

## Weekly Planner for September 25 - October 1, 2005

<b>Sun</b> <b>25</b>	8:30 a.m.	Worship
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	New Member Class in the Library
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	5:45 p.m.	Laudamus Te Ringers
	5:15 p.m.	Youth Choir
	5:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
	5:45 p.m.	UMYF
	6:00 p.m.	Pastor's Class—"Soul Feast"
	8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
<b>Mon</b> <b>26</b>	9:00 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Babies
	9:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Babies
	10:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts
	7:30 p.m.	Praise Choir
<b>Tue</b> <b>27</b>	9:30 a.m.	Craft workshop
	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in the World
	1:30 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in the World
	3:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard Year 1
	4:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard Year 1
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study - <i>Worry and Stress Free</i>
	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Middle School Bible Study at Mingee's
	7:30 p.m.	Gloria Dei Ringers
<b>Wed</b> <b>28</b>	9:00 a.m.	TOPS
	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Cycle of Seasons
	10:30 a.m.	Mothers Nurturing Mothers
	10:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	4:15 p.m.	Cherub Choir
	4:45 p.m.	Junior Choir
	5:15 p.m.	Church Dinner
	5:25 p.m.	Jubilate Ringers
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Sanctuary</i>
	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	High School Bible Study at At Lee's
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	
<b>Thu</b> <b>29</b>	9:30 a.m.	Sewing Group
	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Cycle of Seasons
	9:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	3:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: Around the World
	4:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard Year 2
<b>Fri</b> <b>30</b>	8:00 a.m.	Prayer Partners
	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	10:30 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
<b>Sat</b> <b>1</b>	8:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

## Warwick Weekly—September 25, 2005

**It is the Lord's desire that we love one another. In the spirit of love and friendship, we welcome all who have come to worship. May we all be blessed as we praise God.**

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS** are available for use during the worship service. Please see an usher to obtain one.

**Prayer Chain:** If you have a person in need of prayer, call **Audrey Martinez** or **Elsie Mitchell** or the church office (877-2270) and your request will receive prompt addition to a prayer chain. If you would like to join the **electronic prayer** chain and receive 4 or 5 prayer requests a week or place a prayer request on the chain, contact Jim Rogers at **68eagle@cox.net**.

### Serving Today

**Greeters:** 8:30 - Donna Cox and Tracy Call  
11:00 - Frank and Sharon Blake

**Ushers:** 8:30 -  
11:00 - Beverly Mayeaux, Jean Scott, Beth Murray, Kathy Crossett

**Junior Church Workers Today:** 8:30 - Judy Wilson  
11:00 - Mel and Chris Hofler

**Next Sunday:** 8:30 -  
11:00 - Marisol and Mariel Liceaga

### Prayer Thoughts

*Loving Creator of us all, please open our spiritual eyes so that we may see your intentions for us and that we may serve you better.*

### Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by **Dave and Barbara Amaker** to the glory of God and in celebration of their **14th wedding anniversary**.

**\*\*Reminder Note:** Information for October newsletter is due **today**.  
**Thanks! We could use help on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. to assemble the newsletter and prepare it for mailing.**



## **Sanctuary is back in September!**

**Dinner begins at 5:15 and worship is at 6:30.**

### **A Journey Through Genesis: God's Gifts "In the Beginning"**

**September 28th:** The Gift of Animals: A Blessing of the Animals (Genesis 6:17-22)

Bring lawn chairs or blankets for sitting. The service will be outside.

**Childcare is provided.**

### **Bread for Visitors**

We now have volunteers making bread (small loaves) to be given to visitors in worship on the first, second and fourth Sundays of the month. Anyone interested in making the bread on the third or fifth Sunday, please contact Pastor Steve. By the way, there are four fifth Sundays each year.

### **Fasting**

The Pastors' Spiritual Growth classes, "Soul Feast," continues this evening with the 2<sup>nd</sup> of a two part series on Fasting. Tonight, we will consider the spiritual discipline of fasting for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: how to do it and what it might accomplish. Tonight's class does not require that you were at the first session. Pastor Steve will be teaching in the Aldersgate classroom, 6:00 – 7:30.

### **Ceremonial Groundbreaking**

In both worship celebrations on **Sunday, October 9**, we will join in a ceremonial ground breaking. The entire congregation will go outside and each person will be given the opportunity to actually turn some dirt in preparation for our new Celebration Center. Bring a shovel. **Stay for the Ceremonial Groundbreaking Picnic following the 11:00 a.m. service.** Bring a dish or two to share. Paper products and drinks will be provided. If you have questions, call Ann-Marie Comer.

The contractor will begin work on site shortly thereafter.

### **Help Wanted**

**Two counters are needed** for the 11:00 a.m. worship service on the **3rd Sunday** of each month. Please call Joe Young if you can help.

### **Help Needed to Load Flood Buckets and Health Kits**

The truck will be arriving at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 26 at Chestnut Memorial UMC, 1024 Harpersville Road. Many hands are needed to help load the health kits and flood buckets on the truck. Rick Jacobson, president of the Peninsula District UM Men, is asking as many people who can to come and help with this necessary task.

### **Help Needed with Lay Witness Mission**

Help us personally invite every member of the congregation to this exciting Lay Witness Mission! If you are willing to make some phone calls, please contact Blair Gloss at blairmancy@verizon.net or Carlos Liceaga at carlosliceaga@cox.net.

## **Youth News**

**Today - Regular UMYF** (Snack supper starts at 5:45 pm, program ends at 7:30 pm)

- **CHANGE the World!!** \*\*Last night to collect!!\*\* (see below)

- **Joe Corbi Pizza Fundraiser** - \*\*Orders Turn-In\*\*

**Tuesday - Middle School Bible Study** - 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Mingee's

**Wednesday - High School Bible Study** - 7:00-9:00 p.m. at At Lee's

**Saturday—(Tentative) Car Wash Fund-Raiser for YSF.** Probably 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. If this happens, we'll be calling around to let you know when and where it is.

**Next Sunday - No Regular UMYF**

### **Youth Hurricane Katrina Relief...**

**So what can you do?? PLENTY!!** We've got some great ways you and your friends can help with Hurricane Katrina relief:

- **CHANGE the World!!** Have extra change lying around your room? The house? Your car? Your Piggy Bank???! Bring it to UMYF through the month of September and we'll collect it, roll it and send it off to UMCOR (the United Methodist Committee on Relief). **Get your friends & parents to help too!!** (And we're going to have a **contest** to see who can raise the most: *Middle Schoolers or High Schoolers...*so your rep's on the line!!) Change it up!

- **Fall Fund Raiser Profits** (Joe Corbi Pizza & Innisbrook Wrapping Paper): We'll still split the profits between missions and youth credits—but instead of saving it for general Summer Missions, we're going to use 2/3 of the profits for Hurricane Katrina Relief (through UMCOR). 1/3 of the profits will go to youth individual credit accounts for youth activities, trips, etc.

- **Health Kits** About \$12 can buy all the stuff you need for a Health Kit for flood victims and refugees. Put them together, bring them to church, they go to UMCOR for distribution. Get a sheet with all the details from one of the youth leaders or go to [www.vaumc.org/index.cfm/fa/content.view/menuID/2427.htm](http://www.vaumc.org/index.cfm/fa/content.view/menuID/2427.htm)

- **Flood Buckets** about \$45 can buy all the stuff you need for a Flood Bucket for flood victims. Put them together, bring them to church, they go to UMCOR for distribution. Get a sheet with all the details from one of the youth leaders or go to the VAUMC website listed above.

- **Fashion Show? Talent Show/Bake Sale?** Lots of ideas for the Winter/Spring...help make a difference in the lives of everyone affected by this disaster.

**Upcoming Stuff...** Watch Youth Bulletin Board for more info and signup sheets:

- **Church Conference** - Saturday, October 1 - Important vote on approving church building plan...every church member (including youth church members!) has a vote. Come and have a voice in the future of our church!

- **Joe Corbi Pizza Deliveries** - 10:00 am, Saturday, October 8.

- **Wrapping Paper Fund Raiser** - All October - high quality Innisbrook wrapping paper that will be ready for delivery just before Thanksgiving. Profits go to Hurricane Katrina relief through UMCOR and credits for the youth who sell it.

- **Lay Witness Mission** - Friday-Sunday October 14-16. This is a neat opportunity to meet kids from another church, hear their faith stories, and examine your faith walk. Special sessions for youth group members. Kind of having a mini-retreat at our own church.

- **Need Help!** We need families to host the youth members of the Lay Witness team. If you can help, contact Mel Hoffer at [melhoffer@yahoo.com](mailto:melhoffer@yahoo.com) or call him.

- **Youth Sunday** - November 13th

- **District Youth Thanksgiving Feast** - Sunday, November 20th

### **WANTED!!!**

“**New**” cuddly friends to start a new Caring Ministry. Please consider donating one, two or three **new** stuffed animals (any size) to be given to persons who are ill or in need of encouragement. A box is in the hall for collection. For details or questions, call Pastor Amanda or Kay Fries. Thanks!!

### **Craft Workshop**

Tuesday’s craft workshop (9:30 am - 12:00 noon) will be making magnolia pod angels. The craft committee would appreciate **40% off coupons for Michael’s Craft store** (usually in the Sunday paper) or **Jo-Ann Fabric coupons** for our supply purchases. Thanks! If you have questions you can call Billie Quigley, Marsha Six or Sylvia Custer.

### **September Local Missions Project**

During September, we will collect back-to-school supplies for students at Carver and Epes Elementary Schools. Place your donations in the **plastic bin** designated for local missions in the **church library**. Thank you for helping some local children as they begin a new school year. The following items are needed: **loose-leaf notebook paper, spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, markers, crayons, folders, and glue.**

### **Thank You**

The **family of Velma Kessler** would like to thank our Christian friends at Warwick Memorial for all the loving expression of support. The cards, phone calls and visits have been comforting. Special thanks to the **Trinity Class** for food, **Barbara Liddick Circle** for the reception, **Marsha Six and Page Williams** for funeral music, **Donna Jones** for the bulletins, and **Steve and Amanda** for the funeral service. We are blessed with Christian community.

Ruth and I would like to express our sincere appreciation — again to our church family for your support shown in so many ways during and after my recent surgery.

**Stuart McGhee**

### **Congressional Alert**

The general church wants us all to be aware of the fact that Congress is now considering the final plan for the next budget. The suggested plan calls for large reductions in Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps, temporary aid to needy families, and other help for vulnerable people. The General Board of Church and Society of the UM Church challenges the wisdom and humanity of these cuts.

Also, the Violence Against Women Act is under consideration. This act, a product of bi-partisan cooperation, guarantees assistance to women who are victims of rape or other abuse. The church supports this assistance program as it opposes the use of force and violence and seeks to protect women. Let your opinion be known.

Temporary toll-free numbers for Congress are 1-800-828-0498 and 1-800-426-8073.

### **“A Helping Hand” Resource Card**

Most of us find it somewhat unsettling when a stranger approaches us in public and ask us for emergency assistance. We are unsure how to respond and uncertain if the need is legitimate. So we struggle within ourselves: should we give cash; offer a ride; or just ignore them, pretending not to hear?

“A Helping Hand” resource card is a more appropriate way to respond. By carrying a few of these convenient, “on-the-go,” information cards and offering one to persons needing aid, we are providing 24-hour hotlines to link them with resource organizations that provide more thorough aid with their plight. Being equipped with this card (and perhaps sharing enough money for a phone call) allows us to be helpful stewards while not jeopardizing our safety and well-being. Indeed, we can still yield to the Spirit’s call to be Good Samaritans in a hurting world.

An added benefit is that the resource card also contains information about Warwick Memorial UMC. What a blessed opportunity to initiate the helping had process and the invitation to church—a community of faith where those facing hardship may find their hope restored through Jesus Christ! Cards will be distributed during a September worship service and made available at the church office. Let us lend a helping hand!

*God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1*



**Warwick  
Memorial  
Youth**

**are sponsoring a**

**Potato/Salad Bar  
Today**

**following the 11:00 am service.**

***Proceeds go to Youth Missions.***



**Text for Anthem**

**(8:30) Go Ye Therefore**

Go ye therefore, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Lord.  
Go ye therefore, teach all nations, all He commands in the name of the Lord.

And lo, I am with you always, even until the end of the world.

Go in my Name, I am with you, until the end of the world!

Go ye therefore He is with you, even until the end of the world.

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**(11:00) The Perfect Love**

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,

Thy perfect love close in my breast that I thee love and never rest;

And make me love thee of all things the best,

And wound my heart in thy love free,

That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

Therefore, be a reflection of God, as dearly loved children;

And lead a life of love, just as Christ has loved us and gave himself for us.

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,

Thy perfect love close in my breast that I thee love and never rest;

And make me love thee of all things the best,

And wound my heart in thy love free,

That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

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**Church Conference**

**Saturday, October 1**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Everyone is welcome.**

**Everyone has a vote.**

**Lay Witness Mission Weekend  
Frequently Asked Questions**

Our journey begins Friday, October 14. Here are the answers to some of the questions we have been asked about the weekend.

Q. Will there be a nursery?

A. Yes, there will be a nursery at the church during all events for the weekend. There will also be programs for the children and youth at the church. For the Saturday coffees, just drop your children off at the church on the way to the coffee.

Q. What happens after the coffee?

A. After the coffee, go to the church and we will have lunch for you and then a short program.

Q. Will the program run late on Saturday night?

A. Out of concern for our families with young children, the dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. and we should be through by 9:00 p.m. Youth will finish by 10:00 p.m.

Q. What do I need to bring on Friday night in the way of food?

A. You do not need to bring any food on Friday night. Dinner will be provided by the Church. There is NO charge for the dinner.

Q. Will I be called on to witness?

A. No one from Warwick Memorial will be called on to witness, only visiting team members will witness during the large group meetings.

Q. What happens after the weekend is over?

A. We view this weekend as a beginning. There will be an evaluation meeting Sunday night beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is when we will begin to discuss and plan exciting new directions in ministry for Warwick Memorial.

Q. What if I have to miss Friday night, can I still come to the other activities?

A. Yes, you can.

Q. Can I still attend a coffee even if I have not been invited by the host family?

A. Yes, these coffees are open to everyone. We ask that you let the host family know as soon as possible so they can plan for you.

Q. What do I need to bring Saturday night for the covered dish dinner?

A. We are asking each family to bring one meat dish and one extra dish (salad, dessert, vegetable, etc.)

Q. Can I pray at home during the prayer vigil?

A. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for the 24 hour prayer vigil that starts Thursday, October 13 at 5:00 and ends Friday, October 14 at 5:00 p.m. You can pray either at the Church (during regular church office hours) or at home.

Q. Can I bring a friend who is not a member?

A. Yes! Yes! Yes! Please invite anyone to join you.

Q. Who is supposed to attend the Sunday lunch?

A. The Sunday lunch is for the visiting team and anyone in the congregation who wants to join us and is provided by the church.