



The young adult
 "Lunch Bunch"
 is going to Canton Cook's
 November 8
 after the 11:00 AM service.
 Nursery is staffed until 2:00 PM
 If using nursery, bring children a bag lunch
 Allison & Rob Betzer
 (404-847-9509) for more info.



55 Plus on the Go

It's the beginning of World War II and there is music in the air. 55 Plus will attend the Sanders Family Christmas musical at Theatre in the Square on Sunday, November 22nd. The cost is \$24 per person (plus supper at Piccadilly in Marietta) and we have only 15 reservations so seating is limited. Reservation deadline is November 15. Flyers available on Narthex table and 55 Plus bulletin board outside the kitchen. There are no plans for December, but plans are in the works for 2010.



Thanksgiving Community Meal

This Thanksgiving we will be celebrating our 7th annual Thanksgiving meal for the community. As in years past, everyone's help is needed. We will be serving on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26th from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Because of the economy, we are expecting a bigger crowd than usual.

The green volunteer forms are located in the Narthex. As in the past, hands on volunteers are needed as well as people willing to bring a side dish. Prayers are also needed as well as financial contributions. Please take a form, fill it out, and return it either to the office or put it in the collection plate. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Dixon, Elna Sheetz, or Nancy McCord.



Being Thankful

For what are you thankful this year? With Thanksgiving Day just a few weeks away, our thoughts should turn naturally to a consideration of all of the blessings that are ours. God has been very good to us, even in the midst of what has been a turbulent year for our nation. So I remember the words of a dear friend of mine that thankfulness goes a lot farther than complaints in determining what our future attitude and mindset will be.

Let's see...for what am I most grateful? My appointment to Sandy Springs UMC, my wife's newfound joy in retirement, new friends added to those persons I already know, two precious grandbaby girls, children who still call me to see how I'm doing, a great staff with whom to work, life and breath each day, Ginger and Button (my Chihuahuas who love me regardless), a willing and accepting spirit in so many church members, laughter in the halls of the church, young families with children in our midst, elevators, mission opportunities, Bible studies, God's constant presence in my life, a beautiful and awe-inspiring sanctuary, quiet drives to and from home and work so I can reflect and pray, my wife's initiative in planning vacation time, memories filled with joy from good times that bring a smile to my face...do you get the idea? I find so very much for which to be thankful.

Now, as we all remember blessings and give thanks, we should use gratefulness to spur us on in seeking and finding new ways to bless others. During November, seek out a person whose life might be filled with trials and tribulations, then find a way to help them through their difficult moments. You will be amazed at how God will not only use you in helping another, but also how blessed you will be by being faithful. God is good in this way.

I wish for you and yours a blessed month of service and blessing as we at Sandy Springs continue to reach out in the name of Christ.

Ken

Sandy Springs United Methodist Church
 86 Mount Vernon Highway, NE
 Sandy Springs, GA 30328

This n' That

Welcome New Members! Please join us in welcoming new members who have joined our church in October:
 Evelyn Karkula.



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 Church Office 404-255-1181, Fax 404-255-0283
 Dr. Ken Ray, Senior Minister, Ext. 222, Ken.Ray@ngumc.net
 Rev. Chris Barbieri, Associate Minister, Ext. 220, cbarbieri@ssumc.org
 Sandra Dixon, Director of Children's Ministry, Ext. 219, sdixon@ssumc.org
 Woodrow W. Talley, Director of Music, Ext. 217
 Nancy Nadolski, Preschool Dir., 404-250-9455, nnadolski@ssumc.org
 Kathleen Schoenblum, Financial Director, Ext. 223, kschoenblum@ssumc.org
 Ann Hladilek, Administrative Assistant, Ext. 221, ahladilek@ssumc.org
 James Clinkenbeard, Maintenance Supervisor, Ext. 216, jclinken@ssumc.org

UMW News

On November 14, 8:30-12:30, SSUMC-UMW will host the AROS District Gathering. This will be an excellent opportunity to be informed about projects and mission studies that are happening throughout our District. All members of our Unit are invited to attend.

Looking ahead to December, the traditional White Gift Service is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2, at 6:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall following the Family Night dinner. This is a special time to support Wesley Community Centers. Please check the list of items that are requested as gifts. Monetary gifts in white envelopes are also appropriate and appreciated. Remember, too, to make a reservation for the dinner.



During Joe's recent heart attack and procedures following, we felt blessed by the support we received from many of our SSUMC friends. Thank you for the lovely flowers, and the cards, calls, visits, food and most of all your prayers. In friendship and Christian love,
Joe and Claire Pearson

From Jessie Winter:

My sincere thanks to all who made my 102nd birthday such a wonderful one. Personal visits that day and all the cards and gifts! Thank you and God bless you everyone!

From Carolyn Holbrook:

Dear SSUMC Staff & Members,

Thank you so much for all the cards, calls, food and prayers during Al's illness. You were all so compassionate and supportive. We greatly appreciated the visits by Dr. Ken Ray and Rev. Chris Barbieri. You have all been wonderful and we are deeply grateful. Love, The Holbrook Family

A note from one of our Feed n' Seed Folks:

Thank you all so much for helping me with my glasses prescriptions, food, clothes, etc. You have been a real Godsend to me. Last but not least, I thank God!

From Angela Smith...with a PS....I can SEE!!!



White Gift Service

Wednesday, December 2

6:45 PM

in the Fellowship Hall

Wish List

Bethlehem Senior Center -Large Print Bibles (NIV), Movies (DVD or VHS) Acrylic/water paints/ supplies, Tabletop easels /paint brushes, Frames & supplies, Scrapbooking supplies, Digital camera, Markers & colored pencils, Michaels/Joann's gift cards, Beading supplies, Games, Bingo cards, Puzzles,,Sewing Supplies,, Homebound Bags: hygiene & household products, Bingo Prizes: Lotion, Kleenex, Paper Towels, Gift cards, Washing Powder, Dishwashing Liquid, Household cleaning supplies.

Camp Wesley -Games (indoor & outdoor), Books (crafts), Shirts (for crafts), Arts & Craft supplies.

Project Extend - Paint Tools & supplies, Garden Tools & supplies, Hammers, Cleaning Tools & supplies, 2 Ladders, 3 Lawn Mowers, 7 Pruners, 7 Hedge Trimmers, Utility Truck or Van, Gift Cards: Home Depot, Lowe's, Walmart

Wesley House: Office Supplies: paper clips, binder clips, rubber bands, staples, tablets, labels, printer ink, Toiletries: paper towels, toilet paper, hand soap, Coffee & Breakroom Supplies.

Please wrap in white paper if possible. (Checks should be written to SSUMW and marked White Gift)



It's time to order our poinsettias! We will print an In Honor and In Memory booklet on Christmas Eve. Deadline to order is November 30.

The cost is \$15 each.

In Honor Of _____

Given By _____

In Honor Of _____

Given By _____

Phone Contact Name/ Number (in case we have any questions)

GIFTS OF LOVE

(Please advise Henry Armour (404) 255-8945 of corrections/omissions)

Honoring theMemory of Margaret Killebrew with a donation to the **Memorial or Trustees (Narthex) *Fund:**

Ms Virginia McCahan Dr Tom & Dr Kelley Dopson*

Honoring the Memory of Al Holbrook with a donation to the **Memorial Fund:**

Mr & Mrs C. Cochran Mr George Coleman, Jr. Mr & Mrs John Greer
Ms Virginia McCahan Mr & Mrs John Hambrick Mr & Mrs Boyd Steed, Jr.
Mrs Jack Bass

Donation to the Cemetery Fund with no honoree designated: Mr & Mrs M. H. Bales

Honoring Claire Pearson with a donation to the **Feed & Seed Fund:** Mr & Mrs Ralph Thisted

Honoring the Memory of Ann W. Smith with a donation to the **Feed & Seed, UMW*, Pipe Organ**, or Preschool Scholarship *** Fund:**

Mrs Thelma Potter Mr & Mrs Marion Jones* Mrs Claire Leslie**
Anonymous***

Honoring the Marriage of Jennifer Davis & Chris Barbieri with a donation to the **Memorial Fund:**

Mrs Alfred Holbrook, Jr. Mrs Susan Isom

Honoring the Memory of Morgan Chesnutt's sister with a donation to the **Pipe Organ Fund:** Mrs Claire Leslie

Honoring the Memory of Wm. McCormick (Kathleen Mathena's father) with a donation to the **Preschool Scholarship Fund:** Mr & Mrs Fearn LaBan Anonymous

Donation to the Children's Ministries Fund with no honoree designated:

Mr & Mrs Scott McCord

Honoring Miriam Blackburn & Circle One with a donation to the **Good Samaritan Fund:** Mrs Jessie A. Winters

Honoring the Memory of Virginia McCahan's mother & Kathy Wright's mother with donations to the **Trustees (Narthex) Fund:** Dr Tom & Dr Kelley Dopson

Honoring the Memory of Mary Ballew with a donation to the **Trustees(Narthex) Fund:** Dr Tom & Dr Kelley Dopson

Donation to the Feed & Seed Fund with no honoree designated: Mr & Mrs John Hambrick

Honoring the Memory of William Perreault with a donation to the **Feed & Seed Fund:** Barbara Perreault

Honoring the Memory of Jack Bass with a donation to the **Trustees(Narthex) Fund:** Dr Tom & Dr Kelley Dopson

Transformed Living

As we recall Ken's sermons about supporting SSUMC with our prayers - presence - gifts - service - witness, let us join together anticipating all that we can do in 2010. If you have not yet made a commitment for next year, please return the card mailed to you (additional cards are available at the church) and indicate your support in each area. May God bless our commitments to His church.

Youth Basketball
Ages 5-10



Now registering for the 2009-2010 season
Evaluations November 14th
Practice begins week of December 7

Registration Forms available online at ssumc.org or in the narthex.