



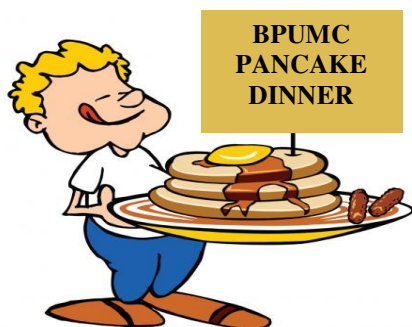
**Bluff Park
United Methodist Church**
733 Valley Street, Hoover, AL 35226
205.822.0910
www.bluffparkumc.org

Newsletter, February 5, 2013



**SHROVE TUESDAY
(Fat Tuesday)
PANCAKE SUPPER
Tuesday, February 12
5:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Bluff Park United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall**



Pancakes—Bacon—Fruit Cup—Drink
\$6.00 Adults
\$2.00 Children Ages 6-12
Under 6 Free



It's Mardi Gras at Bluff Park!

Members of our Church Family in the Hospitals: University—Brenda Moore Shelby Baptist—Jewell Riley
Golden Living Center—Frances Pope Lakeshore—Betty Lou Hager St. Vincent—Rosemary Hill

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Bill White, who died on January 31....to the family of Corinne Ray, who died on February 4....Our prayers are with these families in their time of sorrow.

Congratulations to Michael and Laurie Moore in the birth of a 7 lb. 2 oz. son, Kris Michael, on January 31. Ted and Tammie Waldrop are the maternal grandparents. Bob and Brenda Moore are the paternal grandparents. Fred Honea is the great-grandfather.

Baseball: We will take a group to Atlanta on Wednesday, May 22, for the Braves-Twins game. Leave at 8:15. Game time is noon CDT. \$25 for game ticket and transportation. Sign up in the church office. 3 seats available. Friends are welcome.

Counseling: The recent tragedy at Gardendale-Mt. Vernon UMC reminds us that sometimes the unthinkable happens. What are the warning signs that might indicate that a person is nearing a dangerous breaking point? If there's someone you're worried about and want to talk it over with an expert in human behavior, Steve Sweatt is available. He is a licensed professional counselor affiliated with United Counseling, a ministry of the North Alabama Conference. He comes to the satellite counseling office here at the church. Call 824-8320 for an appointment. It's confidential, convenient, and affordable.

Cookbooks—Available in the church office and in the narthex. Cost \$20. The divider pages were drawn by the children and we hope you enjoy it.

Maintenance: The Maintenance Group will meet on Tuesday, February 12, at 8:30 to work around the church building. All retired men and anybody who wants to help are welcome and wanted.

To Reid and Peter, and our Church family, our friends and all who cared, for many prayers, much love and kindnesses. "A life well-lived is a life remembered with love." Dan's family: Barbara, Danny, Gregg and Darlene

Midweek: The Ash Wednesday service will take the place of most of our classes on February 13. The service begins at 6:30 in the chapel. All ages are welcome. Supper will be served as usual from 5:00-6:30, with takeouts available. Several new classes are coming soon.

- On February 20, at 4:30 and 6:30 Reid Crotty begins a 4 week series on "Immigration and the Bible." This is the 2013 United Methodist Women's Mission Bible Study
- Also on February 20 at 6:00 in the parlor, Peter Kirichkov begins a series based on his new book, "Walnuts on the Bookshelf: My Russian Legacy." One reviewer reported, "Peter's personal journey describes the Russian struggle to escape from bondage to live in freedom for himself and his posterity. He gives valuable insight into the struggles in Russia today to escape another authoritarian regime."
- On February 27, Bart Styes begins a 4 week study on "God of Rock." It will meet at 6:00 in the Chapel. Rock music is an integral part of the American cultural experience. But it took a long time to be accepted and embraced by the Christian community as a legitimate experience of faith. Learn about the creation and rise of Rock and Roll and the advent of Christian Rock. Chuck Berry—Elvis—Amy Grant—U2—and scripture from Job, Psalms, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes.

AND—there's also Becky Walker's class on the Book of Revelation, Finding the Holy in Hollywood with Peter von Herrmann, and Financial Peace University led by Dan Little

Tickets for this year's **Silent Auction, "The Legacy Gala"**, are officially on sale before and after each service in the narthex. Come join us as we raise money for our youth and children's programs on March 1st at The Club from 7-11 pm. The event will include dinner, dancing and silent and live auctions. To donate an item for the auction, please contact Megan Wise at megan.f.wise@gmail.com or 978-2907.

CARE N' CONTACT BREAKFAST
Sunday, February 10, 10:00
Fellowship Hall
Caring, Loving and Sharing
for our homebound and shut-in members.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
February 13, 6:30 p.m.
Sanctuary
Imposition of Ashes
Sermon by Reid Crotty

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY
February 10, 8:45 service
Pack 321 - Troop 21
We salute our Scouts

PIPE ORGAN RECITAL

Sunday, February 24, 4:00 p.m.

Featuring

Dr. James Dorroh

Organist and Director of Music St. Luke's Episcopal Church Mountain Brook
University Organist, Samford University

Become a sponsor of the Recital. Keep the Organ in good repair.

BLUFF PARK UMC PRESENTS

BOTB

BARGAINS ON THE BLUFF

A Mom and Me Consignment Event

THURS, FEB. 21ST 2-7PM PREVIEW SALE
CONSIGNORS & VOLUNTEERS ONLY

FRI, FEB. 22nd 9-6pm PUBLIC SALE

*SAT, FEB. 23rd 9-2pm PUBLIC SALE

***25% OFF ON SELECT ITEMS**

Rock-a-thon
Saturday, February 23,
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Please help McCoy Adult Day
Care Center by supporting our
Rocker, Elizabeth Davis. For donations
call Elizabeth @ 823-9093.

Lent: During the Lenten season we will have a weekly prayer and worship service with Holy Communion. The service will be held on the Thursday mornings of Lent at 7:30 a.m. The first service will be on February 14 and will meet in the sanctuary. The service will last no more than 40 minutes. Tom Duley and Leigh Delashaw will lead the services. Everyone is welcome to attend.

VALET PARKING

Every Sunday morning!
Drive to the covered
entrance near the nursery
and fellowship hall.

BPUMC FOOD PANTRY

1st Wednesday each month
We are serving
100+ families a month.
We appreciate all donations!



Monday 6:30
In the Gym

SONRISE MEN'S PRAYER**BREAKFAST**

Mondays, 6:30-7:00 am
Arby's on Montgomery Highway
Men of all ages welcome

Men's Freeplay Basketball**In the Gym**

Sunday & Thursday: 7:00pm
Wednesday: 7:00pm
(church members) (community)

MEMORIALS**PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND**

Dan Morgan by Bill Walker

BUILDING FUND

Dan Morgan by Frances Bellows

Alan Ralph by Frances Bellows

FOOD PANTRY

Bill Adams by Jan Harris

Katherine Sanders by Jan Harris

Ruth Duke Lambert by Laura Boren

VICTOR HARBOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Alan Ralph by Betty Hottenstein, Barbara Brannum, Elizabeth Sheetz, the Opportunity Class, Mary Louise Ballard,

Ruth Duke Lambert by Jan Harris and Joy George

WHITE CHRISTMAS FUND

Michael Thompson by Pony Thompson

Jim Lyle by Pony Thompson

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Dan Morgan by A. V. and Mary Marlow, Patricia White Andrew, John and Cathy Brown, Wayne and Jackie Walton, Herman Maganzini, Pan and Bob Cahoon, Elizabeth Sheetz, James and Betty Thompson, Mahala McKinney James and Sally Holland, Julia Dunne, Jack and Carole Armistead

Alan Ralph by Bill Adair, Laura Boren

Peggy Kersh by Opportunity Class

Marvin Nix by Roy and Charlotte Shanlever

BLUFF PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Alan Ralph by Annabelle Bradley, Cliff Lowe

Wanda and Marvet Hartley by Joe and Winnie Word

Dan Morgan by Mrs. Richard L. Nokes, Cliff Lowe, Brad and Charlotte Word, Friendship Class, Joan Hayes

HANDBELL CHOIR

Bob and Trudy Adams by Claire Cladwell

CHRISTIAN CROCKETT SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Don Eyler by Harry Hill

Dan Morgan by Harry Hill, George and Ginny Nash

HONORARIUMS**BLUFF PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Ben Sheets by Jim and Becky McCrary

Theresa Richerson by Ray and Norma Thweatt

FOOD PANTRY

Alex and Karyn McRee by J. B. and Frankie Thrasher

UNDER THE BRIDGE

Walter and Edna McCullars by J. B. and Frankie Thrasher

Please note: Some Memorials and Honorariums are not listed by the request of the donors

CHILDREN'S NEWS

4th 5th FELLOWSHIP What an awesome time we had at Exit 456. We took 13 4th and 5th graders and learned about the Armor of God. And we got to party on the Big Yellow Bus for Jesus, or BYB4J. We will next meet on Wednesday, Feb. 6.

PRESCHOOLERS and their parent's are invited to a **PRESCHOOL PAJAMA PARTY!** It is **Friday, February 8, 6-7:30p.m.** The theme of the evening *Bedtime Stories!* So come dressed in your pajamas, bring a blankie and/or your favorite snuggle buddy and have some fun with us. We'll have a bed time snack and make a craft. We'll also hear some stories from one of the best storytellers in Birmingham-Katie Jane! Please call Mrs. Leigh at 822.0910 Ext. 107, so we can reserve your family a spot!

PARENTS Let me suggest that you get a baby sitter for Friday March 1. Come and join us for the **LEGACY GALA** which will feature a silent and live auction, music and dancing plus a wonderful dinner. This gala funds the year round and summer interns for the youth and the Children's ministry programs. Melissa Hendon is our year round intern for the Children and Amanda Alldredge is the youth intern. Please help us continue to have these wonderful additions to our ministries.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7:****SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10:****THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14:****MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18:****SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23:****TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26:****TUESDAY, MARCH 5:**

SHEPHERD CENTER—Jack Owens—retired FBI

CARE N' CONTACT BREAKFAST — 10:00 a.m.—Fellowship Hall—Join us for breakfast and get involved caring for our sick and shut-ins. Sunday School classes please send 2 members to the breakfast. If you would like to keep your same Care n' Contact person for this year, please call Betty.

SHEPHERD CENTER—Valentine Party with Sue Ann Jenkins

HYUNDAI PLANT TOUR—9:30—4:00

RED HAT LUNCHEON—Chocolate Biscuits—Traveling/new bus. Call Betty

DAY TRIP/TRUSSVILLE - antiques and chocolate biscuits—\$5 gas donation.

AARP Safety Driving Class with Mark Hearn - 8:00-2:00—1 day class.

Special Moment with Jesus!

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Romans 12:12

Student Ministries

We have two fundraisers coming up that support our student ministry. On Tuesday, Feb 12, we will serve a pancake dinner in the Fellowship Hall from 5-7pm. There will also be entertainment. You can purchase tickets before Fellowship Supper on Wednesday. Proceeds will go to help participating students with their summer trip costs. On Friday March 1, our Silent Auction will be held at The Club. Proceeds fund interns in our student and children's ministry departments. Tickets can be purchased from Megan Wise in the narthex of the sanctuary before or after Sunday worship. We are very grateful for your support of these two events!

Wednesday, Feb 6, 5:15pm: MS Small Groups (Boys in the Rec Room, Girls in the Cave)

Wednesday, Feb 6, 6:30pm: Holy Ground Worship in the Youth Wing

Sunday, Feb 10, 10:00am: Sunday School & Confirmation Class in the Youth Wing

Sunday, Feb 10, 4:30pm: Holy Ground Team Rehearsal

Sunday, Feb 10, 5:30pm: Snack Supper in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Feb 10, 6:00pm: Service Night for Students (all are welcome)

Sunday, Feb 10, 6:00pm: HS Guys & Girls Small Groups

Tuesday, Feb 12, 5:00pm: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner in the Fellowship Hall (students who serve get summer trip discounts)

Wednesday, Feb 13, 5:15pm: MS Small Groups (Boys in the Rec Room, Girls in the Cave)

Wednesday, Feb 13, 6:30pm: Holy Ground Worship in the Youth Wing

Bluff Park United Methodist Church

733 Valley Street
Hoover, AL 35226

Address Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
AUTO
BIRMINGHAM, AL
PERMIT NO. 1816

Pastors

Reid A. Crotty, rcrotty@bpumc.org, ext. 104
Peter von Herrmann, pvonherrmann@bpumc.org, ext. 105
Tom Duley, tduley@bpumc.org, ext. 112
Tom Roberts

Dir. of Seniors, ext. 103

Betty Hottenstein, bhottenstein@bpumc.org

Director of Student Ministries, ext 118

Bart Styes, barts@bpumc.org

Dir. of Children, ext. 107

Leigh Delashaw, ldelashaw@bpumc.org

Director of Finance and Administration, ext. 117

Ben Sheets, bsheets@bpumc.org

Secretary, ext. 111

Cindy Myers, cmyers@bpumc.org

Director of Chancel Choir

and Special Programs, Lonnie Parsons

Organist, Jamie Davis

Preschool Director

Tracy Estes, imaginations@bpumc.org

The Week of February 10-16

Sunday, February 10

8:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Care n' Contact Breakfast
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
4:00 p.m. Trustees
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Monday, February 11

10:00 a.m. UMW

Tuesday, February 12

8:30 a.m. Maintenance
9:30 a.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, February 13

4:30 p.m. Children's Handbells
4:30 p.m. Reid's Bible study
5:00—6:30 p.m. Midweek Meal
5:45 p.m. Adult Handbells

Wednesday, February 13

6:00 p.m. Finding the Holy in Hollywood
6:00 p.m. Men's Chorus
6:00 p.m. Becky Walker's Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Financial Peace
6:30 p.m. The Last Week
6:30 p.m. Coffee and Conversation
6:30 p.m. Adult Choir
6:30 p.m. Reid's Bible Study

Thursday, February 14

7:30 a.m. Lenten Prayer
9:30 a.m. Shepherd Center

Friday, February 15

Noon Opportunity Class Luncheon

Saturday, February 16

Last Week's Record

February 3, 2013

Sunday School	449
Morning Worship	605
Weekly Operating Needs	\$27,025.00
Operating Receipts	\$41,045.00
2013 Operating Budget	\$1,405,300.00
Needed to Date	\$135,125.00
Received to Date	\$126,062.74
Building Fund Receipts	\$7,585.65
Building Fund in 2013	\$32,976.65
New Members in 2013	0

LIVING OUR LEGACY

January 1, 2013—December 31, 2015

Amount Pledged	\$1,080,950.00
Received Last Week	\$7,113.00
Received to Date	\$107,528.03

Sermons February 10, 2013
8:45 and 11:00 Morning Worship
"In Peter's Defense"
(Mark 9:2-8)
Reid Crotty

6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship
"What Do You See"
(Mark 8:22-26)
Tom Roberts

Ushers
8:45: Adams 11:00: Alley
Cross
8:45: Ruskin Gold 11:00: John Michael Williamson
Acolytes
8:45: Sarah Martin 11:00: Kate Culverhouse
Children's Church
8:45 Little 11:00 Bowman
Greeters: February 17: Home Improvement
Meals on Wheels: February 13 Diane Moore
Food Pantry: March 6 Theresa Richerson

BLUFF PARK UNITED
METHODIST COLUMBARIUM
Information Sheets in Narthex and Church Office

Midweek Meal, February 6
Taco salad and refried beans or baked chicken, baked potato bar, bread.

Midweek Meal, February 13
Hamburger steak, rice and green bean casserole, or baked chicken, baked potato bar, bread.

MIDWEEK MEAL SERVERS
February 6
Canterbury Class—Fellowship Hall
Mahala and Peggy—Carry Out
Cashiers
Sally Holland and Woodie Comer

Meetings:

Sunday, February 10 9:45 Church Officers
Sunday, February 10 4:00 Trustees