



"Making the Most of Every Opportunity"



One of the great things about being a United Methodist in the North Georgia Conference is that I receive a publication each Monday called "Monday Morning in North Georgia". Jamie Jenkins, a wonderful pastor and writer, offers a column that I enjoy without fail. One week, he wrote this on making the most of our opportunities, sharing an inspirational story. If you like it, you can subscribe to this online newsletter by going to ngumc.org and choosing blogs and then email newsletter preferences.

Become more connected this way! And enjoy!

"A lot of neighborhood folks enjoy the quiet beauty of the Simpsonwood grounds and take advantage of the opportunity to walk the trails through the woods and along the Chattahoochee River. These three women are among the regulars that I see frequently. Two of them appear to be in their 30's and the other one looks to be at least twice their age, maybe older.

They were walking side by side so I slowed down. As they heard my car approaching from the rear, the older woman picked up the pace and stepped in front of the two younger women allowing me room to pass. It didn't appear that she even thought about it. She just accelerated and moved in front. Although the other two were younger and seemed more fit, she did not wait for one of them. She just kicked it up a notch.



I liked what I saw. It is so easy to "let someone else do it" or to look for excuses why we can't or should not be asked. Whatever our age or circumstances, God calls us to "make the most of every opportunity" (Ephesians 5:16).

Look around. What opportunity is God giving you and your church today? Take it on. You and God can handle it."

Yours in Christ,



New Sermon Series: "A Fresh Start"

Everyone may not be going back to school, but everyone can use a fresh start in some way.

Your Fresh Start begins August 21st,

Looking at *Taking God With You, *Becoming Fit, *When It Breaks,

*Remembering (Sept 11!), and *Grace to Restart.

Come and claim a fresh start in your living! Isn't it about time?

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAYS

- 8:45 am Traditional Worship
9:50 am Sunday School
11:00 am Contemporary Worship
UMYF ~ See page 7.

A nursery is available on Sunday mornings from 8:45 am - 12 pm.

Doughnut Ministry

Come and join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings before Sunday School for our "Coffee and Doughnut" gatherings.

This time provides an opportunity for fellowship between PSFUMC families and guests.

Recordings of our Sunday morning services are online at powderspringsfumc.org. DVDs are also available. Please contact the Church Office to order a DVD.

MONDAYS beginning August 15

- 10:00 am Women's Bible Study, Bride's Room

WEDNESDAYS

- 9:30 am Visitation

Wednesday Night Fellowship (WNF) resumes August 17.

- 5:00 pm Senior's Dinner
5:30 pm Dinner

Activities for Children & Youth

- 6:15 pm Children's Choir (3 yrs. - 5th grade), Chapel
Youth Rec (MS & HS), Youth Center
7:00 pm Faith Friends (3 yrs. - 5th grade), MB108
Life Groups (Middle & High School), Youth Center

Adult Activities

- 6:15 pm Prayer Force, CB 313
6:15 pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
7:00 pm Adult Bible Study, CB 311
Women's Study, CB 313
7:00 pm Worship Choir, Sanctuary
Praise Band, Sanctuary

A nursery is available on Wednesdays from 6:15 pm until 8:30 pm.

THURSDAYS

- 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study, MB 101

United Methodist Women (UMW)

The UMW will meet on **August 18 & September 15 at 2pm** in the Fellowship Hall.



The UMW is still collecting Campbell's soup labels for Murphy Harpst. To donate, simply cut out the barcode and place it in the basket at the donation center.

Welcome New Staff

Reverend Diane Saunders, Associate Pastor
associatepastor@powderspringsfumc.org



Pastor Diane is an ordained Deacon in the United Methodist Church. She completed her studies on the deacon track at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, and has served Dacula FUMC, Douglasville FUMC, and Fellowship UMC most recently. We are so blessed that Diane and her husband Robert have felt led to come walk with us here at Powder Springs FUMC. Diane has chosen to

be half-time with us, fulfilling her ministerial appointment with the North Georgia conference of the United Methodist Church beginning August 1, 2011.

Diane has special training in Pastoral Care, including being a trained Stephen Ministry Leader, and has led all of the Disciple Bible Studies, including *Jesus in the Gospel* and *Christian Believer*. Diane was a teacher before she went into the ministry, and received all 3 of her education degrees from The University of Georgia - her B.A., her Masters and her Specialist of Education.

On a personal side, Diane and Robert live in Douglasville, have been married 23 years, and have 5 children between them, plus 4 grandchildren. Robert is an electrical field engineer as well as an accomplished musician - a keyboardist, piano tuner, singer and worship leader. He is also the founder and director of the North Georgia Praise Team. In addition to being in the ministry and spending time with family, Diane enjoys gardening, hiking, cooking, reading and video games. Join us in welcoming Pastor Diane and Robert Saunders to our church family!

Matthew Price, Contemporary Worship Leader

music@powderspringsfumc.org

Matthew is a graduate of Kennesaw State University where he received a B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies. He is passionate about leading worship and drawing others closer to the heart of God through music.

In his free time, he enjoys reading, spending time with his friends and family, and song writing. He and his wife Charae live in Powder Springs with their miniature schnauzer, Bo, and their two cats, Pumpkin and Abby.



Welcome New Members



Welcome Bobbi Jo Pickar!

Bobbi Jo Pickar came to the church through friends in the scouting program. She has been in the Atlanta area for 4 years, and she works at Lockheed. Her son, Adrin, will be in 8th grade this fall. Her daughter Quinn is a senior. Bobbi Jo hopes to retire soon.

Directory information: 3972 Saint George Terrace SW; Hiram, GA 30141; 770.222.5033.

Welcome Heather Brock!

Heather Brock has a 3 1/2 year old son, Ryley and she is expecting another boy in October. She is a stay at home mom who came to the church to check out our Preschool and ended up staying. Ryley attended some of our VBS and he's coming to Preschool this fall.

Directory information: Hlb201128@yahoo.com; 1971 Fargo Tail Court; Marietta, GA; 30008; 770.873.7958.



Wednesday Night Fellowship Returns

Come and try us out and be a part of God's movement here among us.

5:00 pm Senior's Dinner, Fellowship Hall

We hope that you will come at 5 pm and enjoy about 30 minutes with your friends before the crowds arrive. Shelby and the Kitchen Committee would love to have you and will make you feel loved and downright spoiled. So come for the fellowship and let the Kitchen Team know you appreciate the effort!

5:30 to 6:30 pm Dinner, Fellowship Hall

If you or your group would like to cook for Wednesday Night Dinners, please sign-up in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Shelby Morris at 770.943.3648.

Activities for Children & Youth

- 6:15 pm Children's Choir (3 yrs. - 5th grade), Chapel
Youth Rec (Middle & High School), Youth Center
- 7:00 pm Faith Friends (3 yrs. - 5th grade), Main Building Room 108
Life Groups (Middle & High School), Youth Center

Adult Activities

- 6:15 pm Prayer Force, Chapel Building Room 313
- 6:15 pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study, Chapel Building 311
Women's Study, Chapel Building 313
- 7:00 pm Worship Choir, Sanctuary
Praise Band, Sanctuary

A nursery is available from 6:15 pm until 8:30 pm.



BAPTISM: DUNK, SPRINKLE OR POUR?

Our car clung to the ruts of the sandy Florida road as we headed to Pearson Sink. This time, though, we were not going fishing; we were going to my baptism. I was eleven, and during our recent fiery revival had become convinced that I had reached the dreaded “age of accountability,” which made me responsible for my own sins. Baptism came next; I faced it with apprehension.

My dad had a funny story about a dunking baptism in a pond out in the country, not unlike where we were going now. One of the men being baptized had filled his pockets with biscuits. When he was put under, the biscuits escaped his pockets and floated to the surface. Seeing this, one of the faithful yelled to the preacher, “Dunk him again Reverend, the sin’s coming up in chunks!!”

Even worse was an event I saw with my own eyes during a baptism at the local Baptist Church where they had an indoor baptistery. A young man, dressed in a white summer suit, was dunked. When he came up, he had on red striped underwear that showed right through his white pants. As a little girl, I was horrified. How could this man ever go out in public again after this humiliating experience?

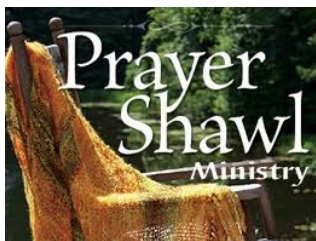
As we got closer to the time and place of my own dunking, I wondered why our church couldn’t be like those of my Presbyterian and Methodist friends. There was nothing to dread about the dignified way they baptized by sprinkling. They even baptized babies, another thing my church didn’t believe in. Our fledging Nazarene congregation could not yet afford an indoor baptistery, so a few other girls and I now faced dunking in a fishing pond.

After the pastor spoke and everyone sang *Shall We Gather at the River*, they secured our wide skirts with clothes pins so they wouldn’t float and down we went, one by one, rising up without mishap. With the apprehension gone, I appreciated the significance of my baptism. Immersion symbolized dying and being raised with Christ.

There are only a few denominations that baptize by pouring, but several favor sprinkling. Pouring symbolizes the Holy Spirit poured out for salvation and empowerment for ministry. Sprinkling symbolizes the washing away of sin and cleansing of the heart. United Methodists primarily sprinkle, but they can baptize according to a person’s preference.

Unlike other denominations, which insist that someone coming from another tradition be immersed and will accept only their own members for the Lord’s Supper, United Methodists respect baptisms other than sprinkling and welcome any believer to take communion. However it is done, the Holy Spirit uses baptism to initiate us into a new life—a covenant with Christ in a community of believers. Halleluiah!

Mary Knight



A prayer shawl ministry brings together knitters and crocheters to prayerfully create a shawl for someone in need of comfort. The group usually meets regularly at the church and members also work at home. Members begin each shawl with prayers for the person who will receive it and continue to offer prayers as the shawl is created and when it is completed. The person creating the shawl may not know who will receive the finished shawl, as they are given out as the need arises. Shawls are commonly given to those facing illness, surgery, bereavement and serious losses or stresses of any kind.

Don’t know how to knit or crochet? No problem! This is a wonderful way to learn while blessing others.

All persons interested in starting a Prayer Shawl Ministry at PSFUMC, please contact Pastor Diane at associatepastor@powderspringsfumc.org.

Generosity Abounds

Did you know our church has contributed \$700 to MUST Ministries and \$350 to Murphy-Harpst Children's Centers this year?!

Mission Moments

It's Beginning to Look a Lot like Christmas...and Café Noel.

It's that time again. Time to start planning PSFUMC's Café Noel holiday variety show benefitting CAMP. The Planning Team is seeking creative, energetic folks to help with all aspects of this event. Come join us. Contact me at julie-beem@comcast.net for more information.

Julie Beem

Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

Keep the following OCC suggestions handy so you can begin to fill a shoe box or two for children around the world.

pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons or markers, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads and paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc. This is also a good time to find T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, etc. You might also want to be looking for small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, jump ropes, yo-yos, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, mild bar soap and wash cloth.

Thank you for your help with this project. *Missions Committee.*

C.A.M.P. Corner

In these difficult economic times Sweetwater Valley C.A.M.P. refuses to reduce

its services and has, in fact, increased services to our economically disadvantaged neighbors. C.A.M.P. is serving more families than ever before. 4,233 NEW - not existing - people have applied for services since January 2011, and almost all of these receive services monthly. C.A.M.P. is committed to excellence in demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ by providing food, clothing and homeless prevention services to our neighbors in need. We WILL NOT cut or reduce our program services even though donations are down. The economic downturn has affected every level of society. Foundations have less money to give through grants because their earned interest is down, and they are receiving more requests than ever before. Businesses are also struggling and have cut many community support programs. C.A.M.P. has been operating on reserves for the last five months. While we are thankful to have operating money in reserve for such circumstances we do not have an unending supply of available funds. We cannot operate in a "business as usual" mode. We must explore all available opportunities.



As an individual and as the church body CAMP asks the following of you:

Pray for C.A.M.P. - its leadership, staff, volunteers, partners and clients.

Become a regular contributor to C.A.M.P. (Go to the CAMP website to sign up - www.svcamp.org).

Come take a tour of the C.A.M.P. facilities and see what Christ is doing with your donations.

Volunteer your services. Volunteers are the backbone of C.A.M.P.'s operations.

David Beem

The Missions Committee would like to thank the following for helping us to fulfill our commitment of 500 lunches to the MUST Summer Lunch Program: the Cumbie-Vivona family, June Rainwater & the Youth, the Young Adult SS Class and the Friendly-Fellowship SS Class. While we have fulfilled the commitment we made to the MUST Summer Lunch Program, there are still opportunities to assist throughout the summer. MUST can use volunteers to make lunches, pack lunches, deliver and more. If you would like to volunteer, you may contact them at: we-serve@mustministries.org.

If you are interested in helping with missions and would like to join our Mission Committee please contact Deidri Cumbie, our Mission Chairperson at Deidri@cumbiefamily.org.

Children's Ministries

Children are the core of our church. They are the corner stone upon which the church of tomorrow will be built. Besides all that, they are just plain adorable! The children's ministries at PSFUMC are always busy. This group includes: Youth, Scouts, Pre-school, Nursery, children's ministry and children's choir.

The youth group has been to camp in Panama City and completed three days worth of mission activities along with many other fun activities this summer. The scouts, both cub, webelo and boy, have been to various camps this summer. Pre-school is busy registering students for the fall. The nursery is always full of glorious activity! The children's group completed VBS with close to 100 kids in attendance each day. The junior choir and the youth choir have been off for the summer, but the directors have been busy preparing for the fall programs.

We will be gathering together to plan next year's activities soon. Please be in prayer for all the children's leaders. Please also consider volunteering to help out. All the groups need additional assistance and support. Come check out our kids, God will make it a blessing!

Anne Moore

Youth & Children's Ministries Group Leader

Thank you!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped make our 2011 VBS Hometown Nazareth a huge success!

We averaged 92 kids and more than 40 volunteers each day. *Barb Guthrie*

Promotion Sunday

Promotion Sunday is August 14. We will recognize our rising 3rd graders and they will receive a Bible. Please let the Church Office know if your child is a rising 3rd grader. We don't want to miss anyone!



"Where Children Come First"

Preschool News

Looking for a loving, safe and fun environment for your child?

We have just the place for you---our very own preschool!

We are still taking registrations for limited openings in our fall program. We offer classes for ages 1 to 4 from 9 a.m. till 12:00 or 1:00 p.m. If you know anyone who needs more information tell them to call Rene' Dae at 770.943.5869.

Scouting ~ The adventure starts now!

Cub Scouting is a year-round family program designed for boys in the 1st through 5th grades, or 7 to 10 years of age. The program emphasizes leadership, community, family, character development, and personal fitness. Not to mention, boys LOVE it!

Boy Scouting is for boys who are 11, or are at least 10 years old and have completed the fifth grade or have earned the Cub Scout Arrow of Light Award, through 17 years old. Boy Scouts will prepare your boys for life. Under the counsel of an adult Scoutmaster, they will develop character, discipline, leadership and personal fitness by participating in our vigorous outdoor and peer group leadership program. Just as important, your boys will have the time of their lives tackling adventure after adventure, with the friends they make.

Give your son a valuable gift by encouraging him to join Scouting at any of the following times.

- August 6 at the Powder Springs Back 2 School Bash at the Anderson Rec. Center. 10 am - 10 pm ~ Games & activities.
- Scout nights at your Elementary school.
- Parent meeting for the upcoming year is Tuesday, August 30 at PSFUMC.

Adults Needed - Wednesday Night Youth Life Groups

Are you interested in making a difference in the life of a young person within our church?

Life Groups include Boy and Girl Middle and High School small groups that meet weekly and have biblical based discussions around real life relevant issues to young people that help them in their Christian walk. We are in the process of organizing our Life Group Adult teams so that we can continue this important ministry while still maintaining a reasonable request of volunteer time.

If you are looking for a ministry opportunity that is equally fun and meaningful, we have a place for you even if you just have a few moments each week. We will be available to answer questions at our meeting as well. Thank you for your support of our incredible young people at PSFUMC.

June Rainwater, Youth Director

YJPPee YOUTH YODALS!

What an awesome summer with the best youth group around! Our summer started off with "out of the box" serving and ministering that sparked fire and compassion that will continue in our ministry throughout the year. We served the homeless in ATL, worked and played at Calvary's Children Home here in PS, did yard work for our PSFUMC family, and many other service projects for our community. It feels good to think of others and do what our God promises will lead to eternal blessings. *Xtreme* camp brought some "I needed to hear that but wish it didn't hit home so much" messages. Our Sunday gatherings have included some fun events for us to "just be together". I love our summer break but let me say that I am ready!! I am ready to get started in a regular school year schedule. I am ready to start some studying and helping you guys grow, learn and serve. I am ready to continue what we've been challenged with this summer. I am ready to be used by our God! I am ready to see what God has in store and how He will use PSFUMC youth! Come be with us - it takes all our parts to perform His work. No Regrets!

ransom...that's all the info you get right now!

Back to School Celebration

Sunday, August 7th 2:00-7:00pm \$20 per person.

Need adult chaperones and drivers. Invite your friends and RSVP by August 5th. Details to come.....

RACHEL'S CHALLENGE – ADD TO THE CHAIN.

The youth have been challenged everyday to perform some "act of kindness". By the end of the day, if they have at least been unselfish in some way and can fill out a "link", our chain will grow by leaps and bounds. Each link represents one act of kindness. We will be taking our chain on November 11th to connect to the many others in the Atlanta area. All of the additions confirm that we have committed to show God's goodness and mercy as we spread His love. Pick up your links in the Youth Center!

NEW SUNDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

BEGINS AUGUST 21ST

YOUTH CHOIR – 4:00-5:15

DINNER – 5:15-6:00

GATHERING – 6:00-7:00

Life Groups will begin on August 17th. We will meet in the Youth Center every Wednesday from 7-8pm. Come be a part of a small group designed just for your age and gender. We will be studying God's Word as we discuss life situations that you are going through in your daily walk. Life Groups is a great bonding time to share, grow and pray with those your age. Don't miss out!!



The Bulletin Board

Thank you to all our church friends and loved ones for the food, transportation, cards, calls, but most of all for the prayers. Love, *Sylvia & Dick Huber and Mama Opal*

Robert and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and condolences during our bereavement for Robert's mother. *Pastor Diane*

Congratulations to Tommy Jacobs who was awarded the Employee of the Year award at his company!

Bible Study Fellowship: An interdenominational study for women will meet starting September 13 through May at Heritage Baptist Church in Douglasville. 9:30-11:20 am. We will study the book of Acts. Childcare is provided at no cost. Please contact Pastor Diane at associatepastor@powderspringsfumc.org for more information.



Please mark your calendars for Spooktacular Chase, Vision Rehabilitation Services of Georgia's signature fund raising event; **Saturday, October 22**. The Spooktacular Chase features a timed 5K (Peachtree Road Race qualifier) and a 1K walk; held the same weekend as the Jonquil Festival. **Powder Springs First UMC could form a team**. A team consists of 10 or more runners. The team name will be on the back of the race t-shirt in the sponsor's area and will also appear on the race website, and the social media. The cost is \$30 per team

member and includes: Race Registration, Dinner at the Spooktacular Supper Friday Night, October 21, and Race T-shirt. Additional tickets can be purchased by team members for friends and family for the Spooktacular Supper at \$5 per ticket. (a \$10 value). There will be a costume contest at Spooktacular Supper. Teams can register by mailing the team registration forms from the Spooktacular Chase website www.spooktacularchase.com in one envelope with payment. Mail to: Vision Rehabilitation Services; 3830 South Cobb Drive, Suite 125; Smyrna, GA 30080. Please contact Deidri Cumbie at Deidri@cumbiefamily.org for more information.

Save up to 10% or more on your car insurance: Know Distractions: A Defensive Driving Course & Defensive Driving Course Alive @ 25. This educational course, led by Ange' Rae, Certified Instructor by the National Safety Council and The Department of Driver Safety, will provide lots of safe driving information. Those who complete the course are eligible for discounts on their car insurance. Classes are held on select Saturdays from 9 am until 4 pm in the Chapel Building, RM 322. Contact 770.630.3325 for more information.

Trustee News

Free Fire Wood

We recently lost a large oak tree behind our youth building. The tree has been cut into approximately 4-foot sections which are piled behind the youth building. This fire wood is available to church members free of charge.

Summer Work Day

We had a small but dedicated group show up for the work day on Saturday, July 16. We were able to remove the old sign, clean up some flower beds, remove some weeds and put out about 40 bales of pine straw. A huge thanks goes out to everyone who came out and helped. Keep your eyes out for another church-wide work day this fall.

New Kitchen Appliances

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor and with support from our Kitchen Committee we were able to get a new ice maker, refrigerator and freezer for the Fellowship Hall. Thanks also goes out to Don Haynie for helping get these new appliances installed.

Mike Doe, Trustee Chair

FIRST News

Men, register now for "Reflection", a men's camping retreat, scheduled for August 26-28 at Rocky Mountain Recreation Park. Please contact Scott Cupp at cupp_scott@yahoo.com for more information. Registration fee: \$25.00

Remember to dedicate flowers to honor your loved ones and beautify our Sunday services. Reserve your dates at the Welcome Center or contact the Church Office.

Are you interested in participating in a Men's or Coed Softball Team? Games will be held on Saturdays at McEachern UMC beginning August 21. There is a 1 Pitch Tourney (men's bracket) on Saturday, August 13 and a 1 Pitch Tourney (coed bracket) on Saturday, August 20. The cost is \$400.00/Team and will be divided by team members.

Registration deadline is August 7. Contact John Skelton at skeltonlaw@comcast.net or 404.247.3332.



Aug 2 Carolyn Edwards
Kelly Dae

Aug 3 Eric Skelton
Sally Brock

Aug 5 Kim Piper

Aug 7 Kim Adams

Aug 10 Mike Dunn

Aug 11 Maynard Piper
Chase DeCoux

Aug 12 Christine Vick
Wanda Lindsay

Aug 13 Zachary Haynes
Frank Boyd

Aug 19 Scott Long

Aug 21 Deborah Rodriguez

Aug 22 Nancy Ramsey

Aug 23 Bobbi Jo Pickar

Aug 26 Ann Connally

Aug 28 Levi Long

Aug 30 Andrew Vick
Hank Arnold

Aug 31 Patrick McCollum

Sept 2 Chantal Kellett

Sept 3 Mary Knight

Sept 4 Tylan Shallenberger

Sept 5 Danny Willis

Sept 5 Whitney Beem

Sept 6 Dennis Korwek
Michael Korwek
Michael Edwards

Sept 9 Steve Paintin
David Rodriguez
Marina Rodriguez

Sept 10 Jean Gaines

Sept 13 Emily Nieuwstraten
Chuck Haynes
Pam Bailey

Sept 14 Rod Fortson

Sept. 20 Heather Brock

Sept 25 Nayoka Rimann

Sept 16 Pat Cole
Joe Vivona

Sept 17 Dana Willis

Sept 19 Will Moore

Sept 20 Julia Santalucia-Krar
Cole Daniels

Sept 21 Todd Freeman

Sept 23 Cathy Moore
Nikolas Moore
Kevin Hanson

Sept 24 Myra Nell James

Sept 26 Zach Rainwater
Libby Beem
Julie Banks

Sept 27 Tony Ooten

Sept 28 Rene' Dae
Robert Brock

Sept 29 Chuck Miller
Beth Branan



Aug 5 Jeff & Karen Slaton

Aug 8 Patrick & Lisa Guthrie

Aug 9 Robert & Sally Brock

Aug 14 Mike & Cindy Dunn
Nevin & Forrestine
Gilpatrick

Aug 15 Doug & Beth Branan

Aug 18 Bill & Mary Honiker

Aug 21 Pat & Wilson Cole

Aug 24 John & Brooke Skelton

Aug 26 Bill & Nancy Arnold

Aug 27 Larry & Roxy Cupp
Kevin & Sifa Hanson

Sept 5 Jim & Carolyn King

Sept 8 Chuck & Angie Haynes

Sept 11 Dave & Julie Beem
Dick & Sylvia Huber
Grafton & Carol Pressley

Sept 12 Bobby & Misty DeCoux

Sept 16 Jimmy & Meg McClure

Sept 21 Mike & Dot Lott

Sept 22 Greg & Angela Morrison

Sept 24 Anthony & Candria
Easterwood

Sept 25 Roy & Elaine Harcourt

Sept 29 Grant & June Rainwater
Herb & Nancy Rish

Emergency Pastoral Care



Please remember to notify us when you have a family or personal crisis. We care about each of you and want to be there for you in times of need. Please call 678.772.9836.

We have a great group of volunteers in our Visitation Team! This ministry is available for all in our church who are in need of a friendly visit on Wednesday mornings. Please contact the church office at 770.943.5130 if you are in need of a visit or wish to join our team.

Please Remember In Prayer

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to:

Robert & Pastor Diane Saunders and their family in the loss of Robert's mother, Connie.

Paul & Donna Anderson and their family in the loss of Paul's mother, Nancy.

Church Family Immediate Needs: Paul & Donna Anderson & Family, Pam Bailey, Martha Bright, Darlene Cann, Mary Coclosure, Pat Cole, Al & Ann Connally, Susan Davis, Sally & Jimmy Ford, Dora Fortson, Jean & Kent Gaines, Movel Hatcher, Dick & Sylvia Huber, William James, Mary Lou Killingsworth, Maglean Oglesby, Robert & Diane Saunders & Family, Lawrence Pitts, Stephen & Nayoka Rimann, Herb Rish, Branson Wood.

Church Family Ongoing Needs: Randolph Atcheson, Casey Babin, Libby Beem, Ron Bennett, Bob Burkette, Peggy Chastain, Carmen Cobb, Kevin Dae, Roy & Elaine Harcourt, Mildred Kellett, Lavinia Lindley, Gary & Jimmie Anne Miller, Wilbur Reid, Linton & Helen Spratlin, Diane Wells, Dot Williams, Branson Wood.

Our Extended Family: Kathy Alred, Weston Crusselle, Gabriel Douglas, Carolyn Ewald, Laura Heath Gary, Harold & Sheila Idol, Ella Kilgore, Robyn & Donnell McGhee, Sam Oldham, Jim Porter, Lynne & Grant Stevens.

Our Military Personnel & Families: Corey Hopkins, Cale Long, Clay Stokes.

Additional Prayer Request: PSFUMC, August Retreats for Our Women & Men, CAMP.



Updating Our Prayer List

We all know the power of prayer in our lives and in the lives of others. Because of the many requests we receive for prayers, our prayer list tends to grow very long.

We would like your help in updating our prayer list, including our list of service members serving in harm's way. On the last Sunday of each month we will update our prayer list. We will remove all names from the prayer list and only add the names submitted for update. (If the person you are asking to be added to the prayer list is not a member of your family, be sure you have that person's permission before adding the name. This insures that everyone's privacy is respected.)

When you see the shorter list each first Sunday you may realize that a name has been removed that you feel should still be on the list. Simply write the name down and either drop it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor and it will be added for the remainder of the month. Thank you for your help in keeping our prayer list current.

Stephen Ministry

Did you know that we have Stephen Ministers who are trained, caring members of PSFUMC providing Christian one-on-one care to those who are experiencing difficulties or crisis in life? This can be an immediate need, or one whose burden the care receiver has carried for too long alone. Strict confidentiality is a cornerstone of Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers are assigned to one specific care receiver to give one-one distinctively Christian care. You can request a Stephen Minister by calling the Church Office.

Contributions In Memory:

Nancy Anderson
from The Followers Sunday School Class

Russ Robbins
from David & Peggy Chastain

Contributions In Honor of:

Barb Guthrie
from Matt & Renee' Manley

Our Faithfulness Year to Date Through June 30, 2011

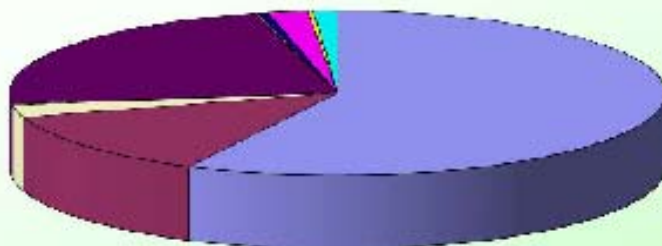
Total Needed for Budget: \$241,417 Total Received for Budget: \$201,746

POWDER SPRINGS FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2011 NARRATIVE BUDGET REPORT

June 30, 2011

	BUDGET		SPENDING	
Church Staff & Other Expense	\$269,342	55.8%	\$ 126,603	57.4%
Apportionments	\$47,058	9.7%	\$ 28,235	12.8%
Children & Youth	\$18,200	3.8%	\$ 5,366	2.4%
Staff Parish	\$900	0.2%	\$ 441	0.2%
Trustees	\$114,920	23.8%	\$ 50,772	23.0%
Finance	\$1,750	0.4%	\$ 361	0.2%
Lay Delegate	\$1,000	0.2%	\$ -	0.0%
Nominations & Leadership	\$1,260	0.3%	\$ -	0.0%
Nurturing & Growth	\$4,500	0.9%	\$ 1,179	0.5%
Service Ministries	\$12,620	2.6%	\$ 4,311	2.0%
Welcome Center	\$4,800	1.0%	\$ 594	0.3%
Worship Expense	\$6,485	1.3%	\$ 2,590	1.2%
TOTAL BUDGET	\$482,835	100.0%	\$ 220,452	100.0%
TOTAL CHURCH INCOME			\$ 201,746	
CHECKING ACCOUNT TOTAL BALANCE			\$ 8,182	

SPENDING



- Church Staff & Other Expense
- Apportionments
- Children & Youth
- Staff Parish
- Trustees
- Finance
- Lay Delegate
- Nominations & Leadership
- Nurturing & Growth
- Service Ministries
- Welcome Center
- Worship Expense



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Dates to Remember

Men's Club Breakfast

Sundays: August 14 & September 11 at 7:45 am
We meet in the Fellowship Hall. We have the best biscuits around, an inspirational message, and wrap-up in time to attend the 8:45 am service.

First Day of Preschool

Monday, August 15, 9 am

Trustee Meeting

Monday, August 15, 7 pm

Wednesday Night Fellowship Resumes

Wednesday, August 17
5:00 Senior Dinner
5:30 pm Dinner

Followed by activities for children, youth, & adults.

**Church Council Mid-Year Planning
Session & Meeting**

Saturday, August 20, 8am-12pm

Preschool & Church Office Closed

Monday, September 5

Trunk or Treat

Save this date and start planning your trunk now!
Sunday, October 30, 5-7 pm

Attention Youth

- Youth Gathering ~ Sundays
- Back to School Celebration ~ August 7
- Life Groups ~ resume on August 17, 7 pm

See *Yippee Youth Yodals!*, page 7, for more info!

**Articles and/or Bulletin Board announcements
for the October/November Love Notes
must be received by September 12.**



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June 16, 2011

The Reverend Susan Ashe
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Dear Reverend Ashe,

Thank you and Powder Springs First United Methodist Church for making it possible through your 2011 Mother's Day Offering for our residents to continue to sing praise to God in their residential communities. Your contribution of \$564.00 will be used by our charitable care funds to provide residential and health care services to older adults whose funds are insufficient for their needs.

Wesley Woods Senior Living is currently serving over 1,500 senior citizens by meeting their housing needs, with 75% of those residents needing and receiving some form of financial assistance. In addition, over 45,000 citizens are served annually by Wesley Woods Geriatric Center through its inpatient and outpatient services.

As an expression of our appreciation, we are sending the enclosed certificate. Please let your congregation know of our gratitude. Our mission is to help people age with grace your gift makes this possible. Our commitment is to be here when you need us, so we hope you will call on us when we can be of service.

Grace and Peace,

Charles E Hoover

Charles E. Hoover, Th.D.,
Director, Church Relations

*Susan
Our praise to God includes
the thank giving for your Mother's
Day offering. Blessings on
you and Powder Springs
Thank you for your generous
giving. Charles*

The Foundation of Wesley Woods is an affiliate corporation of Wesley Woods Senior Living, Inc., a non-profit charitable organization incorporated in the State of Georgia. As such, the Foundation is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service code; therefore, your contribution is tax deductible. Your generosity is appreciated and no goods or services were received in consideration for your contribution.