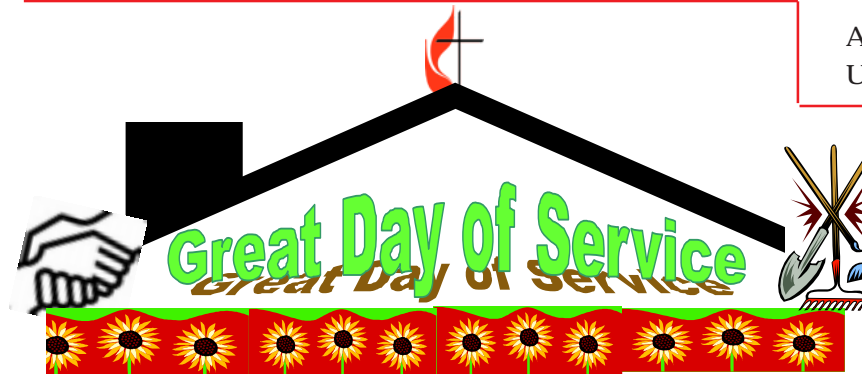




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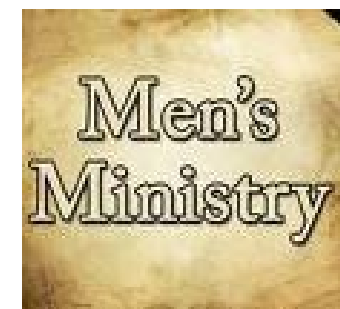


**Mark your calendars:
GREAT DAY OF SERVICE
Saturday, April 25**

Opportunities await adults, youth and children to serve the community and make a difference....one day at a time..... during the church's annual Great Day of Service, April 25. **Outside work** for adults and youth include community garden preparation, highway trash pick-up, Wesley Foundation yardwork, senior citizen yardwork, neighborhood food drive, prayer warriors for area schools; **Inside work** includes senior citizen housecleaning, senior citizen visitation, help with youth art project, Salvation Army clothing sorting, doughnut delivery, bagging items for foster children, flood bucket project; **Projects for children** are nursing home visitation, and making handmade gifts for senior citizens. There are several other ways in which you can serve. Take a look on Sunday mornings at information on tables located throughout the church and find the project in which you would like to participate.

Men's Ministry Kick-off

CFUMC will kick off its Men's Ministry with a dinner featuring speaker Dudley Hall. Hall is president of Successful Christian Living Ministries based out of Euless, TX. He is presently teaching thousands across the country about how to be better husbands and fathers, and how to bring



the kingdom of God to the marketplace.

The dinner will be, Thursday, April 16, 6 p.m. at the Carrollton Community Activities Building (118 S. White St.) and will be catered by Billy Bob's BBQ.

For more information or to RSVP (by April 15), contact Richard Culpepper, 404-915-9707, or at Richard@cdiwest.com.



Dad Rusty Batch points out to son Charlie where eggs are hidden during the church's Easter Egg Hunt held last Sunday. Approximately 100 children and parents attended the hunt that featured a cookout.

Intercessory Prayer

Kristi Simpson • Syble Gilley • Buck Chavies • Frank Ledbetter
June McCall • Josh Waldrep • Harvey Copeland
Jan Adams • Bob Sharpless • John Trawick
Nell Meadows • Carolyn Mason • Doris O. Kaylor
Kitty Kaylor • Dixie Satterfield • Mildred Lambert • Horace Carden
Andrew Mecklin, serving in Iraq
Audrey Albright • Clara Norton, staff member
Mark Ellis
Shirley Simon, Don McEachin's sister
Zachery Poss, grandson of Paul & Carolyn Bush's friends
Chase Wiggins, family friend of Greg & Beth Garrett
Bob Waldrop, father of Pat Waldrop
Betty Loftin, mother of Theresa Davis
Maria Clarisa Cardenas, friend of Don & Helen Martin
David Bush, son of Paul & Carolyn Bush
Abe Hulsey, friend of Mark Barnes • Mother of Sara Parker
Jonathan Wilbanks, serving in Iraq, grandson of Harris & Connie Johnson
Ashley Turner, family friend of Mark Barnes
Danielle Huff, cousin of John Cook
Gail Settles, friend of Melissa Smith and Sue McBrayer
Frank Satterfield
Allen Payton, son of Eva Haynes
Russ Sharp, friend of Dan Minish and others

Rev. Eddie Herring, Senior Pastor
Rev. Karla Oroszko, Associate Pastor
Rev. Greg Cochran, Youth Minister
Rev. Mark Barnes, Music Minister
Rev. John Cuenas, Hispanic Minister
Ernesine Maddox, Administrator
Angie Chesser, Financial Secretary
Pat Reynolds, Communications Manager
Diane Albright, Director of Nursery Ministries
Tony and Cheryl Childers, Organist/Pianist
Christopher Thurman, Facilities Manager
Clara Norton, Eva Haynes Custodians
Dr. Dean Milford, Minister to Adults

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Win Pray Give Serve Glorify

Do You Believe in Easter?

In John 11:25 & 26 Jesus says, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

This is a question for the ages. Your answer changes your outlook on life. I am not talking about eggs, the Easter bunny, new clothes or Easter lillies. I am talking about the fact that Jesus is not dead. He is alive. Because Jesus lives, we also live. Jesus defeated the grave and death. Hope, victory, joy, eternal life in Heaven, and a crown of righteousness are ours because of Jesus. Easter changes our focus from our problem to Jesus, the one who has the answer to our problem. Our attitude is brighter and sweeter because Jesus is alive. Easter should put a smile on your face, a gleam in your eye, a bounce in your step, and a belief that with Jesus you can face anything and come out the victor. So let me ask you again, *Do you believe in Easter?* If you do, then live like Easter people. Easter Sunday we will have five services - traditional and contemporary at 9 a.m., traditional, contemporary and Hispanic at 11 a.m. Invite your family and friends and join as we celebrate and worship the Risen Christ! I will see you at church on Easter Sunday, share the Risen Christ, and have a great week!

Happy Easter!

Eddie

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Announcements

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross will be in the InZone on Tuesday, April 14, 12:30 - 5:30 p.m. for the blood drive.



In Memoriam
Maude Crosby
April 2, 2009

SPECIAL THANKS

Thanks to Scotty and Dedra Kaylor and the Empire Grill staff for the delicious meal they catered for the Fellowship Supper. It was enjoyed by all. Go by and tell them how much we appreciate their generous contribution.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The church office will be closed on Good Friday, April 10, and Monday, April 13.

BRING FLOWER SPRIGS ON EASTER

Remember to bring your flower sprigs this Sunday, April 12, to decorate the Easter crosses in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.

DRIVERS NEEDED

The Carroll County Soup Kitchen needs volunteers to drive a Soup Kitchen van one day each month. If you are interested in serving our community in this way, or if you want more information, please call Jack Gilbert (770-328-5591), or Sue McBrayer (770-836-0414).

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner and we need you! If you would like to teach, decorate, plan art activities, help with food, etc. for VBS, contact Amy or Kelly at the church office, 770-832-7069 or email them at cfumchristianed@bellsouth.net. VBS dates are June 8 - 12.

This Sunday at CFUMC

April 12, 2009
Easter Sunday

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services Sanctuary

Sermon: "Do You Believe in Easter?"
Scripture: Matthew 28: 1-10
Rev. Eddie Herring
Special Music: Carroll Ringers

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service Fellowship Hall

Sermon: "Chasing Daylight"
Scripture: John 20:1-18
Rev. Karla Otroszko
Praise and Worship Music by Crosswalk

11:00 a.m. Hispanic Worship Service Chapel Led by Rev. John Cuentas

FORE!

"GOLFERS NEEDED"

Operation Beautiful Feet is sponsoring a golf tournament on Wednesday, May 20, at Oak Mountain Golf Course. ALL proceeds go to build another home at Strong Tower in order to get 24 more children off the street. We need ten teams of golfers from CFUMC, and many business and family hole sponsors from our church. Teams of four are \$400. (\$440 with mulligans). Hole Sponsor signs are \$100 each. To enter or for more information contact Richard Culpepper (404-915-9707) or Joy Griffin (678-517-6988)



Golf Lessons offered Sunday afternoons

Golf lessons for aspiring golfers are continuing each Sunday at 2 p.m. at Oak Mountain Golf Club. There is no charge other than for range balls. Instructions will focus on the proper grip and other fundamentals of the swing. It is open to all age groups and the lessons last for one hour. Contact David Hawley at 770-328-2876 for more information.



CFUMC held its first College Primer 101 workshop to provide some "peace of mind," extra knowledge, and hopefully an easier transition for parents and students facing college decisions. CFUMC parents of college students and the students themselves made themselves available for question/answer discussions. Shown above are parents Rayvan & Beth Teague, Andrea & David Godwin and Missy & Frank Pence.

Our Positive Witness

April 5, 2009

Worship: 417

9 am - 78; 11 am Contemporary - 168;

Traditional - 123; Nursery - 28;

Hispanic - 20

Sunday School - 297

March 31 - April 6, 2009

Weekly Revenue Needed	\$ 20,410.00
Weekly Revenue Received	\$ 21,837.71
YTD Revenue Needed	\$278,138.00
YTD Revenue Received	\$286,771.11
Designated Funds:	
Memorials: Maud Crosby	75.00
10th Grade Mission Trip	2,465.00
8th Grade Mission Trip	125.00
Nicaragua Medical Mission Trip	50.00
Sale of Church Bus & Vans	4,560.00
Hispanic Ministry	20.00
"Kitchen Shower"	158.00
Good Samaritan Fund	617.00
Clara Norton Love Offering	150.00

2008 Pledges: 284 pledges = \$975,251.00
2009 Pledges: 285 pledges = \$944,026.00

Serving This Week

9 am

Ushers: Jim Carr, Harlan Carroll, Zonna Lanier, Nancy Tunnell

Greeters: Merrell & Sandra Law, Dan & Sue McBrayer

11:00 am Contemporary

Ushers: Dan Minish, George Ward, Ben Garrett, Tom Glanton, Jim Reynolds, Bruce Sener

Greeters: William Traylor, Libby Thomasson, Charlotte Shackelford

11:00 am Traditional

Ushers: Paul Simpson, H.L. McCright, James Crews, David Miceli, Chuck Conerly, Gerald Pilgrim, John Trawick, Rusty Batch

Greeters: Glenda Banks, Betty Garrett, Lori Harris

Acolytes: Anna Schulenburg, Rob Bennett, Jack Garrett

Front Porch Visitation: Idy Overton

Sr. High Snack Supper: April 12 - No Youth (Easter)

Jr. High Snack Supper: April 15 - Tom & Shari Gainey

Jr. High Chaperones: Brian & Kim Hungerford, Larry & Suzanne Worsham

This Week at CFUMC



Sunday, April 12

9 am - Morning Worship, Sanctuary

9 am - Contemporary Worship,
Fellowship Hall

10 am - Church School

11 am - Contemporary Worship,
Fellowship Hall

11 am - Traditional Worship, Sanctu-
ary,

11 am - Hispanic Worship, Chapel

Monday, April 13

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 14

12:30 - 5:30 pm - Red Cross Blood
Dr., InZone

7 pm - Boy Scouts, InZone

7 pm - Disciple III, rm. 206

Wednesday, April 15

9:30 am - Bible Study, rm. 210

10 am - Disciple, rm. 206

6 pm - Jr. High Activities, Solid
Rock Cafe

7 pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal