



Please give a warm welcome to the those who recently joined our congregation:

Daniel Gabriel, 7269 Pittsfield Road, Germantown. Daniel is the son of the Revs. Brad & Linda Gabriel

Vena Cava, 772 Berclair Road, 38122. Vena comes by transfer from another United Methodist church

John and Susan Parker, and their children Madison, Robert, Sheldon and Graham. The Parkers also come by transfer from a Methodist church.

Frank Parker, (John's brother) is transferring from another denomination. The Parker family resides at 6446 N. Oak Shadows Circle, 38119.

We are delighted to have all of them in our Mullins family!

THANK YOU

My boxes are unpacked, the mini-frig is stocked, the "Good Luck, Justin" gift is hung on the wall, and all is well here at Duke! I am residing in, and supervising, the Brown Residence Hall, in my position on the Residence Life Staff as a Graduate Resident. We are preparing for the arrival of the undergrads on August 21. My classes begin August 27, and life will probably be a whirlwind until Christmas break.

I want to express my deep gratitude for everything Mullins has done for me. My life has been blessed beyond measure during the past three years while being a part of the Mullins family. Your generosity through the love offering was such a tremendous contribution toward this new chapter in my life! Be assured that the gift will be put to faithful use here at Duke Divinity School, and will help with important items that I was still unsure how to fund, such as books, fees and health insurance.

I received many kind letters, notes and comments from you all prior to leaving Memphis. Your encouragement was appreciated and continued prayers are welcomed! I will also be praying and thinking about the amazing community of Mullins during its many changes and challenges which will surely bless the congregation. So in that sense, we are both experiencing many changes, some more comfortable than others, but all sustainable through God's grace. Through it all, I know that you will continue to support Craig and the Youth Ministry at Mullins.

I think of you all as family and I hope to see you soon during a break from school. Again, thank you for helping to make my education possible. And from the bottom of my heart, I love you and thank you for blessing my life.

Justin Collett

COLLEGE & CAREER CLASS

...will not meet this Sunday, August 19. We will resume class on August 26.

BACK TO SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT

...is this week-end, August 17 - 19!!! We will meet in the parking lot on Friday at 3:45 p.m. and leave promptly at 4:10 p.m. The retreat will be held at Heather Evans' grandparents cabin at Grand Valley Lakes in Hardeman County. The phone at the cabin is 731-376-8119. We're going to have a great time!

PARENTS OF YOUTH — PLEASE NOTE!!

There will be a Parent Meeting on Sunday, August 26, at 4:00 p.m. in the Lamplighter-Friendship Room, followed by a Pot Luck Dinner for youth and parents at 5:00 p.m. Please make plans to attend!



Our thanks to Christie Entrekin for hosting the Mystery Dinner Theatre on August 11. It was LOTS of fun! For those of you who didn't come, you missed an awesome evening — do not miss out on the next one! We know at least 20 people who will race trying to beat you to sign ups!! Thanks Christie, for a job well done!

Tony & Tonya Martini

NEW BIBLE STUDY COMING!

Rev. Linda Gabriel will lead a Beth Moore Bible Study beginning August 27. This group will meet in Room 117-T, at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays. The emphasis for the study will be "Fruits of the Spirit", from Galatians. Everyone is welcome!

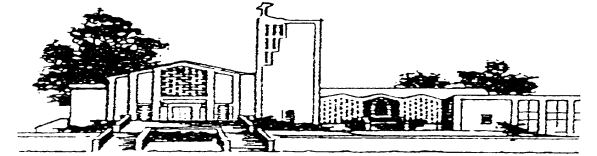
LADIES - JOIN A FUNDRAISER FOR FIRST UMC

...golf lessons offered at Putt-Putt Family Park, 5484 Summer. Dates are Saturdays August 18 & 25, Sept. 1, 8, 15. The instructor, Ann Mott, will teach you how to play golf. Call Ann at 647-2085 for more information and to register.

FLAMINGO SEASON BEGINS SOON!

Want to keep those flocks of pink flamingos from sprouting up on your lawn? Buy Flamingo Insurance from our youth on Sunday mornings! The season begins Sept. 2, so act fast!

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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor
August 19, 2007

Scripture: Philippians 3: 12 - 21
Sermon: 'THE DEEPEST KIND OF DIFFERENCE'
Dr. Paul Blankenship, Preaching

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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Bishop Richard J. Wills invites you to attend an Urban Ministry Strategy Dinner and Informational Meeting this Sunday, August 19, 6:30 p.m. at St. John United Methodist Church, 1207 Peabody Ave., Memphis, Tennessee. At least three to four key lay people from the church are encouraged to attend. This is an important first step in helping the Memphis Annual Conference establish a "20 Year Urban Ministry Plan" for the City of Memphis and the surrounding area of Shelby County.

We will be led by Urban Ministry consultant Dr. Cary Simonton, Senior Minister of High Street United Methodist Church, Springfield, Ohio. Several other representatives from various General Boards and Agencies will also join us on August 19. R.S.V.P by Thursday, August 16, to Tammy Budden at 685-6266, or email her at tbudden@umcmemphis.org

In His Service,
Brad

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS

Please note the change of the September meeting to Tuesday, September 11. The Board will meet in Room 117-T at 9:30 a.m., the General Meeting will be in the Chapel at 10:30 a.m. More information to be announced later.

UMW events around the district include a Mission Study on "Palestine/Israel" at Schoolfield UMC on Aug. 25, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Also, on Aug. 25, Highland Heights will host their Fall Fashion Show, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Fashions will be provided by Dress Barn. For reservations and tickets, call Janie Milam, 682-0091. Tickets are \$12 each.

NEWS FROM LESTER SCHOOL

Lester has a new principal, Cindy Saulsberry, who has done an awesome job reorganizing the school and staff to accommodate Pre-K to 8th grade with emphasis on academics, and to create a "mecca" for the students. Your help is NEEDED with school supplies, tutoring, and mentoring. Thanks to all who have already left supplies in the Lester box at the Circle Drive entrance, and to those who give financial help to Lester on a regular basis. The goal for the 2007-08 year is to have each class at Lester "adopted" by a group/Sunday School Class to act as "room parents". I challenge each Sunday School Class at Mullins to become that room parent!! Tutoring will begin the week of Sept. 17. Call me at 388-9190, (or email mbrown@dbrown.com) to get on board at Lester!

Margaret Brown

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, August 19 - Saturday, August 25

- SUNDAY 8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 Noon Crossroads Class out to Lunch
6:00 p.m. MOMs Group - Memphis Pizza Cafe
- MONDAY 9:30 a.m. Yoga - Gym
10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- TUESDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
6:15 p.m. Pilates Class - Gym
7:00 p.m. Yoga Class
7:00 p.m. Bowling
- WEDNESDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - FH
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
6:15 p.m. Beading - Parlor
6:30 p.m. Program: Becky Foote - FH
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- THURSDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
9:30 a.m. Yoga Class - Gym
- FRIDAY 8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
- SATURDAY 8:15 a.m. Yoga Class - Gym
9:00 a.m. UMW Mission Study - Schoolfield UMC

THE MENU FOR AUGUST 22

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

- Adults: Turkey/Dressing, Creamed Potatoes, Green Peas, Cranberry Salad, Bread, Dessert
- Kids: Pizza or adult menu

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR AUGUST 19

Children's Church: Lynn Bergwerk, Lane Traylor

BREAD SHELVES ARE FULL

...thanks to all our faithful bread bakers, who support this ministry! Take a short rest and bake again in a few weeks. You are doing a wonderful job!

OUR PRAYERS

St. Francis
Louise Magargel 414

At Home
June Phillips

OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	46
Sunday School	numbers not available
10:50 Service	177
Prayer Breakfast	12
Prayer Service	96



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God
...in celebration of our 38th anniversary on August 22,
by Cathy and Major Philpot

...in honor of Sandy Scruggs for her birthday on August 15
by Tom, TJ and Jeff

...in loving memory of my wife, Kathryn,
on the 10th anniversary of her death, August 24,
by Ken Sigman



Sunday School takes the spotlight on August 26, as we celebrate Rally Day, Promotion Sunday and Teacher Recognition! Adult and children's classes will gather in Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour for a rousing salute to Sunday School and its importance in our lives, no matter what our age!!