



The First United Methodist Church of

Pine Mountain

# The Wesleyan Communicator

Open Hearts, Open  
Minds, Open Doors

May  
2011

## A Note from the Pastor:

Jesus has risen and is in our midst! And with that assurance planted firmly in our hearts and souls once again, the church goes on. And on and on!!! And it goes on with a really fast pace! That's a good thing! We are a big family around here, and combined we have a vast assortment of gifts and graces all finding ways to be a part of the wonderful life of the church!

With that in mind, here's a "Top Twelve List" of some of the wonderful ministries going on around here. These are only a few. There are many, many more. I invite you to look around, see for yourself!, and—if not already—to get involved yourself!

12. Noah's Ark Graduation is on May 12. It has been an absolutely GREAT year with over 40 students!
11. Get ready! Plans for GIFT TO PINE MOUNTAIN are underway! Dates are July 25—27.
10. Annual Conference will take place in Athens on June 13-17. You are well represented by Harold Tarpley and Malinda Brooks, with Bobbie Tarpley serving as a District delegate.
9. Vacation Bible School is coming! June 6-10!!!!
8. Wesley Caravan for our Youth is the same week as VBS! Wow!!
7. Youth summer plans are underway! Dean & Amy Mabry and Ben Emerson will be interim counselors until a new youth pastor is hired. We need volunteers to provide a light supper on Sunday nights!
6. BAZAAR!!!! October 8! Get your creative juices flowing to create items to sell!
5. MISSION is alive and strong this summer! District trip to El Salvador is June 1-8. Give Malinda Brooks, Chelsey Edgar and Mandy Douthit a hug when you see them! Youth Summer Mission trip to Henderson Settlement in Kentucky is June 26—July 2 with over 20 youth and adults on the team! You can help with prayers and financial support! Plans for a Squarefoot Ministry House Framing Project right here at the church are underway! Be listening for more info!
4. Our Small Group Reunion will be at 5:30 on May 15! Bring all your great ideas for making our church Radical in Hospitality, Passionate in Worship, Extravagant in Giving, Intentional in Faith Development And Risk Taking in Mission and Service!
3. We will EXERCISE THE FAITH with a presentation of "The State of the Church" in worship on May 15 and a celebration of giving gifts above our tithe on June 5!
2. A new Sunday School class has been formed this year. Sunday School is well attended. And the 30 week Christian Believer Study will graduate our own 12 disciples this month!
1. We are honoring God with meaningful worship and lots of smiling faces—including many visitors!

Jesus has risen and is in our midst! Ready! Set! Go!

Grace and Peace,

MARTHA



# Staying Connected

## UNITED METHODIST MEN



Join us for our Breakfast/Fellowship Meeting: 8:00am Saturday May 7 in the Family Life Center. This month we have a guest speaker from Square Foot Ministries. We will also discuss our plans for summer. And, don't forget to bring a friend.

## 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



## Items to Borrow for Decorations for VBS - Theme: Shake It Up Cafe

All items may be brought to the church beginning June 1.

Please label each item with your name.



colored plastic plates  
clay chimenea  
Flood light  
long white ropes  
clay dishes  
potato mashers  
mortar and pestle  
Graters  
walking sticks  
colanders  
rolling pins  
Stand mixers  
salad tongs (5 sets)  
Toasters



pool noodles-yellow  
Waffle makers  
measuring spoons  
Table grills  
measuring cups  
oven mitts  
mixing bowls- all sizes  
Place mats  
large mixing bowls  
pots  
Kitchen canisters or mason jars  
pans  
baskets (large or small)  
Woks



Playground Balls (all sizes)  
Bistro set  
tea kettles  
wooden spoons  
Clothesline and clothespins  
ladles  
Checkered tablecloths  
plastic food  
spatulas  
Gourds  
aprons  
Plastic food  
chef hats  
Bar stools





The Youth Mission Team would like to thank everyone who came to the lasagna/spaghetti lunch on Sunday! Your generosity was overwhelming. We have a couple of upcoming May Youth Mission Trip Events:



May 14 - Food Sale at the Brass Band Festival

May 28 - Car Wash and Yard Sale at Pine Mountain Eye Care

Donations are now being accepted for the yard sale. This sale will be 90% "make us an offer". Please contact a mission team member if you have items to donate. All items not sold will be donated to FOCUS or another appropriate agency. Thanks again for your support!



**LaGrange District Mission Trip to Ahuachapan, El Salvador** will be June 1-8. Mission team from our church includes: Chelsey Edgar, Mandy Douthit and Malinda Brooks.

Donations needed by May 23:

- Children's clothes
- OTC Medication (Vitamins, Tylenol)
- Small Toothpaste
- Tooth Brushes
- Small soaps
- Small lotions
- Small shampoos
- Combs
- Washcloths

### Easter Egg Hunt at the Parsonage

A big Thank You to the Dye's for hosting the Easter Egg Hunt at the parsonage! We had a great turn out and the yard was full of fun and laughter! A big thank you to all that provided candy for the hunt! Your donations were greatly appreciated. The children would also like to thank all youth that assisted in the hunt!





# Children's Ministries



## Spring Fling Family Festival

**May 14 3:00-5:30**

If you are able to help run a game or serve snacks please let Shan-

non know ASAP! We are also in need of individually wrapped candy for prizes. All donations can be placed in the church office. Be sure to join us at the Spring Fling for fun, food and fellowship! Invite your friends.

## May 22-Children's Sunday

Be sure to attend the 11:00 service on May 22! The children will share the outcome of the Read to Feed Program, the children's choir will sing, Bibles will be presented and acolytes recognized. It's a Sunday that you DON'T want to miss!



Children's Sunday

BE SURE TO WATCH THE CHILDREN'S BULLETIN BOARD FOR DATES AND EVENTS THIS SUMMER!

## Schedule for May

- May 1- 3:00 VBS Volunteer Meeting  
4:30-5:30 3H Club
- May 4- Regular activities
- May 8- No 3H Club
- May 11- Regular activities
- May 14- Spring Fling 3:00-5:30
- May 15- Regular Activities  
(Last 3H Sunday until the fall)
- May 18- 6:15-7:00 Practice for Children's Sunday  
7:00-7:30 End of School Celebration
- May 22- 10:30 Meet in Children's Choir Room  
11:00 Children's Sunday

## Children Programs

### Sunday Evenings

3H Club-4:30-5:30

### Wednesday Evenings

Kingdom Seekers-6:15-6:45

Children's Choir-6:45-7:30

## Palm Sunday





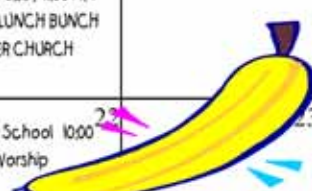
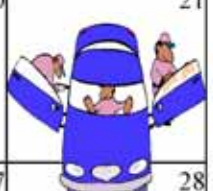



# Youth Ministry

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM Youth Choir 4:30 PM Youth 5:30 PM	2	3	4 Youth Choir 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM	5	6	7
8 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM No Youth Hug Your Mom!	9 	10 	11 Youth Choir 6:00 PM <b>Youth 6:30 PM</b> Mission Trip Planning!!!	12	13	14 Mission Team Fundraiser Brass Band Festival TBA
15 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH AFTER CHURCH	16 	17	18 Youth Choir 6:00 PM Youth 6:30 PM	19	20	21 
22 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Youth Choir 4:30 PM <b>Banana Olympics 5:30-8</b>	23	24	25 <b>VOLLEYBALL!</b> Cook Out at Church 6-8 PM	26	27	28 Mission Team Fundraiser  CAR WASH & YARD SALE
29 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 8:30 / 11:00 AM Youth Choir 4:30 PM Youth 5:30 PM	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!

Abby Davis  
Jackie Jarrett  
Rebecca Manseau  
Caleb Shelnett  
Josh Smoot  
Chances Waite  
Sydney Wilson



The church sends a special message of love and congratulations to the graduating Seniors this year! We wish you laughter and joy and peace and success and a sense of discovery and amazement as you step out in a new way into this wonderful world!

And in the midst of it all, we wish you the deep and precious knowledge that you are not alone. May God bless you richly and hold you in the palm of God's hand. You will always be ours! We love you!



## Noah's Ark Child Enrichment Center



Rejoice in the Lord always,  
I will say it again:  
Rejoice! Let your gentleness  
be evident to all.  
The Lord is near.  
Phil. 4:4

Another year has almost come to an end and we are grateful for the time we shared with our Noah's Ark children and families! We will celebrate the year by having our annual program and graduation on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. in the Sanctuary with a reception following in the FLC. It is always such a special evening for everyone.

We look forward to another wonderful and exciting year at Noah's Ark again in the fall. God has truly blessed us every year with more families and a wonderful staff. Most of our classes are already full but if you know of anyone that may be interested in the program, please have them call me.

**A "BIG THANK YOU"** goes to the Methodist Men for helping us set up for our Yard Sale. We were able to set up in record time! We are so grateful for everyone that came to help and donated items. We raised over \$1100.00 for the program!

As always, thank you to all of you that help in any way with our program or over the year. We appreciate all the love and support you have shown us! I hope you all have a great summer!!

**Congratulations to our 2011 Noah's Ark Graduates!!! We will miss you!!! See all their cute and smiling faces on the poster outside my office.**

In Christ Love,  
Karen



Princess Lauren Kelly loves to dress up



Smiling Jake Garner loves to go outside



"Yummy", Bailee Whittle enjoys pizza at Fox's on our field trip



**In Our Prayers**

Our Church Family

Angie Barker	Dathan Mabry
Louise Burlton	Emma Mabry
Terry Chandler	Lexie Paulk
Jane Claire Culverhouse	Betty Roberts
Peggy Davis	Irene & John Sale
Terry Holmes	Roy Westbrook
Ann Kozee	Fran White
Skye Loftin	John Y. Willis
Aston Mabry	Our Church

Extended Church Family

Jane Askew, Former Resident  
 JoAnn Bowman, Friend of Jim & Sue Trott  
 Lloyd & Loretta Darby, Parents of Pam Davis  
 Dennis Egle, Relative of Jack Story  
 Carol Ertle, Mother of Dan Ertle  
 Katie Hess, Niece of Louis Hazouri  
 Heather Kelley, Niece of Winky Parker  
 Nelson Jones, Retired Attorney  
 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

*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.*

**May Birthdays**

2 Genny Chapman	17 Luke Davis
2 Sally Cobb	19 Katelyn Rose Flynn
2 Steve Davis	20 James Mitcham
3 Myra Heath	23 Rawley Lind
3 Reid Lind	23 Russell Lind
5 Max Parker	23 Cole Riley
7 Carolyn Moon	23 Roy Westbrook
7 Lisa Hunt	23 Jim Trott
8 Doris McCullohs	24 Warren Aldrich
8 Glenda Darley	26 Virginia Teel
9 Olivia Swanson	26 Daniel Cofield
10 Martha Morgan	27 Dean Mabry
11 Steve Phillips	28 Joel Parker
14 Mark Smith	29 Leigh Ellen Ertle
14 Jenny Craig	31 Debbie Sivell
17 Fran White	

**May Anniversaries**

1 Mr. & Mrs. Ben Emerson
9 Dr. & Mrs. Alan Clepper
11 Mr. & Mrs. Dean Mabry
14 Mr. & Mrs. Bob Phillips
19 Mr. & Mrs. Jessie Saint
20 Mr. & Mrs. Gary Dawson
27 Mr. & Mrs. Keith Haralson
28 Mr. & Mrs. John Y. Willis

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 April 24**

General Budget

Budgeted:	\$133,875.00
Received:	\$131,747.21

**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 2011:	\$11,590.00
Received to date:	\$119,744.25





# May Calendar

1	VBS Volunteers Mtg	3:30pm	FLC
2	Louise Miller Circle	12:00pm	FLC
7	UM Men	8:00am	FLC
8	Mother's Day		
15	Finance Committee	6:00pm	CEC
15	Church Council	7:00pm	CEC
9	Open Door Ministry	7:00am	
10	Staff Meeting	6:30pm	A
12	Sew Blessed Quilters	9:30am	FLC
12	Noah's Ark Graduation	6:00pm	
14	Spring Fling	3:00pm	
15	Recognition of Graduates	11:00am	S
19	Newsletter Deadline		
22	Children's Service/Promotion	11:00am	S
22	Recognition of Acolytes		S
22	Small Group Covered Dish	5:30pm	FLC
23	Open Door Ministry	7:00am	
24	Staff Meeting	6:30pm	A
26	Sew Blessed Quilters	9:30am	FLC
28	Emmaus Reunion	6:30pm	FLC
31	Amazing Greys Lunch	12:30pm	FLC

## Every Sunday

8:30am Worship  
 9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship  
 4:30pm Children's 3H  
 4:30pm Youth Choir  
 5:30pm UMYF

## Every Wednesday

5:45pm Wednesday Night Supper  
 6:00pm Youth Choir  
 6:15pm Kingdom Seekers  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir  
 6:30pm Youth UMYF  
 6:45pm Children's Choir

## Every Monday

6:30pm Christian Believer

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