

THANK YOU!

To the Congregation of Mullins UMC:

We would like to express our gratitude to you for the playground equipment that we received from you. God answered our prayers with your gift!

Thank you,
The Members of Faith UMC



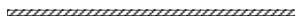
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They're GONE!!! The keys to the church van are missing! We are asking everyone who has driven the church van for an event in the last few months to please check and see if you have these missing keys. It's easy to pocket the keys and forget that you have them — no stiff fines or penalties — just please bring them back to the church office!



ATTENTION ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES!

Please provide an updated class membership roster to the church office as soon as possible. Thanks very much for your help!



FLAMINGO SEASON

...is in full swing! If in doubt, just ask the people who've been flocked!! If you would like to surprise someone with a lawn full of beautiful pink flamingoes contact Craig Tate, 685-8253. What better way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or just an ordinary day, than with flamingos! Of course, if you want to avoid finding your own lawn full of pink flamingos, there's always Flamingo Insurance! For the small fee of \$35.00 Mullins youth will make sure the flamingos don't land at your house! Make checks payable to Mullins and designate "Flamingo Insurance".

BE A PART OF THE LIBRARY'S SUCCESS!

Used Book Sale

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Used Book Sale a success. The library made \$370.25, and the congregation got lots of GREAT buys on quality hardback books, CDs and videos. We also have additional material for the library, and we were able to donate books to the women's prison ministry and to the MIFA Used Book Store.

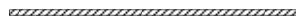
Cataloging of New Books

In just a few hours a week, you can help the library in a huge way! Volunteers are needed to catalog new books and shelve them in the library. This would be an ongoing activity.

Selection of Books

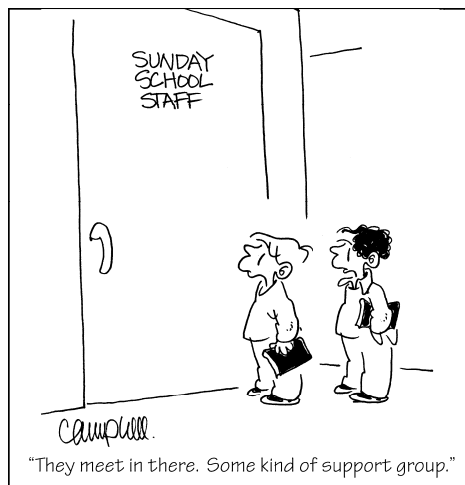
We also need a group of people from diverse age groups to help select books for the library.

If you are interested in helping with these projects, please call Margaret Carbaugh at 682-2299.

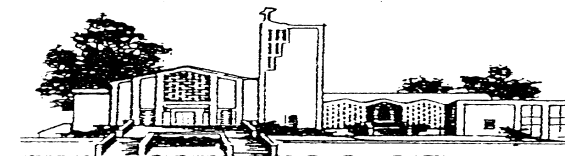


JUNIOR HIGH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning September 21, there will be a new Sunday School class for Junior High (6th, 7th and 8th graders). Cyndi Watkins will lead the class, which promises to be lots of fun as well as educational. If you are currently in Junior High, make plans to attend this great new class!



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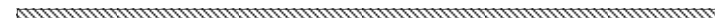
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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor

Mullins Pulpit - September 21, 2008
Scripture: Exodus 16: 2 - 15, Matthew 20: 1 - 16
Sermon: 'O BOTHER'

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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Dear Friends,

Last week we began a five week study based on the book *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations*. The first practice is "Radical Hospitality". Now we all know how to be hospitable. We all know how to be welcoming. But we can all entertain the idea of being radically hospitable. If a new family moves on your block and you say hello when you happen to see them outside, that is being hospitable. On the other hand, if you make a point to go to their door with, say, a loaf of bread, a cake or something similar, tell them you are glad they moved in, offer the use of power tools, household items, etc. until they get settled, offer to share information on restaurants, traffic patterns and neighbors' names, then you are moving toward radical hospitality. Radical hospitality can work the same way in the church. The term implies an intentional effort to greet, invite, and give information to people you either know are visitors or whom you just don't yet know. Radical hospitality also means being proactive, inviting people who are not Mullins members to join us in worship, or on Wednesday night, or to some special event. Everyone wants to be noticed. Everyone is worth being noticed. This week when you invite a friend, relative or neighbor to worship with us and to join us for the Potluck meal in Fellowship Hall, you have taken a major step toward radical hospitality. So let us invite, escort and introduce to one another people we know, but who do not yet know how wonderful Mullins is! See you Sunday.

In His Service,
Brad Gabriel

HOMECOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Mullins UMC will celebrate "Homecoming" on September 21, 2008. Our 50 year members will be recognized during the 10:50 worship service. Following worship, we'll enjoy a delicious Potluck meal (Mullins is famous for having wonderful cooks), and of course, great entertainment - Mullins Talent Review. We look forward to celebrating with old, and new, friends on Sunday, September 21. Don't miss it! It'll be a day to remember!!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 Noon Potluck Lunch - FH
5:00 p.m. Youth
5:00 p.m. Yoga Class - 117-T
5:00 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels - 117

MONDAY

10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Brownies - 100
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - FH
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Gym

TUESDAY

8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
10:00 a.m. Bridge Group - Lamplighter Rm.
6:01 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal
6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - Gym
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
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
6:30 p.m. Program - FH
7:17 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
6:00 p.m. UMW Night Circle - Lamplighter Rm.
6:13 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal

FRIDAY

8:30 a.m. Walking in Gym
2:00 p.m. Concord Academy - FH

SATURDAY

8:15 a.m. Yoga - Gym
1:00 p.m. 3rd/4th Boys Soccer - Grace St. Luke's
7:30 p.m. AA Mtg. - Lamplighter Rm.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR SEPTEMBER 21

Acolytes: Callie Likley, Ellen Weaver
Children's Message: Gwen Augustine

THE MENU FOR SEPTEMBER 24

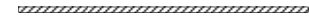
Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20

Adults: Spaghetti, Italian Salad, Garlic 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

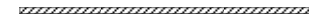
Continue to pray for our country, our leaders, those serving in the military, and those who are homebound or in nursing homes.



OUR SYMPATHY

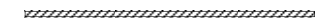
love and prayers go out to

....Greg and Judy Forsyth in the loss of his mother, Lucy Dolores Forsyth.



OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	36
Sunday School	80
10:50 Service	144
Prayer Breakfast	9
Prayer Service	79



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God

...in honor of Bill and Betty Pickel,
for their 59th anniversary on September 24,
by Harold and Ann Smith

...in loving memory of Harold Cooper,
by his family