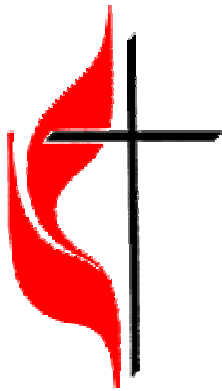


The Good Views

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Church Family

Spring has arrived! At least, on the calendar it has arrived.

I have to admit that it excites me to think of the grass turning green, the flowers blooming with such vibrant colors, the birds singing, and the longer days of sunlight.

Of course, since it is only the beginning of spring, there are still some days that remind us that we are not completely out of the winter season, no matter what the calendar says. Yes, there are days that we still must put on a coat or at least a sweater to combat the chill that is in the air. Nonetheless, we do know that it is just a matter of time until spring will burst forth with all of its glory.

Does this not remind you of something?

It sure does for me.

Easter is quickly approaching for it is only a few weeks until we will be celebrating the resurrection of our Lord. The burlap and the dull colors illustrating the forty days of penance will be replaced with Easter Lilies and colors illustrating life – life that is promised through Jesus.

Easter is indeed an occasion to look forward to with great expectation and excitement.

However, there is another

occasion that Jesus told us that we should be looking forward to with just as much expectation and excitement.

What is this occasion?

It is the second coming of our Lord.

Yes, there will be spells of “winter” in the meantime. You know what I am speaking of for there will be financial situations, health problems, relationship issues, etc. Nonetheless, the season will change for “spring” is approaching.

But, are we to stand looking up into the skies awaiting Jesus’ return?

No, we are not.

Just as we must continue with our daily tasks as we await Easter, there are tasks to be done as we await our Lord’s return.

For Jesus said, “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”

So, are you sharing the good news with others – with excitement, joy and anticipation?

Together in Christ’s service,
Pastor Marti

Plant Sale and Cinco de Mayo Meal

May 3 has been selected as the day for Westview's Annual Plant Sale, and as usual, the Youth will provide a delicious Cinco de Mayo fellowship meal.



Please plan on attending both events. If you have plants to the sale, please bring them to the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour, or at the latest, before second service begins. It is helpful if they are tagged with their name and

optimum growing conditions. We welcome annuals, perennials, vegetable seedlings, small shrubs and houseplants. There have been requests for cat nip, Hen and Chickens and various sedums. Can you help?

Red Scarf Project Update

We have participated in the Red Scarf Program for two years, and as this thank-you states, the scarves are appreciated. So we would encourage you to continue making these scarves (knit or crochet) as you have time. Watch the newsletter in the fall for the date they will be collected and sent together to The Orphan Foundation in Virginia. If you would like to know more about this service project, call Wardie Lewis, 799-2421, or Pat Murdoch, 799-9053.

A picture cannot capture the care that has gone into the making of thousands of hand-knit and crocheted scarves

that OFA has received from all over the U.S. All of these scarves will be delivered nationwide to older foster youth in post-secondary education and training programs through our annual Valentine's Day Care Package program. We know a scarf can't make up for past losses, but our students constantly tell us how these beautiful hand-made items make them feel wrapped in warmth and concert. On behalf of our students, staff and volunteers... THANK YOU!

Eileen McCaffery, Executive Director, Orphan Foundation of America.

"I wanted to send a thank you note to the Orphan Foundation of America for sending me that package. It was one of the kindest things anyone has ever done for me, and it came at the perfect, most right time possible. It has offered me encouragement beyond understating. Thank you!!! I cannot thank you enough; your kindness has sincerely touched my heart and saved my life." - Vanessa M., North Carolina



Country Music Marathon

Anyone interested in helping at the #1 water stop for the Country Music Marathon on Saturday April 25, please contact Gail Bock at bockg@earthlink.net or

leave a message at 340-7061. Working this water stop you'll get to see and cheer on the wheelchair racers, the fleet-footed Kenyans, 80 year-old walkers, and everyone in between. About a dozen Westviewers helped at this water stop last year and had

a blast. High-schoolers, this could be considered community service. And you get a t-shirt and the same goodie-bag the marathoners receive and a ticket to the post race concert at LP field.

Graceworks Benefit Dinner

Graceworks Ministries will be hosting a Howdy Partner Benefit Dinner on Friday April 17th. Doors will open at 6 with dinner served at 6:30. The event will be held at Liberty Hall at the Factory at Franklin. Tickets are \$125 a pair and

\$500 for a table of 8. The funds raised at this event will go toward helping Williamson County residents with basic needs. Help for rent, utilities, medications and food are given when residents find themselves unable to provide

their own basic needs. For more information about Graceworks Ministries or to purchase tickets, please call 794-9055 x 35 or email tedwards@graceworksministries.net

Go Green and help the Fairview High School Band

The Fairview High School Band is conducting a recycling fundraiser. There's nothing to buy. We are simply asking you to protect the environment by donating your used cellular phone(s), ink jet cartridges(s), laptop/notebook computer(s), iPod(s), digital camera(s), and digital video camera(s). Your used items

may be tax deductible and will be recycled in accordance with EPA regulations or refurbished and sold. 100% of the proceeds will help fund the Fairview High School Band. It is not necessary to include chargers and accessories. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Marie Gonzales at 799-6069.

We gratefully appreciate your support, The Fairview High School Band.



Vacation Bible School

VBS Work Day

We will have a work day to get ready for VBS. The meeting is Sunday, April 19th, immediately following the 10:30 service. We will have lunch and start working on backdrops, decorations, etc... So bring your ideas and a change of clothes to get messy. Any questions see Joelle Chappel or Kim Bell.

Ice Cream Social/VBS Pre-registration Event

Sunday, May 17th, the VBS committee will host an Ice Cream Social to pre-register children. Mark your calendars and plan to attend. We will need several of you to make this a success. Any questions, see Joelle Chappell or Kim Bell.

VBS is coming, June 1st—5th.

We will be going on an adventure to "Experience and Discover God Everywhere," with Camp E.D.G.E. We need lots of volunteers, so make plans to join us. It's always a lot of fun. We look forward to another exciting VBS. If you have any questions or would like to sign up to volunteer, please talk with Joelle Chappell or Kim Bell.

WUMC Summer Day Camp

Come join the fun this summer with friends at the WUMC Summer Day Camp. We offer a variety of enriching activities suited just for today's kids. Theme days and special quests are scheduled to provide a safe and enriching experience for each age group. Summer Day Camp is

for all children ages 2-12 years old. Day Camp is each Thursday in June and July from 9 am to 3 pm. The registration fee is \$20 and tuition is \$136, \$10 off for each sibling. Come by the church office for an enrollment form or print a copy from our website,

www.westviewumc.org
Spaces are limited, so please return enrollment forms and registration fees promptly to ensure your child's placement in the program. Please contact Kim Tenney at 799-0630 or ktenney@bellsouth.net for complete details.

Tennessee Conference Summer Camp

This is going to be a great year for Children's and Youth Camps in the Tennessee Conference! We're offering some old faithful, tried-and-true experiences, along with some exciting, brand-new experiences for kids & youth in 2009.

Elementary Camp kids will enjoy many on-site activities, including; canoeing, arts and crafts, water games, swimming, hiking, archery, tree climbing, outdoor

cooking, low elements challenge course, talent shows, and campfires. Campers learn parallel lessons between these activities and their own personal spiritual development, reflecting on God's natural world and sensing Christ's presence throughout the week.

Youth in 2009 are "raising the bar" with some incredible programming that'll knock your socks off (spiritually

speaking, of course). We're also offering a much bigger variety of camping opportunities this year than ever before. That way, students can choose from among the programming options experiences that are tailored to their interests.

Online and downloadable registration forms are available for your convenience at www.tnumcamps.org/registration and in the WUMC church office.

Friends of Camping Golf Tournament

You are invited Monday, April 13, 2009 at The Hermitage Golf Course, The General's Retreat at 12 noon. Who would think that an afternoon of golf could do so much for our Tennessee Conference Camp and Retreat Ministries. Your participation in this golf

tournament enables us to make improvements at both Cedar Crest and Beersheba Springs Assembly that otherwise can not be done through the regular budgets. Cost is \$125 per golfer, \$500 per team. For more information or to register

please contact: Dickie Hinton or Gloria Fults at the Office of Camp and Retreat Ministries at 931-692-3669 or by email at tnumcamps@tnumc.org.

Head for the Hills! Cruising Into the SONlight!

Come join us April 21-22 at Beersheba Springs Assembly for this event sponsored by the Committee on Adult/Older Ministries. Our program is in 3 sessions.

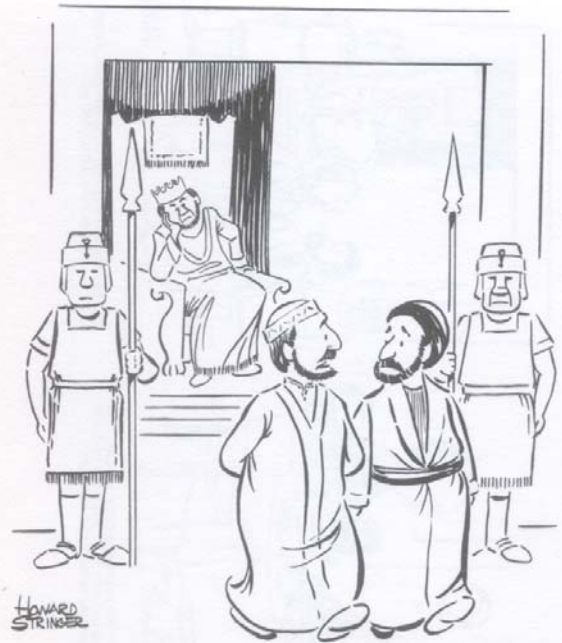
Session 1, "Soaking in the Son". What is our purpose as older adults, how can God use

is in our golden years?

Session 2, "Paddling in the Pond". Sometimes we get stuck in the same old rut, doing things the same old way, and getting the same old results. God calls us to throw our nets on the other side of the boat.

Session 3, "Cruising into the Son Light". Be in ministry wherever you are. It's never too late to make a difference!

Pick up a flyer from the church office bulletin board for more info and a registration form.



WHY IS KING HEROD SO UPSET? WHAT DIFFERENCE CAN ONE LITTLE BABY MAKE?

**Be ye fishers of men.
You catch them -
He'll clean them.**



**Instead of
counting your
days, make your
days count.**

Singles Ministry

The Single Ministry invites you to join us for a Singles Day Apart on April 25th, 2009 at the Glendale UMC, 900

Glendale Lane, Nashville TN. 9:00 am until... Meet new fiends, go out to eat together, reflective words of wisdom, mission opportunity during the day, Fun and Fellowship. Contact the Office of

Connectional Ministries at 615-329-1177 or 800-403-5795 or via email at dmchaffie@tnumc.org.

WE NEED YOU!!!!

Church-Wide **YARD / BASEMENT / PICNIC SHELTER SALE** April 18, 2009

It may be hard to believe, but once again, it is time to begin thinking about the semi-annual **YARD SALE** at Westview!!! And, as always, we need you to help make it the biggest and best ever. What can you do?? Please consider one or more of the following:

First – Donate unwanted/ unneeded furniture, appliances, household and outdoor items, toys, clothing, cars, trucks, diamonds, gold, etc., etc, etc. Items can be brought to the church basement beginning Easter Sunday (after Sunday School) and during the week following. If you have something that needs cleared out in advance, please contact Ken or Helen Brison, or Rene Job, for arrangements. [Just a note – if you do actually have gold or diamonds to donate, please

let us know, so we can reassess security (ha).]

So, see what you can find and donate it to the church-wide yard sale which will be held Saturday, April 18, 2009 from 8:00 till 4:00 in the basement, yard and picnic shelter. This is the Saturday following Easter and the Saturday before Pastor Marti's wedding. Don't worry about whether it's "good enough". Remember, your trash is someone else's treasure (figuratively speaking). We'll take anything!!

Second – Volunteer to assist the pre-sale activities, which include advertising, announcements, signage, and more importantly – set-up on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday prior to the sale.

Third – Volunteer on April 18th for a fun and busy day, helping people become informed of all the great bargains and helping them carry all these bargains to their vehicles. Also, continual

straightening and condensing is needed.

Fourth – Shop, shop, shop, and take some of the great bargains home with you. And as always, donations are greatly appreciated.

The yard sale is being sponsored by the Parsonage Payoff Committee and all proceeds will be used to pay off the note on the parsonage. Remember, paying off the note as fast as possible will allow us to use the interest savings and future yard sale proceeds for other church ministries. **WE NEED YOU** to help make this one the best ever!!

Ken Brison -- home 799-2230, cell 812-0958

Helen Brison – home 799-2230

Rene Job – home 799-7914
Westview UMC 799-0250

April Birthdays

1 Max Sanders
 2 Daniel Sewell
 3 Paul Hartley
 3 Kate Harris
 4 Alec Daugherty
 4 Chris Raines
 7 Bobby Bock
 7 Collin Chappell
 7 Lindsay Saunders
 8 Gail Bock
 9 Ron Renner
 15 Helen Brison



16 Jerry Peden
 19 Will Bowser
 19 Jeanie Handy
 21 Caitlin Brison
 22 Rose Kephart
 28 Chester Peden
 28 Linda Peden
 30 Joseph Daugherty
 30 Abie Peden



April Anniversaries

04/05 Ken & Helen Brison
 04/12 Will & Christine Penner
 4/16/1988 Bob & Renee Bowser
 04/22 Kerry & Dawn Green
 4/28/1973 Ed & Syble Stinson

March Report on Our Faithfulness

Worship Attendance

March 1st	8:30 am	25	10:30 am	63	6:00 pm	Total:	88
March 8th	8:30 am	52	10:30 am	80	6:00 pm	32 Total	164
March 15th	8:30 am		10:30 am	161	6:00 pm	Total	161
March 22nd	8:30 am	36	10:30 am	110	6:00 pm	35 Total	181
March 29th	8:30 am	48	10:30 am	106	6:00 pm	Total	179
Average Sunday Services		40		104		34	155

March Giving

Apportionments	65.00	Cook Book	54.00
Discipline Package	70.00	Easter Lilies	268.00
Fellowship Meal	147.05	General Fund	10,062.66
Graceworks	164.28	Memorial Fund	30.00
Miriam's Promise	74.00	Parsonage Payoff	350.00
Preschool Day Camp	140.00	Preschool Tuition	2,854.00
Sunday School	60.35	VBS	225.00
Youth	350.00		

March Total Giving: \$ 14,909.34—Year to Date Total: \$47,294.97
 Monthly Budget Goal: \$18,900.00 Monthly Budget Giving: \$10,123.01
 Budget Goal YTD: \$49,140.00 YTD Budget giving: \$33,668.45

March Food Donations: 22 cans of food, and 9 packages of dry goods & mixes.

Remember Our Military Friends Protecting our Country

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EFSC 208 CAV IBCT ICD
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PVT Jessica Spivey
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 C-MROT Box 2003
 APO AE 09180

2nd Lt. Katherine Kuster
 Still serving but moving often.
 Keep her in your prayers.
 Serving in the US Air Force

PCF Brison, Michael R.
 7114 Boone Street
 Fairview, TN 37062
 Serving in the Marine Reserve

Lectionary Readings for April

April 5, 2009

Passion/Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms

Mark 11:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839)

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764); Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 (40-47)

April 6, 2009

Monday of Holy Week (A, B, and C)

Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 36:5-11 (UMH 771); Hebrews 9:11-15; John 12:1-11

April 7, 2009

Tuesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 71:1-14 (UMH 794); 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; John 12:20-36

April 8, 2009

Wednesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 70 (UMH 793); Hebrews 12:1-3
 John 13:21-32

April 9, 2009

Holy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10), 11-14; Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837); 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35

April 10, 2009

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22 (UMH 752); Hebrews 10:16-25; John 18:1-19:42

April 11, 2009

Easter Vigil

Old Testament Readings and Related Responsive Psalms/Canticles

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a; Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26 or Psalm 33 (UMH 767); Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13; Psalm 46 (UMH 780); Genesis 22:1-18; Psalm 16 (UMH 748); Exodus 14:10-31; Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18 (UMH 135); Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-6 (as a canticle); Ezekiel 36:24-28; Psalm 42 (UMH 777); Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 143 (UMH 856)

Second Reading and Psalm

Romans 6:3-11; Psalm 114 (UMH 835)

Gospel Reading

Mark 16:1-8

April 12, 2009

Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (UMH 839)
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

April 19, 2009

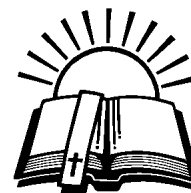
Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133 (UMH 850)
 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31

April 26, 2009

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4 (UMH 741)
 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48



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Sunday Activities

8:30 AM Southern Folk Worship

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

11:30 AM Bells of Zion Hand bell Practice

6:00 PM Sunday Night Gathering

Wednesday Activities

6:30-8:00 PM Youth Fellowship

6:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday Activities

7:00-8:00 PM WUMC Men's' Group

First and Third Thursdays