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We believe the church belongs to God and that the church is, in the words of the Apostle Paul, the body of Christ. The church is to be the physical presence of Christ in the world. As such, our primary aim is to do God's will.



## Woodlawn

United Methodist Church

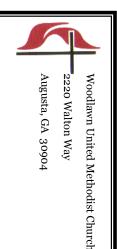
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## Our Season of Lent

Lent is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. In Western Christianity, <u>Ash Wednesday</u> marks the first day, or the start of the season of Lent, which begins <u>40 days</u> prior to <u>Easter</u> (Sundays are not included in the count).

Lent is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of <u>fasting</u>, <u>repentance</u>, moderation and <u>spiritual discipline</u>. The purpose is to set aside time for reflection on <u>Jesus Christ</u> - his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial and resurrection.

Woodlawn's Lenten Discipline Invitation to serve at the Master's Table

The Master's Table is Golden Harvest Food Bank's soup kitchen in Downtown Augusta. It was started during the 1982 recession as one of the Food Bank's very first direct-service programs and, thanks to the kindness and support of our community, has grown to feed a noon meal to nearly 300 homeless and hungry persons per day, 365 days per year.

The soup kitchen provides many opportunities for service. More than 50 volunteer positions are available each day, which makes it a perfect place to come as an individual, with your family or as a your church group. As many of you at Woodlawn already know and have already responded, we will be serving on each of the Friday's during Lent as part of <u>spiritual discipline</u>.

February 5, February 22, March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, & March 29 (Good Friday)

Volunteer time each Friday is from 10:30 - 12:30

This year, in place of our Lenten Lunches, we will take on a Lenten discipline of servanthood. At the beginning of Lent we are reminded of the traditional disciplines that should mark our observance of this holy season, namely, prayer, fasting and almsgiving and works of charity and service as part of our Christian living.

If you are unable to attend Fridays we invite you can participate in this Lenten discipline by praying for the Golden Harvest Food Bank and Master's Table; or make a financial contribution to help insure the sustainability of this important outreach in our community.

Rev. Jim

#### Anniversaries & Birthdays

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2/29 Jack & Frances Hixon

#### Birthdays

- 2/2 Linda Hopkins
- 2/3 Elaine Erneston
- 2/4 Bill Schneider
- 2/4 Richard Lupo
- 2/5 Robert Matrix Palmer
- 2/6 Billy Agee
- 2/7 Star Settles
- 2/9 Spencer Thrift
- 2/9 Secelia Ryan Palmer
- 2/10 Jean-Ann McCollough
- 2/11 Shirley Schneider
- 2/12 Nancy Edenfield
- 2/14 Chris Rinck
- 2/19 Ellis Irby
- 2/19 Brad Slaven
- 2/19 Julie Widner Baxter
- 2/21 Shirley Sturgis
- 2/22 Kathy Boyles
- 2/22 Brenda Wallace
- 2/23 Patrick McGahee
- 2/24 Mac Overton
- 2/27 Jamy McCollough

### Member Service Schedule

#### Lay Liturgists

07: Tommy Boyles 14: Matt Griffin 21: Tommy Boyles 28: Matt Griffin

#### **Usher Captains**

07: Gene Staulcup
14: Gene Staulcup
21: Frances Hixon
28: Lyle McGahee

FEBRUARY REFRESHME	NT SCHEDULE
Sunday	Team
Feb 2nd	Fumiko Malave Ann Cannon
Feb 9th	Debra McNeal Carolyn Cannon (Bobbie)
Feb 16th	Courtenay Deese Michelle Collins (Dani)
Feb 23rd	Martha Griffin Michelle Hertel (Amy)

#### **Preschool Update**

#### Our Preschool Times are Changing:

Woodlawn Preschool is committed to making your preschool an exciting and engaging experience for your child. In an effort to place a greater emphasis in the classroom we have provided for more faculty and staff during the earlier part of the day. At the same time there has been very little or no need for child care after 6:30pm. If we close just 30 minutes earlier it will afford us the benefit of having more of our faculty in the classroom earlier when most of our children are here! Beginning February 11, 2013 we will begin closing at 6:30pm.

**Masters Camp:** Parents, please let your friends, family and others know that we will be having Masters Camp and Summer Camp this year. Even though we do not offer after school pick-up we still have the space to offer great camps. Tell them to call the office at 706-738-2546 for more information. Be sure to give them our email address also. We look forward to seeing you soon.

#### Prayer List

Please remember these individuals in your prayers:

Mary Staulcup, Phil Whithers, , Ellis Irby, Ann Thrift, Baum Wilkes, TJ Griffin, Nathan Baxter, Greg Slavens, our Preschool teachers and families, Pastor Jim and our lay ministers. If you have any prayer requests, please call Andrina Chancey at (706) 738-1839.



#### Youth News

## KNOW YOUR STORY... CONFIRM YOUR FAITH... LIVE YOUR COMMITMENT...

The youth have a lot of fun things going on this semester! We are participating in "So You Think You Can Dance??" with Woodlawn on Saturday, Feb. 16- for dinner and dancing! On Sunday, Feb. 24, we will meet up again for a Starbucks Bible study at 6-7:30 pm.

As part of our Credo Confirmation experience, the youth are going to have a retreat at Wildwood Park in Appling, GA on Friday, March 15 -16. Cost will be \$25.

On Friday, March 29, we will serve others at the Master's Table as part of Woodlawn's Lenten commitment. Finally, on Sunday, May 5th, 5 of our Youth will be Baptized and 7 of them will be Confirmed. We are very excited for these young people to affirm their faith!

God bless!

- Jennifer Powell, Youth Director

# **Lent.** a season of spiritual preparation

#### What is Lent?

Like Advent, Lent is a season of preparation; as we prepared in Advent for Christ's coming, so now we prepare in Lent to celebrate Easter and the good news of His resurrection. Lent begins on a day called Ash Wednesday and ends on the Saturday before Easter (April 7). The Lent season lasts 40 days not counting the Sunday's. The season of Lent climaxes in what is known as the Great Three Days; from sunset Maundy Thursday to sunset Easter Day. These days proclaim the mystery at the heart of the Christian faith: The passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

#### Lenten Discipline

Serve God through serving others this Lenten season by joining us to serve lunch at the Master's Table during Lent. We will be serving every Friday during Lent from 10:30am to 1pm. The Master's Table is located at 702 Fenwick St, Augusta, GA 30901, or meet at the church by 10am. Call the church office with any questions: 706-738-2546

Plan to attend our Couples Small Group on Thursdays starting on Thursday February 21st @ 6pm. The group will meet at the McCollough's house, and childcare will be provided. This study is for anyone who is in a relationship!



#### Going Tandem: Harmony in Marriage

Going tandem requires cooperation "...being patient with your partner, and communicating are the keys to a successful and enjoyable

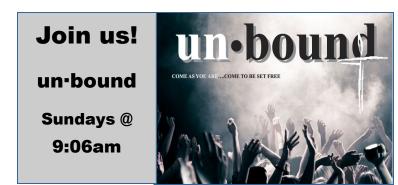
#### What's going on in Woodlawn this February?

**WOODLAWN Annual Valentine Banquet** 



Join us on Saturday, February 16th @ 6pm

For a wonderful night of dinner, music & dancing. Get your tickets before Thursday, February 14th. They are available for \$15.00 each. Free childcare included.



Come out and cheer on un•bound's first volleyball team! We play every Tuesday at the Salvation Army Kroc center. Games generally last about 1 hour.

Tuesday Feb 19th 9pm Tuesday Feb 26th 9pm Tuesday Mar 5th 9pm



## February 2013

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