



ASHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

Joining Together on a Christian Journey of Love and Service **May 24, 2009**

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Wed.-5 pm; Fri.-Noon

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

FOCUS: ROBERT AND ERIN HARRELSON (and Austin and Beth)

Ashland UMC is blessed to have young couples who have grown up in the church and continue their commitment throughout their married life. Robert and Erin met at Winthrop University and quickly became friends. That friendship blossomed into "the real thing," culminating with marriage after graduation. They have two beautiful children, Austin who is two years old and Beth who is seven months.

Robert is a computer programmer at Colonial Life and the son of Ladd and Caroline Harrelson, long-time members of Ashland. Robert has always been active in programs at the church, especially the youth program, Salkehatchie, and HomeWorks. Robert says that the youth program meant a lot to him and he was saved during that time. He is charter member, head, and teacher of the Faithwalkers Sunday School Class.

Erin is busy with two small children, enjoying motherhood, and sometimes misses her seventh grade science teaching job---but not too often. Erin is circle chair of the Faith Circle. Her friends are eager to baby-sit so that she can attend church functions. She is proud of her single mom who made sure she got to church and was involved in "an awesome youth program." Through church, she had a lot of positive male role models to fill in the gap. Erin has adopted Ashland UMC but hasn't quite made the step to move her membership from Lexington Presbyterian Church.

Robert and Erin are heavily involved in the youth program, enjoy church sponsored retreats, and start encouraging the youth to participate in HomeWorks first and go to Salkehatchie when they turn 14. "It helps them to grow and work as a team and witness the change in the life of the recipient." Robert and Erin spent their first wedding anniversary at Salkehatchie. This is a true witness to their commitment to working with youth. Their home is open to youth who have gone off to college and come back to visit. Hunter Price has organized small groups among the youth for in-depth Bible study and exchange. Erin has a group of senior high girls and Robert has a group of senior high boys.

Their future plans in the church are to continue working with youth and helping them develop into disciples of Christ, to carry on the volunteer work in helping others, and to live a meaningful and spiritual life. "God will lead us long our path and where we should go."

Margaret Gregory Amick, Lay Leader

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Martha Eastburn
Pianist

Mission Opportunity

For the month of June, the Missions Committee is issuing a challenge to all the Sunday School classes to bring in either laundry detergent or any size sheets and towels that you are not using any more for Sharing God's Love. They are in great need of these items. Starting June 7th, Hal Clarkson will be coming around with a red wagon to collect items donated. Thank you for any help you can give **Sharing God's Love**.

During the Children's Sermon, the children will have an opportunity to make a donation to help **The Children's Garden**.

May 31st is Undie Sunday – Bring your packaged socks, underwear and place them in the container under the communications table. Items will be taken to Oliver Gospel Mission.

Krista Jones and **Grayson Ward** are at Salkehatchie Camp Hugo in Mt. Pleasant this week.

A sending forth service for all Salkehatchie participants will be at *The Path* and 11 am services on June 7th.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

If you have not received pictures that you paid for, contact Austin@dpilab.com with your information and concerns.

Directories are available for pick-up in the church office. We have one book for each family pictured. If you were not pictured, a \$4 donation is requested.

CDs of the directory are available for \$1.

REUNION

ASHLAND YOUTH ALUMNI

JULY 30, 31 – AUG 1

**TWO GREAT NIGHTS TOGETHER
& PARTICIPATE IN SUNDAY Worship Services**

INITIAL PLANS ARE UNDERWAY. Two great nights and fun, renewed friendships and musical memories.

HELP NEEDED:

- **Find lost alumni:** folks needed to make phone calls, get addresses, send invitations
- **Planning, decorations help with details.** And all those other things that go into making a God-filled, joyful reunion time together.
- **Parents of Alumni:** We would like to collect telephone numbers, email and mailing addresses of your alumni.
- **ON FACEBOOK:**
ASHLAND YOUTH ALUMNI GROUP
- **CONTACT INFORMATION:**
contact Dianne Berryman (803-781-5314)
berryman.dtb@earthlink.net

Celebrations and Remembrances

Birthdays (May 24-30)

24	Bea P., Lynda M., Natalie K.
25	Polly T.
26	Tom B.
27	Susan F.
28	Elisa M., Dawn M., Caroline C.
29	Donna J., John M., Steve M., Tom W.

Correction on Graduates

Taylor B. – Irmo High School

Katie W. – USC

Next Sunday is Confirmation Sunday

Start celebrating at our Fifth Sunday covered dish breakfast at 9:15am

We welcome our 6th graders as new members during the combined worship service at 10:30am.

Visitor's Center

The visitor's center will be relocated under the covered area between the Sanctuary and Ashland Hall. Visitors please drop by after Sunday School or 11 am worship for cookies, lemonade and Ashland coffee mug.

KIDS ON THE GO!

Two (2) summertime events sponsored by Ashland's United Methodist Men. For Men of the Church and Children ages 6 thru 11
(costs to be determined)

Tuesday June 23rd—To the Zoo 9:30am– 12pm
Thursday July 9th—Project Day 9:30am– 12pm
(building with wood)

Permission forms needed and available in Suzy's box. Deadline to return forms June 14th.

Thank You

On behalf of the congregation, thanks to **Peggy Smith, June Suddeth, Judy Mitchell, David Fellows, Suzy Speas, Don Cantrell and Michael Scruggs** for the work on the pictorial directory!

Acknowledgements

- The family of **Cheryl Means** expresses their kindnesses shown on the recent death of her father, **William Brown**.
- Monetary gift to **Rural Mission, Inc.** by Ashland United Methodist Church
- **Killingsworth Home** thanks Ashland members – Friendship Class for their financial assistance in getting the tree by the home cut down.



"Experience & Discover God Everywhere"

VB\$ Coming Soon: JUNE 15-19

Mon-Fri 9 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.

Contact Tina Mastin (358-9355) or Amy Raynor to volunteer or with questions.

Registration forms are available at church and online.

Things we need to borrow: (will be returned)

*Artificial Christmas trees (no decorations)

*Large coolers

Things we need: (not returned)

*Soup Cans (#1 or #2 - cleaned no labels)

*Juice boxes (need for the week)

Leave donated items in room 117. Be sure name is on any items to be returned.

Spring Trip to Mepkin Abbey

Thursday May 28th we will leave Ashland at 8:30am. Lunch will be at the Barony House around 1pm and return around 5:30pm. Sign-up outside Suzy's office or contact her, ext. 14.

Singular Sensations

June 11th, 7-9 pm – Columbia area middle adult singles gather for *CAFÉ' Nite* featuring Jenna McSwain on piano at Trenholm Rd UMC. Coffee, Tea and Desserts provided. RSVP if childcare is needed by June 7th to Suzy-798-5350 x 14

SC UM 2009 Laity Convocation

July 10-12, Lake Junaluska, NC

Information and registration forms are located on the bulletin board across from the church offices.

Trustees Update

The Trustees would like to thank the following Ashland volunteers who gave up their time to participate in the Trustees Work Day on Saturday, May 16th: Joel Jones, Tyler Jones, Bob & Mylla Markland, Joan Sanford, Jim Wilson, Richard Brown, John Spurrier, Jimmy Smith, Al Hatch, Frederick Travis and Nelson Travis. Work included: trimming shrubby, removing low tree limbs, cutting down a dead tree and spreading the remaining mulch.

The new HVAC System will be installed in Ashland Hall the week of May 25-29th. The Trustees also want to thank Hugh Westbury for replacing flush valves in the Rest Rooms. The Trustees have replaced the water pump (donated by Lorraine Shaffer) in the fountain display in the garden area behind the Sanctuary.

U M Y F

Love God. Love Others. Love Self.

- May 24th** No Praise Band Practice
5:30-7:30 pm UMYF – Your Story, Chapter 8, *Abstained*
- May 31st** No Praise Band Practice
5:30-7:30 pm UMYF – Your Story, Chapter 9, *Do Good*
*Deadline for Breeze sign-up
- June 7th** 12 Noon-3:30 pm– UMYF - Slip-n-Slide-Kick-ball-Summer-Kick-off (lunch provided)

Welcome to Michael Stewart – Summer Intern!

You are invited to join the Board of Directors of the South Carolina United Methodist Camp and Retreat Ministries

Sunday, June 7, 2009 at 3:00 pm at

Asbury Hills Camp and Retreat Center

150 Asbury Drive, Cleveland, SC 29635

for the Dedication Service for the new cabins and remodeled buildings.

The Board of Directors will be joined by Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor.

Tours, refreshments and camp activities will follow the dedication.

Please respond with your attendance to

info@sccampsandretreat.org or call 1.877.255.7559

- A **paper recycling box** is in the workroom.
- Check the bulletin boards for opportunities in the community.



United Methodist Women Father's Day Recognition

On behalf of the Ashland UMW, Faith Circle invites you to recognize your father or other special men in a Father's Day bulletin insert that will be mailed with the regular church bulletin. Please complete the needed information below and make a donation In Honor of or In Memory of your loved one. All donations will be used to support this year's Salkehatchie Camp and the Oliver Gospel Mission. Please attach your check, payable to Ashland United Methodist Women, and place it in the offering plate by **Sunday, June 14th**. Thank you for your continued support in our missions.~The Faith Circle

(PLEASE PRINT YOUR INFORMATION BELOW)

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Your name _____

Living Out Our Faith

May 24, 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

Caroline Wahrmond – Outpatient surgery, MUSC, Charleston

Linda Hodgins – Palmetto Richland Memorial Hospital

In memoriam Berry Smith, Jr., father of Berry Smith, died last week.

Services were held on May 16th in Grayson, Kentucky.

OUR PRESENCE

Worship: 314 The Path: 118 Traditional: 196 Sunday School: 217

OUR GIFTS

Received Week Ending 5/16/09 \$ 10,919

Received Year to Date: 263,055

Spent Year to Date: 275,292

General Fund Contributions

Received Week Ending 5/16/09 9,258

Received Year to Date: 238,983

Special Offerings

Memorials & Special Offerings: 1,611

OUR SERVICE

Sunday School Coffee for May: Stepping Stones

Narthex Table: Dalene Gibson

Altar Stewards: Jean Smith, Lou Wolfe

Crucifer: Tyler J. Acolytes: Kelsey G., Sara M.

Lay Reader: Dorcas Giles

Children's Church: Colleen Daniels

Ushers: John McCrea, Curt Railey, Lorraine Shaffer, Dalene Gibson,

Grant Gibson, Bud Graczyk

Greeters: Sunday School & Worship: Buddy Roberts & Joan Sanford

Nursery: 11 am: Infants: Valerie & Paige R.; C: Phil & Terry Miller 2s, 3s,

4s: Bobby & Debra Keough

Flowers: The altar flowers are to the glory of God In honor of our grandson Samuel's 1st birthday. Love you, Nana and Papa (Candace & Don Cantrell) The rosebud on the altar is to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of Lola Rochelle C. born on May 14, 2009. Parents are Todd & Jessica Carroll.

Missionaries We Support

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This Week at Ashland

Sunday, May 24, 2009 – Proverbs 3:1-7

8:45 AM *The Path*, Ashland Hall
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 PM Youth Praise Band
5:00 PM Disciple II, #115
5:30 PM UMYF

Monday, May 25, 2009 – 1 Corinthians 3:5-9 Memorial Day – Church Office Closed

6:15 PM TOPS, #125

Tuesday, May 26, 2009 – Isaiah 58:6-12

6:30 PM UMM, #138

Wednesday, May 27, 2009 – Exodus 2:11-15

6:00 PM Al Anon
6:30 PM *The Path* Music Ensemble
7:30 PM Worship Choir

Thursday, May 28, 2009 – Mark 1:9-11

8:30 AM Leave for Mepkin Abbey Trip
10:30 AM Ladies Prayer Group
7:00 PM Columbia Chess Club

Friday, May 29, 2009 – Psalm 23

Saturday, May 30, 2009 – 1 Thessalonians 5:11-21

8:30 AM-7:45 pm Cub Scouts, Ashland Hall

Sunday, May 31, 2009 – Acts 2:1-11

9:15 AM Fellowship Breakfast
10:30 AM Combined Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 PM Youth Praise Band
5:00 PM Disciple II, #115
5:30 PM UMYF

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

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