



## CONSECRATION SUNDAY

JOIN US ON SUNDAY for a special day of worship and celebration. Immediately following worship, everyone is invited to be our guest for the Celebration Luncheon at the Lake Terrace Convention Center.

## PRIMETIME NEWS

**OUR NEXT PRIMETIME LUNCHEON IS ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH** Betsy M. Rowell, Executive Director of the Historic Hattiesburg Downtown Association will be the guest speaker. She will talk about recent community activity, which includes chairing the City of Hattiesburg's 125th Anniversary Celebration, Historic Train Depot Centennial events and more. Mrs. Rowell serves by gubernatorial appointment on Mississippi Works and has served the citizens of Hattiesburg as a member of the Hattiesburg City Council for two terms. Lunch will be served at 11:30am, the program will begin at 12:15pm. To make a reservation please call the church office at 601-582-5557, sign the pew sheet during worship or email [info@mstreetumc.org](mailto:info@mstreetumc.org).

**PRIMETIME TRIP TO FULMER'S GENERAL STORE FOR CHRISTMAS IN THE ORCHARD** On December 6th there will be a Primetime Trip to Richton Mississippi for a Unique Country Christmas Experience. There will be Dickens carolers, a live nativity scene, historic walk-thru cabins, banjo Christmas tunes, hot chocolate and coffee, horse drawn wagon and carriage rides! There will be a special candlelit dinner at 6:00pm. We will be traveling by charter bus from the church office. The total cost of the trip is \$30 per person. Seating is limited. Please contact Alice Chambers at 601-544-6940 before November 14th to make your reservation.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR ALDERSGATE FAMILIES** Many don't have as much to be thankful for as we may have. One of the best ways to show gratitude for all we've been given is to pay it forward. Let's work together and help some families at Briarfield enjoy a Thanksgiving meal! We're collecting donations to provide Thanksgiving baskets for about 40 families and each basket costs \$45. Come by the tables in the halls outside the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall and see the spread. Your monetary donation will help make it all possible.

**USM WESLEY FOUNDATION LUNCHEON** Main Street UMC will serve lunch to approximately 120 students on November 14th. If you would like to participate, please call the church office.

## PRESCHOOL NEWS

**WOW, WHAT AN AMAZING WEEK WE HAD AT MAIN STREET!** I want to thank you all for supporting our first annual Trek and Treat! It was a wonderful success and a great event for our church. We were all thrilled to see how many people participated in our 5k run/walk and Fall Festival! It truly was a fun night for all of the children and adults. I thank you for your prayers and support as our preschool continues to be a positive outreach for our wonderful downtown church.

Betsy Alston, Preschool Director

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

The children are preparing for their part in the annual White Christmas service, on December 15, 2013. Rehearsals are each Wednesday evening, from 6:00-7:00pm, in the choir room.

## *Save the Dates...*

Aldersgate Open House  
December 8th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm

White Christmas  
December 15th  
6:00pm

Christmas Cantata  
December 22nd  
11:00am

## TRAVEL TO THE HOLY LAND

Vicki Hughes will meet with any person interested on Wednesday, November 13th at 7:00pm in the Conference Room.

## NOVEMBER HUNGER OFFERING

Thanksgiving Baskets for Aldersgate

## NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

We are in the process of creating a new website! Watch for an email from the church office announcing the launch of our new site.

## 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 - 6:00** Open for Silent Prayer in the Prayer Chapel (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 Opportunities and Classes

**"Joy Filled Holidays"** with Catherine Strange in the Fellowship Hall

**Ongoing Classes** Men's Small Group Study led by Joey Hurston 0-201, Women's Small Group Study led by Becky Hurston 0-202, 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

**K - 6th Grade**, 2nd floor Education Room, with Mrs. Maria and Mr. Tim

**7:15 - 8:00** Chancel Choir

**YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING!! WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 20TH, 2013** in the Fellowship Hall. We'll begin at 5:30 with a time of Fellowship. We'll Bless the Food and Begin Eating at 6:00. The Church will provide Turkey and Dressing, but we do ask that you bring one of the following based on the first letter of your last name.

A through I--please bring a Dessert

J through R--please bring a Salad or a Vegetable

S through Z--please bring a Side Dish

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## YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

**Sunday Night Youth Group 5:30 - 7:30** Ferguson Annex

**Wednesday Night Next Steps 6:00 - 7:00** Ferguson Annex

**Breakthru Registration is now open! January 17 - 20, 2014 at Timber Creek Camp. Contact Jeremy for more info. A \$50 deposit is due on December 1st.**

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## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION by Amendia Netto

**And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.**

**Philippians 4:19**

I am not a perfect giver. As a single person who has had periods of financial struggle in my life, I frequently held my church offering until I was sure I could make it to the next paycheck. When I was a young adult, just entering the work world, I anticipated fearful events that could ruin my tight budget - car repair, illness, family situations. The church received what was left at the end of the month. I wasn't proud of this behavior, but I couldn't seem to let go and trust God to provide for me, as He so very frequently tells us in His Word that He will do.

Some years ago after going through a serious illness, I felt required to examine my spiritual life with greater honesty and humility. God was so good to me. How did I repay His blessings? How did I measure up in the things which mean so much to Him? In prayer, study, witness, works? I fell short in all areas, and I resolved to improve each aspect of my spiritual life. Tithing. I certainly fell short in that. How was I going to address tithing?

I did not begin by tithing immediately. It is something I've worked on, gradually increasing my gift each year. I began to submit an annual pledge card to the church. I had avoided making a pledge in the past. What if I couldn't keep it? How embarrassing that would be! But now I trusted that God would help me keep that promise. I committed a portion of my income and was faithful in giving at the beginning of the month, expressing my faith that God would meet all my needs. And really believing it! The grace and peace I experienced the very first time I did this assured me that I had made an important step in my spiritual relationship with the Lord. When we show our love and devotion to God by putting Him first, when we trust Him and are obedient to His Word, His blessings pour over us, too numerous to count.

**Father in Heaven, we come before You with grateful hearts, thankful for the many blessings You have shown us, for our health, our jobs, our families and friends, our church. Help us to overcome our fears, and to let go, let You take control of our lives, so that we can experience the abundant life of peace and plenty that You have promised us.**



*Our Purpose is to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World*

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