

## Are you Looking for a Great Preschool for Your Child?

Germantown United Methodist Preschool is the place to be!



- We serve children 6 months to five years of age
- Our hours are 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Our calendar runs from mid-August to mid-May
- We are a three-star rated program with TN-DHS

Come by and visit us any weekday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. No appointment necessary! Applications for enrollment are available on the website at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org) or at the preschool office. For more information call Germantown United Methodist Preschool at 753-3109 or email [preschool@germantownumc.org](mailto:preschool@germantownumc.org).

## Student Ministries

Alison Bocking, 758-6508, [abocking@germantownumc.org](mailto:abocking@germantownumc.org)

Jason Baker, 758-6515, [jbaker@germantownumc.org](mailto:jbaker@germantownumc.org)

**Element**, our version of United Methodist Youth Fellowship, meets on Sunday nights from 6-8 p.m. The evening kicks off with a snack supper (\$3) at 6 p.m. at the Owings Life Enrichment Center (OLEC). Tonight we're heading to Autozone Park to watch the Memphis Redbirds take on the Oklahoma City Redhawks! Cost is \$5 for your bluff ticket and bring money for some grub. Meet at the OLEC at 5 p.m. Registration for this even is currently closed. To inquire about signing-up, please contact Jason Baker at 438-8781.

## Adult Sunday School

**"Faith and Family" Sunday School Class Summer Study.** Faith and Family is a class of single and married parents or other guardians of older elementary through college age children. If you are facing the challenges of parenting a pre-teen or adolescent, join us this summer as we discuss "Parenting with Values." Faith and Family meets Sundays at 11 a.m. in room 240, located between the sanctuary and the chapel.

## Health and Recreation

Carissa Algea, Director, 753-3100, [calgea@germantownumc.org](mailto:calgea@germantownumc.org)

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### Owings Life Enrichment Center (OLEC)

2323 West Street, Germantown, TN · 901-753-3100

Hours: Monday-Thursday 6:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m.;

Fridays 6:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Saturdays 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Nursery Available: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

**Summer Massage Special.** All hour-long massage services are only \$50 for the entire summer. Just contact Carol Panasuk, LMT, at 292-5913 to book your appointment. Gift certificates are also available!

**Strength and Conditioning Bootcamp.** This high-intensity class meets Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m., Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Certified personal trainer, Todd Hinton, leads the class through various obstacles and challenges all around the OLEC. This is not a boring class-every single workout is different! Special payment and pre-registration is required. Call Todd directly at 488-2845 to register.

**July Group Exercise Special.** Purchase a 10-class punch card during the month of July and receive one free Tighten and Tone class! T&T will help you tone every major muscle group in your body and they are offered in the OLEC dance room every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:15-9:15 a.m. and on Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**Angelina Ballerina Day Camp.** On August 3, your 3, 4, or 5 year old is invited to come to the OLEC for one day of ballet fun! The girls will participate in a ballet class, do a craft, listen to an Angelina Ballerina story, and more! Angelina's favorite lunch will be provided. Camp will run from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$50, which includes an Angelina Ballerina tutu, ribbon wand, and book. Call Gracie at 753-3100, ext. 403 with any questions or stop by the OLEC to pick up a registration form. Registration ends Monday, July 26 or when class reaches capacity.

**Bridge Classes.** Three courses in Bridge Instruction will be offered at Germantown United Methodist Church beginning in August. "Common Conventions" will be offered on Mondays, beginning August 16. "Better Bidding" will be offered on Wednesdays, beginning August 18. A new course, "Logic & Strategy in Bridge," will be offered on Thursdays beginning August 19. Classes will run from 2:30-5:30, meeting in Room 240. Each course will consist of 13 weeks of instruction and practice, with a break for the tournament September 20-26. Cost is \$75 per course. There is a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 30 participants for each course. Contact Jan Dacus at 754-3876 or 834-0455 for more information and/or to sign up for the classes.

## Confirmation Classes

**Do you have a middle schooler who has not been through confirmation in the United Methodist Church?** Confirmation is for kids in grades 6 and up. It is a time in which children "coming of age" can learn the core of the Christian faith and claim it for themselves. Registration is available on the church website at [www.germantownumc.org](http://www.germantownumc.org). Orientation for parents and students is scheduled for August 22 at 6 p.m. in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. Please contact Rev. Julie McKenna if you are interested in registering your child for confirmation. Classes are held each Sunday night from August-April. The confirmation program includes field trips to a synagogue and a Catholic church, a fall and winter retreat, and evenings of fun-filled skits, games, and interactive learning. Contact Rev. Julie McKenna at [jmckenna@germantownumc.org](mailto:jmckenna@germantownumc.org) or 758-6514 for more information.

## Men's Ministries

**Sonrise Prayer Group.** The Men's Sonrise Prayer group would like to extend a heartfelt invitation to all men as we study the book of Job. The book of Job is a powerful story of deep faith in tragic times. In this study, David Hester focuses on the difficult questions raised in Job: Where is God in the worst moments of our emptiness? What are we to do when experience casts doubt on what we have always believed? Where in the world is justice? The study is held each Tuesday morning from 6:30-7:15 a.m. in room 339. Feel free to join us at any time during this study. For more information, contact Bryan Barger at 752-0522 or John Phillips at 756-5434.

**The United Methodist Men** is the organization within the United Methodist Church which is solely devoted to the men of the church. It is a ministry that seeks to deepen our relationship with God through fellowship, service, and study. Men of all ages are members of the United Methodist Men. All men in our congregation are strongly encouraged to participate by attending monthly meetings (second Saturday morning, September-May) and by supporting our mission priorities with an annual pledge of \$25 or more. Contributions, payable to the United Methodist Men, may be sent to the GUMC office. Be a part of something great! Join other men as we dream and plan, working together on projects that support ministries such as Habitat for Humanity, First Works, SASHA, United Methodist Neighborhood Centers, Starfish Ministry, and others. For more information contact Conrad Schanson at 755-7608 or [barcons@comcast.net](mailto:barcons@comcast.net).

## Book Group Schedule

Our book group meets the 4th Monday of each month at 10 a.m. All are invited to join in at any time! For more information contact Jan Johnson at 753-0431 or [jshjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:jshjohnson@gmail.com).

July 26	<i>Little Bee</i>	Chris Cleave
Aug. 23	<i>Taps</i>	Willie Morris
Sept. 27	<i>Mennonite in Little Black Dress</i>	Rhoda Janzen
Oct. 25	<i>South of Broad</i>	Pat Conroy
Nov. 22	<i>Alchemist</i>	Paulo Coelho
December	No Meeting	

# News and Events

July 25, 2010



### Germantown United Methodist Church

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Rick Kirchoff, Senior Pastor

## Welcome New Members



**Jean Anne Goodson**  
Joined July 11, 2010

**Bryant and Mickey  
McCarley** joined  
the church on July 18, 2010.  
(Photo not available.)

For more information about joining Germantown UMC, call Rev. Julie McKenna at 754-7216 or email [jmckenna@germantownumc.org](mailto:jmckenna@germantownumc.org).

## Announcements

**School Supplies Needed!** In support of the GUMC Urban Haven Project Ministry, the Children of Grace Place are collecting school supplies for the students of Caldwell-Guthrie Elementary. Donations will be collected from July 4-August 8. Look for collection bins in Elementary Grace Place, the Hamilton nursery, or the Information Center. School supplies needed are: notebook paper, folders w/ pockets, primary tablets, rubber bar erasers, crayons (8-pk), glue, glue sticks, box of tissues, spiral notebooks (3 and 5 subject), pencils, small bottles of hand sanitizer.

**Open House for FirstWorks.** The board of directors, staff, and children of FirstWorks invite you to an Open House on Thursday, August 5, from 6-8 p.m. at their new location within Highland Heights United Methodist Church (Summer Ave. and Highland). Tour the facility and learn about the opportunity to adopt a classroom including the large dining area and kitchen, dedicated classrooms, computer room, and playground. Enjoy refreshments and entertainment provided by the FirstWorks band. The cost is \$25 per person. Please RSVP by email to [firstworksmemphis@gmail.com](mailto:firstworksmemphis@gmail.com). Donations will be used for program costs for the 2010-11 school year.

**In-depth Seminars in Spirituality and Depth Psychology.** Dr. William Walker of the McVay Counseling Center will be teaching these in-depth seminars on the second Saturday and Sunday of each month (September-May) Saturday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday: 7:30 a.m.-noon. There is room for 6 more participants and total cost for all seminars is \$2,500 (9 months and/or 108 hrs. of seminars) about \$250/weekend. The cost of the seminar is a non-profit donation paid to a 501 c3. *The purpose:* 1) to have a safe and extended setting to explore the dynamics of meaning for our lives in the light of modern spiritual developments; 2) to better understand the relationship between faith and belief; 3) to assist people in their ability to express concern about their own self understanding and how to love one another; 4) to experience how meditation, group therapy, dream analysis and imaginative experiences assist in creation and sustaining of community. For complete information and registration information, contact Dr. William Walker at 756-7666.

## EDWIN'S WAY

The first annual Edwin's Way 5K will take place on October 3, 2010. The run is being held in memory of GUMC member

Edwin Smith and proceeds will benefit youth programming for the worship arts. There are many sponsorship opportunities available for businesses, GUMC small groups, and individuals. Please contact Tracy Lindow at 626-5456 or [tblindow@comcast.net](mailto:tblindow@comcast.net) for more details. Sponsorship and course information can be found at [www.germantownumc.org/EdwinsWay5K](http://www.germantownumc.org/EdwinsWay5K)

## Missions

Rev. Deborah Smith, 758-6516, [dsmith@germantownumc.org](mailto:dsmith@germantownumc.org)

**Missions Trip to Ukraine.** Plans are being finalized for the October 7-18, 2010 trip to Chernovsti, Ukraine. If you are considering joining the team that is going to do Christ's work in this fascinating and historical country, please let us know by July 31. Pat Whaley, our missionary to Russia and the Ukraine, will lead us as we spread the love of God to those who are hungry to hear a word of hope and grace. Questions may be answered by contacting Barbara and Conrad Schanson at 755-7608.

## Children's Ministries

Lauren Boswell, 758-6512, [lboswell@germantownumc.org](mailto:lboswell@germantownumc.org)  
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Angie Hopper, 356-9600, [hopsome@earthlink.net](mailto:hopsome@earthlink.net)

**Elementary Grace Place.** Grace Place is the Sunday School program for children in senior kindergarten through 5th grade, offered from 9:40-10:40 or 11:00-12:00. During summer months, Grace Place children are divided into two groups—younger and older elementary. After opening assembly in the Chapel, each group will proceed to a classroom for a Bible lesson and fun, enriching activities. This summer, children who just finished kindergarten-2nd grade will learn about the stories from Genesis. From Adam and Eve to Joseph and his coat of many colors, Genesis is filled with stories of God's awesome power and amazing compassion. Children who just completed 3rd-5th grades will learn about the many heroes of the Old Testament. There is much to discover about these courageous followers of God. Kids will enjoy a video, discussion, and activities focusing on a different "hero" each week.

## HEALTH AND MINISTRY TEAM EVENT BACK TO SCHOOL: BACK TO THE GYM! SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 • 9:40 A.M. • FELLOWSHIP HALL

Now is the time to get in the groove of getting back to the OLEC and plan a firm exercise pattern for the year. On Sunday, August 29 at 9:40 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Carissa Algea will be explaining the benefits of a good exercise routine and what you can find at the OLEC to fill your needs. There is something for everybody—all ages and body types. The OLEC has it all! *This is the first in a series being planned by your Health & Wellness Ministry team.*

## Older Adults

These events are for everyone—singles and couples. Our activities are open to anyone age 55 and older regardless of church membership

**XYZs Kick Off 2010-2011 Season with Annie Get Your Gun!** Join us as we kick off our ninth program series with classic Broadway musical theatre at its best. *Annie Get Your Gun*, Tony award winner for best revival of a musical, is the exciting, vibrant, tuneful story of the great sharp-shooter, Annie Oakley, who rises to fame while dealing with her love/professional rival, Frank Butler. Irving Berlin's biggest stage success had the most hit songs coming out of it, and you certainly will leave the theater humming many familiar tunes as we remember "There's No Business Like Show Business." Seating is limited so make your plans now.

WHERE: Theatre Memphis  
WHEN: Friday, September 10. Doors open at 7:30 for 8 p.m. show.  
COST: \$23 per person includes reserved seat ticket and transportation.  
DEPARTURE: 6:45 p.m. from OLEC parking lot. (Be there by 6:30 p.m.)  
RESERVATIONS: Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Louise McGhee, 755-3463, or Gretchen Blair, 755-0797. You must make your reservation before paying.  
DEADLINE FOR MONEY and RESERVATIONS: Friday, August 13.

**September Brown Bag Lunch. Save the date!** On September 3, Pat Halloran, President and CEO of The Orpheum, will be speaking about "The History of the Orpheum Theatre" at the Brown Bag Lunch Program held in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall.

## McVay Gardens Columbarium

Everyone is invited to the Columbarium dedication service to be held on Sunday, September 19, immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service.

The McVay Gardens Columbarium is a place for the interment of the cremated remains of family and loved ones. As such, it provides an important spiritual component in the lives of Germantown United Methodist Church members and the greater Germantown community.

We invite our church membership to enroll in the McVay Gardens Columbarium and also to memorialize a spouse or loved one who may be interred or inurned at another location with a Memorial Plaque. The plaque is permanently installed within the columbarium adjacent to our niche locations to remember and memorialize those members and loved ones not at our location. The Memorial Plaque can be purchased separately, or as part of a niche enrollment. If purchased with a niche enrollment, a discounted price (plaque only) is available through the end of this calendar year.

Several Sunday school classes have expressed interest in purchasing one or more niches as "class property" to use as needed or desired in the future. Arrangements may be made with the church office to purchase niches for this purpose.

If you are interested in a Memorial Plaque and/or becoming a McVay Gardens Columbarium enrollee (or desire additional information), please contact Linda Lucas at [llucas@germantownumc.org](mailto:llucas@germantownumc.org).

## GUMC STUDENT MINISTRY NO LONGER WANTS VOLUNTEERS!

There are two words that youth workers in the church should consider banning from their ministry vocabulary. The first is "volunteer," and the second is "chaperone." We simply do not think that those labels capture the joy and adventure that is wrapped up in ministry to and with students. Perhaps we should consider these titles (though some may disagree because they would be a mouthful to say) for those who sign on to practice the gift of passionate presence with middle school and high school students:

- "One who finds new life on their own spiritual journey from time spent with teens."
- "One who holds a young person's deepest identity until he or she is able to see it too."
- "One who meets Christ, as He has promised that we will, in the lives of those who have been abandoned and marginalized in our society."
- "One who models our Lord by leaving their place of comfort and entering into the torn and bruised world of adolescence."
- "A guide, a leader, a model, and a trusted person of influence."

We hope the above titles give you a snapshot of what it really means to serve with students. If you feel God leading you to invest in the lives of our students or would like more information on joining our team, contact Alison Bocking, Director of Student Ministries at 758-6508 or email at [abocking@germantownumc.org](mailto:abocking@germantownumc.org).

**Family Matters:** If you have a prayer request, birth announcement, or death notification, please contact Jackie Lewis at [jlewis@germantownumc.org](mailto:jlewis@germantownumc.org) or call 758-6519.

**Sanctuary Flowers / Rosebuds:** For reservations or more information, contact Carolyn Browder at 568-2323 or [cb2323@comcast.net](mailto:cb2323@comcast.net).