

Mission Trip Balance. The final balance for summer missions is due no later than Thursday, June 9. We will be in touch between now and then to let you know what your remaining balance is. Please make note of other important mission prep dates that are listed on your details sheet(s).

Element Summer Nights. Our Element Summer Nights program will start on June 5. Please refer to your summer calendar for details on each of our exciting summer events.

Manna House Mondays. Each Monday this summer, we will travel down to Manna House, a place of hospitality and ministry of presence for poor and homeless persons, to serve and get to know the poor of our city. We will meet in the OLEC parking lot at 7 a.m., and will return at 1 p.m. after stopping for lunch on the way back to the church. Watch for sign-up sheets on Sunday nights, or contact Lindsey Butler at lbutler@germantownumc.org if you would like to join us.

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—AARP 55 Alive Driver Safety Program Class! GUMC and AARP will present the “55 Alive Driver Safety Program,” an instructional defensive driving course for people age 55+ on Monday and Tuesday, June 20 and 21 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The class will meet in Room 339 (Fellowship Forum classroom), and the cost is \$12 for AARP members (\$14 for non-members) payable to AARP. Successful completion entitles participants to a discount on their auto insurance premiums for three years. Call Ray Malone at 309-5966 to register. This class will be closed at 28 participants, so sign up soon.

Missions

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Adults in Ministry. Mountain T.O.P. is not just for our youth. Adults in Ministry is still Mountain T.O.P., but it is for those age 19 and over! If you are looking for a short-term mission experience, why not go to the mountain this summer! There are two different weeks that a small group from GUMC is going to the Mountain: June 12-19 and June 26-July 2. There are two different ministries each week. In “**Major Home Repair**” we will be replacing windows, adding a bathroom, replacing a roof, etc. In **Summer Plus** or **Kaleidoscope**, we will be working with youth, teaching them karate, tennis, fishing, cooking, paper making, knitting, juggling, etc. You don't have to have any skills to do either ministry—just a willing heart! If you have questions or would like to go, just sign up at www.mountain-top.org, or call Doug Warner at 755-9729.

Mission Team Travels to Kenya July 7-21. This will be the fifth year that GUMC has sent a team to help AIDS Orphans in Africa. The team will build a home for an AIDS orphaned family, deliver needed medical supplies to Maua Methodist Hospital, help with hospital maintenance and repairs, give care to hospital patients, conduct a Vacation Bible School, lead a Chapel service, and sponsor a group of AIDS orphans for a two-day course of study at the Methodist Bio-Intensive Agricultural Training Center. *Our 2011 Team:* Carrie Allison, Rich and Terry Aust, Anna Clark, Ed Clark, Amy Fink, Catherine Livesay, Norris McGehee, Leda Phillips, Gary Pruitt, Barry and Susan Hillebert Smith, Colene Watkins, and Bill and Cathy Whitaker.

Prayer Concerns

We believe that prayer is a vital and relevant ministry in our faith community. Publication in Ministry Events is limited to birth and death notices, members' immediate concerns, and hospital or facility residents. Full listings are available each week in the Information Center and at both entrances to the sanctuary. Prayer requests forms are available at the Information Center or you may submit your request to Laura Meanwell at lmeanwell@germantownumc.org or call 754-7216.

In Deepest Sympathy

Jerry McClure, son of John and Thelma McClure, May 7

In Hospital or Care Facility

Les Morgan

Concerns - Congregational

Chris Atkinson, Joan Brown, Harold Butler, Mary Carpenter, Jan and Jim Dacus, Vaughn Dickey, Natalie Duncan, DeWayne Hawkins, Kimberly Jessop, Elizabeth Johnson, Kaiden Kisner, Grayson Kisner, Saja Mason, Jo Ann Mercer, Lillian and Lloyd Moore, Jacob Still, Damien Stock, and Myra Thomas

Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Facilities

Belmont Village –Doris Morgan

Carriage Court – Annie Laurie Hall

Cordova Estates – Becky Anglin

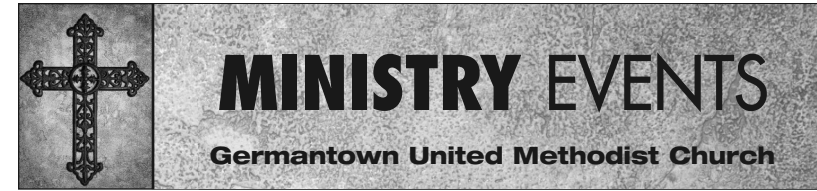
Kirby Pines Manor – Mac Sain

Quince Nursing and Rehabilitation Center – Della Fout, mother of Monte Fout

Schilling Gardens – Gene and Hazel Goodale

Village of Germantown – Gene Nyhuis, father of Mary Rocha

Waverly Gardens – Martha and Dan Newlander



June 5, 2011

Announcements

GUMC is Recycling! We have added blue recycling bins to most offices and classrooms in the church for the recycling of paper. Additionally, special soda and water bottle receptacles have been added in the 3rd floor administrative area, the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall, the OLEC, and the Student Ministries “TREK” area. There is also a receptacle near the Sanctuary Narthex for the recycling of unneeded paper following the 11 a.m. Sunday service. Recycled material will be picked up on a regular basis for transport to a recycling center. Please be good stewards and recycle paper, soda cans, and plastic water bottles whenever you can. Thanks for your help.

Summer Giving at GUMC. Summer is nearly upon us and, with it, comes a time of vacations, travel, and other fair weather activities; many of which take us away from church on Sunday mornings. This is just to remind us that, while our activities often take us away from GUMC in the summer, the activity level and the expenses to keep and maintain our church are present 12 months a year. Please don't let your giving lapse this summer. If possible, pay ahead of your absences rather than following them. This will greatly help the church to manage through the hot, lazy – but still active – days of summer! For your convenience, you may give online at germantownumc.org or set up a monthly automatic bank draft through Sharon Panis (spanis@germantownumc.org or 758-6522). Thank you!

Attention College Students. Join us this summer as our adult Sunday School classes host our college students as part of a new Young Adult Ministry initiative. During June, the group will sit together during the 9:40 a.m. worship service (in the balcony), then proceed to the Preston Sunday School class (Room 232, Chapel Building) at 11:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Turner at dturner@germantownumc.org.

Journey to the Holy Land. Rev. Steve Atkins will be leading a trip to the Holy Land June 6-18, 2012. Visit www.eo.travelwithus.com for a complete description of the “Journey Through the Bible 2012” tour. Contact Rev. Steve Atkins at 299-2375 or 388-8144 for more information.

Bishop Richard Wills Recognition Offering. Bishop Richard Wills will go on medical leave after Annual Conference in June and then will officially retire September 1. A Memphis Conference offering in recognition of Bishop Richard and Eileen Wills will be presented at a reception during the evening worship service on June 7 in Paducah, Kentucky. The offering will be distributed between Hannah’s Hope, United Methodist Neighborhood Center, Reelfoot Rural Ministries, and Western Kentucky Children’s Services. Sharon Panis has created a “Wills Recognition/MAC Children’s Ministries Fund” for contributions to this recognition offering. If you would like to contribute, contact Sharon Panis at 754-7216 or spanis@germantownumc.org as soon as possible. You may also send a gift directly to the Conference Treasurer’s Office, 24 Corporate Blvd., Jackson, TN 38305 and mark for “Wills Recognition/MAC Children’s Ministries.”

Prayer Shawl Ministry. Along with prayer shawls and lap robes, we are now knitting and crocheting hats. This year we presented 460 hats to the students at Caldwell-Guthrie School. The hats represented over 2,000 hours and 23,000 yards of yarn, and were truly a labor of love. After that project, we made hats for pre-school children. We are now making hats for MIFA. If you like to knit or crochet (or want to learn), please join us. We meet on the first and third Mondays at 10 a.m. in various members’ homes. Donations of yarn are always greatly appreciated. For more information, call or email Liz Miller at 861-2387 or lizmiller01@bellsouth.net

Beth Moore Bible Study: *“Discerning the Voice of God”* by Priscilla Shirer Having a hard time knowing what God is saying versus what others are saying? This study is designed to help participants know the voice of God—God’s language, character, and tone of voice. This 7-week Bible study will meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:45-11:45 a.m. beginning June 22 and ending August 3. Cost is \$15 and child care will be available. Register at germantownumc.org or call Jessica Webster at 758-6511.

Art Camps at GUMC. Join us for a summer full of terrific Art Camps at GUMC. For information on the camps listed below, and more, visit www.melandmichelle.blogspot.com or e-mail Melissa Ecychowski at ecychowski@hotmail.com.

• **Very Broad Strokes Art Camp:** June 13 -June 17; 12:30-4:00 p.m. (*Ages 7 and up.*) This camp will be held at the OLEC after VBS. Artists will gain exposure to a variety of materials and techniques and learn about some very interesting artists, their work, and their impact on history. We are happy to escort your children from VBS to Art Camp!

• **“Picture This” Art Camp:** July 11-July 15; 1:00-4:00 p.m. (*Ages 7 and up.*) Explore the many ways artists have painted themselves, their neighbors, their families and their pets throughout history! From long-faced Mondrians, to wacky Picassos—your child will have the most interesting portrait gallery around! (Held at The Cottage on S. Germantown Rd.)

Germantown United Methodist Preschool

Weekday Preschool Ministry

Susan Bryant, Director, 753-3109, sbryant@germantownumc.org
Louise Goodale, Admin. Asst., 753-3109, preschool@germantownumc.org

Did you know that in 1974, Germantown United Methodist Church began its weekday preschool ministry with a committed group of church members who wanted to offer a meaningful Christian environment for their own children and those in the community to learn and play together during the week. GUMP has grown, evolved and remains a wonderful, loving, and nurturing environment for young children.

Summer is here and it’s a great time to register your child for the upcoming school year! GUMP currently has openings for ALL ages, 9 months to 5 years, for the 2011-12 school year. Our office is open weekdays during the summer from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact us to set up a tour to begin the admissions process. Please share this information with your neighbors, friends and family as well.

Owings Life Enrichment Center

*Tiffany Griffin, 753-3100, tgriffin@germantownumc.org
Patrick Peavy (sports), 753-3100, ppeavy@germantownumc.org*

Early A.M. Conditioning Class. This early morning conditioning course meets Monday-Friday for only 30 minutes. The six-week session began Wednesday, May 25, but you may join late and receive a prorated rate. Contact Todd Hinton at 488-2845 or thinton2@comcast.net.

Summer Dance Classes. Beginner and intermediate combination ballet, tap, and jazz classes for children and adults will be offered at the OLEC beginning in June. Classes will be taught by Mary-Ann Brand, an experienced performer, choreographer, and instructor. For a schedule of classes, contact Gracie Leetham at gleetham@germantownumc.org or call 753-3100.

Six-Week Summer Special: The Very, Very Beginner Boot Camp (Begins June 6, Mondays 8:15-9:15 a.m.) Talented and experienced personal trainer, Judy Oros will help you increase stamina, tone muscles, burn calories, and lose weight in this beginner-level class!

Sports Camps for Sr. K-6th Graders. Our Summer Sports Camps will be held June 20-24 and July 25-29. Camp hours are 9 a.m.-2 p.m. This camp is for children who have completed senior kindergarten-6th grade. The cost per camp is \$95 each, which includes lunch and all available sports activities. Online registration for the June camp ends June 5. July camp registration is June 6-July 10. Register at germantownumc.org. Questions? Contact Patrick Peavy at ppeavy@germantownumc.org.

Class Updates: Pedal and Pump Class. Taught by Jen Boyle, this class is held on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. This hour-long workout mixes traditional cycling with intervals of boot camp style exercises using plyometrics, weights, bands, abs and body weight . . . The **Wednesday Night Cycling** class has changed to Thursday at 6 p.m. for June and July and is led by Gina Chase.

Children’s Ministries

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Elementary Grace Place. Summer Grace Place is the Sunday School program for children who have just finished senior kindergarten through 5th grade offered from 9:40-10:40 or 11:00-12:00. All children will gather in the Chapel for opening assembly, then proceed to classrooms with combined grade level groups. This summer, younger elementary will be enjoying videos and Bible story activities that explore virtues, such as honesty, faith, and compassion. Older elementary will be enjoying “The Torchlighters” video series—an action-packed, animated program on Heroes of the Faith.

Last Day to register for VBS! Registration deadline is today, June 5! At GUMC’s “Shake it up Café” Vacation Bible School, children age 4 (by 9/30/11) through rising 6th grade will be chefs-in-training as they explore and experience recipes for living out God’s Word. VBS week is June 13-17 from 9-12. Registration forms are available at Grace Place, in the Fellowship Hall, or you may register online at germantownumc.org.

Student Ministries

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Element. Element, our version of United Methodist Youth Fellowship, meets on Sunday nights at the OLEC from 6-8 p.m. A snack supper is available for \$3. Come kick the summer off with us at Tie Dye Shirt and Jerry’s Sno-Cone Night tonight! We’ll meet at McVay at 6 p.m. Bring \$3 for pizza, and a shirt or two to tie dye.