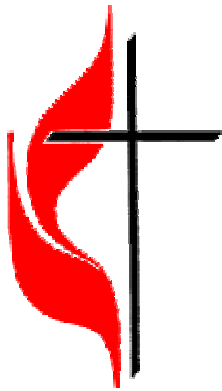


The Good Views



Stewardship Emphasis in November

During the month of November our Worship and Stewardship Committee will be leading us to look at our stewardship response to God. As we approach the Thanksgiving Season we will be challenged to consider how we can express our thanks to God for the blessings we have received over the past year.

Each Sunday as a part of our worship services testimonies will be offered by a different church member on the blessing of tithing and supporting the

ministries of Christ through Westview Church. Everyone will be receiving "Estimate of Giving" cards during the month with an encouragement to prayerfully consider our financial giving for 2007. These cards representing our anticipated financial gifts for the coming year will be dedicated to God as part of the services on November 19 and 26.

In Matthew 6:19-21 Jesus says "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and

where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Let us all seriously and soberly consider where our hearts lie in relationship to our Lord and how our commitment to serve Christ is revealed in the use of our financial treasures.

See you in church this Sunday!

Ed Britt

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Charge Conference Celebrates Faithfulness to Ministry

Westview's annual Charge Conference was held on Monday night, October 30, with the Rev. Loyd Mabry substituting for District

Superintendent Rev. Willie Burchfield. Rev. Burchfield had become ill and was not able to attend. Charge Conference is the

official connecting link between the local church, the District and the Annual Conference organizations.

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United Methodism is a connectional denomination in which all churches work together to carry out the mission of Christ. Each year the District Superintendent presides at the Charge Conference meeting to hear reports on the local church's ministry during the past year and to project mission goals for the coming year.

After receiving the required reports concerning Westview's financial and physical condition, a celebration of ministry was shared through various program ministry reports. These included Outreach Ministries, given by Gerry Stark; Youth Ministries presented by Devin Penner, Pre-School Ministry by Kim Tenney; Worship Ministries by Karen Renner; and Witness Ministries by Chuck Dyer. Rev. Mabry commended Westview on the extensiveness and quality of ministry that is taking place by members of the congregation.

Dr. Britt's Pastor's Report consisted of two parts, a statistical report and a state of the church assessment. The statistical report was aided by the work of Membership Secretary Joyce Mangrum and indicated that in spite of receiving 3 persons by profession of faith and 5 from other churches, Westview recorded a loss of 6 members over the past year. This was due to the number of deaths and transfers to other congregations. In his state of the church assessment Dr. Britt expressed appreciation for those who helped to make his and Gail's move to Fairview a pleasant experience and for the warm welcome they have received. He stated that his initial assessment of Westview is that of a loving and caring pastoral congregation that has a wonderful opportunity to grow and develop into a strong program congregation over the next few years. He noted that many of the resources needed are already

in place including strong leadership and successful ministries to the community.

The Staff-Parish Committee report presented by Rene Job recommended a salary increase for the pastor of just over 2% for 2007 and the recognition of Christian Bell as a Certified Lay Speaker. These recommendations were both affirmed by the Charge Conference.

The meeting concluded with prayer for those who have died over the past year. The names included Ed Ingle, Chuck Hussey, Baxter Rainey, and Bonnie Barton. Rev. Mabry offered a benediction that included a blessing for the church and for the parsonage family Ed and Gail Britt.

We appreciate all who attended this year's Charge Conference and the work of all who helped to make this past year so successful.

SPRC Staff Spotlight

This month the SPRC starts a series of articles that spotlight a member of our church staff. Our hope is that you become more knowledgeable about what each staff member does for the church and you get to know each of them better. This month we start with the Church Secretary, Bob Bowser.

Bob & his wife Renee have been members of this church for several years. Bob and Renee have 2 boys, Will 16 and John 12. Bob has been in the position of Church Secretary for about a year and a half. Bob's office hours are generally Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9-2:30 pm with a lunch break around

noon.

Bob's duties include:

- Answering the phone;
- Sorting and distributing the mail and phone messages;
- Recording the giving of each family;
- Updating the attendance records for worship and Sunday school;

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- Preparing and mailing "We missed you" cards;
- Preparing and printing the bulletins for Sunday;
- Keeping track of the Prayer List
- Keeping pencils, prayer/visitor cards, giving envelopes, and new visitor brochures in the Sanctuary and ensuring the Narthex is stocked and in good order;
- Preparing and printing the monthly newsletter
- Preparing birthday and anniversary cards for the Pastor
- Keeping the church office, files and computers in good shape and ordering the needed office supplies
- Working with the church committee chairs by helping with meeting notification and office support
- Collecting and archiving committee meeting minutes

Bob also designed and maintains the church website on a voluntary basis.

Bob is also active in the community. He currently serves as Scoutmaster for Fairview Boy Scout Troop 297 and is

the Natchez Trace District Popcorn Chairman (fundraising) for the Middle Tennessee Council Boy Scouts of America. He is an active member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and volunteers as webmaster for the Fairview Soccer Association. Please feel free to contact Bob about any ideas you may have for the church or the church website, with any contributions to the newsletter or announcements for the bulletins. He is always looking for new ideas. Bob can be reached at the church via phone or email; westumc@bellsouth.net or administrative_assistant@westviewumc.org. Also, if you get a chance, just stop by and tell Bob thanks for all of his hard work.

Thank you Bob for all you do for our church and community!

Special Events

With Halloween behind us the holidays are fast approaching and we need a few things from you.

Gently used coats - just put them in the box in the narthex and they will have a home within the week. I work with the school nurses locally and they always have a family in Fairview that will benefit from it.

Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction: Saturday, 6:00 Nov. 18th

Please come and bring a neighbor, friend and family to this exciting event. What to bring: a covered dish or two (enough to feed the amount of people you bring with you) and your checkbook. Westview provides the turkey, rolls and drinks and the con-

gregation provides vegetables and desserts. Then stay for the live auction. You can finish your Christmas shopping and have a barrel of fun watching our members outbid one another.

Thanks, Traci Bloodworth - Special Events Coordinator
By the way if you are on my committee you will be getting a call. We have to set up and decorate Saturday morning.

POINSETTIAS: If you would like to place a Poinsettia in the sanctuary in honor of or in memory of a loved one please fill out the form below and place this in the offering plate with a check for \$10.00 designated for Poinsettias. The plants will be at the church on or before Sunday December 17th and will be available for you to take after the 11:00 pm Christmas Service on Dec. 24th. Contact the Church Office at 799-0250 to order by phone or if you have questions. The name(s) of your loved one(s) will be printed in the bulletin.

Poinsettia order Form
Please reserve ___ Poinsettia plants for

My Name

My Phone #

to be displayed in the sanctuary between Dec. 18th and Dec. 24th. The cost of \$10.00 per plant. I am enclosing

\$ _____ in the form of a ___ Check or ___ Cash.

**My plant(s) are
Given In Memory of:**

Or Given In Honor of:



November Birthdays

1 Kerry Green
 3 Gerry Stark
 Austin Bronstad
 Gretel Fischer
 4 Traci Bloodworth
 Luke Growden
 6 Dakota Brison
 Amber Hess
 8 John Blade
 Sherry Glasgow
 Andrew Terry
 11 Randall Mangrum
 Carl Walker
 14 Lauren Tenney
 15 Kyle Growden
 18 Karen Saunders



19 Dawn Green
 Jim Tenney
 20 Dewey Kephart
 22 Winnie Jennings
 25 Linda Anderson
 26 Mike Carroll
 Austin Daugherty
 27 Tom Scales

November Anniversaries

3 Chris & Teresa Raines
 12 Roger & Susan Gulley
 15 David & Angela Clark
 16 W.T. & Cle Mangrum
 18 Kenneth & Rebecca Hess
 23 Dale & Winnie Jennings



Ornaments Needed For Advent Tree

This year the Worship Committee would like to make our Advent Tree in the sanctuary more of a true Chrismon Tree by using ornaments that symbolize Jesus or the birth story in some way. "Chrismon" is a combination of the words Christ and monogram. A Chrismon Tree is decorated with monograms or symbols of Christ.

If you have an ornament that

represents Christ such as a cross, a lamb, or a butterfly, or an ornament that represents the birth story such as a star, or an angel, or a shepherd, etc. then plan to bring it on the first Sunday of Advent, December 3rd, when we decorate the tree as part of our Hanging of The Greens service.



Community Thanksgiving Service

The First Baptist Church of Fairview is hosting this years Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 19th at 6 pm. Community Ministers are participating with Rev. Tommy Luther of the

Craigfield Baptist Church scheduled to preach.

The Community Choir will sing again this year and everyone is invited to participate. The choir will rehearse starting at 5 pm.

Following the service everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for refreshments and a time of Christian fellowship. Please bring finger food to share.

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Scriptures for November

Lectionary Readings for November

November 5, 2006

Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24 (UMH 755) Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

November 12, 2006

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127 or Psalm 42 (UMH 777) Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

November 26, 2006

2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-12 (UMH 849) John 18:33-37; Revelation 1:4b-8

November 19, 2006

1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10 or Psalm 113 (UMH 834) Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 23, 2006

Thanksgiving Day

Joel 2:21-27; Psalm 126 (UMH 847) 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Matthew 6:25-33



Calendar of Events

WUMC Events

November

Wednesday, 1st—Sprouts & Art Academy
 Thursday, 2nd—WUMC Men's Group
 Monday, 6th—Trustees
 Wednesday 8th, - Youth Roxie Outing & Art Academy
 Thursday, 9th—WUMC Men's Group
 Sunday 12th—Youth Mission SOAL
 Monday, 13th—Finance and Admin Council
 Wednesday, 15th—Sprouts & Art Academy
 Thursday, 16th—WUMC Men's Group
 Saturday, 18th—Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction
 Tuesday 21st—Preschool Give Thanks Celebration
 Thursday, 23rd— Youth Thanksgiving Dinner Fundraiser

Wednesday, 29th—Sprouts & Art Academy
 Thursday, 30th—WUMC Men's Group

December

Sunday, 17th—Christmas Program
 Sunday, 20th—Christmas Caroling
 Sunday, 24th—No 8:30 Service
 9:00 Fellowship Breakfast
 6 & 11 pm Candlelight Services

Community Events

November

Sunday, 12th 6:30-8:30—Ladies night Out: Private Shopping Extravaganza
 Stein Mart: Hwy 96 Franklin. \$10 Each
 Sales Discounts, Food and Drinks, Mini-Massage, Manicures plus Much, Much More.
 ALL proceeds benefit Graceworks Ministries
 Sunday, 19th—Community Thanksgiving Service
 First Baptist Church

Ladies Night Out: Private Shopping Extravaganza

When & Where: Sunday
 November 12th from 6:30 to
 8:30 pm at Stein Mart on
 Highway 96 in Franklin. Only
 \$10.00 each and the event
 includes; Sales and Discounts,

Food and Drinks, Fashion Show
 and Beauty Tips, Mini-massage
 and Manicures plus Much,
 Much, Much More!!! ALL
 Proceeds benefit Graceworks
 Ministries.

Ladies, get ready and start
 making plans to attend NOW!
 Gentlemen, show your Lady
 how much you love her and
 surprise her with a ticket!

For more information, please
 contact Graceworks at
 794-9055.

Max's Cloud Critters

“Hey, Mommy, look at that cloud! I see a lion and he's growling. I'm going to call it a LIONUS-SO-GROWLUS. What do you see?” What child, or even adult, has not played the cloud naming game? What if you could play this game anytime you wanted to? Even play it on cloudless or overcast days, or even while traveling on a long

boring trip? Max Sanders has created his first of several children's books he has been working on. This first book is an activity book called “Max's Cloud Critters.” He has several publisher copies left over that will be sold in the church office. These books are fully laminated and are intended to be drawn on by the user. The marks can be erased

from the pages and new drawings made. The books will be sold for \$20 per copy, of which \$10 of each book sale will be donated to the church.

It's never too early to think about Christmas gifts for children of any age.

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Sunday Activities

8:30 AM Southern Folk Worship

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

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