



ASHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

Joining Together on a Christian Journey of Love and Service **November 15, 2009**

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

Be Rich in Good Deeds

Early this morning, I heard my wife call out from downstairs: *"Is it asking too much for you and Tyler to put on a new roll of toilet paper when it runs out?"* Oooops!!

When it comes to being good, I seem to constantly be on the deficit side of that equation.

One day a rich young ruler came to Jesus and said: *"Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"* Jesus replied, *"No one is good but God alone."*

Having said that, life still has a way of embracing us when we intentionally work at being kind and considerate. Robert Fulghum really started something back in 1990 in his classic All I Ever To Know I Learned in Kindergarten when he wrote:

*"Share everything.....Play fair.....Don't hit people.....Put things back where you found them.....Clean up your own mess.....Don't take things that aren't yours...Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.....Wash your hands before you eat.....Flush.....Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.....
Take a nap every afternoon.....When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic.....hold hands, and stick together.....Be aware of wonder."*

While I am not proposing a works righteousness scheme here, being thoughtful through kind acts makes life go down easier on most days. Here are a few I'd like to share and I'd love to hear/see your lists of good deeds or rules of life.

- Always give the waiter/waitress a dollar more than they are expecting.
- If your little one wants to crawl in bed with you at 2:51 am in the morning, pull up the blanket and whisper, *"Hop in."* After you finish driving your spouse's car, readjust the seat so she can reach the steering wheel and the gas/brake pedals.
- Turn the shower nozzle to the closed/off position when you are finished.
- Do not hang miniblinds with your spouse. Ever.
- When your pets die, be it a goldfish or the dog/cat, have a funeral service for them.
- Be a mentor at an elementary school. There are many children that need adult role models.
- Donate a bag of pet food to your favorite animal shelter, as well as food for Sharing God's Love.

St. Paul reminded Timothy to *instruct church people to do good, be rich in good deeds and be generous and willing to share. In this way, they lay up treasures for themselves and their children.* (I Timothy 6: 18)

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Upcoming Events at Ashland

- December 6th, 7:00 pm - Moravian Lovefeast, Ashland Hall
- December 7th, 6:30 pm - United Methodist Men Christmas Dinner
- December 13th - 10:30 am - Worship Choir - *A Festival of Lessons and Carols* followed by Souper Lunch in Ashland Hall
- December 20th - 6:30 pm - Children's Musical - *The Christmas Pageant*
- December 24th - 6:00 pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Holy Communion Service followed by Reception in Ashland Hall
- December 31st - 6:00 pm - New Year's Eve Communion Service

Stewardship Update

Proposed 2010 Budget \$751,395
Pledges Received to Date 384,268
Percent of 2010 Budget 51%
You may place your pledge card in the offering plate or mail it to the church office to the attention of Karen Zobel.

Flower Calendar for 2010

The flower calendar for 2010 is on the bulletin board across from the church offices. Please select a date and note beside your name if you will be taking the flowers with you. The cost for one vase is \$46.00 and \$81.00 for 2 vases.

Confirmation Classes Beginning

All youth sixth grade or older who have not been through Confirmation are welcome to join us. Parents/guardians and youth meet on November 15th at 12:15pm in the library. Schedules and permission forms will be given while we discuss the format of our gatherings. Start planning for a retreat March 5-7th.

YOU ARE INVITED

What: Fifth Sunday Breakfast
Where: Ashland Hall
Why: Because we love to eat and fellowship. Help us celebrate the start of the Advent Season.
When: November 29, 2009 @ 9:15 am
How: Bring a breakfast dish to share

Celebrations and Remembrances

Birthdays – November 15-21

15 Mike L., Bud S., Emily W.
16 Ginny W., James B., John S., Tristan C.
17 Frances E., Charlie F.
18 Elaine C., Brad K.
20 Linda A., Rodney B.
21 Richard J., Erin H., Preston G.

Memorials

Bud Anderson by Jim & Mary Nell Wilson, Tom & Beth Wilkinson, Dick & Annette Sanders, Peggy Smith, Bob & Helen Barham, Gene & Clare Allen, Hugh & Ruth Westbury, Linda Franklin, Bill & Kaye Bradley, Joan Sanford, Martha Eastburn, Bud & Ruth Graczyk, Pat & Patsy Towery, Fellowship Bible Study Sunday School Class, Danny & Lynda Mixon, Brell & Jane Foster, Coyet & Sally Lowery, Bob & Kim Crutchfield

Jim Whitmire by Bob & Kim Crutchfield

To the Jeannie McCrea Scholarship Fund for Bud Anderson by Mac & Jean Smurthwaite, Dale & Ruthanne Robbins

To the Jeannie McCrea Scholarship Fund for Martha Busbee, Wes Busbee's mother, by Tony & Deloris Hamilton

Larry Hodgins by Bill & Jane Bryan, Jim & Mary Nell Wilson, Bill & Pat Swygert, Richard & Susan Meisky, Brell & Jane Foster

Dennis Newcomb by Bill & Jane Bryan, Ashland Stephen Ministers

Martha Busbee by Jim & Mary Nell Wilson, Tom & Beth Wilkinson, Linda Franklin, Bill & Kaye Bradley, Bob & Barbara Borom, Danny & Lynda Mixon, Bob & Kim Crutchfield

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Sign up using the RED slips in Ashland Hall and in the pew pockets in sanctuary.

MENU: Spaghetti, salad, dessert

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

Last supper before the Christmas break. No adult program next week due to Church Council meeting at 6:30 pm.

Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews Celebrates

20 Years Tuesday

The congregation and staff of Ashland UMC congratulate this ministry for people 50+. The anniversary program will be held at 11:30 am.

Vacancy Announcement:

Part-Time Director/Musician to lead Ashland Youth Choir weekly, preparing special concerts, worship service presentations, and supporting MAD programs. Please contact Pastor Joel Jones or SPRC Chair, Jim Wilson, by November 15th if interested.

Ashland Congregation

For your kindness and support, I am forever grateful. That Bud found comfort and pleasure in visits and mail has touched my heart and given me courage. As never before, I value all as my Christian family and thank you from the bottom of my heart. ~Betty Anderson

Baptism

Hutson Scott Hinrichs was baptized on November 8, 2009. Parents: Chris and Lauren Hinrichs
Grandparents: Bill and Carol Hutson



United Methodist Women

On November 7, The UMW Celebrated Mission through a Thank Offering Event developed by Linda Wilkins. Circles honored their members by selecting one woman for Special Mission Recognition. Each woman selected was given a gold pin representing the UMW Cross and Flame. A monetary contribution is made for each woman recognized to the national UMW; Faith Circle, Suzy Speas, Friendship Circle, Beth Wilkinson; Harmon Circle, Judy Taylor; Noontime Seekers Circle, Peggy Lynch; Sunshine Circle, Lorraine Shaffer; and Susannah Wesley, Mylla Markland. Congratulations to all these women in mission for Ashland.

Women participating in the 2008 Reading Program were also recognized: Barbara Borom, Jane Foster, Cheryl McClay, Karen Nates, Margaret Amick, Gay Winter and Linda Wilkins. Linda Wilkins received special recognition for completing Level IV which required reading 20 books during the year.

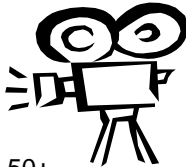
Event: Friendship Circle will meet at Agape Harbison, 990 Columbia Ave. at 6:30 pm on November 19th to play bingo with the residents. Please bring bingo prizes. Suggested prizes: Kleenex, chocolate bars, Christmas wreaths for their individual doors, hypoallergenic hand sanitizer, hand lotions and stamps.

Annual Soup Lunch December 13th

Soup lunch will be following the Choir's Christmas program in Ashland Hall. Plan to bring your favorite crockpot of soup. Let us know you will bring a pot. We will furnish the cornbread. Call or email Suzy.

LUNCH + MATINEE'

Join us for lunch at Hudson's Smokehouse on Thursday, November 19th at 1 pm. Following lunch, we will return to Ashland UMC and watch the movie *Secondhand Lions* in Ashland Hall. Meet us at 12:30 pm if you would like to carpool. The VIPs is open to anyone 50+. If you cannot do lunch, join us at 2:30 pm in Ashland Hall for the movie. Contact Suzy at 798-5350, ext. 14



Poinsettia Flowers Order Form

The cost is \$10.50 for 6" plant. Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary on December 6th. You may take your plants home after the Christmas Eve service.

Payment (Ashland UMC) must accompany order.

Deadline for orders is This Sunday, November 15th.

Please print how you would like the names to appear in the bulletin.

In Honor _____

In Memory _____

Name _____

Amount Enclosed _____

United Methodist Youth

Love God. Love Others. Love Self.

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

November 13	7:00 pm	"The Good Luck Lock-in"
November 15	4:30 pm	Youth Choir
	5:30 pm	Small Groups
Reminder: All youth need to bring a food or drink item.		
November 22		Youth Sunday – both services
	4:30 pm	Youth Choir
	5:30 pm	Asgard Outreach – Game
	Night	
November 29	4:30 pm	Youth Choir
	5:30 pm	Small Groups

PLAYGROUND

It is time for new and safer equipment

Thank you all for your support of our new playground. Your generosity is exciting. We are almost to our goal.

Balance needed of : \$6711

We hope to order the new equipment by Christmas. If willing to contribute, make your checks payable to Ashland UMC, earmarked *Playground*.

Cornerstone Class Christmas Dinner Party

Saturday, December 5th at 6 pm in the Youth building. Cornerstone members, visitors, and friends are invited to attend. Contact Cindy Ward at 781-7783 for more information.

SCUMC Leadership Nomination Form

If you are interested in being nominated for a leadership position for the SC United Methodist Church, forms can be found on the chests in the sanctuary or in the narthex. Please return the completed form to the church office.



United Methodist Men Christmas Dinner

You are invited to the annual UMM Christmas Ladies' Night Dinner on Monday, December 7th at 6:30 pm in Ashland Hall. Cost is \$15.00 per person for a steak dinner prepared by Robert Smith, with entertainment by Lavon Stack. Payment can be made at the dinner. Reservations are required by November 29th and can be made by completing this form and putting it in the offering plate, signing the list in your Sunday School class, or calling Jimmy Smith (781-6944) or Tom Wilkinson (345-0595).

Name _____

Number who will be attending _____

Living Out Our Faith
November 15, 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

Virginia Combs – NHC, West Columbia, #122B
Jane Reichman – Lexington Extended Care, Camilia Court
Rosemary Tannert, mother of Carol DeNisi, Agape Rehab, W. Columbia
Bud Gore – Home
Bill Turner – Brian Center

In Memoriam: Horace H. Bud Anderson, Jr. Died November 5, 2009.
Service held November 9, 2009 at Ashland UMC.

OUR PRESENCE

Worship: 345 The Path: 118 Traditional: 230 Sunday School: 185

OUR GIFTS

Received Week Ending	11/7/09	\$ 22,232
Received Year to Date:		640,098
Spent Year to Date:		618,441

General Fund Contributions

Received Week Ending	11/7/09	16,117
Received Year to Date:		543,920

Special Offerings

Memorials & Special Offerings:	5,866
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OUR SERVICE

Sunday School Coffee for November: Good News

Narthex Table: Jean Smith, Dottie Shelly

Altar Stewards: Rosemary Sanders, Jane Bryan

Crucifer: Jillian C. **Acolytes:** Haley R., Rebecca J.

Ushers for November: Hal Von Nessen, Susan Von Nessen, Margaret Amick, Jerry Rushchkofski, Craig Hatch, Bud Graczyk

Greeters: SS: Tom Wilkinson & Peggy Smith

Worship: Tom & Beth Wilkinson

Nursery: 8:45 am: Shelly & Madison H.; Jack & Kiley Cohoon

SS: Karen McClive, Cindy Robinson, Lynda Mixon, Mac Credille, Joanne Turner, Billie Jean Strickland; 11 am Worship: Diane Farley, Valerie Barham, Jeff & Denise Williams, Carol Gasque

Altar Flowers: The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Hugh and Ruth Westbury.

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This Week at Ashland

Sunday, November 15, 2009 – Colossians 1:3-14

8:45 AM	<i>The Path</i> , Ashland Hall
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 PM	Book Club, #111
4:30 PM	Youth Choir, Choir Room
5:30 PM	United Methodist Youth, Youth Building
5:30 PM	Disciple I, #115
6:00 PM	Paul's Letters, #126, John, #113

Monday, November 16, 2009 – Luke 15:1-7

6:15 PM	TOPS, #125
6:30 PM	Trustees, #138

Tuesday, November 17, 2009 – Nehemiah 2:17-20

9:30 AM	Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews
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Wednesday, November 18, 2009 – 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

9:00 AM	DAODAS, Ashland Hall
6:00 PM	Wednesday Night Supper, Ashland Hall
6:00 PM	Al Anon, #127
6:00 PM	Overeaters Anonymous, #129
6:30 PM	Church Council, #138
6:30 PM	Handbells, Sanctuary
6:30 PM	<i>The Path</i> Ensemble, Choir Room
6:30 PM	M-A-D, Children's Activities
7:30 PM	Worship Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, November 19, 2009 – Matthew 6:19-24

10:30 AM	Ladies Prayer Group, Library
2:00 PM	VIPs, Ashland Hall
7:00 PM	Cub Scouts, Ashland Hall
7:00 PM	Columbia Chess Club
7:00 PM	Arpad Darazs Singers, Choir Room

Friday, November 20, 2009 – 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Saturday, November 21, 2009 – Matthew 6:25-34

8:30 AM	Arpad Darazs Singers, Choir Room
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Sunday, November 22, 2009 – Psalm 119:97-106

8:45 AM	<i>The Path</i> , Ashland Hall
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
12:00 Noon	Gustafson Family, Ashland Hall
2:00 PM	Gustafson Eagle Scout Ceremony, Sanctuary
4:30 PM	Youth Choir, Choir Room
5:30 PM	United Methodist Youth, Youth Building
5:30 PM	Disciple I, #115
6:00 PM	Paul's Letters, #126, John, #113

Devotions are from *The Upper Room*. Other calendar events can be found on the website www.ashlandumc.com

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