

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 03	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship - Communion
Mar 06	10:00 a.m.	Homebound Communion
Mar 06	06:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
Mar 08-09		COF Estate Sale
Mar 10	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship
Mar 16	02:00 p.m.	Methodist Matinee
Mar 17	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship
Mar 21	06:30 p.m.	Game Nite
Mar 23	08:00 a.m.	Methodist Men's Breakfast
Mar 24	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship
Mar 31	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship - 5th Sunday Contemporary Service
Mar 31	11:00 a.m.	Traditional Methodist Covered Dish
Apr 07	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship - Communion
Apr 10	10:00 a.m.	Homebound Communion
Apr 11	06:30 p.m.	Game Nite
Apr 14	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship - Palm Sunday
Apr 16	TBD	Prayer Walk
Apr 17	7:00 am-7:00 pm	Day Of Prayer
Apr 18	06:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Apr 21	09:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday - HE IS RISEN!
Apr 22	06:30 p.m.	Long-Range Planning Meeting
Apr 26-27		COF Estate Sale
Apr 27	08:00 a.m.	Methodist Men's Breakfast
Apr 27	TBD	Movie Matinee
Apr 28	09:00 a.m.	Sabbath Worship



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Regular Scheduled Program

TUESDAY

- 8:30 am Prayer Group
- 9:30 am Exercise Group
- 5:15 pm Handbell Practice

WEDNESDAY

- 6:00 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY

- 9:15 am Exercise Group

METHODIST MESSENGER

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

LENT / EASTER SEASON BEGINS

March 3 begins the season of Lent this year. Lent is our season of preparation for Easter. We will begin with our traditional Ash Wednesday Service at 6:00 pm. Lent comes from the Old English word for spring. Lent offers us the opportunity to search our souls, repent of our sins, and restore, renew, and rededicate our lives to the Lord. That process begins with repentance. Ash Wednesday is a service of repentance. You will have the option of having ashes put on your forehead as a sign of your desire to repent and restore your relationship with God.

Our theme for this season of Lent is **Behold The Man**. This sermon series will lead us along the path with Jesus as He follows His calling by God and suffers the pain and turmoil of His walk to the cross. This will be a closer look at His humanity, an examination of all the things that give us clear evidence that Jesus was fully human as well as being fully divine. Join us for a fascinating look at all the different ways the Bible describes His humanity.

LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

3/6/19	Ash Wednesday	A God Who Hungers	Joel 2:12-19
3/10/19	1st Sunday in Lent	A God Who Prays	John 17
3/17/19	2nd Sunday in Lent	A God Beaten	John 18:19-24
3/24/19	3rd Sunday in Lent	A God Exposed	John 19:1-5,23,24
3/31/19	4th Sunday in Lent	A God With A Mother	John 19:25-27
4/7/19	5th Sunday in Lent	A God Who Thirsts	John 19:28-30
4/14/19	Palm Sunday	A God Who Bleeds	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
4/18/19	Maundy Thursday	A God Who Loves	John 13:1-17
4/21/19	Easter Sunday	A God Who Rises	John 20:1-18

HOLY WEEK PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the new prayer opportunities on Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week (see **Prayer Ministry** on page 2) and the privilege of praying for a specific person during March and April we will conclude our Holy Week observances with our Maundy Thursday Service on April 18 at 6pm which ends with a personal prayer time while the Sanctuary is stripped of all of its symbols and a black cloth is draped over the cross to remember Christ's death upon the cross. Your heart will be touched and moved. Join us as we dedicate ourselves this Lenten Season to expand our commitment to experience the presence of God in a new and deeper way and follow Him in becoming a people of Prayer.

Walking our path with the Lord together with you,
Randy and Rene'

Welcome, Welcome to our newest member, Kristi Whisenant, who joined our church on January 27. She is well acquainted with us since she has been playing in the Handbell Choir for several months. We are so happy to have you, Kristi, as the newest addition to our church family. Praise God!

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Sunday Morning

- 9:00 Worship Service
- 10:05 Refreshments
- 10:15 Sunday School

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Nursery - Dawn Stanley
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PRAYER CONCERNS

Please notify **Jan Wright**, prayer team coordinator, with any prayer, illness, or hospital concerns by calling **834-2410**.

CHURCH FAMILY

- Ranah Becker
- Gerry Blackman
- Randy & Rene Carrion
- Tim & Janie Meredith
- Ollie Murphy
- Rudy & Paula Seiley
- Kirstan Stanley
- Jerry Stewart
- Don Stockton

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Kristi Abshire
- Russell Anglin
- The Bailey's
- Renea Barber
- Ritchard Bean
- Tommy Clegg
- The Clotiaux's
- Joann Cooley
- Jim Crowley
- Wayne Dionne
- Lonnie Eggleston
- Melissa Forsythe
- Julie Franklin
- Nancy Gibson
- Marvin Gilbert
- Emmet Greene
- Tom Greene
- Sarah Hall
- Mark Heuser
- The Hickman's
- Dale Hickman
- Brayden Hicks
- Beverly Jones
- Ricky Keltz
- The LeBlanc's
- Aree Loa
- Gary Mannino
- George Marsh
- Brady McCoy
- Kari Pfaff
- The Post's
- Doug Pullen
- Dan Ramsey
- The Reed's
- Frances San Angelo
- Sheila Seiley
- Lois Sprayberry
- Neil Stephenson
- The Welch's
- Rene Williams
- Regina Woodrom

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer is the greatest tool that the Church has been given by God to use to accomplish His purposes in our lives and the lives of those around us. So during Lent and Holy week (4/15—4/20) we will be offering the congregation opportunities to experience some new ways to pray. Beginning Sunday, March 10, we will offer you the opportunity to place your name in our prayer basket and then draw another name out of the prayer basket to pray for during the month of March.

Our next event is a Prayer Walk on Tuesday, April 16, to walk around our church property. We will have a sign-up and we will meet to physically walk around our church and pray for many needs and concerns that surround our church and its ministries. Then on Wednesday, April 17, we will have our Day of Prayer in our Sanctuary from 7am-7pm. You may come at any time during the day and pray for needs that will be provided as well as your own personal needs. The Worship Committee will be available to assist. Join us as we learn to be a people of Prayer.

CIRCLE OF FAITH ESTATE SALE NEWS

Our next COF sale will be Friday and Saturday, March 8 & 9, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. daily. Early bird distribution of numbers will begin at 6:30 a.m. on Friday. Posting of details and location will be on our website and at the gate. If anyone is interested in having an estate sale, please call Ginny Anglin at 409-673-9049 for information.

Watch for a BIG SALE coming in April!

OUTREACH

Game Nite in March will be Thursday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m., and in April it will be the second Thursday, due to Maundy Thursday on the third Thursday.

The Methodist Matinee in March will feature a truly inspirational biopic on Billy Graham, **Billy: The Early Years**. This well-made film includes some notable actors including Armie Hammer, Martin Landau and Jennifer O'Neill. This is a movie you won't want to miss.

In April we anticipate another movie field trip to Beaumont to view **Breakthrough**, an inspirational drama of faith starring Chrissy Metz of the popular TV series **This Is Us**. The film also features Dennis Haysbert and Josh Lucas. We're hoping that this film will be playing at Tinseltown on Saturday, April 27, the weekend after Easter. The date & time will be confirmed later.

Our Outreach Food Item in March is cornbread kits, and in April we will donate toilet paper. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

PEW CUSHIONS

As we inch closer to our goal, we are so thankful to all of you who have supported this worthwhile cause. Our sanctuary is so very beautiful, and the additional of new pew cushions will only further enhance its beauty. The cushions are \$200 each, but any amount you want to give is deeply appreciated. You can give "in memory of" or "in honor of" a loved one by completing a Memorial Contribution form. Thank you for your support.

HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF

Linda Stewart & Joyce Lyon



*"Earth has no sorrow
Heaven cannot heal."*

MUSIC CORNER

RINGING IN THE GOOD NEWS

The Handbell Choir played for our last service in February, and what a joyful melody to the Lord. Thank you ladies and gentlemen for sharing your talent with our church. We are always so blessed when you play and in awe of your bell ringing skill. We cannot wait until your next performance.

SINGING HIS PRAISES

We are excited to have new choir members joining the ranks. They have given us added strength and encouragement as we share with you. It's always a blessing to watch God provide. I know there are still some of you that are being nudged by God to share your gifts and talents with us. We will always have a place for you. We are excited to share God's blessings with you during this Lent and Easter season. See you Sunday!

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!" (Psalm 66:1-2)

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Our first Potluck Lunch, aka the traditional Methodist Covered Dish, will be Sunday, March 31, after our 5th Sunday Service and Sunday School. Bring a family favorite to share; if you are not a cook, please come anyway. Family Ministries has a "Tip Jar" to help buy needed supplies and you are welcome to fill the jar! Our church has some of the best cooks around and it is so much fun to get a taste of so many different dishes. Please note that the dessert table is always awesome.

-- Carol Smith & Wilma Walton

VITAL SIGNS OF THE CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP	BUDGET PERFORMANCE		BIBLESTICK GIVING	
	JAN	YTD		
New Members YTD	1		It is exciting to announce that our church gave an amazing total of \$1,580 to this worthwhile endeavor. With matching funds from a donor, 126 Service Members will receive BibleSticks! I have never seen a more giving church than this one. Thank You!	
Members Lost YTD	5			
Total as of 2/19/2019	165			
	Contributions	\$ 14,453		\$ 14,453
	Expenses	10,951		10,951
	Difference	\$ 3,502	\$ 3,502	
	2019 Budget	\$178,119		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March Birthdays

- 03 Fran Cole
- 04 Kathlynn Schultz
- 04 Bill Green
- 16 Jack Barbee
- 17 Ron Turner
- 21 Stacey Richards
- 24 Paula Seiley
- 31 Betty Barbee

April Birthdays

- 01 Jerry Stewart
- 02 Rowland Priddy
- 03 Jim Horn
- 04 Kirstan Stanley
- 05 Mike Huddle
- 09 Zach Cheney
- 12 Betty Tupper
- 12 Dawn Stanley
- 14 Don Schreiber
- 16 Jack Pedigo
- 25 Barney Gaspard
- 25 Larry Dixon
- 27 Elizabeth Hodge



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



March Anniversaries

- 02 Robert & Ollie Erickson
- 22 David & Jolene Zornoza

April Anniversaries

- 11 Harold & Marilyn Woodrom
- 11 Rowland & Jackie Priddy
- 12 Gary & Debie Gregory
- 26 Loren & Max Clay