

HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

*In Memory of Sue Jones
given by
Ibby Jenkinson
Margaret Smith
Jimmy Senn
Eugenia Vicars
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Gilstrap*

*In Honor of Marie Whitmire
given by Betty Thompson*

*In Memory of Kathryn Lupo
for her birthday from
Davis Lupo
Irvine and Frieda Lupo
Robert, Mary Anne, and
Robert, Jr. Terminato*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES are extended to: Betty Thompson and Terry Thompson - December 15th.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES to David and Taunja Pool - December 17th and Steve and Jimmie Lou Vaughn - December 18th.

CONGRATULATIONS to MaryAnn and Marcus Stephens on the birth of Charles Walton Stephens, who weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. and was 20 inches tall, on Friday, December 4th. We welcome Charles Walton to Saint Paul UMC.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS are extended to Ashley and Bob Cooper and their families on the death of Bob's father, William Cooper, in Spartanburg on December 8, 2009.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: Michael Abowd, Carroll Anthony, Edith Branham, **Tracy Champion**, Betty Clark, Connie Cox, Eleanor Cunningham, Don Everett, *Vivian Frasier*, John Hendrix, Alvin Hill, Dot MacMillan (now at home), Jana McMahan, Gene Patterson, Tammy Porter, Helen Reynolds, *Hortense Searcy*, Amy Walcher, Marie Whitmire, Perri Whitmire and the Sparkman and Tate Families.

From Steve Vaughn, Chairman, SPRC: If you would like to make a donation for a Christmas bonus for the Staff of Saint Paul UMC, just place your gift in the offering plate with a note on your check or envelope, by the last Sunday in December.

The December Mission Project for the **YOUNG ADULTS** is to collect new, unwrapped toys for children for Toys for Tots. The Young Adults will collect them after church today.

Don't forget to check over the information for you and your family (and anyone else you know of) in the 2 proof copies of the new **Saint Paul Directory** on the ledge in the Vestibule. If there are corrections to be made, please make them with the red or blue pens and if all information is correct, place a check by your name. Be sure to check your e-mail address or add it if you wish to include it in your information. The new Directory will be available early in 2010. Also, if you have not turned in your pledge forms for 2009, it is not too late to do so. Thank you for your continuing prayers and support for Saint Paul and its' ministries and its' people.

The **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS and WORSHIP LEADERS** for next Sun., December 20th, are Eugenia Vicars (SSH) and Lori Cheshire (WH). The **TODDLER TEACHER** is Edna Patterson for both SSH and WH. The **NURSERY WORKER** is Lori Cheshire (SSH) and a volunteer is needed for WH. (Sunday School Hour - SSH, Worship Hour - WH).

UNITED MINISTRIES NEWS: Holiday Warmth (aka Sweatshirt) Party, Fri., Dec. 18, 10:00 am. Sweatshirts, hats and gloves are welcome (more hats and gloves rather than sweatshirts) and the gifts can be wrapped with the size and gender of the gift on the outside of the package. The Goodie Party will be Wed., Dec. 22, at 10:00 am. All dessert goodies need to be packaged for individual servings. Groups can begin dropping off goodies at the Place of Hope the week after Thanksgiving.

Please Note: The Office will be closed from Dec. 23rd - Dec. 28th for Christmas. If possible, please provide any information for the Dec. 27th bulletin by Dec. 21st and for the January Newsletter by December 29th. Thank you!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 13, 2009
11:00 a.m.

Bishop
Mary Virginia Taylor

District Superintendent
Dr. Charles Johnson

Pastor
Rev. James F. Patterson

Director of Music
William H. Searcy, Jr.

Ushers
Young Adults

Captains:
Troy Gamble,
Rebecca Howard

Counters
Calvin Bostic
Troy Gamble



Third Sunday in Advent

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Saint Paul United Methodist Church is to be the people of God who praise God in worship, celebrating God's love and healing presence in Jesus Christ. We are called to be signs of hope and healing to all people in our community and the world, reaching out in ministries of love, compassion and care as we seek to follow the example of Jesus Christ.

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