

**OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

\* Nursery Available

**Sunday, August 30, 2009**

- \* 8:55 AM Sunday Morning Praise
- \* 9:45 AM Sunday School
- \* 11:00 AM Morning Worship
- 4:00 PM Youth Handbells
- 4:45 PM Awesome Kids of God
- 4:45-6:30 PM UMYF
- 5:55 PM Children's Handbells
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship

**Monday, August 31, 2009**

- 10:00 AM Arthritis Exercise Class
- 6:30 PM Executive Meeting

**Tuesday, September 1, 2009**

- 10:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
- 7:00 PM Beth Moore Study—Believing God

**Wednesday, September 2, 2009**

- 5:30 PM Tabitha's Place
- 6:00 PM Family Night Fellowship
- 6:45 PM Adult, Youth, & Children Bible Studies and Chancel Choir

**Thursday, September 3, 2009**

- 8:00 AM Adult Bible Study—Youth Suite
- 5:30 PM Sonshine (Praise Team) Practice
- 6:30 PM Lay Leadership Meeting
- 7:00 PM Autism Support Group

**Friday, September 4, 2009**

- PASTOR'S SABBATH
- 10:00 AM Arthritis Exercise Class

**CHARGE CONFERENCE**

October 28 After Supper



Charge Conference

Reports for Charge Conf. Due by September 30

*Our Ministry of Prayer*

**Members:** Kathy McCormick, John Lee, Layton Martin

**Friends and Family:** Phyllis Herndon (Debra Stevens' cousin), Jack Jordan, Peggy Roosa (Meridith Phelps' sister), Russell McGehee

**Shut-In's:** Lucille Collier, Martha Gibbs, Tom & Sara James, Carolyn Littlefield, Adele Long, Ashley Madray

**OUR FAITHFULNESS August 23, 2009**

Sunday School	N/A
Sunday Morning Worship	160
Evening Worship	30
Budget Needs This Week	8,626. 10
Receipts This Week	3,634. 00
Receipts To Date	224,906. 05



*The Evangelism Committee will be handing out water bottles at the March of Dimes Walk & Run on Saturday, Sept 12. We need donations of water bottles and volunteers to help hand out the water the day of the walk.*

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*In working with the GSC, the church maintains an emergency supply of non-perishable food items to give to those who come to us in need. At this time, our supply is exhausted. Please bring can goods to replenish this supply. Items may be placed in the Youth Suite Kitchen.*

**NEW LOCATION**

The 8:55 Service will be moving to the Fellowship Hall soon!

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 MR. & MRS. DOUGLAS JAY SHARP  
 REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY AT THE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER  
 MS. LINDSEY GEAN SHARP AND  
 MR. KENNETH ALLEN MOTE III  
 SUNDAY, THE ELEVENTH OF OCTOBER TWO THOUSAND AND NINE AT FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING  
 UNDER THE OAKS AT PALMYRA PLANTATION AT DUNHAM FARMS 5856 ISLANDS HIGHWAY MIDWAY, GEORGIA  
 RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CEREMONY  
 REGRETFULLY, CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 8 ARE NOT ALLOWED AT PALMYRA PLANTATION  
 PLEASE CONTACT RUTH SHARP OR STOP BY THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR DIRECTIONS AND A RESPONSE CARD A REPLY IS REQUESTED BY SEPTEMBER NINETEENTH



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**SHAKY RELIGION**

*At Asbury College, one of my favorite events was the regular movie nights in The Grill. We'd all camp out in The Grill and watch the classics. One of my favorites was Fiddler on the Roof. Remember this: "And how do we keep our balance? I can tell you in one word ... Tradition! Because of our traditions, we have kept our balance for many, many years. We have traditions for everything: how to sleep, how to eat, how to work, how to wear clothes. You may ask: how did this tradition get started? I'll tell you ... I don't know! Traditions, traditions! Without our traditions our lives would be as shaky as a fiddler on the roof."*

*Tradition! Now, that's a word with a myriad of definitions, isn't it? And tradition can have different effects on us at different times in our lives. Traditions can ground us, giving us a solid foundation upon which to build our lives and our religious experience. However, tradition can also ground us, giving us a pleasant excuse for not moving onward and upward in the Lord.*

*And how are we to know the difference? How can we discern those traditions that are necessary in order to maintain our identity from those traditions that are only preventing us from fully following Christ and being open to the leading of His Spirit today? That is the question, isn't it?*

*In our Worship Services this Sunday, we will explore one of Jesus' many conflicts with the Pharisees. The core of their contention? Tradition! Remember our four core commitments – Magnify, Maturity, Ministry, and Mission and invite a friend or two to church this Sunday.*

*See You Then ... Tucker*



*The Worship Of God*  
 13th Sunday after Pentecost  
 Liturgical Color: Green  
 August 30, 2009 11:00 A.M.

**PRELUDE** Davida Phillips

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please register your attendance, using the pew pads, during this time

**PASSING THE PEACE** *The Family of God*

I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God  
 I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by his blood.  
 Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,  
 for I'm part of the Family, the Family of God.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev TA Lewis

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST** Acolytes

\* **OPENING HYMN** No. 156

*I Love to Tell the Story* (vs. 1, & 4)

\* **COKESBURY HYMN** (words below)

*Ivory Palaces*

My Lord has garments so wondrous fine,  
 And myrrh their texture fills;  
 Its fragrance reached to this heart of mine,  
 With joy my being thrills.

His life had also its sorrows sore,  
 For aloes had a part;  
 A when I think of the cross He bore,  
 My eyes with teardrops start.

*Chorus: Out of the ivory palaces  
 Into a world of woe,  
 Only His great eternal love  
 Made my Savior go.*

In garments glorious He will come  
 To open wide the door;  
 And I shall enter my heav'nly home,  
 To dwell for evermore.

*Chorus:*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Pastor Tucker

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Pam Carswell

Children through Third Grade may attend Children's Church.  
 A Nursery is provided for small children.

\* **HYMN** No. 337  
*Only Trust Him* (vs. 1, & 3)

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**THE OFFERTORY** Johnnie Hayes, piano

\* **DOXOLOGY** (words below)

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**ANTHEM** Chancel Choir

*Everlasting Love*

**SCRIPTURE** Rev Tucker Lewis

*Mark 7:1 — 8, 14—15*

**SERMON** Rev Tucker Lewis

*The Danger in Being Religious*

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

\* **HYMN** No. 451

*Be Thou My Vision*

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (words below)

*Rise Up, O men of God*

Rise up, O men of God! The church for you doth wait,  
 Her strength unequal to her task, rise up and make her great!

\* **POSTLUDE** Davida Phillips

\* *Congregation Standing*

*The beautiful flowers placed at the altar this week  
 are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of  
 A.W. Smalley by David & Margot Amann.*

**PM SERVICE TONIGHT**

**Thyatira: A Church with Woman Problems**

*Revelation 2:18—29*

**WELCOME VISITORS**

*All who worship here enter into God's presence as family.  
 Worship is designed to honor God and to strengthen us in  
 our faith. We trust your experience has been a blessing  
 and that you will join us again soon.*

**THOSE ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS WEEK**

**GREETERS:** Open Door Sunday School Class

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Mark & Shelley Priester

**ACOLYTES:** Blythe Bland, Brayden Bland, Hannah Williams,  
 Clayce Williams, Isabelle Williams, Bailey Thornton

**ALTAR GUILD:** Sally Hires, Amy Blalock, Patti Bryant,  
 Kathy McCormick

**VISITATION TEAM: 5**

*Church Family,*

*My heartfelt thanks to all of you for your  
 prayers, calls, cards, visits, and food during  
 my illness.*

*Foy Thomas*

**Mexico Christmas Shoeboxes**—It's that time of year!  
 We will be collecting Mexico Christmas Shoeboxes for  
 mission outreach. Please start gathering new small items  
 that will fit into a shoebox for needy children. You may use  
 a shoebox of your own, purchase plastic shoeboxes, or pick  
 up some that we have already purchased. Fill the box and  
 bring it back to church next Sunday!

**Executive Meeting**

Monday, August 31 at 6:30 pm

There will be a meeting of our church's key leaders on Aug 31.  
 The purpose of this meeting is to pray and seek God together  
 for the future of Jesup First UMC. If you get an invitation,  
 please make this meeting a priority.

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**Lay Leadership Committee Meetings**

Thursdays in September at 6:30 pm

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**Trustees Meeting**

Sunday, September 6 at 5:00 pm

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**SOD Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, September 9 at 5:00 pm

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**Finance Committee Meeting**

Tuesday September 29 at 7:00 pm