



Cahaba Heights United Methodist Church

September 16, 2012

11:00 am Worship

A Word of Challenge

For the past four years all we have worried about is the economy, insurance, and if we were going to remain employed. Each of these scenarios are things that easily can rattle a person's faith. Many of the American ideals from fifty years ago are being tried and tested.

Cahaba Heights has had its own share of ups and downs. In the six months I have been here I have heard numerous stories of days gone by as well as stories of doubt and despair. What I have heard repeatedly is that everyone wishes for Cahaba Heights to become the church that God has called it to be. I am a believer that obstacles are simply hiccups that God puts in our path to strengthen our faith.

Our greatest challenge today is simply that for the past few years debt has been on many people's minds as well as their hearts. We are close to the finish line we just have not crossed it yet. It is frustrating to me to know that every month we send the bank a payment that is greatly made up of our interest requirement. I want to see us eliminate that debt and use that money to further God's kingdom through missions, ministry, and age group activities.

Here's the hard part. To do this we need to have a little effort from a lot of you. It would be nice if someone wanted to write a one hundred thirty-seven thousand dollar check but I would sure be disappointed that the blessing of generosity was being removed from so many other people.

What does church mean to you? —Not this building, but the organization of church? Has it helped you in the past? Been a beacon in a storm, a place of celebration as well as a sending place when a loved one goes into the Father's house? What is the value of all of this?

I want to promise one thing: *every* penny pledged will go to *principle* reduction. There will be nothing else done with this money. Please begin to pray how it is best for you to be a part of this momentous task.

Debt is a noose that Satan ties around our neck. It is time that Cahaba Heights be out from under the bondage of debt. Let's work together and make this happen.

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Order of Worship

*All pages marked UMH can be found in The United Methodist Hymnal,
located in your pew.*

PREPARING TO WORSHIP		Dr. Dismukes
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Kelsey Johnson
CALL TO WORSHIP		Chancel Choir
*OPENING HYMN	“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”	UMH 57
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		UMH 881
*GLORIA PATRI		UMH 71
MORNING PRAYER		
THE LORD’S PRAYER		
	<i>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen</i>	
CALL FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
*DOXOLOGY		UMH 95
CHILDREN’S TIME		Rev. Rusty Glasgow
	<i>(Children are invited to go to Children’s Church with Ms. Jana at this time)</i>	
SCRIPTURE	Matthew 4:1-11	Richard Barrow
SPECIAL MUSIC	“Jesus, Draw Me Close”	arr. Stan Pethel
MEMBER REFLECTION		Delane Parris
SERMON	“What Do You Like ON Your Sandwich?”	Rev. Rusty Glasgow
*CLOSING HYMN	“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”	UMH 724
*BENEDICTION	“Surely the Presence”	UMH 328
POSTLUDE		Dr. Dismukes

**Please stand as you are able.*

Worship Helps

Worship notebooks for children are available outside the Sanctuary. These notebooks are put together so that children can worship in a way they are comfortable, with crayons and activities.

Nursery is available in the preschool wing, directly behind the Sanctuary. Children's Church begins after the Children's time for older children. However, **all** infants and children are always welcome to stay in worship.

Our color today is green, which symbolizes growth in Christ.

Serving in Worship today are Freddie Huey, Bobby Williams (Greeters), Katrina Mohney (Acolyte).

Announcements

Young Adults will meet at 6:00 pm tonight (same as children and youth) to go to Yankee Pizzeria for Young Adult Fellowship. Bring friends!

Wednesday Nights at CHUM will continue this Wednesday. Come to dinner between 5:15 and 6:30 pm and stay for the first week of our programs.

The UMW will meet tomorrow at 6:30 pm and Wednesday at 10:00 am.

Fourth-Sunday Lunch will be next Sunday after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Magic City Miracle Day: Come be a part of making our city a better place! On Sunday, September 30th, volunteers from all over Birmingham will meet at Railroad Park downtown to work at various locations throughout the city. Please see www.magiccitymiracle.org for more information and to register to help. Everyone volunteering is invited to wear their work clothes to worship on Sept. 30th and leave early in order to get to Railroad Park in time.

Early Service at CHUM will begin on October 7th. It will begin at 9:00 am every Sunday. The early service will be a traditional service with Kelsey preaching and special music instead of the choir.

Donations to help Water282 (Jacob Eubanks's organization) build a well in Sipala, the village we sponsor, can be placed in the offering plate. Please make checks out to CHUMC and designate them to "Water282." So far we have raised \$2,032.00 towards our goal of \$7,000.

The Men's Prayer Group will meet Tuesday at 7:00 am.

The Women's Prayer Group will meet Wednesday at 9:00 am in the Parlor.

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Or consult our FB page for general information: Cahaba Heights United Methodist Church

Those We Are Praying For

“Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.”

Philippians 4:6

Our New Prayer Concerns: Kathy Muroski, the Nance family

We Continue to Pray for:

Joan Bidanset (Debbie Ponder), Helen Gilbert (Myra Harper), Beth Perry, Steven Simms, Susan Gaskin (Ginger Dismukes), Alice Scott, Edna Stevenson (Myra Harper), Terry Harmon, Mandy Best, Linda Tippens, Jacqueline Cockrell (Myrna Swain), Nancy Robinson, Dawn Barrow, Don & Pam McGill (Susan Maxey), Myra Franklin (Susan Maxey), Karl Harper (Myra Harper's husband) Kaitlyn Moore (Betty Moore), Sue Delk, Bea Carlton, Bill Maze, Mike Forester-Minister at Berea Baptist in North Carolina (Jan Wright), Marion Richards, Lauren Green, Gaston Wright, W. C. Taylor (brother of Danny Taylor), Jenni Harwell (Debbie Boyer), Catherine Stewart (Beth Scofield), Pat Hope, Trammel Huey, Anita Livingston, Charlotte Cowart, Betty Sanders, Susan Jernigan (Mike Mizerany), Kaitlyn Moore (Betty Moore), Avery Holland, Captain Butch Beach (Jim Thomas), George Ruff (Margaret Ruff) Allie and Laura Simmons, the Wyre Family

Confined to Home:

Jim Donovan/StateVeteran's Home/Alex City, Dick Humphrey (Mt. Royal Towers) Mildred Humphrey (Kirkwood) Jack & Mary Maze, Margaret Ruff Hanover House

Financial Report for 9-9-12

Tithes & Offering \$4,562.00

Weekly Budget \$5,449.00

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your generosity and support in the wake of Edith's passing. You are much appreciated.

Walt Stone and Family

CHUMC Staff

Rev. Rusty Glasgow, Pastor

Rev. Kelsey Johnson, Assoc. Pastor

Jana Cook, Children's Director/MDO/Preschool

Lora Parker, Youth Director

David Busby, Choir Director

Ginger Dismukes, Organist/Pianist

Gwen Johnson, Secretary