



TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Beginning September 3rd, the Tuesday Morning Bible Group will be doing a study on denominations.....what others believe and why. The first few weeks we will look at Mormon, Scientology, Quaker and Amish. Then we will start on Adam Hamilton's book *Christianity's Family Tree* which will be available in the church office.

This is a wonderful group of men and women of various ages and backgrounds which makes for lively discussions. We meet from 10:30-11:30 on Tuesdays and would love for you to come join us! We would be thrilled to have YOU!

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Aldersgate's Compass Learning Computer Lab is now up and going! We are so excited about our new lab! It will now allow an entire class to work on Compass Learning. We are in need of volunteers in the afternoons. We meet from 3:30 until 5:00 pm each day. The children need help with homework, and we need assistance on Compass Learning. I plan to have training sessions at least once or twice a week at 2:30 pm before the children get to Aldersgate. If you are interested in this program, please contact the church office at Info@mstreetumc.org, or 601-582-5557.

STOP HUNGER NOW - Our next Stop Hunger Now packing event will be on Sunday, September 22nd. We need volunteers for the following Sundays:

September 1st, 8th and 15th - man the 'sign up' tables before and after each worship service.

September 22nd - set-up, pack meals or take-down for the Stop Hunger Now Meal packing event.

DISASTER FUND UPDATE

Following the tornado in February over \$18,000 was donated to the Main Street UMC Disaster Relief Fund to help those in our community devastated by the tornado. As of August 13, \$10,300 in financial aid has been given to seven church families and \$7,587 in aid through R3SM to seven additional families. Only \$309 remains in the account. Funding was approved by the Disaster Relief Committee and has been used for debris removal, building materials, rent, and other necessities. A.D. Hunt chairs the committee and also represents Main Street on the R3SM Long Term Recovery committee.

*We Express Christian
Sympathy to...*

**the family and friends of
Bennett Van York, Jr.**
of Calhoun City, MS
who passed away on August 13, 2013
Mary Abigail (Abby) York (daughter), whose
mother is Sonia Smith York

Welcome New Members!

Tony & Janet Pascale
Brian Bledsoe & Tessa Singley
Tony Mason & Nancy Stewart
J. Amy Smith & Sarah Smith

AUGUST HUNGER OFFERING

Stop Hunger Now

BACK TO PRESCHOOL!

Preschool Open House
August 29 at 10:00am

First Day of Preschool
September 3

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 Relaxed Sanctuary Worship
9:00 Contemporary Worship with
Holy Communion (The Fellowship)
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Sanctuary Worship

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OFFERINGS

5:00 - 5:30 Sanctuary Open for Silent Prayer (Prayer Guides Available)

5:30 - 6:00 Bring Your Own Dinner and eat with your church family in the Fellowship Hall

6:00 - 7:00 Adult Enrichment Opportunity and Classes

"The Power of We: Love" A Video based study with Core Values teaching by Bishop James E. Swanson, Sr. Discussion facilitated by Rev. Vicki Hughes.

Ongoing Classes Men's Small Group Study led by Joey Hurston O-201, Women's Small Group Study led by Becky Hurston O-202, Prayer Shawl Ministry with Edwina Stokes in the Parlor, Recovery for Everyone with Ron Reid in the Conference Room

Nursery will be provided for infants through 2 years old.

3yrs - PreK, room E-104 with Ms Valerie for music and fun.

Children's Classes for ages 3yrs - 6th grade, 2nd floor Education Room, with Mrs. Maria and Mr. Tim. Children will be learning about God's rules of how we are to live through popular board games such as: Battleship, Checkers, Candy Land, Jenga, and Connect Four just to name a few. Each Wednesday, the lesson will begin with an ice breaker and include a memory verse, lesson, discussion, game play, and a take home activity. Once classes are completed, children will be taken to the playground, weather permitting, or game room until parents arrive. To ensure every child remains as safe as possible, we encourage you to depart from the door adjacent to the Fellowship Hall. This will provide the utmost safety to our families entering the parking lot area.

7:15 - 8:00 Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Promotion Sunday and Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles will be Sunday, September 8th. If you have a rising 3rd grader (or older who has not received a Bible and would like to during this special event), please contact Maria Askea, maria@mstreetumc.org, or the church office to ensure we have all children included in this long standing tradition within the United Methodist Church.

Acolyte Training - If you have a child 3rd grade - 6th grade interested in serving as an acolyte, during the 11:00 worship service, please contact Maria Askea, maria@mstreetumc.org, or call the church office. An acolyte training session will be held on Sunday, September 1st, during the Sunday school hour.

Trek and Treat 5K and Fall Festival planning meeting will be Sunday, September 8th, at 4pm, at Main Street UMC. We have a wonderful opportunity to bring recognition and support to our preschool in a fun and healthy way. Please make plans to come and find out how you can be an integral part of making this event a huge success!

YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

Sunday school meets at 10 a.m. upstairs in Ferguson

5:30 - 7:30 Youth Group on Sunday Nights! Meet us in Ferguson for fun, fellowship, worship and small groups.

6:00 - 7:00 Next Steps Wednesday Night Bible Study

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, September 1st - Labor Day Weekend (No Youth Activities)

Wednesday, September 18th - Youth Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser



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