



The First United Methodist Church of

Pine Mountain

The Wesleyan Communicator

Open Hearts, Open
Minds, Open Doors

June
2011

A Note from the Pastor:

What We Believe Matters!

When I was a child, I believed some pretty silly stuff. I believed that hot dogs were made out of.... well, you know..... man's best friend. I believed I could dig my way to China with a wooden spoon from the kitchen.. I believed thunder and lightning were the angels bowling. And then somewhere along the line, what I believed began to be less silly and more important to my life. I believed I could study and make good grades. I believed I could learn to ride a bike, to drive a car, to sew a dress, to talk in front of people. I was baptized and became a part of the church. And I believed that Jesus was with me. And that made all the difference!

What we believe really does matter! If Abraham had not believed the voice he heard was the voice of YAHWEH, would he have started the journey? If David had not believed that he was in the right and that God was with him, would he have faced Goliath? If Paul had not believed he had encountered the living Christ, would the church be here today?

If we believe that God created the world, then we are more careful about the way we live in it. If we believe God is a forgiving God, then we try to be more forgiving ourselves. If we believe the church is the body of Christ, then we are a little more concerned about the spiritual health of our church family. If we believe Jesus will return one day, we are a bit more careful about how we will be found living!

Every now and then we need to review what it is that we believe..... as Christians and specifically as United Methodist Christians. Each Sunday during June and July, I will be preaching a series called ***What We Believe Matters***. I'll talk about the Apostle's Creed and about King Jesus, head of the Church and about the Holy Spirit's role in our lives, about God's creation and journey with God's people. I'll talk about God's grace, prevenient, justifying and sanctifying, about heaven and hell and holy scripture and holy living.

I hope you will plan on being a part of as many of these services as possible. Maybe you could invite your friends! ***Because what we believe matters***. Sometimes that makes us nervous. Maybe we are not sure what to believe. We are with the man in Mark 9:24 who says, "I believe! Help my unbelief!"

Will you come to worship and live in that ever present question. What is it that I truly believe? The good news is that God has made the answers quite clear for us! Come and be reminded once again!

Martha



Staying Connected

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Our next breakfast fellowship meeting: 8:00am Saturday, June 4 in the Family Life Center. Dean and Amy will prepare another delicious breakfast. We plan to have a guest speaker. We will also discuss upcoming events including ways we can help those who suffered property damage as a result of recent tornado activity in our area. Please join us and make sure to bring a friend.



Just for Fun - At a recent meeting, several of our men suggested that the UMM do something just for fun - something with a little adventure in it - like deep sea fishing or



white water rafting? We could invite the male youth of our church, our fathers, sons, grand sons. If you like the idea and would like to make a proposal and assist or lead the planning, please bring it up at our next fellowship meeting or call John Christian, 706-663-2012.



Daily Prayer and Bible Reading (One Approach) - Men, do you have a tough time working prayer and Bible reading into your daily schedule? You might try getting up a little earlier in the morning and retreating to the "Secret Place of the Most High" (see Psalm 91:1) Find a quiet place, one where you can close the door and be still before God for 15 minutes to an hour. You can use this special time for prayer, reflection, Bible reading, and working out your (His) plan for your day. If you aren't doing this already, consider giving it a try. It will change your life and the lives of those around you. One of God's promises is that he rewards those who diligently follow this practice!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



Louise Miller Circle - The regular June Circle meeting is cancelled in lieu of a mission study to be held on Saturday, June 25th. Time is 9:30 AM

until 1:30 PM in the Family Life Center. Malinda Brooks will share information about the El Salvador Mission trip and Peggy Christian will be presenting "Joy to the World", a UMW mission study about sharing the gospel of Christ worldwide. We also hope to have some of the youth, who went on the El Salvador mission, share about their experiences on the trip. Lunch will be served and a baby sitter will be provided. **All women of the church are invited to attend.** Please contact Peggy Christian with any questions. Hostesses are Peggy Christian and Glenda Darley.

GIFT TO PINE MOUNTAIN (and surrounding areas) MARK YOUR CALENDAR—SAVE THE DATE AND SHARE THE NEWS WITH FRIENDS!

July 25,26,27 (last week of July)

6:15—7:30pm	1st Session
7:30—7:45pm	Fellowship Break
7:45—9:00pm	2nd Session

Watch for a schedule of classes coming soon. For more information call the church office 706-663-2538 or Bobbie Tarpley at 706-663-4404 Gift to Pine Mountain is presented as a sharing of gifts and talents by the members of First United Methodist Church of Pine Mountain. A nursery will be provided and pre-registration will be required.



FOCUS

FOCUS has an ongoing fund to stock their food pantry. **Helping the Needy** All monetary donations go into this fund to support the needs of Harris County.





THE SEW BLESSED QUILTERS

The Sew Blessed Quilters are looking forward to the Bazaar of Bountiful Blessings on Saturday, October 8, from 8:00 to 4:00 p.m. The categories are BACKYARD HABITAT, BABY BOUTIQUE, CHILDREN'S CORNER, COUNTRY STORE, HOLIDAY SHOP, COLLEGIATE SHOP, DECORATIVE ARTS, SEW BLESSED CORNER, and GRANDMA'S ATTIC.



Our church is truly blessed with many gifts and talents, and through the combined efforts of all of us, the bazaar will be a great success. All profits will go toward the debt reduction.

The following is a list of suggested items that sold well at our last bazaar. Please feel free to add your own creativity to the list.

birdhouses, plants, pottery, jams, jellies, pickles, baked goods, candy, bread, crocheted afghans, baby blankets, receiving blankets, bibs, burp cloths, baby booties, table runners, placemats, napkins, casserole covers, pillow cases, aprons, dish cloths, potholders, mop covers, jewelry, jewelry bags, scarves, crocheted angels, woodwork items, art, children's bows, tote bags

Grandma's Attic: gently used items (no clothes)

For further information, please call Sandra Barge at 706-628-7435

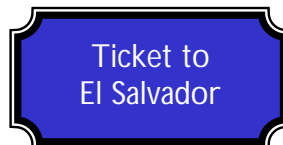
NEED VOLUNTEERS

Our office needs a few more receptionists. Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday from 9:00-12:30pm are open and available for you to volunteer. If you would like to help answer the phone, greet visitors and visit with the best church family in town, please call today and let the office know what day would be best for you. The quieter months of June and July will be filled with getting ready for up-coming events in the late summer and fall.



All of you who have visited the church office on Tuesday know

that Ruth Parker has been our receptionist for quite a long time. She has retired! (not from helping in the office, just from her weekly receptionist duty on Tuesdays) Her dedication to our church family is unequalled and cannot be replaced. Thank you Ms. Ruth for being an example for all of us to strive to meet. Tuesdays will never be the same!!!!



Thank you for helping make our dreams come true. By the time you receive this newsletter, Chelsey, Mandy and I will already be working in El Salvador. We could not have done it without your generous support through prayer, material and monetary donations for our mission trip. Love in Christ, Malinda Brooks



Children's Ministries



SHAKE IT UP CAFE!

Vacation Bible School will begin on Sunday, June 5 and end Thursday, June 9. Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:00 for all children, youth and volunteers. We will be asking for a \$1 donation per meal each evening. Programs will begin at 6:00 and end at 8:30 for ages 3 years-12th grade. The children will be using the Cokesbury material and the Youth will enjoy programming from the Auburn Wesley Foundation Caravan team. It is sure to be a week that ALL will enjoy. Children can register with Shannon or on the church website! There's plenty of room for volunteers if you would like to serve! We hope to see you there!



SPRING FLING FAMILY FESTIVAL-



A BIG thanks to all that helped with the festival! It was a wonderful afternoon filled with laughter, fun and fellowship! We couldn't have done it without you!

Have a fun and safe summer with your family! I hope to see you all at these exciting events!



Ms. Shannon



SUMMER SCHEDULE

June 1

Scavenger Hunt
3:00-5:00pm at the church!
Drivers needed!
Let Shannon know if you can help!

June 5-9

Vacation Bible School
5:30-8:30pm

June 12

Children will sing at the 11:00 service

June 17

Family Camp In
at the church 5:30pm - 8:00am
A parent must stay per family.
You may bring tents to set up in the FLC or just sleeping bags.
We'll have a night full of games, hot dog roasts, smores and movies!



June 22

Water Day at the church
3:00-5:00pm

June 30

Movie in LaGrange 9:15 -12:00pm
\$5.00
Drivers will be needed!



July 6

Broom Field Hockey at church
4:00-6:00pm

July 13

Columbus Museum
9:00-1:00pm with lunch at the park.
Drivers will be needed!

July 20

Go Dog Go!
Springer
\$5 must preorder by May 31
Drivers will be needed!

July 27


Pool Party at Noah Williams' home
3:00-5:00pm





Youth Ministry

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Talking About the Walk Bible Study 6:00 PM	2	3	4
5 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM Youth Choir 4:30 PM Youth 5:30 PM	6 W E S L E Y Tie Dye T Shirts / Scavenger Hunt in town 2:30 PM Meal & Evening Activities 5:30 PM	7 E L E Y Fishing at Davis Lake 10 AM (Bring your own sandles and crackers for your favorite snack!!!) Free time in the afternoon Meal & Evening Activities 3:30 PM	8 W E S L E Y Picnic at the Church 1 PM Help at Animal Shelter 2PM Meal & Evening Activities 5:30PM	9 W E S L E Y Lunch & Bowling 11:00 Free Time in the Afternoon Meal & Evening Activities 5:30PM	10 W E S L E Y Swimming at the Gardens 2PM Meal & Evening Activities 5:30 PM	11 
12 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM Youth Choir 4:30 PM Youth 5:30 PM	13	14	15 MEAL & MOVIE NIGHT 6:00 pm	16 	17 AWESOME LOCK IN 2PM - 2AM (Be ready for something new!!!!!!)	18
19 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM FATHER'S DAY No Youth / Hug Your Dad 	20	21	22 DESTINATION UNKNOWN!! 6:00 PM	23	24	25
26 Sunday School 10:00 AM Mission Team leaves after the 8:30 Service Youth TBA	27 Mission Trip to Kentucky			28	29	30 

Ways you can help our Youth Ministry:

Volunteer to provide a light supper at the church on a Sunday evening. Invite the group to your house for a swim, a horse back ride, etc..... Pray for the search for a PERFECT director of Youth Ministries!

2011 Summer Mission Team June 26—July 2

Henderson Settlement, Red Bird Missionary Conference, Frakes Kentucky

The team will be doing repair work on the houses of two elderly poor families in the Southeastern, coal mining area of Kentucky.

Travis Willard
Elle Schaeffer
Katelyn Flynn
Dena Schaeffer
Ben Emerson

Sarah Crye
Lee Willard
Erin Smith
Steve Davis
Shannon Emerson

Luke Davis
Grant Flynn
Michael Willey
Pam Davis
Jim Dye

Nick Willey
Lace Cobb
Sally Cobb
Sally Clay Smith
Martha Dye

Ronnie Meares



In Our Prayers

Our Church Family

Louise Burlton	Dathan Mabry
Terry Chandler	Emma Mabry
Jane Claire Culverhouse	Teresa McCullohs
Peggy Davis	Lexie Paulk
Sara Davis	Betty Roberts
Jaxon Haralson	Irene & John Sale
Terry Holmes	Fran White
Ann Kozee	John Y. Willis
Skye Loftin	Our Church
Tee, Shannah & Aston Mabry	

Extended Church Family

Jane Askew, Former Resident
 JoAnn Bowman, Friend of Jim & Sue Trott
 Lloyd & Loretta Darby, Parents of Pam Davis
 Carol Ertle, Mother of Dan Ertle
 Katie Hess, Niece of Louis Hazouri
 Heather Kelley, Niece of Winky Parker
 Nelson Jones, Retired Attorney
 Brandon Mallory, Nephew of Terry Douthit
 Kaye McAllister, Sister of Donna Fisher
 Neal McCullohs, Former member
 Robert Smith, Father of April Loftin
 LaVerne Thompson, Mother of Dawn Swanson
 Ann Tutt, Long Time Resident of Pine Mountain
 Our Country & All Nations
 The Men & Women of our Military

If you have a request for someone to be on our prayer list, please complete the purple card on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate.

June Birthdays

2 Dennis Clancy	16 Dean Roberts
3 Erin Smith	16 Evan Willis
4 Ruth Parker	18 Grant Flynn
4 June Saint	19 Wes Meares
5 Jeremy Mowery	19 Nancy Meares
6 Lynda Dawson	20 Flo Beutell
7 Terry Cobb	21 Patricia Willis
9 Jane Logan	22 Emma Mabry
11 Lee Willard	24 John Ertle
12 Harry Stephens	24 Josh Ertle
14 Nancy Propes	26 Katie Williamson
15 Martha Clements	27 Barry Fisher
15 John Christian	30 Sue Trott

June Anniversaries

2 Mr. & Mrs. Max Parker
 7 Mr. & Mrs. Mike Bishop
 8 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Chambers
 10 Mr. & Mrs. Louis Hazouri
 16 Mr. & Mrs. John Willis, Sr.
 18 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Edgar
 21 Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Cofield
 23 Mr. & Mrs. Jack Story
 24 Mr. & Mrs. Warren Aldrich
 27 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Logan

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or not listed, please contact the church office so we can correct our records. Your dates are important to us!

Financial Information as of May 29

General Budget

Budgeted: \$173,250.00
 Received: \$155,566.31

Exercising the Faith

In order to reach our Vision 2020 Goal to be debt free by 2020 we need to average \$48,000 per year **above and beyond** our General Budget [Campaign year from June through May each year]



Received Campaign 2010/2011: \$33,286.00
 Received to date: \$123,394.25





June Calendar

1	Children's Scavenger Hunt	3:00pm	
1-8	Mission Trip to El Salvador		
4	UM Men	8:00am	FLC
5-9	VBS		
5-9	Wesley Caravan - Youth		
5	Celebration Lunch (Covered Dish)	12:00pm	FLC
9	Sew Blessed Quilters	9:30am	FLC
12	Finance Committee	6:00pm	CEC
12	Church Council	7:00pm	CEC
13	Open Door Ministry	7:00am	
14-17	Annual Conference		
17-18	Family Camp In	5:30	FLC
19	Father's Day		
22	Children's Water Day		
23	Newsletter Deadline		
23	Sew Blessed Quilters	9:30am	FLC
25	Louise Miller Circle	9:00am	FLC
26- July 2	Kentucky Mission Trip		
27	Open Door Ministry	7:00am	
28	Amazing Greys Lunch	12:30pm	FLC
30	Children's Movie Day	9:15am	
30	Newsletter		

<u>Every Sunday</u>
8:30am Worship
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship
4:30pm Youth Choir
5:30pm UMYF
<u>Every Wednesday</u>
6:00pm Youth Choir
6:30pm Chancel Choir
6:30pm Youth UMYF
(See Youth Calendar)

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