

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 17	6:30pm	Game Night
May 21	6:30 pm	Church Council
May 24-26	8:00 am	COF Estate sale at home of Don and Barb Hickman in Ivanho
May 26	8:00 am	Methodist Men's Breakfast
May 28	Office Closed	Memorial Day
June 16	2:00 pm	Methodist Matinee
June 21	6:30 pm	Game Night
June 23	8:00 am	Methodist Men's Breakfast



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Regular Scheduled Program

TUESDAY

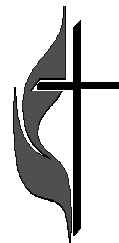
- 8:30 am Prayer Group
- 9:30 am Exercise Group
- 5:15 pm Handbell Practice

WEDNESDAY

- 6:00 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY

- 9:30 am Exercise Group



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METHODIST MESSENGER

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

BLESSINGS BRING OPPORTUNITIES

We have had an amazing start to 2018. The Lord continues to shower us with many wonderful blessings. The ministry of the church continues to expand, which gives us the opportunity to reach more people with the message of Christ.

Some of the blessings that we have experienced already this year, with just a third of the year behind us, are; 1) we have welcomed 12 new members. 2) we have completed our Sanctuary Renovation Project. 3) We have expanded our office workers from one to three. 4) We are continuing to lead the community in Flood Relief efforts. We have provided all of the meals for the Relief Workers since day one. 5) Our finances have been strong enough to fully pay for renovations and a number of other projects still to be completed. OUR GOD IS AWESOME !

Now here is the opportunity that both challenges and invigorates us to be the best that we can be. I was inspired and challenged by our Bishop recently to consider what kind of church we are and more importantly the kind of church we want to be. We have the choice to sit back and enjoy our many blessings or we can step up and allow God to use these blessings to bring others into the kingdom. As the Bishop put it; "do we want to be a Country Club Church or a Mission Outpost Church." Well I decided and I hope you will too, to be a Mission Outpost Church.

Very simply put that means that all of our current programs and future plans will be operated with a set of mission goals to guide our ministry.

For example;

- 1) Our most obvious place to begin is with our newly renovated sanctuary. What will we do with our new expanded facilities to reach out to our community? Will we just enjoy more room in our worship services, or will we plan community events to take advantage of newly created space. Like concerts, youth oriented plays, children's choir, and combined adult choir productions.
- 2) Will we simply invite our new members into our fellowship or will we invite them to join us on this mission journey?
- 3) We will use our finances to just bless us or will we invest in others even though there is no financial gain in sight.

The possibilities are endless and so are the opportunities to reach others for Christ.

Let me remind you of the Mission Statement that has been the cornerstone of our ministry for many years: **We are a warm and loving fellowship of Christian disciples dedicated to filling all hearts with God's love.** God has more love to give and so do we!

Don't forget Hebrews 13:2 **"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it."** So lets entertain some angels together!!

Loving and Serving with you, Randy and Rene'

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Sunday Morning

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

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Handbell Director-Jeanne Jones

Organist-Barry Johnson

Pianist-Paula Seiley

Nursery - Dawn Stanley

Custodian- Darlen Sumrall

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Please notify **Jan Wright**, prayer team coordinator, with any prayer, illness, or hospital concerns. **409-834-2410**

CHURCH MEMBERS

- Gerry Blackman
- Juanita Bridwell
- Randy & Rene Carrion
- Joann Cooley
- Jane Forsythe
- Debbi Gregory
- Don & Barb Hickman
- Jim Horn
- Barry & Patti Johnson
- Tim & Janie Meredith
- Jesse & DeLissa Munoz
- Ollie Murphy
- Alberta Pedigo
- Ray Reid
- Kirstan Stanley

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Kristi Abshire Kathy Attaway
- Kenny & Brandy Bailey
- Jennifer Bertrand
- Tim & Lynne Blount
- Sherry Burkes Margaret Chesson
- Tommy Clegg Kristen Dauzat
- Eric Dennis
- Wayne Dionne Ruth Fletcher
- Debbie Ford
- Wendy Gray Emmet Greene
- Joel Hebert
- Dale Hickman Beverly Jones
- Ricky Keltz George Marsh
- Erica Odom
- Melissa Parker Blake Rebert
- Eldon & Christine Reed
- George & Kandy Sanner
- Art Sontag
- Lois Sprayberry Bob Tate
- Josh Wells
- Gordon & Peggy Welch
- Regina Woodrom

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

CHURCH FAMILY

METHODIST MATINEE

Methodist Matinee will be not be held in May due to many conflicts but we will resume June 16th. Lots of snacks, fun and fellowship.. Great movies too. Usual time is 2:00pm unless we take a field trip to the theater.

GAME NIGHT!

We will have game night on May17th and June21st. Bring your favorite snack to share and a new game to share, if not we have lots to choose from.

Time is 6:30pm

OUTREACH

May item is Tuna Helper And June is Hamburger Helper We received over 200 cornbread mixes in March and 281 Mac and Cheese in April. Thanks to everyone for your support and keep up the good work.

Methodist Men

Our Methodist Men will have regular Saturday morning breakfast and program on May 26th and June 23rd at 8:00am. All men are invited to participate in this wonderful time of fellowship,

Vacation Time

It is time for everyone to start traveling. Whatever your destination please stay safe and have fun but return home to us for you will be missed while you are away.

Summer Travel

Please save your unused personal care items from hotels and place them in the outreach box. These things are used at Anayat House and Reaud House for hospital patient's families who stay there.

MUSIC CORNER

CHOIR

Art Walton, Director

The choir will take a break from rehearsals and performances from **May 27 through August 15**. I want to thank everyone for their faithfulness this past year, and look forward to getting back to rehearsals in August. I hope you all have a safe and fun vacation.

HANDBELLS

Jeanne Jones, Director

Our Handbell Choir will play on **May 20th** and will then take off for the summer. Thanks for all of your hard work and please return next season.

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

VITAL SIGNS OF THE CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MARCH 2018 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

MEMBERSHIP	BUDGET PERFORMANCE		OTHER ITEMS IN JAN.	
	March	YTD		
Total Net Membership			Checking Acct.	\$ 120,274
<u>April 2017</u> <u>April 2018</u>			Money Market Fund	\$ <u>10,086</u>
164 175	Contributions	\$12,961 \$40,639	Total	\$ 130,360
Worship Average	Expenses	\$11,318 \$38,694	Restricted Funds	\$ <u>-31,728</u>
<u>April 2017</u> <u>April 2018</u>	Difference	\$ 1,643 \$ 1,945	Available Funds	\$ 98,632
81 75	2018 Budget	\$ 167,373		
Sunday School Average				



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

May		June		May
1 Kathy McDonough	8 Kristyn Jones	10 Nicole Jornet	26 Barney & Sandra Gaspard	
12 Carol Sue Smith	11 Wilma Walton	12 Lisa Keltz		
15 Hanna Wood	16 Sandra Gaspard	15 David Zornoza		
16 Doris O'Quinn		16 Tristan Stanley		
17 Hope Wood		19 Eldon Reed		
19 Rene' Carrion		23 Justan Stanley		
30 Rudy Seiley		26 Scott Becker		
31 Jan Smith				
				June
				7 Wayne & Edith Tutt
				11 Rudy & Paula Seiley
				15 Duane & Mary Jo Bales
				18 Gil & Madell Jornet
				23 Scott & Rahna Becker
				30 Brady & Merline McCoy