

THOSE WHO SERVE

Month of March

Trustee Anne Hyde
Ushers Patrick & Valerie Jones
Altar Guild Larry Mathis, Barbara Cady
Communion Servers Tom & Judy Panucci, Leigh Carpenter, Kathy Kindred
Communion Steward Joyce Smith

February 27

Liturgist David Wilson
Greeters Kathy Cornutt, Bonnie Treadway, Jack & Ina Hucks
Acolytes BJ Marsh, Teddy Lozier
Children's Church Volunteers James Boyle, Cindy Marsh, Dianna Harper
Nursery Volunteers Kathy Kindred, Amy Key
Visitation John Cole
Sound Scott Jones/Richard Wilson
Prayer Chapel Bill Smith

March 6

Liturgist Valerie Jones
Greeters Tom & Joan Diggs, Chris & Beth Marshall
Acolytes Rebecca Bott, Rachel Lozier
Children's Church Volunteers Steve Yearick, Mary Anne Bott, Beth Marshall
Nursery Volunteers Teresa Parker, Ina Hucks
Visitation John Cole
Sound Scott Jones/Richard Wilson
Prayer Chapel John Cole

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Reverend Jim Stringfellow, Senior Pastor
 Renee' Rowse, Children Ministries Director Erin Hicks, Youth Director
 Judy Panucci/Valerie Jones, MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten Directors
 Eric Wilson, Music Ministry Director Nicky Wilson, Organist/Pianist
 Jimmy Gattis, Treasurer Larry Mathis, Assistant Treasurer
 Leone Purser, Secretary

Ongoing Weekly Events and Meetings Listed Below

Sunday School 9:00 am - 10:00 am
 Sunday Worship 10:15 am
 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Youth
 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Children's Choir
 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm Youth choir
 Monday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts/Pack 96
 Tuesday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
 10:00 am Lydia Circle-Parlor (every 3rd Tuesday)
 6:30 pm Stitchers, Etc. - Parlor
 (2nd & last Tuesday of each month)
 Wednesday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Girl Scouts - Art Room
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Youth Bible Study
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Adult Choir
 Thursday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
 9:30 am Adult Bible Study—Parlor
 6:00 pm Rebecca Circle - Parlor - 3rd Thursday
 of each month
 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting-Conference Room
 (1st Thursday of each month)
 6:30 pm Open Basketball
 Friday 9:30 pm - 1:30 pm MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten

Wish to Join? Questions about Membership?

You may join Epworth United Methodist Church by

- Confession of Faith** - the initial entrance into membership in the church when you confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.
- Reaffirmation of Faith** - renewing your initial confession of faith after a period of inactivity or not being on a church membership roll.
- Transfer of Membership** - from another United Methodist congregation or from a Christian church of another denomination. We recognize baptism from all other Christian churches.

If you have questions about baptism or church membership, please contact the office at 256-536-1559 or eumc@hiwaay.net, and our pastor will be pleased to meet with you.

“Do not those who plot evil go astray? But those who plan what is good find love and faithfulness.” - [Proverbs 14:22](#)



Prayer concerns and praises for the week of February 27, 2011

Grant Hicks	AIC Trey Franklin	Bill Schrimsher
Gayle Matthews	Lue Harvell	Ethel Phillips
Margaret Syler	Larry Holder	Frances Slayton
Sara Nichols	Mildred Hooper	Nell Stone
Scott Jones & Family	PVT Chris Howser	Earl Stringfellow
Flo Burkholder	Ed & Joyce Hunt	Rhonda Tucker
Buck Bannister	RJ Jackson	Wayne & Paulette Templeton
Chino Boyingtron	Darby Jones	US Military Families
Mildred Barnes	Carolyn Knight	Angie Watwood
Hans Bott	Mary Ann Kirkland	Freda Wells
Helen Branum	Donna Kuiper	Holly Wells
Mildred Cagle	Maria Luzinger	Debbie Deerman
Michelle Cook	Dee McPeters	Chuck Williams
Hazel Cowley	Vickie Manhart	Jack Wilson
Norma Dickson	Fred & Mary Moffitt	Richard Yearick
Glenda Edwards	Pam Patet	Jim Zielinski, II
Jane Hoffman	Maymie Pickett	
Fannie Mae Falkenberry	Walton Powers	
Chris Franklin	Pat Reid	
	Madeline Reynolds	

Prayer Needs:

I am requesting prayer for _____

Situation/relationship: _____

____ Please contact me. _____ Please list this prayer request in the bulletin.

____ I would like to talk with a staff member about joining Epworth UMC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

The Order for Worship
Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 27, 2011

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

Bringing in the Light

Acolytes

**Welcome, Announcements, & Greeting Time*

David Wilson, Liturgist

**Hymn of Praise*

"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"

No. 96

**Affirmation of Faith*

David Wilson, Liturgist

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Gloria Patri.*

No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Gideon Presentation

Prayer Time/Prayer Concerns/Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jim Stringfellow

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory

"O Worship the King"

No. 73

Giving of God's Tithes & Offerings

**Doxology*

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children's Minute

Renee' Rowse

(After Children's Minute, children ages 3 1/2-5th grade are dismissed for Children's church)

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:21-48

David Wilson, Liturgist

Sermon

"Healing Relationships - Part 2"

Reverend Jim Stringfellow

**Hymn of Dedication*

"How Can We Sinners Know"

No. 372

Benediction

*Congregation, please stand as you are able.

The Story

Youth Announcements:

- Sunday Night Youth Fellowship tonight from 5-7pm.
- Tuesday, March 1st, Senior High Covenant Group at Erin's from 7-8:30pm.
- Wednesday Night Small Group Bible Study from 7-8pm.
- Sunday, March 6th from 5:45pm-6:30pm the church is invited to hear Jeremy Springer from the nonprofit She Dances speak about the problem of human trafficking in the world and ways in which we can help the victims of it.

Be on the look out...

- The youth will be **selling t-shirts and polos** with the church logo on them beginning March 6th.
- The youth will be having a **rummage sale** Saturday, March 26th 8am-12pm. We will begin collecting the items Sunday, March 20th. You can drop things off Sunday, March 20th between 9-11:30am and 5-7pm; Wednesday, March 23rd from 6-8pm; and Friday, March 25th from 4-6pm.

Children's News:


- On March 6th the children will be presenting "The Friendly Beasts" puppet show during the Children's Minute. Come and enjoy the Nativity Story as seen through the eyes of the animals.
- Children's Choir has begun again. We're meeting on Sundays from 6:00-7:00. Ages 3 years - 5th grade are welcome.
- VBS is scheduled for June 6th - June 10th 6:00-8:00

TODAY, FEBRUARY 27 Searcher's Class is hosting a MICHE Bag Party in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 to raise money for the Heifer Project. Miche Bag is a unique concept in designer handbags. Using interchangeable outer Shells, women have the reversibility to change the look and feel of their purse without removing its contents. Miche Bag has made being fashionable more convenient and affordable. There are also coin purses, wallets, accessories, and a magnetic key finders offered.

TODAY, FEBRUARY 27 Family Life Team members will be offering muffins and sweet rolls between Sunday School and the Worship Service in the Narthex.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 Epworth UMW is having a bake sale. Proceeds will go to the Heifer Challenge. Please help us by purchasing a cake, cookies, or other goodies. We have some of the best cooks, so please take advantage of this sale. Items will be available in the lower Narthex.

FRIST STOP NEEDS: 3 large cans of coffee, large can of creamer, sugar, paper plates, & paper towels. There is a basket in the Narthex labeled First Stop for you to leave your items. Thanks so much!



The flowers on the Altar are in honor of
My loving Grandmother. I love you Mimi!
Happy Birthday
 Love, Cody & Poppy

Welcome to Our Guests

We are honored that you have chosen Epworth United Methodist Church as your place of worship this morning. If you are not active in a church or if you are looking for a new place in a caring, serving church, we invite you to become part of this church family.

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex.

Sunday School classes are 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Memory **Mary Nichols, Sister of Frances Coleman**

Given by *For*
Homemaker's Class *Building Fund*

Wilma Caudill, Leigh Carpenter's mother
Homemaker's Class *Building Fund*

Joy Daniel
Homemaker's Class *Building Fund*

COUNTERS NEEDED: Please contact Jimmy Gattis if you are willing to serve as a counter. It requires that you stay after church on your Sundays for approximately 30-45 minutes to complete this duty. Thanks for this consideration.

BLUEGRASS & GOSPEL CONCERT on Friday, March 4 at 7:00 pm in Fayetteville, TN at the Ninth Grade Academy. Advance tickets are \$10.00; \$12.00 at the door. For further information, call 913-438-0307, 913-433-5956, or 913-433-2739.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
 There have been several days of prayer in the U.S. before the day was made official in 1952. The Continental Congress issue a day of prayer in 1775 to designate "a time for prayer in forming a new nation." During the Quasi-War with France, President John Adams declared May 9, 1798 as "a day of solemn humiliation, fasting and prayer," during which citizens of all faiths were able to pray "that our country may be protected from all the dangers which threaten it."
A Proclamation
Whereas the Senate of the United State devoutly recognizing the Supreme Authority of Almighty God, in all the affairs of men and of nations, has, by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National prayer and humiliation.
And whereas it is a day of nations as well as of men to own their own dependents upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon, and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scripture and proven by all history, that those national only are blessed whose God is the Lord.
And insomuch as we know that by His divine law, nations like individuals are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justify fear that the awful calamity of civil war, which now desolated the land, may be but a punishment, inflicted upon us, for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole People? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own, intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!
President Abraham Lincoln

UMW NORTHEAST DISTRICT UNIT MEETING Saturday, March 5 at 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor. The featured speaker is NE District President Carol Toney.



March 4

<i>Attendance</i>	
<i>February 20, 2011</i>	
Worship:	168
Sunday School:	124
Children:	25
Youth:	12
Adults:	87

<i>Stewardship</i>	
<i>February 20, 2011</i>	
General	\$5,439.00
Building Fund	467.00
Heifer Project	100.00
ASP	320.00
Total	\$6,326.00