

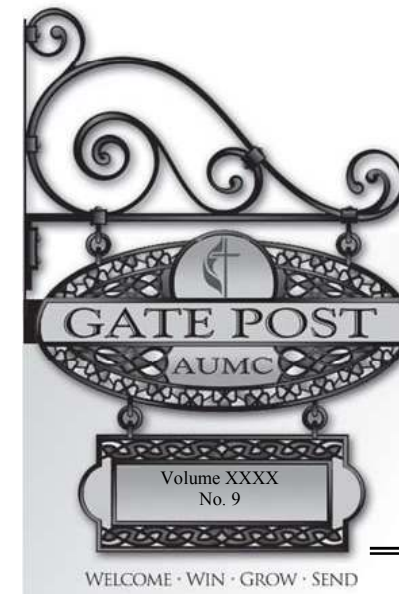
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September 2011

Staff Spotlight- Shelley Martin, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

1. **Name:** Shelley Elaine Nunn Martin
2. **Birthplace:** Greenville, SC
3. **How long at Aldersgate:** My family and I worshipped at Aldersgate UMC from 1977-1995 (18 years). I officially joined as a staff member on August 1, 2011.
4. **Job:** My title is "Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries". My responsibilities include leading youth and young adults in their faith journey. The job also includes further developing the college intern program. Furthermore, I will be preaching at the Encounter service and working alongside the planning team.
5. **Favorite food:** I love the combination of a medium rare steak with a baked sweet potato! Mmmm!
6. **Favorite book:** The Supernatural Power of a Transformed Mind by Bill Johnson.
7. **Favorite place in the world:** Tahiti; It is so beautiful that it feels like a surreal experience. Time seems to stand still.
8. **Favorite color:** Green. Any shade. It's all beautiful.
9. **Favorite Scripture and why:** Luke 4:16-21. This passage is why I do what I do! Thank you, Jesus!
10. **What famous person would you like to meet and why?** He was never famous, but he was famous to me...I would love to spend another day with my maternal grandfather, Gilbert Hendricks. I know I'll see him again in Heaven; but, oh how I would love to see him, hug him, and hear his voice again on this side of Glory. He was an incredible Grandpa. I miss him so much!



ALDERSGATE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"The Church with the Warm Heart"

Sunday Morning at Aldersgate

Worship	8:30 and 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Encounter	11:00 a.m., Family Life Center (2nd/4th Sundays)
Sunday School	9:45 a.m. September 2011

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WELCOME · WIN · GROW · SEND

Fall Programming is planned and ready to start!



Tuesdays

- Morning Bible Study, a Woman of Confidence at 9 am in Room A16, facilitated by Wendy Crowell **begins September 6.**
- Lunch & Learn (bring your lunch) on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, How to be the Happy Wife of an Unsaved Husband, at 11:30 am in Room A12, facilitated by Kathy Beeson and Celesta Sargent **begins September 13.**

Wednesdays

- Supper in the Family Life Center at 5:45 pm **begins September 7**
- Adult Bible Study
 - *Max Lucado's Fearless at 6:30 pm in Rm A16, led by Beth Fisher & Patti Sharp **begins September 7**
 - *Disciple IV at 6:30 pm in the Library, facilitated by Gloria Stocks **begins September 14**
- There is also a Youth Bible Study (*see pg. 5*) meeting at Shelley Martin's home from 7-8 pm
- Adult choir (*see pg. 4*) at 7 pm

Sundays beginning September 18 (except Immersion/Romans study)

- Youth program at 4 pm (*see pg. 5*) in the Youth Lounge and Youth Singers at 12 pm (*see pg. 4*)
- Children's choir at 4 pm (*see pg. 4*) in the Choir Room
- Children's program at 5 pm (*see pg. 4*) in the Multi-purpose Room
- Adult Bible Study
 - *Immersion Bible Study/Romans at 4:30 pm in the Library, facilitated by Emily Truan **begins September 11**
 - *Priscilla Shirer's He Speaks to Me at 4 pm in Rm A16, facilitated by Jill Sessions
- **New this Fall—Sunday Night Suppers at 6 pm in the Family Life Center. Bring the whole family!**
Sign up for the above Bible Studies on the Education Bulletin Board or by contacting the facilitator.

Prayer Ministry

Wednesday Morning Prayer
6:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Prayers for Members

Richard Amundson	Flo Harveston	Constance Reid/ family
Melva and Tim Anderson	Russ Holloman Camilla	Christel Robison
Donna Barrett	Huddleston	Doris Rowland
Sue Carstarphen	Marcia Jennings	Barbie Sayers
Courtney Claxton	Jean Madden	Carol and Joe Sayers
Ernest & Ruby Daniel	Charles Masters Dessie	Julie Showman
Rev. Rudolph Dixon	Montgomery Judy Moore	Marjorie Skinner Merrill Sloan
Jef Flournoy	Eleanor Mosley	Lillian Smoak
Betty Haines	Rev. Art O'Neil	Lee Stutts
Wade Hammer	Jennifer Poole	Marion Tappan
Marilyn & Jeff Hardin		Kathryn Weidman

Prayers for Family of Members

Jackie Boatwright, Betty Sivas' sister
 Harriet Bruner, Betsy Taylor's mother
 William Chandler, Bart and Tina Chandler's nephew
 Henry and Loulie Coulter, Barbara Sims' cousins
 Sandra Culwell, Gus Phillips' niece
 Betty Gardner, Tracy Showman's mother
 Nancy Grant and family, Sherry Grant
 Robert Hancock, Kevin Howard's brother-in-law
 Mark Kilgore, Nancy Miller's son
 Vidette McElveen, Wendy Crowell's grandmother
 Vicki Norwine, Bob Miller's daughter
 Mark Pennington, Patsy Pennington's son
 Bob Sherman, Rob Sherman's father
 David Smoak, Lillian Smoak's son
 Billy Yates, Patsy Pennington's cousin

Military Service Prayer List:

Major Karl Kuga (*Meehan, son-in-law*), **Jimmy For-
ester** (*Kathy Lamon, nephew*), **Mac Meads** (*Kathy La-
mon, friend*), **Chaplain Brian Koyne**, **David E. Sivas**
(Sivas relative), **Chaplain John McPherson** (*Showman's
nephew*), **Francisco(Frankie) Ramirez** (*Family at-
tends*), **PFC John Ray Wingrove III** (*Wingrove
nephew*), **David Cooper**, **Mark Montaque** (*Donaldson
relative*), **Robbie Henry** (*Crowell's friend*), and **Ryan
Maddox** (*Crowell's friend*).

Prayers for Friends

Judy Bentley: Ralph & Mary Hall
 Bowden Family: Katie McDonald, Ross Bowden
 Carstarphen Family: Candy McDaniel Farler
 Corpe Family: the Schmitz Family
 Julie & Jim Cranford: Wayne Cox
 Wendy Crowell: Phu Doan Van
 Deppen Family: Carole Peberdy
 MaryAnn Ethridge: Claude Garner
 Hap & Frances Harris: Joe Oetjen, Brennan Simkins,
 Margaret Tyson, Jim Tar, Ron Kimberly
 Metts Family: Michael Goldman
 Charles Nagle: Buddy Hendry
 Sharon Quarles: Anne Veal
 Jim Showman: Kelli Carll, Barbara Trulock
 Stewart Family: Richard Henegar
 Connie Clark's grandmother, Catherine Gibbs
 Mal Braddy, former Aldersgate UMC custodian
 recovering from surgery
 U. S. troops and Tensions in the Middle East and Africa

Prayers of Praise for: Camp Meeting.

Prayers of Sympathy for the families of: Bobby Zim-
 merman (Steve Zimmerman's nephew) and Gigi Bla-
 lock (Beth Hamilton's cousin).

Our Church Staff

John Pinson, Senior Pastor
 Linda Bradberry, Music Ministries
 Pam Dutch, Church Organist
 Wendy Crowell, Congregational Care
 Julie Lewis, Children's and Family Coordinator
 Tina Lancaster, Church Administrator
 and Financial Secretary
 Connie Clark, Nursery Director
 James Baughn, Church Host and Caterer
 Jill Sessions, Church Communications
 Jeanna Sargent, Receptionist and
 Administrative Assistant

Announcements



Aldersgate 50th Anniversary Cookbook Needs You!

Reserve your cookbook. You can re-
 serve your cookbook(s) by completing
 the yellow form and placing it in Tina
 Lancaster's box in the office. Forms
 are available in the office and around
 the church.
Delivery should be in late September.

**Brooke Epps was awarded the Lenora
 Strebeck Holloman Scholarship for this
 academic year.
 Congratulations Brooke!**

Mark your calendar and plan to be
 a part of our new 50th Anniversary
 Pictorial
 Directory. Scheduled dates are
 September 20th-24th, Tuesday-
 Saturday. Each participant will
 receive a free 8x10 or 5x7 photo
 and a Church Pictorial Directory.
 Look for sign-up information tables
 in the Education
 hallway.



TISSUES NEEDED

We are
 collecting
 small packs
 of tissues in
 the Family
 Life Center
 Lobby for the
 Lydia Project.

Taste of Aldersgate

*Come to the Sunday Family Supper on October 16
 at 6pm in the Family Life Center
 and sample the delicious offerings of our wonderful cooks.
 Dishes will be made by members using recipes from
 our 50th Anniversary Cookbook.*

Save the Date: Christmas Concert, December 11.



SAVE THE DATE
 We will be serving a
 Thanksgiving dinner to
 soldiers this November.
 Look for more information coming soon.
 Contact David Pitts for more information at
 (706) 738-3761.



Memorials & Honorariums

Pat Harrison
Charter Member
 Lib & Otha Gray

Inge & Bill Pierce
 Marcia Jennings

In Honor of the
Portinga Family
 Nancy Miller

In Honor of
Gloria & Al Stocks
 Anonymous

"People can be divided into three groups: Those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened." (John W. Newbern)

It's always a good idea to be informed and know what's happening in the financial life of the church.

We are right on track with our pledged giving to the General Fund. Giving to the General Fund supports all areas of ministry. Just as in our own home there are utility bills, maintenance, and repairs, the church has those very same obligations. Tithes and offerings, given to assist in the running and upkeep of the Lord's house, are needed and appreciated.

Our current loan balance is \$1,217,917.29. All funds given to the Building Fund will be directed toward the principal payment on the loan. The interest for the loan is figured into the budget and is supported with donations to the General Fund.

We have paid 100% of our apportionments and continue to pay all our bills on time. Praise God for that!

We're excited about our upcoming Stewardship Campaign, *Extravagant Generosity*. Please pray for our church as we seek to be good stewards of the blessings He has trusted to us.

God desires that we depend on Him, not on human resources and physical calculations alone (*I Chronicles 21:1-8*). Trusting God will sometimes mean not having all the answers in place.

The Lord's hand is not shortened at all, that it cannot save, nor His ear dull with deafness, that it cannot hear. Isaiah 58:1

If you're not receiving the weekly *Constant Contact* emails from the church, with financial information updates, call the church office and we'll add your e-mail to the list.

Serving Him and you gladly,
Tina Lancaster

Outreach Opportunities

Upcoming Mission Events

Mission Team Meeting
Monday, September 12 at 7 PM at Aldersgate

VA Wounded Warriors Cookout
Wednesday, September 14 at 12 PM in the Family Life Center
Contact Dave Pitts at davidtpitts@knology.net.

Mission to Mississippi Gulf Coast
Sept. 25-Oct. 1
Six slots available. This is the last trip to the area devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Contact: Dave Bolyard at 706-860-0889.



ENCOUNTER 11:00 am in the FLC

Come meet God in unexpected ways!

Come and check out the Encounter this month as we embark on a new series, "Guardrails," inspired by Andy Stanley.

September 11, Part 1: Direct and Protect

Violent marriages, harmful friendships, financial ruin or addiction; No one signs up for these things as they dream about their future. What steps does one take to make sure these things don't happen? We all need to set up a few guardrails. Come and hear the introduction to the series as we find out how we can take preventative measures to keep our lives on track.

September 25, Part 2: Why Can't We Be Friends

Friendships can be powerful! They can bless your life or bring dangerous consequences. With friends, we often drop our guards and become less careful. Because of vulnerability in this area, it would be smart to develop guardrails in the area of friendships. It's not easy, but it could save us from future pain.

Please join us for an exciting new study...

Discovering God's Will

How to Know You Are Heading in the Right Direction

by Andy Stanley

Sundays in room A4 at 9:45 am

Discussion will be led

by Dawn Jeffers and James Baughn

(no book necessary).



Senior Saints

Let's do it again!! "Honey from the Rock" that is. Many of us were unable to attend our May meeting there, so let's meet Thursday, September 22, at 12 pm at "Honey from the Rock" Café on Washington Rd. We will all purchase our own lunches.

We are blessed to have Tina Lancaster, our Church Administrator, and Shelley Martin, our Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, as our guests for this meeting. They will share with us about their ministries at Aldersgate. We will also discuss future programs for the Senior Saints.

So mark your calendar for a time of great food and fellowship. Please make reservations with Wendy Crowell at the church office.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS

- First Tuesdays at Monterey Mexican on Flowing Wells and Washington Rd.
Date: Sept. 6
Time: 6 p.m.
What: Ladies' Night Out with Heart 2 Heart sisters and anyone else who would care to join us.
- October 8 ~ Women of Faith Event at Trinity on the Hill UMC. Register at www.trinityonthehill.net.
- November 7 ~ 7 p.m. Fellowship at Dawn Jeffers. Bring a dish to share & relax before the holiday rush.

Children and Family Ministries—Julie Lewis, Coordinator
Contact (706) 993-0020 or jhl777@comcast.net



**Sundays This Fall
Bible Zone**

Multi-Purpose Room/FLC 5-6 PM
September 18, 25
October 2, 9, 16, 23
November 6
November 20, 27 No Zones
December 11, 18, 25 No Zones

Special Events

Children's Sabbath October 9 11 AM
Trunk or Treat October 30 4-6:30 PM
Advent Workshop November 13 4-6 PM
Birthday Party for Jesus December 4 5-6 PM



Music Ministries—Linda Bradberry, Director

MEMORIAL CONCERT
Sunday, September 11, 2011
First Baptist Church Sanctuary
6:30 PM

On this 10th anniversary of the 9/11 disaster, several area choirs including Aldersgate, will participate in a memorial service. The music will be patriotic and uplifting. An offering will be taken for the CSRA Wounded Warriors. Please attend and support our Aldersgate Chancel Choir in this community outreach project.



MUSIC MINISTRY
Sunday, September 18, 2011
JOIN A CHOIR TODAY!

YOUTH SINGERS (6th-12th): Bring a friend and meet in the choir room at Noon.

CHILDREN (K-5th): I hope to see many of you at 4 o'clock in the choir room. Zones will follow at 5:00 PM.

FAMILIES: Programs conclude at 6:00 and everyone is invited to dinner in the Family Life Center.

Wow, all that remains is bed time. ☺



Youth Ministry



Youth Sunday Night Kick-Off, September 18
In the Youth Lounge

4-6 PM: Middle School will meet
6-6:30 PM: Both middle school and high school students are invited to family dinners in the Family Life Center
6:30-8 PM: High school students meet

A full schedule for Fall was given at the parent luncheon on August 28.

YOUTH WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE Study

WE WILL CONTINUE TO MEET AT SHELLEY'S HOUSE FROM 7-8 PM. BRING YOUR BIBLES AND WE WILL DISCOVER GOD'S TRUTHS FOR OUR DAILY LIVES. MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WELCOME.

530 FARMINGTON DRIVE, EVANS GA 30809

Augusta District Youth Retreat,
September 16-18th, Grades 7-12

Aldersgate Youth will be joining Mosaic UMC and Harlem UMC for a District Retreat to be held in Crawfordville at A.H. Stephens campground. Guest speaker is the amazing Jasmine Smothers. We will be meeting at the church at 5:30PM and will stop for dinner on the way. More details will be coming from the district office soon, and I will be sure to share them with you. For all of you who can't come on Friday night, we will be bringing a van up on Saturday morning. Registration forms will be made available. Cost is \$50. We will return to the church by Noon on Sunday.

Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser
begins Saturday, October 15



Find the best scarecrow or pumpkin costume and get ready for a fall party! You guessed it, the pumpkin patch fundraiser is coming back. We need your help in making this the best one ever! Parents and Aldersgate families, we will need the gift of your time in volunteering to work the tables during this two and a half week event. Stay tuned for ways to sign up. The pumpkins will be delivered on Saturday, October 15 at 8AM. Youth, please arrive at 7:45AM and plan to stay until noon.

All profits will go to Aldersgate Youth to help with student scholarships for retreats and basic expenses of the youth ministry.

