

A BLESSING!

The following note was sent to the church office recently by one of our neighbors. Once again, we are reminded that Mullins UMC touches lives in the community as well as in our local congregation.

Thank you for the musical reminder that we are "Standing on the Promises of God!"

Your Neighbor in Christ,
Patsy B. Fielder



Eggs, eggs and **MORE** eggs are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11, at 10:00 a.m.!! Weather permitting, it will be held outside; if not, we will hunt eggs in Fellowship Hall. We need donations of plastic eggs (pre-stuffed with candy, please!) for the Egg Hunt. **We hope to have lots of children, so that means we need LOTS of candy-filled eggs!!! Please bring the eggs to the church office by Monday, April 6.** Thanks for your help with this event for our children!

2009 "UNsung HERO" AWARD

The Asbury District Laity Banquet is April 21, 2009, at 6:15 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$10 each, and reservations must be made in advance. "Unsung Heroes" from each church in the district will be recognized at this event. Past recipients of this award include: Bidwell Dean, Dick Gardner, Gerry Gardner, Louise Harmon, Margaret Brown, Sue McLaughlin, Paul Hausmann. Sue Hausmann, Gwynne May, Charles Griffin, Cyndi Watkins, Larry Nelson, Sandy Scruggs, Bea Manning, Tommy Scruggs, Marcia Taylor and Brenda Carson.

As you consider a nominee for 2009, think of someone who goes "above and beyond" in service to Christ and his church, without thought of recognition and thanks. You may nominate **ONE** person. Please DO NOT nominate previous award winners. **All nominations must be in the church office by WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8.**

Unsung Hero Nominee _____

Nominated by: _____

EASTER CLOTHES FOR CHILDREN

Easter is a special time, and for some children, new clothes are an accepted fact. However, for many children, this is not the norm. Once again, Church Women United is collecting NEW CLOTHES for children in need. They are working with local elementary schools to distribute the clothes to those who really need them. Last year we had a wonderful response to this request! Clothes may be brought to the church office and they will be delivered to the Church Women United meeting on Monday, April 6. When you're shopping, please remember to buy something special for these children. Thank you!

POTLUCK LUNCH APRIL 5TH

Family Life is hosting a Potluck Lunch on Palm Sunday, April 5, immediately following the 10:50 worship service. We hope everyone will plan to bring a dish and join us for good food and fellowship!



Join us on April 10, at 12:00 Noon, for our Good Friday Lunch and program. Our speaker will be Virginia Burnette, wife of Rev. Ken Burnette. Virginia is a well-known (and well-loved!) speaker within the Memphis Conference and we are delighted to have her present our Good Friday program this year. Please make reservations for the lunch by calling the church office, 685-8253, by Tuesday, April 7.

UM REPORTER SUBSCRIPTIONS

It's time to renew our subscriptions to the United Methodist Reporter, our Conference newspaper. All subscriptions will begin June 1, 2009 and end May 31, 2010. The cost is \$20 per year. This is a great way to stay up-to-date on all the news from our local Conference as well as United Methodist news from around the world. Make checks payable to Mullins UMC and designate "UM Reporter"

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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor

Mullins Pulpit - April 5, 2009

Scripture: Mark 15: 1 - 39

Sermon: 'RECREATION INCARNATION'

Weekly Schedule

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



Dear Friends,

Just in time for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, our Sunday Disciple Bible Study group worked on passages from Hebrews 1: 1 - 4 and Colossians 1: 15 - 20. Here is one example of how we might use the lessons and themes from those two passages to remind us in worship of just what God was doing during Holy Week.

L: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets;

P: in these last days, he spoke to us through a son.

L: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

P: Whom God made heir of all things and through whom God created the universe,

L: for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth,

P: the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers;

L: all things were created through him and for him.

P: He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

L: He is the head of the body, the church.

P: He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.

L: Through him, God reconciles all creation to God.

P: Making peace by the blood of his cross.

L: When he had accomplished purification from sins,

P: He took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Let us remember that all Jesus was doing in those last days was for us and for our benefit. From the beginning, God is willing to act at whatever the cost to rescue, save and renew us. I hope to see you at worship in the days to come.

Blessings,
Brad

OPPORTUNITY FOR MINISTRY

Dear Friends at Mullins:

I have incredible an opportunity to participate in the Missions and Retreat trip for The Wesley Foundation at the University of Memphis. It is because of Wesley and my involvement there that I heard the call of Christ in my life. In May, 2009, the trip is to Denver, where we will work with Denver Urban Ministries (food banks, homeless shelters, home repair ministries, HIV/AIDS children, etc.) This will not be a trip of luxury. We will also spend some time at Rocky Mountain National Park. Recent cuts to the Wesley budget means that we now have to help fundraise for these trips. Knowing your heart for ministry and missions, I am asking your help to make this trip a reality. Any amount will help and all donations are tax deductible (a substantiation letter will be sent to you). **Please make checks payable to: The Wesley Foundation.** Checks may be left in the church office at Mullins. Thank you for your support.

Lauren Gam
Youth Ministries Assistant

SUNDAY, April 5 - SATURDAY, APRIL 11

- SUNDAY 8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 Noon Potluck Lunch - FH
4:00 p.m. Confirmation - Pastor's Office
5:00 p.m. Youth
5:00 p.m. Yoga Class
5:00 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels - 212
- MONDAY 9:00 a.m. Church Women United - Buntyn Pres.
9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group
6:13 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - FH
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- TUESDAY 6:30 a.m. Career Support Group - Lamplighter Rm.
9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
6:01 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal
6:15 p.m. Core Ball Class - FH
7:00 p.m. Yoga Class - FH
7:00 p.m. Bowling
- WEDNESDAY 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Dinner - FH
6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs
6:15 p.m. Beading Group - 209
6:30 p.m. Program: Chris Todd - FH
7:17 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- THURSDAY 9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service - Sanctuary
- FRIDAY PDO Closed
12:00 Noon Good Friday Lunch & Program
Virginia Burnette, Speaker
- SATURDAY 8:15 a.m. Yoga - FH
10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR APRIL 5

No Children's Message - Communion Sunday
Children's Church Leaders: Harriet & John Montgomery,
Margaret Methvin

THE MENU FOR APRIL 8

Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20
Adults: Potato Soup, Salad, Bread, Dessert
Kids: Pizza or adult menu

OUR PRAYERS

Methodist University Hospital **Delta Medical Center**
Julia Ettman 515 Thomas David Knott ICU

Methodist North
Lucille Carson 135

At Home
Evelyn Vowell
Betty Pickel



CHANCEL FLOWERS

for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God

...in loving memory of my wife, Pauline,
by Dr. J. R. Thomas

OUR PRESENCE

8:45 a.m.	23
Sunday School	73
10:50 Service	138
Prayer Breakfast	8
Prayer Service	73

HATS FOR WESLEY MANOR

Wesley Manor residents need hats for their Easter Parade. If you have any old hats you'd like to donate, please call Barbara Kercher at 337-5964, as soon as possible.

PLEASE NOTE!!!

At the present time you may access your church newsletter each week by going to the church website: www.mullinsumc.org. Newsletters will also be available at the church.