



# ASHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

*Joining Together on a Christian Journey of Love and Service* **February 7, 2010**

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Wed.-5 pm; Fri.-Noon

Worship services: *The Path*: 8:45AM Traditional: 11:00AM Sunday School: 9:45AM

### A Look at A Few Statistics from 2009

Statistics – We must like them because they are constantly paraded before our eyes, scrolling across the bottom of the TV screen, or placed in strategic locations in our favorite magazine.

A quick glance at this week's Time Magazine revealed stats splashed across the bottom of pages ranging from estimated percentage of music downloads in 2009 that were illegal (95%) to the 1790 first Census count: 3,929,214.

As High School football players signed national letters of intent, their gaudy stats were flashed on the tube or read to eager radio listeners.

Below you will see a few Ashland UMC statistics based on the year-end reports that are sent to the Conference office. While they may not be as exciting as Steve Spurrier's *Cha Cha Cha* with Marcus Lattimore's mother last weekend, here are a few. Copies of our 2010 budget are available for you on the chests in the sanctuary and on the back table in Ashland Hall.

We are a church of 502 female and 407 males			
Average Attendance at weekly worship		320	
Average attendance at Sunday Church School		205	
Number of persons baptized last year		10	
Number of participants in Vacation Bible School		121	
Membership in United Methodist Men		28	
Membership in United Methodist Women		113	
Market value of church-owned land, buildings and equipment		3,784,000	
Market value of other church owned assets		2,190,111	
Total apportionment/missional askings	Total paid in 2009	78,258	78,258
Total amount spent for local church program		68,988	
Budget for 2010		751,395	
Amount (above and beyond apportioned giving) for Special Sundays			
Advance Specials, World Service specials, etc.		7,455.00	
Memorials, Endowments and bequests		22,798	

Many thanks for the way in which you continue to support Ashland financially. More importantly, thank you for supporting Ashland with your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

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# Missions

## Haiti

Haiti Kits are accepted on an ongoing basis. You may place the kits in baskets in Ashland Hall and the Sanctuary. We have received 300 thus far.

### Salkehatchie Registration Process for 2010

Salkehatchie registration forms are on the bulletin board across from the church office.

Submit registration form along with personal check for \$100 (payable to: *Ashland UMC* and indicate it is for Salkehatchie) to the church office. The church will match this amount and send the registration form to the conference office.

Get your form and check in as soon as possible as camps are filling up fast. Thank you!

### Salkehatchie Opportunity

We are currently accepting gently used furniture for Salkehatchie and appreciate your donations to date. We are looking for volunteers to help pick up the items and deliver them to Ashland House. If you have a truck/trailer and are able to help on an as needed basis, please call Sandra Calore (798-0876) or Mary Lightsey (781-5798).

### Salkehatchie Auction Date Change

The date for the auction to benefit the Columbia Salkehatchie camp has been changed to Friday, March 12. Plan to join the Friendship Class for a "Spring Fling". There will be entertainment and our famous dessert bar. The price is right - admission is free. If you would like to contribute an item for either auction, contact Pam Spurrier at (803) 781-2340 or PamS@sc.rr.com.

### Souper Bowl of Caring - February 7<sup>th</sup>

Since its inception the Souper Bowl of Caring has raised nearly 62 million dollars. The premise is simple. Thousands of youth across the country, including Ashland's, will stand at the exits after worship this Sunday with a bucket/pot. You are invited to place a dollar in the container. Every penny collected through the Souper Bowl of Caring will be donated directly to a charity of our youth group's choice.

### Support our Youth – 30 Hour Famine

The Ashland UMYF group is participating in a 30 hour famine on Feb. 26-27 in order to raise funds for the World Vision Organization. The 30 hr. famine is an international youth movement to help fight hunger. It is a non-profit organization that offers help to all people, regardless of their age, race, gender or religious beliefs. Youth will be at tables on Sunday to collect donations. Thank you for helping us support this cause.

# Celebrations and Remembrances

## Birthdays: February 7-13

7	Rena', Amy, Samatha
8	Danielle, Dalene G, Erica
10	Barbara , Ann , Ben
11	Rev. Thom Jones, Dorcas Giles, Craig Dooley, Amy Lightsey
12	Martin Jones, Danny Franks, Wally Allen
13	Stacey

## Memorials:

Betsy Stewart by Bill & Sally Kohler, John & Harriet Conway, Linda Franklin

Carl Shrontz, son of Mildred Shrontz, by Gene & Clare Allen, Peggy Smith, Bob & Beverly Stallings, Bud & Ruth Graczyk, Coyet & Sally Lowery, Hugh & Ruth Westbury, Charlie & Debbie Matthews, Fellowship Bible Class

Juanita Lowery, mother of Coyet Lowery, Ken & Ann Hall, Marie Horton-Brophy, Hugh & Ruth Westbury

Jeannette Greasor, mother of Pam Spurrier, Marie Horton-Brophy, Linda Franklin, Coyet & Sally Lowery, Bill, Jane & Will Bryan

To the Jeannie McCrea Scholarship Fund for Betsy Stewart, Juanita Lowery, Jeannette Greasor (mother of Pam Spurrier), Carl Shrontz by Jim & Mary Nell Wilson

To the Jeannie McCrea Scholarship Fund for Betsy Stewart and Joellen Cook by Duncan & Karen McClive

Alva Martin, father of Doug Martin, by Bob & Beverly Stallings, Bill, Jane & Will Bryan

Bill Laird, brother of David Laird, by John & Harriet Conway

Joellen Cook by Bud & Ruth Graczyk, Bill, Jane & Will Bryan

## Wednesday Supper

**Menu:** Pork Tenderloin, vegetables, and dessert.

Sign up using the red slips in the pew or at back of Ashland Hall & return in offering plate. Cost Adults- \$6 Youth 10-18-\$3 Kids 9 & under- free.

You may also call the church office 798-5350, ext. 14 or e-mail (education@ashlandumc.com) your reservation by Mondays at noon.



Music, Art and Drama

Wednesdays at 6:30pm  
Children 4 years old thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Join us for music, games, crafts, and more

## From the Worship Committee

During Lent no flowers will be used in the sanctuary. If you have a special occasion and want to place flowers at the church, please notify the church office. They will be used in the Narthex.

## Communion Offering – Golden Cross

You are invited to leave a free-will offering on the altar rail Sunday when you receive Holy Communion. Golden Cross provides scholarships for UM students in a health care field, helps UM persons with medical bills, and helps retired UM clergy living in our UM communities with their maintenance.

## Within the Ashland Family

### Eagle Scout Ceremony Sunday

The congregation is invited to the Eagle Scout Ceremony for Mason C this Sunday at 2 pm in the Sanctuary and a reception in Ashland Hall afterwards.

### Thank You from the Family of Betsy Stewart

We would like to express our deepest appreciation for the out-pouring of affection and caring shown to Betsy during her illness. In addition, we wish to thank the pastors and congregation for the memorials and many expressions of sympathy since her death. A special thanks to Harmon Circle for preparing and serving us a wonderful meal after the memorial service.

Margaret, Jason, Mollie, Marty, and Ian

### Searcher's Class Guest Speaker Sunday

Zara Rabnawaz, an Islamic from Pakistan will be the guest speaker during the Sunday School period on Sunday. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Mr. Rabnawaz is a friend of Jim and Patsy Nates.

**Congratulations** to proud grandparents David and Maria Anderson as they celebrate the birth of their first grandchild Rachel Marguerite C born on February 1, 2010. Parents are Bryan and Emily (Anderson) Catoe.

### Upcoming Events

- **February 8<sup>th</sup>**, Communications, 6:30 pm, #138
- **February 10<sup>th</sup>**, Long Range Planning, 6:30 pm, #138
- **February 17<sup>th</sup>**, Ash Wednesday Service, 6:30 pm Sanctuary
- **February 21<sup>st</sup>**, Valet Parking, 4 pm, #138
- **February 21<sup>st</sup>**, Outreach, 5 pm, #138
- **April 1st**, *The Last Supper Drama*, 7 pm, Ashland Hall

### Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews

Ruth Graczyk will be providing piano selections during lunch on Tuesday. Call Becky Swanson at 731-9394 for lunch reservations. Cost is \$6.50 or you may bring your lunch.

### Upcoming Bible Studies

Sign-up now for the winter/spring studies:

\_\_\_\_\_ **New Testament** – 8 wks- Tuesdays @ 6:30pm starting March 30<sup>th</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ **Genesis** – Lenten Study Continued – 5 wks Wednesdays @ 6:30 starting Feb 24<sup>th</sup>  
Cost for optional workbook: \$12 by Feb. 14th

### Sign Me Up!

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## United Methodist Youth

**Love God. Love Others. Love Self.**

Youth Prayer Breakfast Wednesdays at 8 am  
Hot Dog Heaven, Broad River Road

Feb. 7 <sup>th</sup>	4:30 pm - Youth Choir No youth group
Feb. 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 pm - Youth Praise Band 4:30 pm - Youth Choir
Feb. 21 <sup>st</sup>	5:30 pm - Youth Group 4:00 pm - Youth Praise Band 4:30 pm - Youth Choir 5:30 pm - Youth Worship

## PLAYGROUND INSTALLATION

Starting Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>  
Blessing of the playground will be in March.



## United Methodist Men Events for 2010

- February 22 – Fish Fry @ Rehoboth UMC, 6 pm
- February 26-28 State UMM Spiritual Life Retreat, Radisson Hotel, Columbia
- March 20<sup>th</sup> – Annual Chicken Bar-B-Q
- April – Vidalia Onion Sales
- April 30-May 2, 2010 – Columbia District Spiritual Retreat at Asbury Hills – See Herman Lightsey for information



## United Methodist Women Events for 2010

**Change of Date: A Spa for the Lady's Soul**  
October 2, 2010

### Event:

Harmon Circle, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 am, #138.

Noontime Seekers Circle will meet at Clare Allen's home on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. She will serve a light lunch. Please RSVP to her at 781-5804. Cynthia Busbee will have the program. Note that this is a change from what is listed in your booklet! Please bring items for Sharing God's Love.

Faith Circle, February 9<sup>h</sup>, 6:30 pm, #111. Bring items to donate to Children's Hospital.

## Living Out Our Faith

February 7, 2010 By

"I will be loyal to The United Methodist Church and uphold it with my PRAYERS, my PRESENCE, my GIFTS, and my SERVICE."

### OUR PRAYERS

People in Haiti

Vivian Fisk, NHC, West Columbia

Margaret Hartis - home

Sympathy to Jerry Little on the death of his brother, Herman, February 2, in Thomasville, NC.

In Memoriam: Averie Frampton, infant daughter of Lori and Jef Frampton on February 3, 2010. Plans TBA by McSwain-Evans Funeral Home.

Newberry

### OUR PRESENCE

1/31: Worship: 209 SS: N/A

### OUR GIFTS

Received Week Ending 1/30/2010 \$ 19,247

Received Year to Date: 84,988

Spent Year to Date: 67,600

### General Fund Contributions

Received Week Ending 1/30/2010 17,055

Received Year to Date: 60,331

### Special Offerings

Memorials & Special Offerings: 2,144

### OUR SERVICE

**Sunday School Coffee for February:** Friendship Class

**Narthex Table:** Cynthia Busbee

**Crucifer:** Tyler **Acolytes:** Billy, Grace

**Altar Stewards:** Barbara Higgins, Cheryl Means, Carol DeNisi

**Ushers for February:** Margaret Combs, Billy Laney, Ed Hammond, Buddy Roberts, Ben Dusenbury, Bud Graczyk

**Nursery:** *The Path:* Karen McClive, Chelsea McClive, Toni Little; SS: Karen McClive, Linda Franklin, Lynda Mixon, Mac Credille, Joanne Turner, Matt Derrick; 11 am: Joanne Turner, Patti Montreuil, Nelda Emerson, Dalene Gibson, Amary Sox

### Missionaries We Support

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## This Week at Ashland

**Sunday, February 7, 2010 – 1 John 3:1-2; 1 John 4:7-16**

8:45 AM *The Path*, Ashland Hall  
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages  
11:00 AM Traditional Service, Sanctuary  
2:00 PM Cannon Eagle Scout Ceremony, Sanctuary & Ashland Hall  
4:30 PM Youth Choir, Choir Room  
5:30 PM Disciple I, #115  
6:00 PM Psalms, #113

**Monday, February 8, 2010 – Daniel 3:8-30**

10:00 AM Harmon Circle, #138  
6:15 PM TOPS, #125  
6:30 PM UMM Planning, Good News Classroom  
6:30 PM Communications, #138

**Tuesday, February 9, 2010 – James 5:7-11**

9:30 AM Shepherd's Center of St. Andrews  
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry, #125  
6:30 PM Old Testament, #113  
6:30 PM Faith Circle, #111

**Wednesday, February 10, 2010 – Colossians 4:2-6**

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper, Ashland Hall  
6:00 PM Al Anon, #127  
6:30 PM Long Range Planning, #138  
6:30 PM Handbells, Sanctuary  
6:30 PM M-A-D Children's Activities  
6:30 PM The Path Music Ensemble, Choir Room  
7:30 PM Worship Choir, Choir Room

**Thursday, February 11, 2010 – Psalm 119:105-112**

10:30 AM Ladies Prayer Group, Library  
7:00 PM Columbia Chess Club, #125  
Arpad Darzas, Choir Room  
Boy Scouts, Ashland Hall

**Friday, February 12, 2010 – Luke 15:3-7**

**Saturday, February 13, 2010 – Isaiah 30:19-21**

**Sunday, February 14, 2010 – Exodus 17:8-13**

8:45 AM *The Path*, Ashland Hall  
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Devotions are from *The Upper Room*. Other calendar events can be found on the website [www.ashlandumc.com](http://www.ashlandumc.com)

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