



ASHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

Joining Together on a Christian Journey of Love and Service February 8, 2009

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Wed.-5 pm; Fri.-Noon

Worship services: *The Path*: 8:45AM Traditional: 11:00AM Sunday School: 9:45AM

ACOLYTE AND CRUCIFER RECOGNITION ON SUNDAY

Today we recognize our acolytes and crucifers for their service to Ashland.

We are grateful to Mrs. Debbie Matthews and Mr. Chris Cothran for working with our youth.

Acolytes are trained in the fourth grade and crucifers begin their service in the seventh grade.

If you are interested and willing to be trained and be an acolyte/crucifer, please contact Pastor Joel, Debbie Matthews or Chris Cothran.

Nine Years of Service

Grayson W.

Eight Years of Service

Kelsey B.
Becky M.
Josh R.

Seven Years of Service

Lauren L.
Chad S.
Joe S.
Brent R.
Frederick T.

Six Years of Service

Matthew A.
Megan C.
Jillian C.
Clary H.
Tyler J.
Paige R.

Five Years of Service

Taylor B.
Mason C.
Emily C.
Deanna C.
Rebecca J.
Daniel K.
Natalie M.
Stuart N.

Four Years of Service

Daniel A.
Clark C.
Sara M.
Zack M.
Brooks R.

Three Years of Service

Ben G.
Jenny W.

Two Years of Service

Kyle C.
Billy C.
Will S.

New Acolytes

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Dawson S.

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Robert Neese
Organist

Martha Eastburn
Pianist

Living Out Our Faith

February 8, 2009 By

"I will be loyal to The United Methodist Church and uphold it with my PRAYERS, my PRESENCE, my GIFTS, and my SERVICE."

OUR PRAYERS

Bobbie Burton Laney – Providence Hospital
Frank Myers – Home from the hospital
Anita Gregory, Sister of Margaret Amick

OUR PRESENCE

Worship: 341 The Path: 122 Traditional: 219
Sunday School: 246

OUR GIFTS

Received Week Ending	1/31/09	\$10,292
Received Year to Date:		47,641
Spent Year to Date:		56,442

General Fund Contributions

Received Week Ending	1/31/09	9,893
Received Year to Date:		45,174

Special Offerings

Memorials & Special Offerings:	235
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OUR SERVICE

Sunday School Coffee for February: New Beginnings

Narthex Table: Cynthia Busbee

Altar Stewards: Rosemary Sanders, Melissa Jones

Crucifer: Frederick T.

Acolytes: Billy C., Dawson S.

Lay Reader: Carolyn Traylor

Ushers: Margaret Combs, Billy Laney, Ed Hammond, Nina Newcomb, Ben Dusenbury

Flowers: The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and honoring my parents, Hugh and Ruth Westbury, by Jane Westbury.

Hymns and Scriptures for 11:00 a.m. Service

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart UMH No. 160

Near To the Heart of God UMH No. 472

What a Friends We Have in Jesus UMH No. 526

Isaiah 40:28-31

Mark 1:29-39

Missionaries We Support

Tim and Daina Datwyler

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The Dalenburg Family c/o The Freeman Centre
P O Box 413, Kumasi, Ghana West Africa

Helen Byholt Lovelace

General Board of Global Ministries
Ukraine

MISCELLANEOUS

Birthdays (February 8-14)

8	Dalene G., Dani H., Erica H.
9	Andrew S.
10	Ben J., Barbara K., Ann C.
11	Craig D., Dorcas G., Thom J., Amy L.
12	Wally A., Danny F., Martin J., Melanie P.
13	Stacey S.
14	Jonathan W., Christopher W.

Memorials

Sherry Ruschkofski by Katie & Ann Bishop

Evelyn Linder, mother of Anne Morse and Wiggie Jones sister, by Virginia Combs, Hugh & Ruth Westbury, Cornerstone Sunday School Class

Nola Caulder, Mary Lightsey's mother, by Wes & Cynthia Busbee

Edna Jones, Caroline Harrelson's aunt, by Coyet & Sally Lowery

Wednesday Night Suppers

Join us at 6pm each week thru April for fellowship suppers

Menu: Provided by the Noontime Seekers

**Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Cole Slaw
and Chocolate Cake**

Wednesday Nights at Ashland

Join us at 6:30pm for:

Feb 11 – Valentine's Celebration

Feb 18 – Old Fashion Sing Along

Hospital Stays

Please let the church office (798-5350) know when you or a family member enters the hospital or is scheduled for surgery. It is helpful to provide the name as it appears on the hospital records. Thank you!

An Author in Our Midst

Dr. Larry Durstine recently published Action Plan For High Cholesterol published by American College of Sports Medicine. This book is now in our Church library and it focuses on the role of exercise in changing one's cholesterol profile. It is based on 25 plus years of scientific research into the role of exercise on cholesterol metabolism and personal experiences from working in cardiovascular disease rehab. (From the Preface, p. vii)

Acknowledgement

The past year has been a tough, emotional one for my family as we awaited the arrival of our beautiful daughter. Because of special people like all of you, the Lord answered our prayers and gave us a healthy beautiful baby girl. Thank you all for your continuous prayers and care for my family. My grandfather (Gene Harper) is blessed to have such a wonderful church family and we are even more blessed that you all extended all of you hearts as you prayer daily for our little angel! Thank you all for being who you are! God Bless! Randy, Abbey, Tyler & Kennedy Mills (a picture of Kennedy is on the bulletin board across from the church offices.)

Missionaries Ashland Supports

The missionaries we support financially are listed every week in our newsletter. Please support them daily with your prayers.

Helen Lovelace is our newest missionary. She is assigned to Kiev, Ukraine, by the General Board of Global Ministries of the UMC. Her responsibilities include: development of programs related to women's issues and social outreach and ministries with families affected by drug and alcohol abuse. A native of Norway, she also serves as the area Financial Executive for the UMC in Ukraine and Moldova.

In addition to Helen, Ashland financially supports the **Dalenburgs**, who will be transferring to Senegal, Africa soon, and the **Datwyler** family who serves in Ecuador.

Trustees

Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 21, 8 am-noon for a workday (shrubs and grounds). Please bring tools you think you may need.

Salkehatchie Summer Service

Forms are in an envelope across from the church offices. Ashland will pay \$100 towards camp cost for the first 35 youth or adults to sign up. Let Suzy or Maria know if you plan to attend a camp.

Safe Sanctuary Policy

Join us on one of the following Sundays and be part of making Ashland a Safe Sanctuary for all our children. All volunteers with children, youth and vulnerable adults must attend one of the following training dates: Feb 8, 15, 22 or March 1 at 9:45am in Ashland Hall.



Praying for our Children

Did you know you are in Children's Ministry? In the Baptism ritual we promise to help raise each child in the church. Well we are calling on you to pray for our children. Stop by the Children's Sunday school wing and pull off a heart (or two) with a name of a child in our church. Put it on your refrigerator and pray for that child each time you look at their name.

Upcoming Events at Ashland

February 24th – Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 25th – Ash Wednesday Service
March 26th – Palmetto Mastersingers Concert
April 12 – Easter Sunday – Combined Service @ 11 am
April 26 – Ashland Mortgage Burning – Combined Service at 10:30 am followed by family cookout
June 15-19 - Vacation Bible School

UMYF

Love God. Love Others. Love Self.

Each Wednesday @ 8:15 am –
Youth Prayer Breakfast

Hot Dog Heaven, 7444 Broad River Rd.

February 8th

4:00-5:00 pm – Council of the Illuminati
4:00-5:00 pm – Youth Praise Band Practice
District Youth Explosion at Red Bank UMC – Meet at Ashland at 5:00 pm – Bring \$5.00 for food

February 15th

4:00-5:00 pm – Youth Praise Band Practice
5:30 pm – UMYF – "Your Story: Dead to Self"

February 20th

5:45 pm – Lock-in - Meet at church to go to Winter Jam – Please let Hunter know if you can drive – return to church at 11 pm – stay at church until 7 am on February 21st

February 22nd

4:00-5:00 pm – Youth Praise Band Practice
5:30 pm – UMYF – Game Night

Reflection on the Youth Retreat

Eighty youth and counselors from Ashland UMC, Virginia Wingard UMC, Trinity UMC and Sandhills Community Church attended a retreat at Winter Place in West Virginia on January 16-19. The weekend included discussions on *The Four Pillars of the Community*, which included commitment, communication, integrity and trust. Fun time included night skiing. Ask our youth what they learned about community.

CPR & First Aid Training

CPR & First Aid training is being offered to our volunteers who work with children, youth and vulnerable adults. Volunteers should have received a letter concerning updating paper work and training dates. If you have not, contact Suzy (see newsletter front).



United Methodist Women

Spiritual Growth – Days Apart
Saturday, March 7th – 9 am – 1 pm
Brookland UMC, Columbia
\$10 registration fee includes lunch

Speaker: Cathy Nelson, Director of Keepers of the Word, a Native American to Native American Community Outreach

Event: Noontime Seekers Circle, February 10th @ 12:30 pm at the home of Peggy (Robert) Smith, 161 Ridgemont Dr. Guest speaker will be Sue Madden from Good Works. A light lunch will be served. Take Lake Murray Blvd. towards the dam. Go past Wendy's and turn right at the light onto Ridgemont. House is 9th house on the left – 407-6296.



United Methodist Men

Columbia District Annual Men's Fellowship and Fish Frv

Monday, February 23rd at 6:00 pm
Dr. Tim McClendon, Guest Speaker
Rehoboth UMC

Located across from Best Buy on Two Notch Rd.

SHEPHERD'S CENTER OF ST. ANDREWS

Tuesdays – March 10th - 9:30am to 1:30pm

For more information call Becky Swanson @731-9394.

Valentine's Day with the VIPs

Ashland's Older Adults will go to lunch together on Saturday, February 14th to celebrate Valentine's Day. Lunch will be at 12 noon at "Flight Deck Restaurant" in Lexington. We will meet at the church at 11:30 am. Please contact the church office for more information.

Book Club

This month selection: "Joy in the Morning" by Betty Smith. Join us February 15th in room 111 at 4:00pm. And check out all our upcoming books online: www.ashlandumc.com

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary Lay School Of Religion begins in March

Information is on the bulletin board
across from church office

Within the Ashland Family

- Congratulations to Joye Rush being selected as Teacher of the Year at Irmo Elementary School
- Jimmy C. made the All Area Football Team. Jimmy attends Irmo HS.

This Week at Ashland

Sunday, February 8, 2009 – 1 John 1:1-10

8:45 AM	<i>The Path</i> , Ashland Hall
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
1:30 PM	CPR Training, Ashland Hall
4:00 PM	Council of the Illuminati
5:00 PM	UMYF leaves for Red Bank UMC
5:00 PM	Disciple II, #115
6:30 PM	New Testament Study, #113

Monday, February 9, 2009 – Colossians 3:12-17

6:30 PM	Romans Study, #113
	TOPS, #125
7:30 PM	Girl Scouts

Tuesday, February 10, 2009 – Psalm 104:24-33

9:30 AM	Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews
6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry, #125

Wednesday, February 11, 2009 – Matthew 5:13-16

8:15 AM	Youth Prayer Breakfast, Hot Dog Heaven
6:00 PM	Wednesday Night Supper
	Al Anon
6:30 PM	Children's Choirs
	The Path Music Ensemble
	Adults – Valentine's Celebration
7:30 PM	Worship Choir

Thursday, February 12, 2009 – Psalm 139:1-18

10:30 AM	Ladies Prayer Group
6:00 PM	Study Committee, #138
7:00 PM	Columbia Chess Club
7:30 PM	Arpad Darazs Singers

Friday, February 13, 2009 – 1 Corinthians 10:23-24, 10:31-11:1

Saturday, February 14, 2009 – 2 Corinthians 4:7-11

9:30 AM	District Youth Leaders, Ashland Hall
11:30 AM	VIPs leave Ashland for Flight Deck in Lexington

Sunday, February 15, 2009 – Isaiah 2:2-4

8:45 AM	<i>The Path</i> , Ashland Hall
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:15 PM	Music Committee, Choir Room
4:00 PM	Youth Praise Band Practice
4:00 PM	Book Club, #111
5:30 PM	UMYF
5:00 PM	Disciple II, #115
6:30 PM	New Testament Study, #113

Devotions are from the *The Upper Room* devotion book. Upcoming events are on the website ashlandumc.com

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