

MARCH SERVING SCHEDULE

- ELDER'S
- Gerald Deskins, Captain
 - Randy Johnson

- ELDER OF THE WEEK
- Gene Sturgill 03/14 - 03/20
 - Tom Thompson 03/21 - 03/27
 - Terry Trimble 03/28 - 04/03
 - Bob VanHoose 04/04 - 04/10
 - Jim Brown 04/11 - 04/17

- SERVING DEACONS/ ELDERS for March
- Tom Thompson
 - Jane Robinson
 - April VanHoose
 - Blake Robinson

- GREETERS
- Bob & Faye VanHoose 03/21
 - Paul & Karla Corbin 03/28

2010 ATTENDANCE REPORT

February	7	14	21	28
Sunday School	35	37	39	38
Worship Total	78	86	81	97

2010 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Needed as of March 7th	\$ 46,648.10
Received as of February 21th	\$ 40,606.75



“The Lord calls Himself “The Bread of Life.” “Now That’s what I call comfort food.”

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Pastor's Corner

A number of years ago I was introduced to the poems of Robert W. Service. Service was sent by the Canadian Bank of Commerce in 1904 to work at their Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, branch. While there he became famous as the poet who chronicled the Klondike gold rush and the beauty of the frozen north. I enjoy

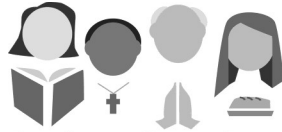
Service's Yukon poems and none more than one called "Comfort." *Say! You've struck a heap of trouble—Bust in business, lost your wife; No one cares a cent about you, You don't care a cent for life; Hard luck has of hope bereft you, Health is failing, wish you'd die—Why, you've still the sunshine left you And the big, blue sky. Sky so blue it makes you wonder If it's heaven shining through; Earth so smiling 'way out yonder Sun so bright it dazzles you; Birds a-singing, flowers a-flinging All their fragrance on the breeze; Dancing shadows, green, still meadows—Don't you mope, you've still got these. These, and none can take them from you; These, and none can weigh their worth. What! You're rich—you've got the earth! Yes, if you're a tramp in tatters, While the blue sky bends above You've got nearly all that matters— You've got God, and God is love.*

In Service's words we find a reminder that as beneficiaries of God's Creation we are all rich indeed—rich beyond measure. When times get tough for us, or we just find ourselves feeling down, it truly does help to look around us and notice the wonders and beauty of nature. This past Sunday as I walked to the church building from my car I became aware that it was a glorious morning indeed. The sun was shining, the sky was a beautiful shade of blue, and the birds were singing their hearts out. In that moment I recognized that I was truly blessed and offered thanks to God. Surrounded by the beauty of God's Creation I smiled for I knew that I had God, "and God is love."

-Chuck Summers

MARCH MARCH

We will have Laity Sunday on March 21. This is a day for us to remember the importance of the laity in the life and ministry of our church. At this service Charlie Byers and Wilma Deskins will be speaking. The youth will also be presenting a special skit. Please don't miss this very special service!



Laity Sunday

Bridal Shower



There will be a bridal shower luncheon honoring Will VanHoose's bride to be, Racheal Potter, Sunday, March 21, at 2:00 p.m., at the Hampton Inn. Everyone is invited to attend. Will and Racheal's wedding is scheduled for Sunday, May 2, 2010.

Our church will be responsible for delivering food for Meals on Wheels March 22-26. If you can help out, please sign up at the bulletin board across from the kitchen or contact Dana Batten. A big thanks goes to all those who help out with this special ministry.



Seniors on the Go!



Thursday evening, March 25, the senior adults will be going to Elkhorn City to see the Actors Collaborative Theatre's production of The Wizard of Oz. We will leave the church at 6:45. This trip is also open to non-senior adults. Cost for the play is \$8. If you plan to go, please call the church office by 1:00 p.m. on the day of the play.

The bad weather this winter certainly affected our attendance and offerings. Right now we are running approximately \$ 6,000 behind budget. If you are behind in your giving for the year, now would be a great time to catch up. Let's all do our part to be good stewards and support the ministry of our church.

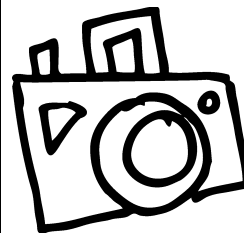
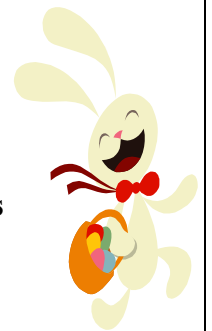


March 28 is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. The Pikeville Ministerial Association will once again sponsor daily services Monday through Friday at the Pikeville United Methodist Church. The service will begin each day at noon and shall be followed by a light lunch in the church's fellowship hall. The speakers for this year's Holy Week services (in order) are Father Wil Fraenzle, Chuck Summers, Sam Crawford, Clem Street, and Gene Layne. Our church will be helping to prepare the meal for Tuesday, March 30. Those who can help us prepare sandwiches are requested to be at the church at Tuesday morning at 9:00.



This Easter you will once again have a chance to donate lilies in memory or honor of someone. Cost for the Easter lilies will be \$25. Beginning March 21 you will find forms in the church bulletins to order your lilies. All orders should be turned in no later than noon on March 30.

The Christian Education Team has planned an Easter Egg Hunt for our kids on April 3. All who can are asked to contribute a dozen filled plastic eggs. These should be brought to the church no later than at noon on March 31. We also need parent volunteers to help out with this year's Easter egg hunt. If you can assist with this children's event, please see Ms. Dee Branham or give her a call at 434-0567.



By popular request, Chuck will be teaching a beginner's digital photograph workshop on Saturday, April 10. For more information about the workshop see or call Chuck. The workshop is open to church members and non-members alike, but church members will receive a discount.