

Announcements

Disciple Bible Study. Disciple Bible Study meets tonight at 5:00 p.m.

Youth Meeting. The Youth will meet tonight at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m.

Quilters. The Quilters meet on Tuesday and Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Quilt Room.

Bible Study. There will be no Bible Study in the Huckaby Class, at 4:30 p.m. on February 3rd. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please call Bob Helms @ 295-2973.

United Methodist Men. The United Methodist Men will be having a Valentine's Dinner on Saturday, February 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the social hall. The cost of the dinner is \$10.00 per person. The menu is Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls, and Cheesecake. We will also have Tea, Coffee & Water. Tickets will be available for purchase through next Sunday, February 7, 2010. See a member of the Men's Club for tickets.

Trustee Meeting. The Trustee's will meet this Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. in the Huckaby Class Room.

Finance Committee. The Finance Committee will meet this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Ruth Bible Class.

Wednesday Night Supper Menu: Fried Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Slaw, Rolls, and Apple Cobbler. Beverages included are Tea, Coffee, and Water.

For Your Information

Attendance for January 24th: S.S. - 56

Worship – 113

Financial report for January 24th:

Received for Budget	\$2,838.22
Received to-date in January for Budget	\$14,673.88
Received for "Haiti Relief Fund"	\$514.00
Received to-date for "Haiti"	\$984.00



January 31	Sue Coggins
February 01	Jack Wingate
	Lloyd Turner
February 03	Rebecca Ray
February 04	David Enter
February 05	Terry Bikas
February 06	Jane Walker

February 03	Barbara & Jim Durham
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Mary Virginia Taylor
Resident Bishop

Charles Johnson
District Superintendent

Keith D. Ray, II
Pastor

Bill Sherrill
Director of Music

Sibyl Thomas
Organist

Debbie Capps
Admin. Assistant

Pat Teat
Membership & Financial Secretary

Marsha Disher
Treasurer

Matt Greer
Director of Youth

Henry & Becky Philpot
Nursery

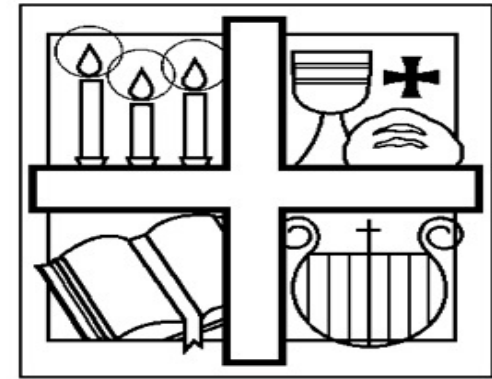
Anne-Marie Failor
Acolyte

Junior Neal
Trustee of the Month

Marsha Disher
Stewardship

Vickie Failor
Altar Guild

Youth
Ushers



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**4th Sunday after Epiphany
January 31, 2010
10:30 a.m.**

The mission of Berea Friendship United Methodist Church is to glorify our Lord by serving all people equally, welcoming those in search of a loving and supportive church family.

Welcome to Berea Friendship United Methodist Church!

If you are new to our community, we hope you will participate in our service as you are comfortable. An asterisk (*) indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. **Bold print** indicates that you are invited to join the community in reading aloud those passages that are indicated.

Please take a moment to sign the Worship Attendance Pad that is found in your pew.

Welcome to this assembly of the people of God!

THE PRELUDE **Come Unto Me** (Bach)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND SERVICE NOTES

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP **Many Gifts, One Spirit** (Al Carmines)

*HYMN – No. 398

Jesus Calls Us

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray ...

God of all faithfulness, you have opened the gate of mercy for your people and are always ready to welcome those who turn to you. Look on us in your compassion, that we may gladly respond to your love and faithfully walk in your way through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON – pg. 1035, 1624 Luke 15:12-16

CHORAL ANTHEM **Simple Gifts** (Donald Moore)

GOSPEL LESSON – pg. 1035, 1624 Luke 15:17-20

SERMON “Let Go of the Rope” Matt Greer

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – No. 881 **The Apostles’ Creed**

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT – No. 593 **Here I Am, Lord**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE **Two-fold Amen** (Dresden)

OFFERTORY **Peace Be With You** (Hutson)

*DOXOLOGY – No. 95

*HYMN – No. 163 **Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know**

*EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION – No. 665 **Go Now in Peace** (Natalie Sleeth)

(The congregation is invited to sing)

Go now in peace, go now in peace,
May the love of God surround you everywhere,
Everywhere you may go.

*POSTLUDE **Sortie in F** (Battmann)

As you know, a major earthquake hit Port-au-Prince, Haiti causing widespread destruction. Millions of people are affected and thousands are feared dead. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is assessing the needs and responding to this extreme crisis. UMCOR asks for prayers for all who are affected by the disaster. If you would like to make a financial contribution to the relief efforts in Haiti, you may do so through our church. Simply write "HAITI" on the memo line of your check or envelope. Every dollar of your contribution will go to the people of Haiti when you give through the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

Health Kits for Haiti. In addition to financial resources, the United Methodist Committee on Relief is requesting "Health Kits" for use in Haiti. These simple kits can be easily assembled in a one-gallon plastic bag and cost less than \$12 per kit. Specific instructions are available on the table in the back of the church if you or your class/ group/organization would like to participate in assembling these kits. The Greenville District will arrange delivery of these items in the near future.

Offering Envelopes. There are still some of the 2010 Offering envelopes on the table. Please pick yours up. If you do not find a set with your name on it, please let the office know and we will issue you a set.

Ash Wednesday. We will gather for a special time of worship on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. as we observe the beginning of the season of Lent. Come join the Berea Friendship family as we remember our dependence upon God's grace.

Thank you to all who have completed the "Safe Sanctuary" forms.

Remember, due to insurance regulations and United Methodist conference directives, all who are in ministry with children and youth must complete an application form and background check. Please see Nancy Neal for more information and appropriate forms.

Prayer list update. Beginning this Sunday, we will be reworking our prayer list to make an effort to keep our prayer requests up to date.

Therefore, we will begin to remove names from the prayer list after four consecutive Sundays unless there is a request to keep the name on the list for a longer period of time. Some names will be listed as "permanent," including those who are shut-in or who face long-term challenges. Also, we want to encourage you to use this list of names in your private prayer each week. In summary, we never want to remove names of persons who seek the prayers of our people. But we also want to keep a current list that is accurate and up to date. You are always invited to call the church office and request adding a name to the prayer list or extending the length of time a name appears on the list. Let us be in prayer for one another.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER Claire Rebecca Philpot, Joe Philpot, Vera Hunt, Carolyn Hunter, Nick Nichols, Bob Donaldson, Libby Wingate, Margaret Rivers, Eunice Looper, Mildred Huckaby, Lucy Hughes, Rachel Palmer, Mildred Pollard, Steve Hester's mother, (Elva Hester), Jake Moorehead, Juanita Sherlin, Doris Williams, Jan Vaughan, (Mac) Benson McWhite, Barry Childs, Laura Brown's brother (Rick Wham), Steve Dixon and family (friend of Rick Greer), Jayne Ferrer's nephew (Rusty Pearson), Walter Vaughan, Lloyd Turner's mom (Elizabeth Lanford), Myrna Turner's mom (Mary South), Cindy Hester's parents, (Tom and Bobbie Speck), Doris Hunt, Bobby Taylor, The Bryan Clark family (friends of Parks Evans' family), Patti Taylor's mother and father (Andy & Margaret Watts) Pattie Humphreys, Calvin Mullinax (friend of Benson & Martha McWhite), Jose Ferrer's mother (Thelma Ferrer), Edith Bynum, Mary Childs, Leslie Evans, Myra Clements, Mary and Tom Hartin and Laura Brown's mother (Jackie Lumsden).