

The Messenger

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Announcements

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

A meeting will be held for all Sunday School teachers and leaders, Sunday, March 13, rm. 201, following worship services. Topic will be traffic flow, adjustments in time frame, and Safe Sanctuaries. Please make every effort to attend.

IN MEMORIAM

Corinne Gaston
March 3, 2011

SPRING FORWARD!

Daylight Savings Time begins this weekend. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour Saturday night before you go to bed so you will be on time for church Sunday morning!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

Harrison McCraw, 266 Colonial Dr.,
Carrollton, 30117; 770-834-4123

VBS NEWS

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner (June 6 - 10) and volunteer opportunities abound! We need adult teachers and youth to serve on the VBS Choreography Team. Please contact Kelly or Amy cfumcchristianed@bellsouth.net. We also need volunteers for Decorations Committee!! Contact Kathryn Samples, Ksamples01@comcast.net.

CHILDREN'S SPRING MUSICAL

The Children's Ministry is beginning work on a spring production, "God of This City," a musical about serving. The performance will be Sunday, May 15, at 6 p.m. Rehearsals begin Sunday, March 13, at 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Youth are needed to help with the production. Please contact Kelly or Amy at the church office.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Ms. Marni's Preschool is registering for the 2011-12 school year. Classes are offered for children ages two and three, for 2, 3 and 5 days per week, and children ages four for 5 days per week. For more information, contact Marni Flinn at 770-834-4370.

Callaway Gardens

Registration for the March 30 Adventuring Ministries Callaway Gardens trip is underway. Call the church office to register.

Schedule Modifications Begin This Sunday

8:45 a.m.: Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

9:15 - 10:00: Cafe' Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

9:55 a.m.: Sunday School

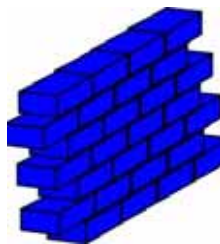
10:55 a.m. - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. - Contemporary Worship, Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School: Parents please check your children in at the piano side Sanctuary door on the second floor at 9:55. Please pick your children up following Sunday School and take to room 206 for Children's Church.

Evangelism/Greeter Workshop

In an effort to expand our evangelism here at CFUMC, members of the Evangelism Committee and anyone who is currently a greeter or who is interested in serving as a greeter are encouraged to attend a special workshop on Saturday, March 12, 10 a.m. - noon in the Fellowship Hall. Greeters are critical to the whole feeling of friendliness and love in our church. Although responsibilities as a greeter will be one of the focal points of the workshop, other activities will be covered. Therefore, anyone interested in serving in our evangelism and outreach efforts at CFUMC are welcome to attend.



Wesley Foundation Banquet March 19

The second annual "Building a Stronger Foundation," banquet, sponsored by the University of West Georgia Wesley Foundation, will be held, Saturday, March 19, 6 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Rev. Tommy Greer, pastor of Victory UMC, will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$25 each. Reservations can be made by emailing uwgwesley@gmail.com, or by calling Rev. Karen

Kagiyama, 678-234-4977.

Ladies' Ecumenical Luncheon set for March 23

Last year, CFUMC served more than 200 people at the Ladies Ecumenical Luncheon. On Wednesday, March 23, ladies of the church will have the chance to once again practice the meaning of ecumenical during the 11:30 a.m. luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the church are invited to attend. Bring a friend!! A nursery and

sack lunch will be provided for children. If you would like to help with the luncheon contact Elaine Shivers, 404-317-5372.

MYSTERY BIBLE VERSE

1. The 11th book of the New Testament (begins with a P)
2. How old do you have to be to start pre-k?
3. The last year of being a teenager.

Mother's Morning Out at CFUMC

A Mother's Morning Out Program will be offered at CFUMC beginning Fall 2011 for infants and toddlers six months to under two years of age. The purpose of this ministry is to provide parents with a safe, interactive, loving environment each week in which to enroll their child. The program is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Tuition is \$15 per day for reserved spots and \$18 for drop-ins. To register, stop by Ms. Marni's Preschool for a registration form.

Gerry's Column (cont. from p. 1)

Carrollton First has many "homebound" members that wish they could be with their church family on Sunday mornings. Most of these members really want to be part of who we are for Christ in this community, but health issues keep them either at home or in specialized care facilities. How wonderful it would be if they knew, every day, that our church family cares about them.

Katie and I have many responsibilities as pastors of this great church. There are not enough hours in the day to do all the many things that need to get done. Sharing with our most aged members is one of those things that, too often, gets pushed to the back as other, more pressing and present needs are at hand. I'm thankful to visit and share, but I don't want hospitalizations to be the thing that gets us together. I'm working to get around seeing you, but if I don't make it as soon as you want, please call and become the most immediate need. The church's number is 770-832-7069.

Sincerely,
Gerry Davis

Our Positive Witness

March 6, 2011

Worship: 672
9 am - 102;

11 am Contemporary Worship - 270;
11 am Traditional Worship - 226;
Nursery - 21; Hispanic - 53;
Sunday School: 419

March 1 - 7, 2011

Weekly Revenue Needed 23,918.42
Weekly Revenue Received 21,184.00
YTD Revenue Needed 239,184.20
YTD Revenue Received 206,924.68

Designated Funds

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| Mem: Thomas Poncela | 25.00 |
| Hilliard Jackson | 50.00 |
| Norman Jackson | 240.00 |
| Jack Redwine | 315.00 |
| Homeless Offering | 145.00 |
| John Cuentas Love Offering | 100.00 |
| Wesley Foundation | 477.00 |
| Nicaragua Youth Mission Trip | 300.00 |
| Wesley Community Center | 150.00 |
| UMCOR | 100.00 |
| Haiti Medical Mission | 350.00 |
| Strong Tower Orphanage | 100.00 |
| Hispanic Ministry | 120.00 |
| Inside Ministries | 25.00 |
| Good Samaritan Fund | 820.00 |

2011 Pledges to Date

198 pledges = \$721,051.00

2010 Pledges to Date

269 pledges = 977,365.00

2009 Pledges to Date

283 pledges = 938,626.00

Serving this Week

Ushers – 9:00 am - Jim Carr, Harlan Carroll, Zonna Lanier, Nancy Tunnell

11:00 am Contemporary – Dan Minish, George Ward, Ben Garrett, Tom Glanton, Jim Reynolds, Bruce Sener

11:00 am Traditional – Paul Simpson, David Miceli, Chuck Conerly, Gerald Pilgrim, John Trawick, Jay Trawick, Rodney Smith, James Crews

Greeters –9:00 am – Merrill & Sandra Law, Dan & Sue McBrayer, Walk About Greeter: Vi Carr

11:00 am Contemporary – William Traylor, Charlotte Shackelford, Walk About Greeter: Tim Tucker, Jim Reynolds

11:00 am Traditional – Glenda Banks, Betty Garrett, Lori Harris, Walk About Greeter: Dana Reeve, Frank Roddenberry

Acolytes – 11 am – Cindy Denaris, Maggie Harden, Elizabeth Poncela

Youth Chaperones: Sr. High March 13 - Larry & Mary Ann Smith

Jr. High March 16 - Greg & Beth Garrett; John & Kelly Bennett

This Week at CFUMC

Sunday, March 13

8:45 am - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
9:55 am - Church School
10:55 am - Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
11 am - Contemporary Worship, Fellowship Hall
11:15 am - Hispanic Service, Solid Rock Cafe
12:00 Noon - Sunday School Leader meeting, rm. 201
6 pm - Sr. High Youth Activities, Solid Rock Cafe
6 pm - Praise Class Movie Night, Fellowship Hall

Monday, March 14

8:30 am - Yoga, InZone
5 pm - Beginning Guitar, Choir room
5:45 pm - Intermediate Guitar, Choir room
7 pm - Boy Scouts
7:30 pm - Carroll Ringers

Tuesday, March 15

5 am - Hispanic Prayers, Chapel
6:30 pm - Cub Scouts, InZone
7 pm - Disciple I, rm. 207

Wednesday, March 16

9:30 am - Kindermusic, InZone
9:30 am - Ladies Bible Study, rm. 201 (Green)
9:30 am - Ladies Bible Study, rm. 204 (Garrett)
10 am - Disciple IV, rm 206
5 pm - KidZone
6 pm - Jr. High Youth Activities, Solid Rock Cafe
6 pm - "Show Us the Father," study, rm. 211
7 pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 17

5 am - Hispanic Prayers, Chapel

Friday, March 18

8:30 am - Yoga, InZone
5 pm - Chandler/Martin Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Saturday, March 19

2 pm - Chandler/Martin Wedding, Sanctuary
6 pm - UM Campus Ministry Banquet, FSH



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Pastoral Concerns

Tanner Medical Center was the location of the visit between me and Mr. Dorsey Duffey last week. Dorsey is in his nineties and had a few physical concerns that landed him in the hospital. I make every effort to visit the Carrollton First UMC members when they are hospitalized. I don't always know when you are in the hospital, but I do care and hope you will personally let me know when you go into the hospital. My cell # is 770-595-4333.

Dorsey and I spent quite a while talking about his long heritage as a member of Carrollton First UMC. We spoke of his business interests in the community during his working years and of the many things that he accomplished in the living of his life. We talked about his dog and the quality of the meals he receives as a resident of Horizon Bay. I really enjoyed our time together! After a time of prayer I moved on into my day, thankful for the time we spent together.

Later in the week Judge Lamar Knight came by the office to chat with me for a while. We agreed that I would come to his home the next day and meet his wife, Carolyn. Both are in their nineties and we had a wonderful time talking about their marriage, their involvement in the church and their love for this community. Carolyn shared about her experiences as a school teacher and civic leader while Judge Knight talked extensively about his time on the bench for this community as well as Lagrange, Newnan and other surrounding cities. The Knight's home is beautiful and we delved into some of my favorite conversation topics like bushes, flowers and trees. After a time of prayer I left, much the better for having spent "a while" with the Knights.

Both the Knights and Mr. Dorsey are no longer able to come to Worship Services due to health issues. Both expressed to me their sincere sorrow that they could no longer do what they really wanted, in their hearts, to do! Communal worship meant so much to them, but now they are homebound!

(See **Gerry's Column**, p. 3)

Intercessory Prayer List

Glenn Novak, friend fo Douglass Fisher
Holt Henson, friend of Samples family
Rachel Perrin, mother of Patti Allen
Dot Baldwin, mother of Helen Martin
Garry Cater, friend of John & Anne Ball
Jane Voinche, friend of several members
Nell and Charles Seaton, aunt and uncle of Ann Fletcher
Susan Finch, sister-in-law of Glenn Spurlin
Rita Harpter, sister-in-law of Glenn Spurlin
Lee Krivsky
Helen Pestka, friend of Douglass Fisher
Kathy Hulsey - friend of Michael and Kristin Poss
Ronnie Hopkins
Martha Hurst, friend of Nell Phelps
Bevera Balcom, friend of Linda Powell
Connie Walker, relative of Eva Haynes
Tommie Allen, aunt of Celia Ledbetter
Zoey Trantham • Willam Adcock
Patricia Hodgins, mother of Karen Hutcheson

Kitty Kaylor
Betty Mullins
Tom Robertson
Jeanette Jackson
Cheryl Boyd
Frank Satterfield
Buck Chavies
Dixie Satterfield
John Alsina

Win Pray Attend Give

Your Staff

Rev. Gerry Davis, Senior Pastor
Rev. Katie Mattox, Associate Pastor
Rev. Greg Cochran, Youth Minister
Rev. Mark Barnes, Music Minister
Rev. John Cuentas, Hispanic Pastor
Pat Reynolds, Church Administrator
Kelly Glanton, Amy Harris, Coordinators of Christian Education
Angie Chesser, Financial Secretary
Diane Albright, Director of Nursery Ministries
Tony and Cheryl Childers, Organist/Pianist
Clara Norton, Eva Haynes Custodians
Dr. Dean Milford, Minister to Adults
Jack Barr, Contemporary Worship Leader