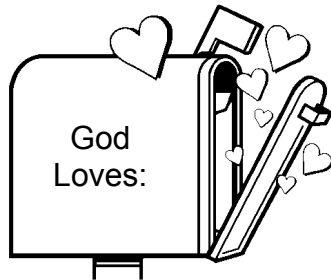
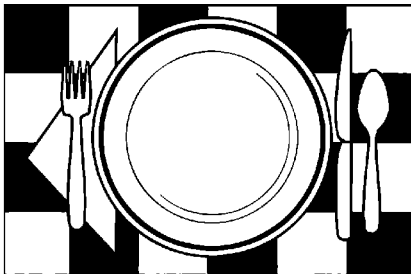


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"Loving families and strengthening our community through Christian outreach and fellowship"



Hominy Valley Welcome Table

Wednesdays 11:30-1:00
Beginning February 11th

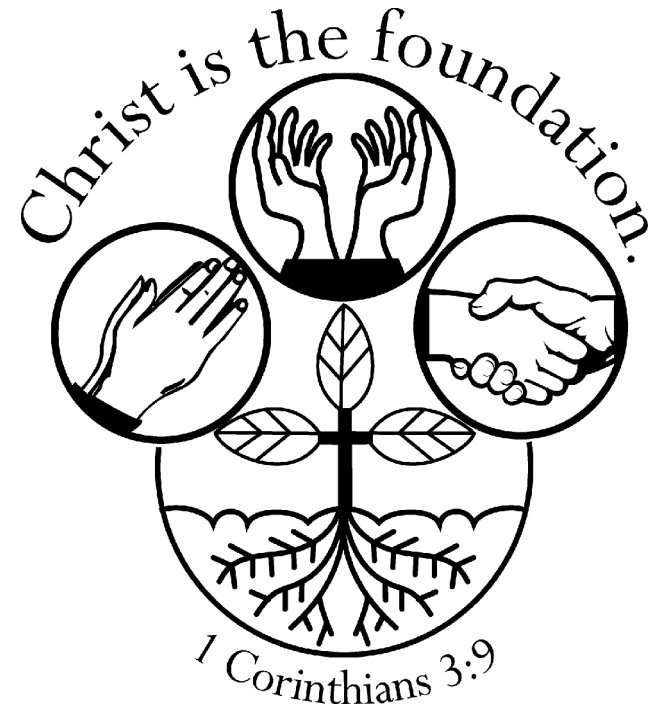
Francis Asbury UMC Fellowship Hall
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We are an ecumenical outreach ministry excited to share a hot nutritious meal, fellowship, informative programs and fun with the Hominy Valley community.

Donations to our program are greatly appreciated.

We need lots of volunteers and prayers for this program to be vital and effective. The whole community is invited to participate and get involved in this new ministry in Hominy Valley. Help us spread the word. Please call the church office at 667.3950 for more information or to volunteer.

THE COMMUNICATOR



Francis Asbury United Methodist Church

February, 2009
 Volume XXVII Issue 2

"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building."
 1 Corinthians 3:9

IN MINISTRY

Minister	Fred Carpenter
Music Director	Randy Cox
Accompanist	Jamie Bryson
Admin. Asst.	Danya Sellers
Custodian	Glenda Shook
Nursery	Sharon Lutz
	Jenny Shook
	Amy Dayton
Ushers	Travis Arrowood
	Lynn Crook
	James Hudson
	Tim Jackson
Acolyte	Brandi Turner
Greeters	Ms. Louise Henson and Ms. Audrey Jackson
	District Superintendent—Dr. John S. Boggs Resident Bishop—Dr. Larry M. Goodpaster



lent

What is **Lent**? **Lent** is the 40-Day Period of repentance and renewal preceding Easter. **Lent** begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Easter Service. Holy week commemorates Christ's last week of life on earth. It's the final, most important part of **Lent**. Observing **Lent** can help you experience the **FULL JOY** of Easter! **"Be doers of the word, and not merely hearers."** James 1:22

Please join us as we begin **Lent** on **February 25th** at our **Ash Wednesday Service at 6:30 PM.**





Welcome to
**Brian & Sharla
Turner**
who joined
Francis Asbury
on January 25th.

FRANCIS ASBURY UMC
Thursday, Feb. 5th from 2 - 6:30 PM
Howard Building

**Blood
DRIVE**

Help save a life.
Call 667.3950
to schedule an
appointment.



The family of
Selma Haney,
mother of Dot Peebles,
who passed away on
January 23rd.

The family of
Jennie Mae Warwick,
aunt of Pastor Fred,
who passed away on
January 24th.

*Our Deepest
Sympathy and
Christian Love to both
of these families.*

VBS BASKET AUCTION



SUNDAY,
MARCH
1ST
After Worship

SECURITY SYSTEM AT FAUMC



**SECURITY
SYSTEM**

A security system is being installed in all three buildings and will soon be operational. All those entering any of the buildings will need to enter a key code to disarm the system while occupying that building. Each building has an independent system. If you have a church key, please contact the church office to arrange a time for operating instruction on the security system.

Hominy Valley Welcome Table

Donations in support of the HVWT have been made:

by Sondra Cooper
"in Memory of Harvey Cooper"

by Cheryl Wallen
"in Honor of Robert and Connie Dillon"

by WOW
by the United Methodist Men

by Glenn & Aileen Leatherwood of Montmorenci

**FROG
Youth**



Upcoming FROG Activities

Sunday, Feb. 1: 11AM
Souper Bowl of Caring Collection

Sunday, Feb. 8:
Team Impact

Friday, Feb. 13:
Winter Jam 2009 at Bi-Lo Center
Meet at church at 3:30 to Carpool

Sunday, Feb. 15: 6 PM
Youth Meeting

In March:
30 Hour Famine

Weekly FROG Activities

FROG Sunday School:
Every Sunday @ 9:45 AM.
Breakfast Served.

Mondays @ Mosaic: 7AM
Weekly Devotions at Mosaic Café.

**FEBRUARY CHILDREN'S
CHURCH TEACHERS**

2/1: Lynn & Cindy Crook
**2/8: Traci Roberts &
Margaret Anson**
2/15: FROG Youth

2/22:
**Glenda
Shook &
Betty
Wilson**

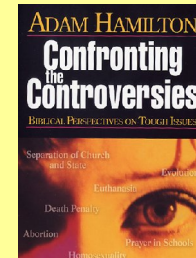


FROG Youth will be collecting money and canned foods for Hominy Valley ABCCM for the Souper Bowl on Sunday, Feb. 1.



FROG will be sharing some facts about hunger to our congregation during morning worship. Please help our youth make a difference in our community and support their efforts. Last year with your help, FROG Youth raised \$222 for ABCCM.

Confronting the Controversies



#6 Abortion
February 8th at 6 PM

#7 Homosexuality
February 15th at 6 PM

Located in Sanctuary
Childcare Provided

Call 667.3950 for info



Our FROG Youth will join other Hominy Valley UM Youth sometime in March to take part in the **30 Hour Famine**. The **30 Hour Famine** is an international youth movement to fight hunger. The **30 Hour Famine** will be hosted in the Howard Building. The slogan of this event is "Will Starve for Food". You can help our youth make a difference by making a donation towards this important cause. \$30 will feed a child for a month. Please see any FROG Youth member to make a donation.

Snip-it from Sandy:

I spend a lot of time on the computer. One of my favorite things to do, is to take surveys from my family and friends. My goal is always to make someone laugh. I can picture them sitting there quietly, after the kids have gone to school and the husband to work, drinking their morning juice or coffee and then to almost have it spew from their nostrils because they are now bursting with laughter!



There are wacky questions such as: What color socks are you wearing? Or what food do you hate? Would you ever bungee jump? Do you have any tattoos? The answers by the way are: gray, green peas, no and can't tell ya!

These surveys really allow you to learn a lot about people that you never knew. For instance, I have a friend who had the nickname "Tulip!" And I learned that my Mom's favorite type of food is Japanese! I have another friend that hates doughnuts...how can anyone pass up a Krispy Kreme glazed doughnut?

Well, there was a tidbit on the news, about a Pastor somewhere out west that speaks of Jesus being somewhat outspoken! He is brutally honest telling of Jesus being somewhat of a rebel! Sometimes we think of Jesus as only meek and forgiving, but it is important to know all of him. One of my favorite parts in the bible, is when Jesus told the story of the Ox falling into a pit on the Sabbath...do you leave it because you are not permitted to labor on the Sabbath? No! {Luke 14:5-6}

I pray today that you fill out a special survey with Jesus and get to know him better. By the way..."What is your favorite scripture?"

Blessings and Peace to all! :) *Sandy*

Jesus saith unto him, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life: No man cometh unto the Father, but by Me!" John 14:6

Our last meeting was held at the home of Shirley White.

We decided to turn our meeting into a baby shower for expectant Mom, Cindy Crook. Pink and green were the colors of the evening with balloons, cake and Cindy's favorite foods! Please say a prayer because Baby Girl Crook is due at any moment!

We voted on new FAB positions:

Madam President: Jenny Shook

Madam VP: Beth Arrowood

Noteworthy Reporter:

(ME) Sandy Jackson

Christ Care Giver:

Melanie Hudson

(meals and prayer coordinator)

Party Planner Girls:

Betty Wilson & Glenda Faye Shook

Our next meeting is Tues, Feb. 10th at the Home of Beth Arrowood.

Devotion: Jenny

Salty: Brenda

(Baked Potato Bar).

Sweet: Amy

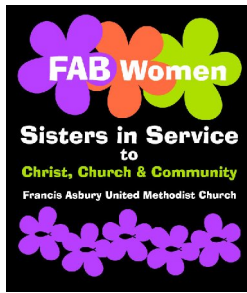
White Elephant Sale

VBS BASKET AUCTION:

Sunday, March 1st

Extraordinary Women's Conference is: **March 27th & 28th**

HELP NEEDED: Cindy Crook needs volunteers to help out with Sunday School class until after Baby Girl Crook is born. PLEASE call the office or Cindy if you are able to help out! Thanks!



Funerals are often a bittersweet occasion. They are bitter because of the grief and sadness that comes when we lose someone we love. The sweet part is that when a person has lived a long, Godly life we have the confidence of life eternal through Jesus. Unfortunately, these days where we are all so busy it seems that funerals are a time when extended families have the opportunity to catch up with each other. Such was the occasion for me this week as I returned home to my aunt's funeral.

After the funeral we went to my aunt's home and had lunch. It was good to catch up with many of my cousins. In talking with one of my cousins, my mom mentioned that I had a letter that her husband, who had died in a car accident forty years ago, had written to me while he was in Vietnam. At this she began to cry. She told me that after he died she destroyed all the letters they had written to each other while he was away. She said it was just too painful to look at them. She asked me if I would make a copy and send it to their daughter who was just an infant at the time. Of course I told her I would. However, after thinking about it I decided not to send her a copy. I'm going to send her the actual letter. The real thing will mean much more than a copy.

As I thought about how much the real letter might mean to a daughter who never knew her father, I thought about the condition of a fallen human race that only had stories of their heavenly father. I thought about how much we need the real thing. In Jesus we have the real thing, not just a prophet of God, not just an angel of God, not just an imperfect human priest offering imperfect sacrifices at an imperfect tabernacle. In Jesus we have the original, the Son of God.

In Matthew 16, Jesus asked Peter that famous question that each of us are confronted with as well, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

There is nothing in all of life that can replace Jesus. In Him we now know God first hand. The world offers all kinds of things that assure us of happiness, prosperity and joy. But the truth is they are all poor copies of what is found in the real thing, Jesus. Why would you want a copy when you can have the original?

Love,

Fred



- 2/2 Julia Brown
- 2/2 Amanda Davis
- 2/2 Bob Owenby
- 2/3 Matthew Lempke
- 2/4 Jimmy Davis
- 2/5 Lisa Ballard
- 2/7 Leslie Poe
- 2/9 Carrie Carpenter
- 2/10 Tom Phelps
- 2/10 Joy Putnam
- 2/10 Jacob Scott
- 2/11 Savannah Cloud
- 2/11 Sandy Jackson
- 2/11 Brenda Rhinehart
- 2/12 Michael Sawyer
- 2/12 Whitney Tedder
- 2/18 Phyllis Martin
- 2/18 Kati Phelps
- 2/19 Joey Putnam
- 2/19 Brenda Heeg
- 2/25 Ross Peebles
- 2/27 Jim Harkins
- 2/28 Conor Cloud
- 2/28 Paula Davis
- 2/29 Brenning Shook

F E B R U A R Y 2 0 0 9

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WED		THURS	FRI	SATURDAY
1 <i>Holy Communion</i> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship & Holy Communion Souper Bowl of Caring Collection for HV ABCCM	2 7AM Mondays @ Mosaic	3 1:30 WOW	4 11:30- 1 Final Run Welcome Table 5:30 Wed. Supper 6:30 Wed. Worship 7:30 Choir Practice		5	6 7PM Team Impact @ Mt. Moriah Church	7 Saturday: 3 & 7PM Team Impact @ Mt. Moriah Church Sunday: 3 & 7PM
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Sunday, Feb. 22nd

5 PM

Bring a friend and a covered dish.

Family Fun Night!

COMMUNION

Our Communion Offering on Feb. 1st will be for the

Souper Bowl of Caring.

Church Directory

2009 Church Directories are available in the Narthex.

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Happy Anniversary to..

- 2/16 Ronnie & Brenda Rhinehart