.holstoncamping.com)
2. Phone; (423) 929-9037 ext. 235 or 236
3. Mail; CRM, PO Box 2506, Johnson City, TN 37605

## Got Rummage?

You may now bring items to storage building

### N-15

for our August Rummage Sale

Ledford Mini-Warehouses

4697 North Lee Hwy (next to Cleveland Tire)

476-6523

*Please call before you go. You will need to pick up the key to the building in the storage office.*

Monday-Friday 8:30 to 4:30 PM

We also ask that you please use boxes to pack and store your items. This gives us more room for storage.

You're invited to a  
**Baby Shower**

for

*Brandon and Karen Overstreet*

Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

2:00 – 4:00 PM

in the Commons

Registered at: Target & Walmart

It's a Girl!

## BABY BLANKETS

This ministry is going strong and will meet again next Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 AM.

If you have started or finished a blanket, bring it with you on Tuesday!

## Cleveland District Senior Adult Event

Allen Memorial UMC

Highway 30 Athens, TN

Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Free Workshops:

Home Safety & Scams.....Larry Wallace  
*(Former Director of TN Bureau of Investigations)*

Wills & Estates.....David Siklosi  
*(Athens Attorney)*

Devotional Leader: Becky Jaquish

POTATO BAR – (Donation)

RSVP to the church office no later than  
Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Jubilation 2010

April 11-13, 2010

Kingsport, TN

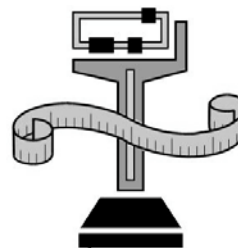
*The stated vision of Jubilation is to provide a ministry for senior adults, aged 55 and over, that nurtures spiritual growth, provides educational opportunities, promotes involvement in missions, and enhances Christian fellowship.*

If you are interested in participating, please contact Pat Hogan.

*Our leaders this year include:*

Bishop James E. Swanson, Sr., Bishop Richard C. Looney, Bishop Mary Virginia "Dindy" Taylor, & Rev. Charles Maynard

## ELIMINATE THE FAT FOR LENT



Sacrifice for Lent—Sure!  
The best way to observe Holy Lent is to practice the discipline of fasting. Organize your sacrifice so that you will lose unwanted pounds. Our Parish Nurse, Ann Smeltzer will help you to do that with support and a weigh-in each Wednesday. Do you want to observe Lent in a way that will support your life?

## Weekly Activities

### Sunday, February 28

- 8:30 AM Early Worship
- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Morning Worship
- 5:00 PM Good News Puppets
- 5:00 PM First Youth

### Monday, March 1

- 7:30 AM C.D.C.
- 9:00 AM P.D.O.
- 9:30 AM Body Recall
- 12:00 PM Body Recall
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts

### Tuesday, March 2

- 7:30 AM C.D.C.
- 9:00 AM P.D.O.
- 9:30 AM Line Dancing
- 10:00 AM Baby Blanket Workshop
- 6:30 PM Cub Scouts

### Wednesday, March 3

- 7:30 AM C.D.C.
- 9:00 AM P.D.O.
- 9:30 AM Body Recall
- 10:30 AM New Member Assimilation Meeting
- 12:00 PM Body Recall
- 5:30 PM Dinner
- 6:15 PM Children's Choirs
- 6:15 PM First Youth
- 6:30 PM Adult Bible Studies
- 6:30 PM Chancel Choir
- 7:30 PM FUMC String Band

### Thursday, March 4

- 7:30 AM C.D.C.
- 9:00 AM P.D.O.
- 12:00 PM Gad-A-Bout Lunch
- 6:30 PM Elan Circle
- 7:00 PM Friendship Circle

### Friday, March 5

- 7:30 AM C.D.C.
- 9:00 AM P.D.O.
- 9:30 AM Body Recall
- 12:00 PM Body Recall
- 3:00 PM Confirmation Retreat

### Saturday, March 6

Have a great weekend!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 7<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Assembly
- March 8<sup>th</sup> CDC Board Meeting
- March 9<sup>th</sup> May Dooley Circle  
Martha Hall Circle
- March 11<sup>th</sup> UMW Executive Meeting
- March 13<sup>th</sup> UMM Breakfast

## Wednesday Night Dinner

Pat's Meatloaf  
Mashed Potatoes Green Beans  
Dessert

Adults \$5.00 Kids \$2.00 (12 & under)

**Please make reservations by Monday.**

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

*"I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and do all in my power to strengthen its ministry by my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service, and my witness."*

## OUR PRAYERS

- Our country, our leaders, and our troops
- Jason Crandall and Family
- Family of Cory Simons
- Jason and Julee Dunn
- Rob David
- Jim Cotton
- Maxine Baker
- Martha Price
- Doris Mabry
- Elaine Norris
- Virginia Chatham
- Joan Bowman
- Ed Sharp
- Reggie LeGros
- Tim Rushing
- Karen Fisher
- Diane Jay
- Diantha Hodges
- Elanor Miller
- Patsy Kitchen
- Jack Grubb
- Lukas Cook
- Addicyn Thompson
- James and Mary Grace Kelly
- Mary Jim Cogdill
- Greyson Wallace

If you would like to have anyone put on the prayer chain, please call Charlotte Leach at 478-3773.

**Please notify the church office to add or remove names from the prayer list.**

## OUR PRESENCE

	Sunday School	Worship
2/07/10	114	271
2/14/10	102	220
2/21/10	144	314

## OUR GIFTS

Budget Receipts 2/21/10	9,443.67
Receipts to date:	92,316.78
Expenditures to date:	81,261.78
Receipts/Expenditures + or [-]	11,055.00
Budget to date:	107,546.00

## OUR SERVICE

**Ushers:** John Wilkins, Head; Lynn Gobble, Frank Calfee, Don Wood, Joe Hogan, Ron Merz.

**Acolytes:** Julia Duncan and April Lynn

**JAM:** Jill and Matt Ingram and Lisa Poe-Jones

**Sonshine Kids:** Katie Simpkins and Kay Coultry

**Greeters:** Friendship Circle

**Altar Flowers** sign-up outside the church office.

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## Child Development Center

Phone (423) 478-1426

## Our Staff

Senior Pastor ..... Rev. Andrew L. Henry  
Associate Pastor ..... Rev. Leann Crandall  
Minister to Senior Adults ..... Rev. Patricia Hogan  
Administrative Assistant ..... Molly Near  
Financial Secretary ..... Mae Wilkins  
Director of Children's Ministry ..... Jill Ingram  
Chancel Choir Director ..... Dr. Jim Burns  
Pianist ..... Susan Peay  
Organist ..... Jean Henderson  
Custodian ..... Robert Haney  
Maintenance ..... Johnny Staton  
Director of CDC ..... Lynne Curry  
Director of PDO ..... Rachel David

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# Gifts to our Church

*To the General Budget*

*In memory of JC and Thelma Dodd:*

*Pat Dodd*

*To the Choir Fund*

*In memory of Lang Ball's 83<sup>rd</sup> Birthday:*

*Terry and Diana Calfee & Family*

*To the Mary Diana Samuel Orphanage*

*In memory of Joe Kent:*

*Bob and Sandra Donaghy*