

Fall Dance Classes. Beginner and intermediate combination ballet, tap, and jazz classes are offered for children and adults. Classes will be taught by Mary-Ann Brand, an experienced performer, choreographer, and instructor. For class information, contact Gracie Leetham at 753-3100 or gleetham@germantownumc.org or Mary Ann at 428-0002. Deadline to sign up is August 21.

Morning Boot Camp. The Very, Very, Very Beginner Boot Camp began July 18, but you may still join, and drop-ins are welcome each Friday morning at 8:15 a.m. Contact Judy Oros at 336-8639 for more information.

FitFunKids. FitFunKids, a summer enrichment program for children ages 6-12 continues through August 5. This groups meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Oasis Lounge and Tuesday and Thursday Thursday in the gym.

Mat Pilates. (Monday/Wednesday 4:45 p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday 8:15 a.m.) Come tone your core and more! Mat Pilates tones you from head to toe. Taught by Pilates certified, master yoga instructor and veteran group fitness instructor Paula Hatmaker.

Senior Fitness Class. Led by Melissa Olson, this class is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Get a great workout designed specifically for senior adults; easy on the joints and is therapeutic and helpful for those with joint pain, arthritis, fibromyalgia, and other joint-related disparities.

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—XYZs September Event! Help us kick off our 10th season when we see Tommy Tune “Steps in Time” at the Germantown Performing Arts Centre on Saturday, September 17. Drive yourself; the doors open at 7:30 for an 8 p.m. performance. The cost is \$32 per person. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Louise McGhee, 755-3463, or Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, to make reservations before Wednesday, August 17. Please read your *Tidings* for a full description of this event.

Prayer Concerns

Prayer Concerns published in Ministry Events are limited to birth and death notices, members’ immediate concerns, and hospital or facility residents. Complete listings are available at the Information Center and at both entrances to the sanctuary. Please pick up a copy. Prayer requests forms are available at the Information Center or you may contact Laura Meanwell at lmeanwell@germantownumc.org or call 754-7216.

In Deepest Sympathy

Ann Lee Turner, mother of Paige Close, July 5
Cara Virginia Williams Jones, mother of Nancy Blake; mother-in-law of Steve Childs; grandmother of Catherine Childs, July 3

In Hospital or Care Facility

Eddie Grigg
Barbara Ross
Richard Tomlinson

Congregational Concerns

Rusty Bailey, Chris Boswell, Harold Butler, Mary Carpenter, Kelly Close, Jan Dacus, Kimberly Jessop, Elizabeth Johnson, Saja Mason, Susan Nicholas, Marvin Ray, Fred Smith, Damian Stock, Myra Thomas, and Jim Wennemark

Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Facilities

Belmont Village – Les and Doris Morgan
Carriage Court – Annie Laurie Hall
Cordova Estates – Becky Anglin
Kings Daughters & Sons – Chris Kirchoff
Kirby Pines Manor – Mac Sain
Quince Nursing & 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

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To ensure that our members are able to reach a pastor when the offices are closed, we are providing you with an emergency phone number with which you may reach the pastor on call. Please be mindful that this number should only be used for urgent situations such as the emergency hospitalization of a member (or immediate family), or death of a member (or immediate family), or other tragedy. The Emergency Pastoral Care number is (901) 412-5776. You may also call our regular office number (754-7216) and call the answering service number given and they will contact our pastor on call.



MINISTRY EVENTS

Germantown United Methodist Church

July 24, 2011

Announcements

“A Second Look.” Beginning August 10, Rev. Richard Smith will be hosting “A Second Look” to be held each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room 342. This is a unique opportunity to discuss the previous Sunday’s sermon and have a time for questions and discussion. No preparation is required and no reservations are required. The text and video of the sermons are posted to our website each Monday.

Grace Place Volunteers Needed. We currently have a need for presenters and substitutes in our Children’s Ministry area. Presenters typically teach both hours for a 6-week period. Presenters teach one lesson six weeks in a row to a different age group each week. Lessons are fully prepared and materials are provided. If you have a child in Grace Place or love working with children, we need your help with this important ministry. Please pray about this opportunity to serve. If you have questions or want to volunteer, please contact Shelley Haines at 758-6512 or shaines@germantownumc.org.

Book Group. Everyone is invited to our Book Group on Monday, July 25, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 338. We will be discussing *The Devil in the White City*, by Erik Lawson. No reservations are needed. For more information, contact Jan Johnson at jshjohnson@gmail.com.

Inquirer’s Class. Are you new to Germantown UMC or Methodism? Prospective members, new members, or anyone interested in learning more about Methodist beliefs and our church are invited to attend an Inquirer’s Class on Sunday, August 14, at 9:40 a.m. in Room 329. Pre-registration is encouraged, but not required. Contact Laura Meanwell at lmeanwell@germantownumc.org or 758-6528.

Health and Wellness Speaker. On Sunday, August 21, at 9:40 a.m., everyone is invited to hear Dr. Scott Morris speak in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall on the topic of “Health Care You Can Live With.” G. Scott Morris, M.D., M.Div., is founder and Executive Director of the Church Health Center that seeks to provide primary health care to the low-income, uninsured working people of Memphis.

Save the Date! Our annual church-wide outing at Golf 'n Games is set for Sunday afternoon, September 18. Watch for more information

Fall Children's Clothing Boutique. It is time to begin cleaning out closets and getting ready for the fall season. We welcome all consignors to participate. Items may be entered from any computer. Consignors receive 70% of sales and GUMW keeps 30% for missions projects throughout the year. To participate, go to www.gumwclothingsale.com to register and view complete instructions and important dates. We are here if you need help at info@gumwclothingsale.com or 754-7216, ext. 302. Registration deadline/inventory sheets is August 22. Drop off: August 24, 5-7 p.m. and August 25, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Presale: August 25, 5-8 p.m.; Public Sale: August 26, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Public Half-Price Sale: August 27, 8 a.m.-noon. Pick-up: August 28, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Blood Drive, August 14. Join us for our blood drive on Sunday, August 14, at the Owings Life Enrichment Center. Lifeblood will be taking donations from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. All donors will receive an ice cream coupon from Ben & Jerry's! Sign up at germantownumc.org or call 754-7216.

Edwin's Way is an annual 5K run/walk presented by members of Germantown UMC to be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 2, at Nashoba Park. Named in memory of Edwin Smith, an avid runner and passionate supporter of our Student Ministry Program, over \$10,000 was raised at last year's event to purchase choir robes and music equipment for our youth. Register online at germantownumc.org beginning July 31. Early registrants receive an upgraded performance tee. Put together a group of friends from Sunday School, worship, small groups, neighborhood, or anywhere else! There are prizes for best theme, largest group, and more. Participants should designate their group name when registering.

Summer Giving at GUMC. 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).

Caldwell-Guthrie Elementary News

(Our Adopted School)

• **Supplies for Scribes!** Once again this year our church is sponsoring a school supply drive for the children at Caldwell-Guthrie Elementary. We have boxes located around the church, marked "Supplies for Scribes!" In order to meet the needs of the children more fully, we are asking our members to "adopt a scribe." A supply list is located at each Scribe drop box. Please pull a scribe, buy the supplies for the list you select, and then return the supplies to the designated drop off locations.

• **Caldwell-Guthrie Pre-Registration Event.** Volunteers are needed Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Caldwell Guthrie Elementary, 951 Chelsea Ave., Memphis, TN 38107. In order to encourage the community of Caldwell-Guthrie parents to get the children ready and prepared for school prior to the first day of school, we are hosting a pre-registration event on July 30 at the school. If you are available and willing to help, please contact Michelle Johns at mjohns70@me.com or 336-2874.

• **Rare Insight for GUMC Caldwell-Guthrie Volunteers.** On July 28, Janice Crawford, executive director of New Leaders for New Schools and former executive director of Communications for Memphis City Schools, will offer insights into teaching inner-city students as well as dealing with cultural differences between schools and the students. Afterwards, our tutors and future tutors will meet with second grade teachers to talk about the coming year. This seminar begins at 8:30 a.m. and runs until 1 p.m. with lunch included. All tutors are asked to attend! Contact Jackie Flaum at jrflaum@yahoo.com, Ruth King at ruthmking@bellsouth.net or Shirlee Clark at shirleemclark@att.net.

Student Ministries

Jason Baker, 758-6515, jbaker@germantownumc.org

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. Join us tonight for our Summer Missions Slideshow! We'll have some special guests with us as we celebrate all God has done and is doing through our summer trips.

Manna House Mondays. Each Monday through July 25, we will travel down to Manna House, a place of hospitality for the homeless. 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. Contact Lindsay Butler at lbutler@germantownumc.org if you would like to join us.

Redbirds Game, July 31. Join us on Sunday evening, July 31, as we head downtown to catch a Redbirds game. Game time is 6:05 p.m., so we will meet at the OLEC at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for a bluff ticket. Bring money for dinner and snacks. Register online at germantownumc.org.

Fall Family Kick-Off, August 14. Our fall kick-off is just around the corner! We'll spend the evening with **321 Improv Comedy**, a group that's sure to bring tears to your eyes, pain to your side, and will leave your face aching from laughter. The event is free, and will be from 6-8 p.m. at the OLEC. Parents and friends are welcome to join us!

Health & Recreation Ministries

(Owings Life Enrichment Center)

Tiffany Griffin, 753-3100, tgriffin@germantownumc.org

Patrick Peavy (sports), 753-3100, ppeavy@germantownumc.org

Fall Soccer. Fall Soccer registration is now underway for our youth fall soccer season. Youth Fall Soccer is for Jr. K-6th graders. The fee is \$70 which includes league fee, jersey, trophy, and end of the season party. Online registration runs until August 1. Games start September 9 and end in November. Register at germantownumc.org. Questions? Contact Patrick Peavy at ppeavy@germantownumc.org.

Edwin's Way 5K is coming soon so join the fun and prepare to run! The Health and Recreation Ministry wants you to be ready for race day by joining our Couch-to-5K® Running group. Daniel Turner will be leading a group of runners to prepare for this event. Please call us at 753-3100 or contact Daniel at dturner@germantownumc.org if you're interested in joining this group. Training will begin the first week of August. Check out coolrunning.com for the running plan.

Afternoon Beginner Boot Camp. Our *afternoon* Very, Very, Very Beginner Boot Camp led by Judy Oros will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. beginning August 9. Call 336-8639 to reserve your spot!

Ro-Ken Karate/Self Defense. The second oldest Karate school in the Memphis area is returning to the OLEC on Tuesday nights beginning August 2 from 7:00-8:30 pm. There are *no contracts* and the (once a week) classes are for ages 10 and up for a cost of \$25 per month. For more information, contact Chris Mahoney at 493-3046.

A.M. Conditioning Course MWF. A six-week session started July 18, but you may still join and receive a prorated rate! Call Todd Hinton at 488-2845 or thinton2@comcast.net.