

CONGRATULATIONS, CAMILLE!

Camille Bradley has been serving as our liturgist here at Mullins for some time as she discerns God's plan for her life in ministry. We received the following email from Camille:

Dear Friends:

I have accepted the Youth Worker position at Trinity UMC in Memphis, and will begin worshipping and working with the youth at Trinity on December 16. I am very excited about this new opportunity to be in ministry while I continue my studies at Memphis Theological Seminary. Of course, I am going to miss being with all of you on a regular basis, yet this is what you have been preparing me for! It has been such a blessing for me to grow in faith with you.

I'm not going to say "good-bye", just "see you later".

*Peace and love,
Camille*

We wish Camille the best and know that you will want to keep her in your prayers.

LITTLE ONES!

Congratulations to Elmer and Hazel Wrobley on the birth of their great-grandson, Robert Michael Wrobley.

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias will adorn our Sanctuary on December 16th and 23rd. If you would like to order poinsettias in honor or in memory of loved ones please complete the form and return to the church office, with payment, by December 9th. The cost is \$10 each.

Name _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Poinsettias _____ Amount Paid _____

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY

In honor of "our angels", Kathy and Susan by The Ladies Prayer Group

SPECIAL THANKS

...to everyone who helped decorate our church for Advent and Christmas. The church looks beautiful! We appreciate your hard work!!

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Mullins UMC is now able to accept credit cards! Anyone can easily make a donation to the church simply by charging it to their Visa or Master Card.

In the sanctuary pews are credit card slips. Simply complete the form (including your contribution amount!), sign it, place the form in an envelope and drop the sealed envelope into the offering plate. Your contribution will be charged directly to your credit card. The idea is to make giving convenient while allowing you to keep a credit card record of your donation. Or, you may call the church office, 685-8253, and give the necessary information to our Church Administrator, Ms. Kathy Gillespie.

CONCORD ACADEMY SILENT AUCTION

The Mullins family is very special to us. We hope you will join us for our 4th annual Silent Auction on Friday, Dec. 7.

"An Old Fashioned Holiday"

Hors d'oeuvres and Dessert Night

Friday, December 7, 2007, 6:30 p.m.

Independent Presbyterian Church

4738 Walnut Grove Road

Memphis, Tennessee

Honorary Chairperson: Mayor A. C. Wharton

Music by Carl Gilleylen, Saxophonist

The event benefits CONCORD ACADEMY,

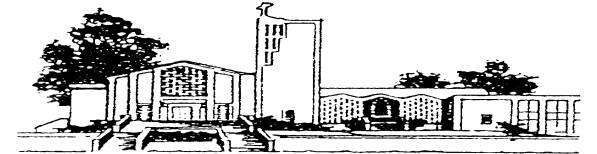
"Making a Positive Difference", since 1983

With deep regards and wishes for a very Merry Christmas!

Joyce Teague, Principal

Concord Academy

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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor
December 9, 2007

Scripture: Matthew 3: 1 - 12
Sermon: 'ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS'

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:45 & 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School 9:40 am
Wednesday Dinner & Program 5:45 p.m.

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Holiday Schedule

December is a busy month for everyone! Please mark your calendars with this list of December activities at Mullins UMC. You won't want to miss a thing!!

- Dec. 9: Worship services at 8:45 and 10:50
Church Christmas Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.
- Dec. 12: Crusader Party, 11:30 a.m. at Kirby Pines
PDO Children's Program in Fellowship Hall at 2:00 p.m.
- Dec. 13: PDO Children's Program in Fellowship Hall at 2:00 p.m.
The Lamplighter/Friendship Party, 6:00 p.m. at Holiday Inn University.
- Dec. 16: A Service of Lessons & Carols presented by the Chancel Choir at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary. We will also have our "March to the Manger" on this day. **Please note: There is only ONE SERVICE on Dec. 16.** There will be Sunday School as usual.
Youth Christmas Party, 5:00 p.m. at the Mastins'.
- Dec. 18: The Grace Notes Program at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.
Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall
- Dec. 19: Christmas Caroling!!! We will warm up with Soup and Baked Potatoes at 6:00 p.m., then head out to sing Christmas Carols in the neighborhood. Join us for lots of fun!
- Dec. 20, 21, 22: Church Directory Photos. Be sure to sign up in the Hall of the Apostles for a time to have your family photos made.
- Dec. 23: Worship services at 8:45 and 10:50
- Dec. 24: Communion Service at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel
Communion Service at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Dec. 24, 25, 26: Church Offices Closed
- Dec. 27: United Methodist Women Night Circle meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Lamplighter Room.
- Dec. 30: Worship services at 8:45 and 10:50
Youth New Year's Eve Party at 5:00 p.m.
- Dec. 31: Church Office closes at Noon

We look forward to seeing you at these Advent and Christmas Celebrations!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

- SUNDAY**
8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Church Christmas Dinner - FH
- MONDAY**
10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group
6:15 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - FH
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- TUESDAY**
8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
5:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out
6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - Gym
6:30 p.m. Handbells
7:00 p.m. Yoga Class
7:00 p.m. Bowling
- WEDNESDAY**
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - FH
8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
11:30 a.m. Crusader Party at Kirby Pines
2:00 p.m. PDO Program - FH
3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts - Rm. 100
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
6:30 p.m. Program - FH
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- THURSDAY**
8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
11:30 a.m. Women Clergy Mtg. - Rm. 209
2:00 p.m. PDO Program - FH
6:00 p.m. Lamplighter/Friendship Party at Holiday Inn University
- FRIDAY**
8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR DECEMBER 9

Children's Message: Mary Elizabeth Washburn
Children's Church: Play Practice

THE MENU FOR DECEMBER 12

Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20

Adults: Turkey & Dressing, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy,
Green Peas, Cranberry Salad, Bread, Dessert
Kids: Pizza or adult menu

To schedule a nursery for church meetings, please contact Stephanie Bowen, 483-4747, or the church office, 685-8253.

OUR PRAYERS

Continue to keep our homebound members and those in nursing homes in your prayers, as well as world leaders and those in the military.

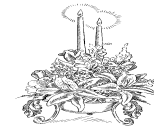
OUR SYMPATHY

love and prayers go out to

...Margaret Wilborn and family in the loss of her husband, Ed Wilborn. Visitation will be Thursday, Dec. 6, from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Memorial Park. The funeral service will be Friday, Dec. 7, at 10:00 a.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church.

OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	41
Sunday School	103
10:50 Service	133
Prayer Breakfast	14
Prayer Service	87



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God
...in loving memory of my son, Kenny Barnes,
by Janet Williams

...in loving memory of my wife, Clara,
in remembrance of our 65th anniversary on December 12,
by Don Dunavant



NOVEMBER

Budget Needs to Date:	\$515,537
Budget Received to Date:	\$440,748