OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2009

SUNDAY - 8/23
9:45 - Children's Choir – Upstairs
9:45 - Sunday School
10:30 - Fellowship with coffee and donuts in the Family Life Center
11:00 - Morning Worship
3:00-5:00 Young Adults – FLC
6:00 - Bible Study
6:00 - UMYF meet in the Family Life Center

MONDAY - 8/24
2:00 - Covenant Prayer Group @ Eicher’s
7:00 - Boy Scouts

TUESDAY - 8/25
8:30-2:30 Mother’s Day Out

WEDNESDAY - 8/26
4:30-5:15 Ting-A-Lings
6:00 - Youth – FLC
7:00 - NO Chancel Choir Rehearsal
(Choir rehearsal resumes on September 2nd)

THURSDAY - 8/27
8:30-2:30 Mother’s Day Out

SATURDAY - 8/29
8:30 - A Day of New Beginnings Workshops
11:30 - Cleveland District Conference

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 6:56-59 NRSV

56 Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. 57 Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” 59 He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

EPHESIANS 6:10-20 NRSV

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. 15 As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. 16 With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

19 Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS today were placed in celebration of their 53 years of marriage by Charles and Nancy McIlwain.

MOTHER’S DAY OUT: First day of MDO will be this Tuesday. They will hold classes on Tuesday and Thursday of each week while following Rhea County school calendar. Let us keep all the teachers and the little pupils in our prayers for another successful and safe year for them to learn and grow.

TING-A-LINGS will resume their hand-chimes rehearsals on this Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.

A DAY OF NEW BEGINNINGS: Saturday, August 29 at Ooltewah United Methodist Church. A Day of Learning, Growing, and New Life for the Laity and Clergy of the Cleveland District. There will be eight workshops offered in two sessions. Each attendee will be able to take two different workshops. Registration is between 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. If there are enough attendees, the church will provide the mini-bus.

YOUNG ADULT FALL RETREAT: OCTOBER 9 - 11
Adults ages 18 to 35 are invited to Camp Wesley Woods in Townsend, Tenn., for the “Get Real!” Fall Retreat. The speaker/replacement leader is the Rev. Brad Hyde and the worship leader is David Leach. The $35 fee covers all costs. For information, contact Gaye King at gayeking@holston.org or call toll-free (866) 690-4090.