



# ASHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

*Joining Together on a Christian Journey of Love and Service* **September 13, 2009**

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Office Hours: Mon., Tues. Thurs. 9-3  
Wed.-5 pm; Fri.-Noon

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

### A Call for Prayer, Civility and Community

Tuesday morning began with the heavy scent of: ***"OK everybody, summer's over. Back to work, back to school. No more holidays until Thanksgiving."*** Yikes, that's 80 days!!

The pace in and around Ashland quickens. The Shepherd's Center begins a new season Tuesday morning, September 15. If you are 50 plus, come and check out some new programs and enjoy a great meal and lunchtime speaker.

The Adult Choir, our new hand bell choir, the Music, Art and Drama (MAD) for children began Wednesday, and our Praise Band and Ashland Lights begin Sunday afternoon. See our web page calendar ([ashlandumc.com](http://ashlandumc.com)) for the times.

Departing for Red Bird Mission 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning will be approximately 14 Ashland members, where they will work on 2 houses in the Appalachia section of Kentucky.

On Tuesday, President Obama spoke to a class of elementary school children. Despite the hoopla surrounding his visit, like former President Reagan and George H.W. Bush before him, our president spoke to the children on the importance of staying in school and sticking with things even things don't always go the way you want them to.

Some of the venom I heard on some talk radio programs concerning this visit was frightening and discouraging. Venting is one thing, but venom is another.

Our children learn by watching their parents and the adults around them. If we cannot talk with civility about health care issues, war, and our neighbors around us.....

The past year has been a most difficult one for our nation. Challenges are great. We need prayer, we need civility and we need community.

During the time of George W. Bush's presidency, a group of people who love America began praying for the President. That continues today. I invite you to regularly check this web page: [presidentialprayerteam.org](http://presidentialprayerteam.org)  
Prayer is terrific energy. It takes time, but prayer changes the world bit by bit. In the process the person praying changes as well. When God's energy passes through us, good things happen. Let us be a conscious part of God's ongoing goodness.

That goodness started for me last Sunday morning in a community. Two of our young children gave me; one before and one during the service. Another of our children, after receiving the bread and the wine for Communion, turned back around, looked up at me and said, "Thanks."

I love the community called Ashland. And I look forward to seeing you here on Sunday morning. The Path begins at 8:45 a.m. and Traditional Worship at 11 a.m.

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## Missions

### Weekly Sharing God's Love Offering

Baskets are located in the narthex and in Ashland Hall for you to leave your canned goods and detergent during the week. Drop your gently used clothes in the wooden box near the Communications table.

### Red Bird Mission Trip

Please keep the following persons working this week at Red Bird Mission in your prayers: Kinsey Jenkins, Doreen Jenkins, Doug Mastin, Joe Ward, Jane Bristow, Jane Foster, Margaret Combs, Joan Sanford, Mylla Markland, Bob Markland, Alan Hatch, Jackie Hatch, Joel Jones, Scott Peurifoy, Rena' Peurifoy and Harriett Conway. We appreciate their commitment of time and interest in helping those in need in the Appalachian region of Southeastern Kentucky.

### What's Happening at Epworth?

"Epworth became my mother and my father,"  
**Former Epworth resident** – Annual Work Day is this Sunday, September 14. Please remember Epworth is not an apportioned item on a church's budget. It depends on this offering to provide the quality care that has come to be expected from this state's flagship children's home agency. Give generously by using the special envelope provided.

### Sharing God's Love

Yard Sale, September 19<sup>th</sup> –  
8 am to noon. Please come.

### Salkehatchie Columbia Camp Opportunity

Are you downsizing or replacing *gently* used furniture and would like to donate it to the Columbia Salkehatchie Camp? For evaluation and pick-up, please call Sandra Calore (798-0876) or Mary Lightsey (781-5798).

### **Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews**

**"Celebrating 20 years in Ministry"**

Begins Here on Tuesday at 9:30 am

Registration fee: \$25.00

Lunch: \$6.50 or bring your own bag lunch

Entertainer: Ragtime Piano by Charles

Zinko, Heritage at Lowman

Brochures available on bulletin boards

For more information, contact

Dr. Rebecca Swanson at 731-9394

## Celebrations and Remembrances

### Birthdays September 13-19

13	Don C.
14	Kelli R.
16	Hal Von N.
17	Teri M.
18	Chad S., Joe S.
19	Clark C., Hannah N.

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**Memorial:** James Bradley, father of Jim Bradley by John and Harriet Conway

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

**Menu: chicken/wine sauce, veggies, dessert**  
**Sign up using the RED slips in Ashland Hall and in the pew pockets in sanctuary.**

**Cost of dinner is \$6 for adults. \$3 for kids 10-17yrs  
9 yrs and under free.**

**A study of the United Methodist Social Principles will be held for adults beginning October 7-November 11 from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm.**

### **Church Council Meeting September 23, 2009**

Due to the Red Bird Mission trip next week, Church Council will meet Wednesday, September 23, at 6:30 p.m. in room 138. If you did not receive a notification of this meeting via e-mail, please let Mylla know your e-mail address.

### Inquirer's Class

This class is for visitors, non-members and members.  
Topics: The Christian Faith; United Methodism, and Ashland Church

Sessions I and II – September 27<sup>th</sup> and October 4, 9:45 am, room 124

Session III – October 11<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm, Ashland Hall  
Plan to attend!



### **STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING**

Stephen Ministry has been in operation at Ashland for about four years. The ministry of the Stephen Ministers has been a blessing to individuals, to the lay ministers themselves, and to the whole congregation. In order to continue and expand this ministry of care, we are beginning another Stephen Ministry training class in January 2010. Take advantage of this opportunity to share the love that God has given you. You will find that being a Stephen Minister will not only be helpful to others, but it will be one of the most fulfilling and joyful experiences that you have ever had. If you would like to participate in this training and in this ministry, talk to Clare Allen (781-5804) or Margaret Smith (781-6944).



**Join us for the MAD-ness**  
Wednesdays  
6:30pm -7:45pm

Children 4 years old thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade invited to kick-off the fun of **Music, Art and Drama**. We will start singing and preparing for our Christmas and Spring Musicals and worship each month.

### VIPs – Cooking with Suzy

Our group will meet on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm in Ashland Hall. Join us for food and fun! Dinner will be \$5.00. Call Bob Taylor at 798-5969 to sign up.



### BOOK CLUB

Meet with us September 20<sup>th</sup> at 4pm, room 111, to discuss: Ron Rash's, *Serena*. Rash will be speaking at USC in October. Plan to attend with us.

### Ashland Cares

For pastoral care, please notify the church of illnesses, births, hospitalizations or deaths by contacting the church office 798-5350, ext. 10 or by e-mail [office@ashlandumc.com](mailto:office@ashlandumc.com).

### BIBLE STUDIES

Coming this Fall are long and short studies of the Bible.

**32 - 34 week Studies:** \_\_\_\_\_ Disciple I – Full Overview  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Disciple II - Luke & Acts  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Disciple III - Prophets & Paul  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Disciple IV - Revelation Writings



**9-12 week Studies:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Gospel of John – 12 weeks – Sundays 6pm.  
 Orientation September 20<sup>th</sup> Rm 113.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 1 & 2 Corinthians, Ephesians & Galatians- 9 weeks  
 Sundays 6pm. Orientation Sept 13<sup>th</sup> Rm 115.  
 (Check one of the above)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## **United Methodist Youth**

*Love God. Love Others. Love Self.*

Youth Prayer Breakfast Wednesdays at 8 am  
Hot Dog Heaven, Broad River Road

September 13 4 pm – Council of the Illuminati  
 4:30 pm – Youth choir  
 Choir Room – **All Welcome**  
 5:30-7:30 pm – Asgard Small Groups  
 September 19 4 pm – Small group progressive dinner –  
 Meet at church  
 September 20 4 pm – Praise Band/Youth Choir  
 5:30 pm – Youth Worship

\*\*Sign up sheet for snack suppers is on the youth bulletin board.

**Hunter's email contacts were lost during the change of internet servers. Please email him if you wish to receive youth updates.**

### **Request Help with Addresses of Members**

Work is in progress to update our membership. There is a list of these members on the bulletin board across from the church offices that we do not have current addresses. Please stop by and see if you know the address of any of these members. You may put the information on the list, e-mail or call the church office ([office@ashlandumc.com](mailto:office@ashlandumc.com) or 798-5350, x 10). This week's list: Annette (Ann) Marr, Charles Matthews, Richard Maturi, Jessica Lynn McCoy, Zack Barr McCoy, Barry McHone, Kellie McHone, Cardin McLeod, David Kelly McLeod, Pat Mills, Leslie Sullivan Murphy, Thomas Murphy, Robert Wesley Newberry, Jeffery Novak, Kris Novak, Daryl E. Pitts, Chris Plummer, Carolyn Prosser, Ted Charles Prosser, Jr., Kara Purcell, William D. Rendleman, Mason Salisbury, Richard Cole Sanders, Kathryn Leigh Sheridan, Mary Sheridan, Michael Scott Sheridan, Doug Slifer, Christine Stewart, Kenneth Stewart, Andrew Turner Styons, Victoria Tankersley, James Matthew Teague, Laura Tichy, Amanda Moore Tucker, Ashley Estelle Tucker, Lynn Burkholder Turbeville, D. Thomas Walters, Donald Travis Weed, Keri Weed, Julie White, Laura Leigh White, Stephen White, Rhonda Williams, Robert R. Williams, Howard Ray Williamson, Jr., Cheryl Wolford, Todd Davis



### **United Methodist Men**

UMM will hold their monthly supper meeting on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in Ashland Hall. The program will be presented by Wade McGuinn.

who works with both the Haiti Children Project and Epworth. All men are encouraged to attend and become a part of the men's ministry at Ashland.



### **United Methodist Women**

**Event:** Harmon Circle will meet on Monday, Sept. 14, 10am at the home of Kaye Bradley, 131 Castle Church Rd., The Heritage at Lowman, 781-4687. Car pools will leave from the church at 9:30am.

**Living Out Our Faith**  
*September 13, 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**

Jim Whitmire – Providence Hospital

**OUR PRESENCE**

Worship: 281 The Path: 95 Traditional: 186 Sunday School: 186

**OUR GIFTS**

Received Week Ending 9/5/09 \$ 7,854

Received Year to Date: 480,065

Spent Year to Date: 504,863

**General Fund Contributions**

Received Week Ending 9/5/09 6,854

Received Year to Date: 399,856

**Special Offerings**

Memorials & Special Offerings: 970

**OUR SERVICE**

**Sunday School Coffee for September:** Cornerstone Class

**Narthex Table:** Terry Carson **Altar Stewards:** Dottie Shelly, Jean Smith

**Children's Church:** Robert and Linda Motley

**Crucifer:** Jillian C. **Acolytes:** Clark C., Lauren L.

**Ushers for September:** John Burnside, Don Cantrell, David Abernathy, Barbara Murphy, Pat Murphy, Bud Graczyk

**Greeters:** SS & Worship: Herman Lightsey & Trish Lockaby

**Nursery:** 8:45 am: David & Sarah Fellows, Jennifer Thomas

SS: Janet Hatch, Kim Crutchfield, Lynda Mixon, Mac Credille, Cheryl

McClay; 11 am Worship: Haley Calore, Trish Lockaby, Vicki Proctor,

Debbie Sandersfeld, Caroline Harrelson

**Flowers:** The flowers on the altar are given in honor Kelli's twentieth birthday by her mother, Joye Rush.

**Missionaries We Support**

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**This Week at Ashland**

**Sunday, September 13, 2009 – 1 Samuel 1:21-28**

8:45 AM *The Path*, Ashland Hall  
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
4:00 PM Council of the Illuminati  
4:30 PM Youth Choir, Choir Room  
5:30 PM United Methodist Youth, Youth Building  
6:00 PM Paul's Letters Bible Study, #115

**Monday, September 14, 2009 – Matthew 22:34-40**

6:15 AM TOPS, #125  
6:30 PM UMM, Ashland Hall

**Tuesday, September 15, 2009 – John 12:37-46**

9:30 AM Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews  
6:30 PM UMW Executive Committee

**Wednesday, September 16, 2009 - 1 Timothy 4:11-16**

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper, Ashland Hall  
6:00 PM Al Anon  
6:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous  
6:30 PM Handbells, Sanctuary  
6:30 PM *The Path* Ensemble, Choir Room  
6:30 PM M-A-D, Children's Activities  
7:30 PM Worship Choir, Choir Room

**Thursday, September 17, 2009 – 1 Corinthians 13**

10:30 AM Ladies Prayer Group, Library  
5:00 PM VIPs, Ashland Hall  
7:00 PM Columbia Chess Club  
7:00 PM Arpad Darzas Singers, Choir Room

**Friday, September 18, 2009 – Romans 12:1-8**

**Saturday, September 19, 2009 – Philippians 4:4-9**

8:30 AM Arpad Darzas Singers, Choir Room

**Sunday, September 20, 2009 – 1 Peter 4:10-11**

8:45 AM *The Path*, Ashland Hall  
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
5:30 PM United Methodist Youth, Youth Building  
6:00 PM Bible Studies

Devotions are from *The Upper Room*. Other calendar events can be found on the website [www.ashlandumc.com](http://www.ashlandumc.com)

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