

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

* Nursery Available

Sunday, September 20, 2009

- 7:30 AM UM Men's Breakfast
- * 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
Adult Handbells
- 4:45-6:30 PM UMYF
- 5:55 PM Children's Handbells
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship

Monday, September 21, 2009

- 10:00 AM Arthritis Exercise Class

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

- 10:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
- 5:30 PM Senior Adult Trip-Chapman's Observatory
- 7:00 PM Beth Moore Study—Believing God

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

- 6:00 PM Family Night Fellowship
- 6:45 PM Adult, Youth, & Children Bible Studies and Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 24, 2009

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

Friday, September 25, 2009

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

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, OCTOBER 11, 2009 @ 5:00 PM UNDER THE OAKS AT PALMYRA PLANTATION AT DUNHAM FARMS, 5856 ISLANDS HWY 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 19th.

OUR FAITHFULNESS September 13, 2009

Sunday School	107
Sunday Morning Worship	123
Evening Worship	22
Budget Needs This Week	8,626. 10
Receipts This Week	5,417. 50
Receipts To Date	243,718. 97



Charge Conference

CHARGE CONFERENCE

October 28 After Supper

Reports for Charge Conf. Due by September 30

Lay Leadership Committee Meetings
Thursdays in September at 7:00 pm

Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 pm

NEW LOCATION

The 8:55 Service will be moving to the Fellowship Hall Oct 4.

**NOVEMBER YOUTH
CELEBRATION**

November 20-22

6th-12th grades

Epworth By The Sea

**SIX LITTLE WAYS
TO MEAN MORE
TO YOUR CHURCH**

- Be an On-Timer
- Be a Friendly Greeter
- Be a Cheerful Giver
- Be a Willing Helper
- Be a Hymn Singer
- Be an Earnest Pray-er

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PARADIGM SHIFT NEEDED

Church consultants have identified the need for a marked paradigm shift in order for the church to fulfill its mission in the world. The paradigm that we have been working under is: The Come and See Paradigm. Under this guiding principle, the church designed programs and told the community "come and see what's happening at our church." This way of life just isn't as effective as we might wish ...but there is an alternative. The early church, those first faithful disciples were guided by another principle, one that said: "go and share." Under The Go and Share Paradigm, God's people are sent forth as His representatives in the world and wherever we go, we share the love of Christ and the story of God's salvation in Christ.

The Early Church proclaimed the Gospel in very public places and many were converted and brought into the church. Today, the church proclaims the Gospel primarily from the pulpit and the class lectern to an audience of the faithful. And then, we wonder why the church doesn't grow! Could it be that we are too oriented toward a paradigm that invites (or doesn't invite) our community to come and see when what is needed is a go and share orientation?

It's time for a paradigm shift at Jesup First UMC. Now, I know this shift represents change and change is very difficult, but ... this change is godly and necessary for us to fulfill God's vision for our church. Be reminded:

Collecting - Connecting - Cultivating - Commissioning

God envisions Jesup First United Methodist Church as a vibrant community of faith, courageously bearing fruit for the Kingdom of God, as we Reach out in Christian love to those around us, Welcome everyone into our church family, Nurture one another in Christian faith and love, and Equip God's people for ministry in the church and in the world.

Peace ... *Tucker*



The Worship Of God
 16th Sunday after Pentecost
 Liturgical Color: Green
 September 20, 2009 11:00 A.M.

THE PRELUDE Davida Phillips

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

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.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Happy are those who delight in the law of the Lord.
 People **Blessed are they who walk according to God's way.**
 Leader The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
 People **The Lord is the strength of my life; the One who saves me from my enemies.**
 Leader Blessed are those who walk according to the way of the Lord.
 People **Happy are those who delight in the Law of the Lord.**
 Leader Come, let us delight in the Word of the Lord.

* **CHORUS** (words below)
Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, he is holy and just;
 by his power we trust in his love.
 Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true;
 by his mercies he proves he is love.

Chorus: Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice,
now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! (2x's)

* **THE HYMN FOR BRINGING IN THE LIGHT** No. 419
I Am Thine, O Lord (vs. 1, 2, & 3)

* **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was: conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, on the third day, He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting Amen.

* **RESPONSE**

Praise, praise, praise the Lord. Praise God's holy name, Alleluia!
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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Mark Priestler

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

* **THE HYMN**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (vs. 1, & 3)

No. 140

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Kathy Harrell

* **THE DOXOLOGY**

(words below)

To God, be the glory; to God, be the glory; to God be the glory,
 for the things He has done. With His blood, He has saved me.
 With His power, He has raised me. To God, be the glory for
 the things He has done.

THE ANTHEM

Blessed Be the Lord God, Almighty

Chancel Choir

THE GOSPEL

Mark 9:30-37

Rachel Lewis

THE SERMON

I Am the Greatest

Rev Tucker Lewis

* **THE HYMN**

God Be With You Till We Meet Again (vs. 1, 2, 3 w/out chorus;
 then 4 with chorus)

No. 338

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

(words below)

He touched me, O He touched me, and O the joy that floods my soul!
 Something happened, and now I know, He touched me and
 made me whole.

* **THE POSTLUDE**

Davida Phillips

* *Congregation Standing*

THOSE ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS WEEK

GREETERS: Pairs & Spares Sunday School Class

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: John & Julie McIlwain

ACOLYTES: Lauren Stephens, Rachel Stephens, Walker Priestler,
 Nicholas Priestler, Dawson Trapnell, Logan Trapnell

ALTAR GUILD: Joyce Stephens, Jan Peel, Beth Hatton,
 Kathy Harrell

VISITATION TEAM: 3

*The beautiful flowers placed at the altar this week
 are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of*

Dixie M. "Pat" Hatton by his family:

Beth, Elizabeth, Jacob, Robert, Kim, Sarah,

Rachel & Josh.



SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Philadelphia: Opportunities Galore

Tonight @ 6:00

Family Night Supper

Wednesday 6:00 pm



Senior Adults Trip: Chapman's Observatory in Ludowici Tuesday, September 22. We will leave the Church by van at 5:30 pm and stop at Captain Joe's for supper. We will arrive at the Observatory before dark so we can look around. The Program starts at dark. You need to bring a chair. Please sign up on the sheets in your SS class or call the Church Office @ 427-2738.

Mexico Christmas Shoeboxes—Don't forget this Mission Outreach Project is drawing to a close. Please fill a shoebox with items for a needy child and return it to church NEXT WEEK. Thanks for giving a Christmas gift to a mission child.

Our Ministry of Prayer

Members: John Wolfe, Sr., Babe McGregor, Tracy Murphy, Stanley Collier, Kathy McCormick, John Lee, Layton Martin

Friends and Family: Phyllis Herndon (Debra Stevens' cousin), Jack Jordan, Russell McGehee

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