

## Announcements

**Youth Meeting.** The Youth will meet tonight at 5:30 p.m. and on Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m.

**Bible Study.** Please join us for Bible Study Class every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Huckaby Class. See you Wednesday April 1<sup>th</sup>. For any questions or additional information, please call Bob Helms@ 295-2973.

**Trustee Meeting.** The Trustees will meet this coming Wednesday, April 1 at 6:30 pm in the Huckaby Class.

**UMW Executive Board Meeting.** The Executive Board of the UMW will meet at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday April 1, 2009 in the Ruth Bible Class. We will be making plans for some up coming events. If at all possible all board members need to be at this meeting.

**Men's Club.** The Methodist Men will not meet on April 11<sup>th</sup> but instead we will be going to Asbury Hills on April 25<sup>th</sup> for the district Retreat. Anyone interested in going, please sign up on the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or contact Ronald Failor at 294-9755. Join us for fun and fellowship at Asbury Hills.

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### For Your Information

**Attendance for March :** S.S. - 53                      Worship - 121  
**Financial report for March :** Received for Budget        \$2,727.15  
 Received to-date in March    \$16,424.29



#### Happy Birthday

March 29    Paula Philpot  
               Mary Smiley  
               Betty Stover  
 April 02    Carol D. Presnell  
 April 04    Jerry Smith



#### Happy Anniversary

March 29    Joyce and Kenneth Tucker  
 April 04    Vickie & Ronald Failor

**Wednesday Night Supper Menu:** Spaghetti, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Bread, and Banana Pudding. Beverages include Tea, Coffee, and Water.

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*

Lisa Huffman  
*Lay Reader*

Kevin Baker  
*Acolyte*

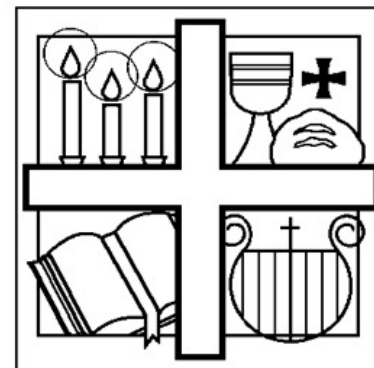
Jim Humphreys  
*Trustee of the Month*

Gene Bondurant  
*Stewardship*

Becky & Henry Philpot  
*Nursery*

Bobbie Bogan  
*Altar Guild*

Youth  
*Ushers*



## *Berea Friendship United Methodist Church*

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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
 March 29, 2009  
 10:30 a.m.**

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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!

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THE PRELUDE                      **Adagio – Concerto II**                      (Camidge)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND SERVICE NOTES    Bill Sherrill

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP      **What Wondrous Love is This**      (USA Folk Tunes)

\*HYMN – No.292    **What Wondrous Love Is This**

\*OPENING PRAYER  
    The Lord be with you.  
    **And also with you.**  
    Let us pray.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
**Compassionate Lord, forgive us when we falter on this Lenten pathway; when the road ahead seems too uncertain and we are afraid. We admit that following Jesus is not an easy task. Jesus requires us to be willing to make the ultimate commitment of our whole lives and we hesitate and hold back. Draw us back to you, Lord. Give us confidence and courage to face the future with hope. Let us place our trust in you that the message of peace and mercy you have given to us through Jesus Christ may be offered to others through our own witness to your healing mercy. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

FIRST LESSON – pg. 784, 1226      Jeremiah 31:31-34                      Lisa Huffman

CHILDREN'S MOMENT    Matt Greer

\*GOSPEL LESSON – pg.1065, 1671      John 12:20-33                      Lisa Huffman

CHORAL ANTHEM                      **O How He Loves You and Me**      (Kaiser/Green/Harlan)

SERMON    Hearing the Word through our Youth Ministry

MOMENTS OF SILENT REFLECTION

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – No. 881    The Apostles' Creed

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT – No.424    **Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE    **Three-fold Amen**                      (Danish)

OFFERTORY    **Solitude**                      (Young)

\*DOXOLOGY – No.95

\*HYMN – No. 117    **O God, Our Help in Ages Past**

\*EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION – No. 665      **Go Now in Peace**                      (N. 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    **Marche in G**                      (Salome)

**Youth Lunch.** Our youth has prepared lunch for us following the morning service. Please come and support them as we have a time of fellowship with each other.

OTHERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER Claire Rebecca Philpot, Joe Philpot, Jay and Vera Hunt, Helen Yockey, Carolyn Hunter, Nick Nichols, Bob Donaldson, Libby Wingate, Georgiana Dougherty and her neighbor, (Bobbie Brown), Edith Bynum, and her sons Carl and Jerry, Margaret Rivers, Eunice Looper, Shirley Dickson's friend, (Marvin Lollis), Mildred Huckaby, Lucy Hughes, Rachel Palmer, Mildred Pollard, Steve Hester's mother, (Elva Hester), Myrna & Lloyd Turner's daughter-in-law, (Lane Hester), Jerry Smith, Benson McWhite, Jake Moorehead, Juanita Sherlin, Helen Stebbins, Mary Childs, Doris Williams, Katrina Earnest Collins, Lisa Nichols, Jan Vaughan, Bobby Taylor's uncle, (Roy Cox), and Nora, Mike & Laura Brown and their Family.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHURCH MEMBER? Consider these passages from our Book of Discipline: "When persons unite as professing members with a local United Methodist church, they profess their faith in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; in Jesus Christ his only Son, and in the Holy Spirit. Thus, they make known their desire to live their daily lives as disciples of Jesus Christ... Faithful membership in the local church is essential for personal growth and for developing a deeper commitment to the will and grace of God... A member is bound in sacred covenant to shoulder the burdens, share the risks, and celebrate the joys of fellow members... [¶ 217-218]"

Perhaps you are considering membership in the local church of Berea Friendship United Methodist Church. Please contact Pastor Keith if you have questions about church membership or wish to explore joining this faith community. He can be reached at 864.246.4311 (office), 864.228.0476 (home), or by email: [keith@bereafriendshipumc.com](mailto:keith@bereafriendshipumc.com)

**Maundy Thursday.** Please come join us for Maundy Thursday on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**Good Friday.** The office will be closed on April 10<sup>th</sup> for Good Friday.

**Sympathy to Mary & Norman Penland** upon the death of Mary's brother-n-law Willis Moore who died on March 17 and was buried on March 20th. Willis lived in Hayesville, NC and was 90 years old.

**Thank you.** Thank you so very much for the memorial given in memory of Gerald by our church family. You have all been so very supportive to all of us and we appreciate the cards, calls, visits and prayers. We are truly blessed to have all of you.

Love  
Mike, Laura, Nora, Chris, Stephanie and Natalie

**Thank you.** Thank you so much for the meal that was brought after Gerald's funeral. It was delicious and enjoyed by many. You are all so very thoughtful to remember us at a very difficult and sad time in our lives. Your thoughtfulness & kindness was very much appreciated. Love, Mike Laura, Nora, Stephanie and Natalie

#### **We Need Your Email Address**

Do you use email? Would you like to receive occasional emails from the church notifying you of special events, urgent prayer requests, and other useful information? If so, please fill out this slip and place it in the offering plate. You may also call the church office at 864-246-4311 or email your address to [debbie@bereafriendshipumc.com](mailto:debbie@bereafriendshipumc.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you

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#### **Requested – Here it is !!!! Springmaid Beach Trip**

3 days at Springmaid Beach Resort

3 buffet breakfasts at Springmaid

1 Bennett's Calabash Seafood Dinner

2 Shows – Alabama Theater

Carolina Opry

2 days - Shop, Sun, Swim, Golf, etc.

Date: April 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Cost: \$190.00 per person

There is a sign up sheet on the back door of the sanctuary if you would like to go on the trip with us. Please let Blanche Creswell know as soon as possible. She needs a payment by April 1<sup>st</sup> and the last payment needs to be made by April 15<sup>th</sup>. You may reach Blanche at 246-8450.

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#### **UMW DAY APART AT ASBURY HILLS**

The Greenville District of the UMW will have their Day Apart at Asbury Hills on Saturday, April 1, 2009. The program will run from 9:00-12:00. We will leave the church at 8:30 A.M. and the cost will be \$3.00 per participant. We will have a picnic lunch on the way back to the church. If you would like to go, please let me know today. More details about the picnic will be given after a head count is determined.

We had 6 ladies attend last year and we had a great time. I would like to have more ladies attend this year, if at all possible.

Vickie Failor, President UMW - Phone 294-9755

