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Methodist Church**
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We must not, in trying to think about how we can make a big difference, ignore the small daily differences we can make which, over time, add up to big differences that we often cannot foresee.
-Marian Wright Edelman

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July and August Calendar Inside!!!
September/October Calendar & Newsletter Submission
Deadline is August 15th.
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Join us for worship!
**Special Summer Schedule



9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Service
Pastor: Rev. Patricia Smith
969-0720

Educational Opportunities
Sunday Morning Classes
10:10am
Nursery: birth – age 3
Preschool: Age 4 – age 6
Way of the Child: ages 7 – age 12
Mid and Senior High
Twenty/Thirty Class
Friendship Class
Christian Service Class
Friends on a Journey

Cooper Memorial: Offering Hope and Love through Jesus

Cooper Memorial UMC Connections

July and August 2009

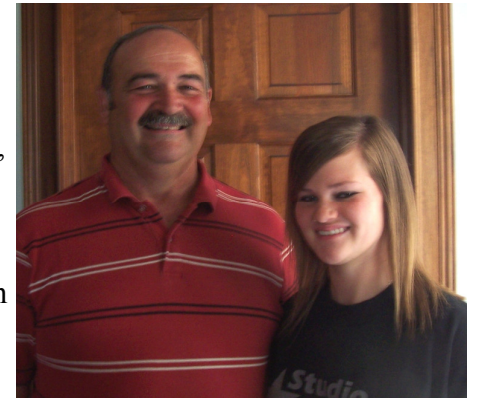
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Meet the Church...

Steve and Chelsea Mouser are baptized members of Cooper Memorial United Methodist Church. Steve was baptized as an adult in 1979, and Chelsea was baptized as an infant in 1992 and confirmed 10 years later. I mention these facts of baptism because we are called by God, through the act of baptism, to be in ministry in the world. We are to reach out to people through loving acts of service.

We began our initial mission work at Cooper when we were asked by Gertrude Westlin to join her in representing Cooper Memorial UMC on the representative board for a community service group called MUSCL. MUSCL stands for Ministries United South Central Louisville. We were able to assist Gertrude in continuing her ministry with MUSCL until her health finally prevented continued participation. Chelsea and I are more than happy to continue the work with MUSCL as best we can. In addition to attendance at the board meetings every other month, Steve delivers commodities to five families in the MUSCL area monthly. Chelsea is by far the youngest member of the board of representatives and is very well received by the other members. She was given the duty of recording secretary at one of our last meetings and did very well in recording the official minutes of the meeting. We are both looking forward to sharing with the congregation of Cooper Memorial UMC an informational video that is being professionally produced about MUSCL in which both have an active part. Chelsea's statement about community ministry being "taking church out of the church" was received as a highlight statement of the interviews.

MUSCL recently celebrated its 25th anniversary on May 9, 2009. About 75 persons that have played a role in the MUSCL ministry attended the celebration. There are currently 16 member churches that support this ministry. Funds are also received through various grants from the Metro government. Emergency assistance is provided to families by way of assistance with housing/rent monies, utility payments, food pantry, clothes closet, school supplies, meals on wheels, and commodity deliveries. Most of the work is accomplished through volunteers. There is a small staff that oversees the process that is followed to coordinate money disbursements and volunteers. We serve needy residents in the 40213, 40217, 40219, and 40229 zip codes. If you subscribe to the thought "charity begins at home", then MUSCL can provide service opportunities for anyone interested.



Steve and Chelsea Mouser



Coming this fall... Upward Soccer

To get more information or to be a part of this ministry, contact Donnie Mills or Becky Gent

It is a race to the heart of a child, and the first one there wins. Help us with the race for Christ.