

**THANK YOU!**

Special thanks to Clint Trusty for his continued support of our Wednesday Fellowship Dinner program. Clint's contributions to this ministry are greatly appreciated.

The Hostess Committee



**CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN MARCH 1**

Confirmation classes, an exploration of the faith and our United Methodist expression of it, will meet every other week at 4:00 p.m. in the pastor's office. Participants need to be 12 years old on or before September 1, 2009. Youth who take part in the classes will be invited to become professing members of Mullins UMC on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2009. Please call Rev. Gabriel for more information.

**ORGAN RECITAL**

Dr. John Peterson will present an organ recital at Mullins UMC this Sunday, March 1, 2009, at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring a friend.

**30 HOUR FAMINE**

Mullins' youth will participate in the 30 Hour Famine Feb. 27-28, at Trinity UMC. Please keep our youth in your prayers during this event.

**UPPER ROOM**

Current issues are available in Hall of the Apostles. The cost is \$1 each. Start your year with great devotional reading!

**HONORING OUR LOVED ONES**

Gifts have been given to:

**BUDGET**

In memory of Doris Luton by Marge Gresham  
In memory of Rose Aster Wallace by Marge Gresham  
In memory of Virginia Carbaugh by John & Harriet Montgomery  
In memory of Harold Smith by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Hausmann  
In memory of Kendall Kercher by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Hausmann

**LIBRARY**

In honor of Megan Massey by Margaret Carbaugh  
In memory of Scott Belisle by Margaret Carbaugh

**ST. JOHN MINISTRY**

In memory of Kay Wood by Aaron Foster

**PLAYGROUND**

In honor of Bob & Susan Wilson in appreciation of their donation of chairs for our classroom by the Crossroads Class

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS**

Both the Day and Night UMW Circles will meet this Saturday, Feb. 28, 2009, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, in Room 117 to knit/crochet *Love Caps* for MIFA. Guests are welcome.

The UMW General Meeting will be Tuesday, March 3. The Board will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 117, the General Meeting will begin promptly at 10:30 in the Chapel. Following the General Meeting, we will carpool to Calvary Episcopal Church for their Lenten lunch and program. The speaker on March 3 (1:05 - 1:40 p.m.) will be John Dominic Crossan, Biblical scholar and author from Orlando, Florida. John Crossan is an Irish American Biblical scholar known for co-founding the Jesus Seminar. His passion lies in digging deep into Jesus and Paul in their contexts and using every available tool to understand their lives and work. In his lecture and books, Crossan's spontaneous witticisms display a remarkable sense of humor. Please make plans to join us for this special event.

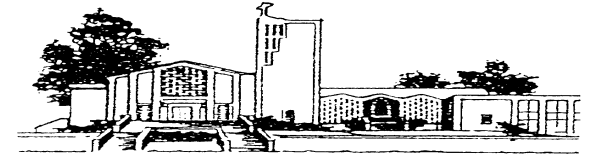
**WOMEN'S FOUNDATION FOR A GREATER MEMPHIS  
11TH ANNUAL TRIBUTE LUNCHEON AND SYMPOSIUM**

Women Leaders Ascending  
Thursday, April 30, 2009, 11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
Memphis Cook Convention Center  
Grand Ballroom, 255 N. Main Street

**Kathleen Kennedy Townsend  
2009 Keynote Speaker**

Maryland's First Woman Lieutenant Governor/Child Advocate

**MULLINS MESSENGER**



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The Rev. Dr. Bradley W. Gabriel, Pastor

Mullins Pulpit - March 1, 1009

Scripture: Mark 1: 9 - 15

Sermon: 'FIRST SUNDAY'

*Weekly Schedule*

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

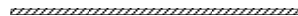


To the Mullins Cleaning Angels:

Thank you, thank you, thank you, for the great job this past Saturday! Everyone pitched in, got dirty, found some unused muscles and had a hearty lunch. I want to thank Gene Hill for organizing this work day — bringing in more vacuum cleaners than you will see in Sears — and working before, and after, we were there. Without his heroic effort, none of this would have happened. Thanks, Gene!

Our next, and final, workday of 2009 is Saturday, March 21 at the same time, with lunch, so stay tuned. We have some inside work to finish and lots of work on the outside. Charles Griffin will be our landscape tour guide for this adventure. We will have a list of equipment to bring (no bulldozers or bobcats, please!!!) Mark your calendars.

Yours in Christ,  
Julia Howell, Chair  
Administrative Council



The Memphis Conference has made contributions every year for the past several years to aid the fight against hunger in the world — both abroad and at home. All of the projects supported by the Lenten World Hunger Offering are worthy initiatives that are making a difference to people who are starving. Our Lenten Offering will help people in the U. S. and abroad.

Among others, donations this year will go to aid UMCOR - emergency relief to drought-stricken areas of Africa; Heifer Project International; Dream Farm in Zimbabwe; Peanut Butter Project in Sierra Leone; Hunters for the Hungry; Society of St. Andrew; Reelfoot Rural Ministries; Memphis Neighborhood Centers; Area Food Banks - Memphis InterFaith Food Bank, Regional InterFaith Food Bank in Jackson, and Paducah (KY) Cooperative Ministries.

Our Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday offerings will go to this special Lenten offering. After Easter, all Lenten offerings will be sent to the Memphis Conference. We hope everyone will participate in this fight against hunger.

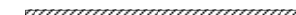
	<b>SUNDAY, MARCH 1 - SATURDAY, MARCH 7</b>
SUNDAY	8:45 a.m. Worship - Chapel 9:40 a.m. Sunday School 10:50 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary 3:00 p.m. Organ Recital - Sanctuary 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class - Pastor's Office 5:00 p.m. Youth 5:00 p.m. Yoga Class 5:00 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels - 212
MONDAY	10:00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Group 6:13 p.m. Woodwinds Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Staff/Parish Relations Com. - 117 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. Beading Group - 209 6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Programs 6:30 p.m. Program: Tom Curry - FH 7:17 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
FRIDAY	9:00 a.m. Walking in Gym
SATURDAY	8:15 a.m. Yoga - FH 9:00 a.m. Beethoven Club Young Artists Competition



**MEMBERS IN SERVICE FOR MARCH 1**  
No Children's Message - Communion Sunday



**THE MENU FOR MARCH 4**  
**Adults \$5, 12 & Under \$3, Family Max \$20**  
Adults: Chicken & Dumplings, Peas, Salad, Bread, Dessert  
Kids: Pizza or adult menu



**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**  
The regular church office hours are Monday — Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

**OUR PRAYERS**

**At Home**  
Helen Russell 563

**Pray For:**  
Charles Griffin - shoulder surgery 3/4/09



**OUR SYMPATHY**  
love and prayers go out to

...Ruth Meyer in the loss of her mother, Rose Aster Wallace



**OUR PRESENCE**

8:45 a.m.	35
Sunday School	79
10:50 Service	156
Prayer Breakfast	10
Prayer Service	86



**CHANCEL FLOWERS**  
for this Sunday are being placed to the Glory of God  
...in loving memory of E. F. Luton,  
in remembrance of his birthday, March 3,  
by Judy and Dendy Harmon



**PLEASE NOTE!!!**  
At the present time you may access your church newsletter each week by going to the church website: [www.mullinsumc.org](http://www.mullinsumc.org). Newsletters will also be available at the church.