

Artists' Cooperative. Would you like to sketch or paint together with other artists? Libby Anderson is inviting other artists in the congregation to join her each week at The Cottage. Each week she will set up a still life scene for those who wish to use it. For more information contact Libby at randerson5@comcast.net or 853-9931.

McVay Columbarium Dedication. 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 internment of the cremated remains of family and loved ones. If you are interested in a Memorial Plaque and/or becoming a McVay Gardens Columbarium enrollee contact Linda Lucas at llucas@germantownumc.org or 754-5100.

Book Group. Our book group meets the 4th Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in Room 338. Join us on September 27 as we discuss *Mennonite in Little Black Dress* by Rhada Janzen. For more information, contact Jan Johnson at 753-0431 or jshjohnson@gmail.com.

"Tear Down the Walls." Germantown UMC will be participating in this fifth annual event on Thursday, September 16 beginning at 7 p.m. at The Levitt Shell in Overton Park. Its purpose is to bring people from different faith communities together in "unity without uniformity." This event will feature community choirs, featured soloists, civic leaders, and local clergy.

Sonrise Prayer Group. The Men's Sonrise Prayer group invites all men to join them in a powerful study of James Moore's book *Have you ever seen a Hearse Pulling a Trailer*. Each week we will be studying key passages of scripture with deep religious themes. The message is clear, you can't take the material possessions you've accumulated with you when you die. The study will begin on Tuesday morning, September 14, from 6:30 a.m.-7:15 a.m. in room 339. For more information call Bryan Barger, 752-0522, John Phillips, 756-5434 or visit us at www.gumcsonrise.shutterfly.com.

Art Classes and Workshops for Kids! Broaden your child's artistic horizons through a variety of class offerings. Classes meet at GUMC, and range from one-time Painting Workshops to month-long preschool classes! For more information on these offerings and others, class calendars, or to register, contact Melissa Cychowski at eychowski@comcast.net or Michelle Walters at waltersmichelle@comcast.net.

Older Adults

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

Senior News—Aging & Baby Boomer Ministry in the 21st Century is theme for Workshop! If you are someone who has a vision and passion for ministry with mid-life and older adults or who wants to learn more about older adult ministries, you won't want to miss "Aging & Baby Boomer Ministry in the 21st Century." This workshop will be Tuesday, September 21, 2010, at First United Methodist Church, 200 S. Church Street in Jackson, Tennessee, from 9 a.m.-2:45 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person and the registration deadline is Monday, September 13. No walk-ins, please. Call 731-664-8480 to register. The Rev. Dr. Richard H. Gentzler, Jr., Director of the Center on Aging and Older Adult Ministries for the General Board of Discipleship, will lead this three-session workshop.

Senior News—XYZs October Event! Experience the river on the river with us when we tour the River Walk and the Mississippi River Museum at Mud Island River Park and eat lunch at The Spaghetti Warehouse on Wednesday, October 13. We depart at 10 a.m., and the cost is \$22 per person. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Louise McGhee, 755-3463, or Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, to make reservations before Wednesday, September 15.

Senior News—October Brown Bag Lunch Series! Willy Bearden, Memphis filmmaker and writer, will present "The Delta: A Journey through the People, Places, Music, and Culture that Make the Mississippi Delta the Most Southern Place on Earth." This presentation will be Friday, October 1 in the Fellowship Hall. The program starts at 11 a.m. with lunch at Noon. Bring your own sack lunch; the church will supply the beverages. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, for more information. No reservations are needed. *There will be a crossing guard on West Street to help with overflow parking.*

Congregational Care

Rev. Steve Atkins, 754-7216, satkins@germantownumc.org
Beverly Rhoads, 754-7216, brhoads@germantownumc.org

FORWARD, a grief support program for those experiencing the loss of a spouse will be held September 30-November 11 at Germantown UMC. Share experiences, learn from professional counselors, and make new friends. Register at germantownumc.org or call Laura Meanwell at 754-7216.

Health and Recreation

Carissa Algea, Director, 753-3100, calgea@germantownumc.org
Patrick Peavy, Sports, 753-3100, ppeavy@germantownumc.org
Erica Puryear, Nursery, 753-3100, epuryear@germantownumc.org

Owings Life Enrichment Center (OLEC)

2323 West Street • 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

September OLEC Special. Purchase a 10-class punch card during the month of September and receive one FREE Zumba class!

New Kickboxing Class. Please join us in welcoming Jack Douglas to the OLEC to teach our brand new Kickboxing classes! Jack Douglas is a talented and locally well-known fitness sensation and we are so blessed to have him at our church. You can join him for class on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-7 p.m. in the dance room.

Basketball Season is Finally Here! Registration is from September 13-October 17. The fee is \$70. Pick up a form at the Information Center or register online at germantownumc.org. The fee is \$70. Practice starts November 1. The games will begin in December.

Massage Therapy. The kids are back in school and you need to relax and unwind. So book a massage with GUMC's own LMT, Carol Panasuk. Just call Carol directly at 292-5913 to book an appointment.

United Methodist Women

September Celebration Luncheon. All women of the church and their guests, mark your calendar for our next Celebration Luncheon! We'll gather Tuesday, September 14, from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at the OLEC to kickoff our new year of study and missions. Please join us and our guest, church member William Kenley, Senior Vice President and CEO/Administrator of Methodist Le Bonheur Germantown Hospital. Mr. Kenley will tell us all about the new Women and Children's Pavilion at the Germantown location. Make your reservation at germantownumc.org or call 754-7216. The cost is \$10 each.

Student Ministries

Alison Bocking, 758-6508, abocking@germantownumc.org
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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). Join us tonight as we explore the message "Come Follow Me." Come learn more about dropping your net and what it truly means to follow Christ. See you tonight!

TREK Open House is TODAY from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.! Stop in to see our new space, greet staff and enjoy a time of food and fellowship! TREK will provide your child with a cohesive and comprehensive 6-year discipleship plan that will serve as our trail guide as we climb the 'Mountain of Faith.' TREK will be offered at 9:40 and 11:00 a.m. and will be located in the lower level below the chapel. Our new suite will create a warm and thriving environment to develop meaningful relationships and guide students towards a Jesus-centered life.

It's not to late to join ACTS (Actors for Christ through Theater and Skits)! They meet in the Oasis Youth Lounge on Tuesday nights from 6-8 p.m. To learn more about ACTS and how you can share your talents on and off stage, contact Lindsay Butler at lbutler@germantownumc.org.

Synergy and Synago begin this Wednesday! To learn more about connecting to a small group, visit our website at germantownstudents.org.

Music Ministries

Jim Thrash, 758-6526, jthrash@germantownumc.org

Choir Program Begins. All graded vocal choirs begin at 5 p.m. on Sunday evenings. Testimony (grades 7-12) meets in the Music Suite and the children's choirs rehearse in rooms located in the Grace Place Children's Education area.

September 12, 5 p.m.: First rehearsal for Gloria (grades 2 and 3), Alleluia (K and 1st), and Cherub (ages 3 and 4). Testimony and Choristers continue their rehearsals as well.

September 12: First rehearsal for Vespers Bell Choir (5 p.m.) and Matins Bell Choir (6:15 p.m.)

Children's Ministries

Lauren Boswell, 758-6512, lboswell@germantownumc.org
Janelle Crist, 758-6525, jcrist@germantownumc.org
Angie Hopper, 356-9600, hopshome@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. All children gather in the Chapel for assembly, then proceed to classrooms by grade level groups for experiential learning. This Sunday we continue our 6-week rotation theme, "Acceptance: Peter and Cornelius."

"Learning to Use My Bible." A Wednesday night class for 3rd-5th graders will be offered from September 29-November 10 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in room 261. (No class October 20 because of Fall Break.) This program is designed for those children who have received their first Bible and are interested in digging in and learning more about how to use it. For more information or to sign up your child, please contact Janelle Crist at jcrist@germantownumc.org.

Missions

Rev. Deborah Smith, 754-7216, dsmith@germantownumc.org

The Ukraine Team is busily preparing for its trip on October 7 to the southwestern part of Ukraine to the cities of Chernovisti and Uzgohrod. The team will be visiting orphanages, a home for the elderly, many of whom are WW II veterans, 5 churches, and ministering to the homeless youth. Families in the Ukraine share 2 or 3 room flats with sometimes 3 and 4 generations and an average income of \$200 to 400 per month. Members of the team ask your help with donations of adult and children's multivitamins, ibuprofen, diabetic test strips, and toiletry items. Please place your donations in the designated containers at the main church entrances. For more information contact Barbara and Conrad Schanson at 755-7608.

Bunk Beds Needed. An inner-city family with five children could really use bunk beds for their three young boys who are sharing one bed. Would love to find a set with double bed on bottom and twin on top. Will pick-up. If you can help, please call Sharon Cornelius at 754-6261 or 581-6261.

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Announcements

Edwin's Way 5K. Register today in the Fellowship Hall or online at www.germantownumc.org for the first annual Edwin's Way 5K Race which will take place on Sunday, October 3 at 4 p.m. The race begins and ends at Nashoba Park and participants will enjoy the route along the beautiful Greenway. A post race celebration with food and entertainment will follow at the OLEC. This race honors the memory of GUMC member Edwin Smith and proceeds will support our youth worship arts. Runners and walkers are welcome. Registration is \$25 per participant and includes a t shirt!

FirstWorks Fundraiser. The Emmaus Class will be barbecuing Baby Back Ribs and Boston Butts just in time for your college football gathering"! The ribs will be \$25 per rack and the Boston Butts will be \$30 each. Boston Butts are great for making pulled pork sandwiches and they will weigh 5 pounds (enough to feed 10-12 people). We will be taking orders today in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. The pick up date is Saturday, September 18. All profits will be given to FirstWorks.

Life Line Screening. Have you suffered a broken bone in your hip or spine? Do you feel as if you are getting shorter? If you answer "yes" to either of these questions, you may want to consider being screened for the risk of osteoporosis. We are pleased to offer a Life Line Screening preventive health event that can be used to detect just such a risk. The screening will take place on Friday, October 8, in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. Register for the Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package for \$139. All four ultrasound screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Call 1-888-653-6441 to pre-register.

Flu shots will be offered at GUMC on October 27, provided by Methodist LeBonheur Healthcare. Specific details will follow at a later date, or contact Beverly Rhoads at 754-7216, ext. 107.