

THE MESSENGER
First United Methodist Church
Loving Christ, Loving others, Serving God
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September 11, 2019

Jesus's church is full of gifted people! This truth is sometimes difficult to see, especially when we only look at ourselves using our perspective. We are guilty of comparing ourselves to others, rather than seeing our own gifts.

Of course, it is important that we know our own giftedness for the sake of Christ's Kingdom and work. 1 Corinthians 12 reminds us of this reiterating that the Church is a body of members, arranged by God as He chose. This indicates that each of us play a vital role in the life and betterment of the entire body. This can be done through the use of spiritual gifts.

We have found a free online spiritual gifts assessment for you. Members of Batesville First UMC may go to www.lifethrive.com, click on "free assessment" tab, scroll to "Spiritual Gifts Inventory," take the assessment, and bring a copy to share with Bro. Kerry by the office or drop them off to Tracy. No one else will see these assessments, but Bro. Kerry will take them into account for the upcoming nominations. While spiritual gifts and abilities often overlap, this assessment gives us the opportunity to see where God might be willing to lead you and use your gifts for the Church. Additionally, these assessments give you an ability to see where you are right now and where you hope to be serving later down the road.

These assessments do not restrict our ministries together, but give us a place to begin, to experiment with identified strengths for ministry, and begin to find our lives more fully in Jesus.

Grace and peace,
Kerry

YOUTH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 15

5:00 P.M.-UMYF "Connected", Activities Building

Monday, September 16

3:30 P.M.-Jr. High & Sr. High Boys' Man Cave, Activities Building

6:00 P.M.-Youth Singers, Choir Room

Wednesday, September 18

5:30 P.M.-UMYF "Rooted", Activities Building



CAMP LAKE STEPHENS

Children's Retreat: Unashamed

October 12-13, 2019

Cost: \$90 per person

3rd Grade-6th Grade

Each child will get a free t-shirt! Please call Mrs. Haley by September 24 with t-shirt size and to register your child for this retreat. Parents will need to pay a \$45 deposit for the retreat. Mrs. Haley is the speaker for this retreat.

PARENTS: Please make an effort to drop your children off to their Sunday School class at 9:45 and pick them up from their classroom at 10:30.

CONGRATULATIONS

George and Madison Greenlee Inmon of Nashville, TN are pleased to announce the arrival of their son Jude Thomas. He was born on August 21 and weighed 7 lbs. Grandparents are Eddie and Darlene Greenlee of our congregation and Melvin and Rebecca Inmon of Greenville, MS. Great grandparents are Tom and Betty Greenlee of our congregation, Betty Malavasi of Marks, MS and JoAnn Boykin of Hollandale, MS.

LIBRARY NEWS

No time to read? Maybe you should make time to review tips for balancing life, love, kids, and career in Succeeding as a Super Busy Parent. (Reference A GAH)

**UNITED METHODIST MEN-BREAKFAST & SPEAKER
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
7:30 AM, FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Do you love children and want to serve our church with our future generations? We are looking for 2 individuals to work afternoons from 4-6 pm. To apply, call Director April Williams at 662-710-7285.



PIC-COLLAGE

PRAYER REQUEST

MEMBERS: George & Trina Caffey, Latitia Hopper, Rosemary Woodall, Kate Meacham, Laverne Briscoe, Austin Pointer, J.R. Bolton, Dinah Dugger, Hannah Welch, Charlie Overton, Bo Hansen, Jane Hentz, Lee & Anna Chambers, Meg King, Mary Haberman, Betty Flint, Christy Hansen, Collins Bailey, Doris Shields, Amy Franklin, Ann Trusty, Sally Reid, Hazel Weed, Christopher Baker, Bonnie Land, Trey McGovern, Steve Still, Eloise Rollins, John M. Mothershed, Ellis Byrd, Mary Moody

FRIENDS: Ellen Embry, Shelly Few, Roxanne Broome Brown, Candy Hopper, Linda Fratesi, Claire Gant, Marvin Vaughn, Lyle Collins (Cindy Jones' uncle), Wilma Hentz, Austin Walthal, Kim Dean, Atlean Holman (friend of Janet Flint), Jim Baronowski & Family (friends of Bill Dugger), Dean Joiner (Ryna Smith's brother), Emma Katelyn Morton (Ryna Smith's niece), Marcia Kilpatrick, David Still, Kim Dean, Dawson Turner, Joey Haire, Chris Jamison, Brenda May (Scoot Wilson's daughter), V. K. Smith (Evelyn Wofford's son-in-law), Kristen Flores, Peggy Burnett (Chris Burnett's mom), Lee Garner, Sr., Don Haire, Carlee Griste, Jimmy Eubanks (friend of Sue Womble), Edna Rice (aunt of Tom & Rosemary Womble), Amy Mullins, Robbie Stewart (Phyllis Floyd's son-in-law), Mike Kimbriel, Steve Durr, Shelda Murphree (sister-in-law of Vivian Bridges), Bobby Burkhalter

Military Call-Up: Jeffrey Brown, Jordan Kemp, Jessie Stanley, Dennis Adams, Sam Riddell

SYMPATHY

We express our Christian sympathy and love to Lent and Linda Thomas, Tripp Thomas and family at the death of their son and brother Monty Thomas who passed away on September 4.

Help wanted!

2 Men Directors for 2019-20 Upward Basketball!

*(Marsha Wren & Marni
McKenzie will be your
assistants!)*

This is a GREAT community outreach ministry, but since it's largely adolescent boys, we need **male** directors present. Please pray about stepping up to this lead role!

**24 coaches and assistants also
needed! Practices start in
November, with an 8-game
season.**

7th-12th Boys & Girls leagues.

**Call or text: 561-2481 (Marni)
934-0731 (Marsha)**

**Email: marni@cableone.net to
volunteer or for more info.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 12-C. J. Bickerstaff, Meagan McMinn
September 13-Lily Avery, Joanne Autrey, Christy Burnett, Ezra Carpenter
September 14-Paul Savage, Jr., Carlyle Graves Thomas, Jemma Wright, Andy Young
September 15-Holden Daleke, Tyler Hamby, Sarah McCulloch
September 16-Whit Byrd Bright, Olivia Cole, Brantley Poland, Rita Willingham
September 17-Gil Bridges
September 18-Cheryl Beene, Blake Herring, Mitchell Houston, Ashley S. O'Neil, Kelley Robison, Bradley Turner, Brooke Lummus Wright

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 12-M/M George Caffey, M/M Blake Shipp
September 14-M/M John Howell, M/M Drew Wilson

September 15-Acolytes

8:30 A.M.
Hailey Heafner/Anna Clay Worsham

10:55 A.M.
Reid Morris

September 15-Ushers

8:30 A.M.
Josh Hawkins/Richy Craven
Ronnie Goforth/Eric Avery

10:55 A.M.
Bart Broome/Monroe Pointer
Joel Rice/Chic Savage

Security Team

Dennis Land/Asa Tucker
Kevin Sayle/Josh Vick

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 11

- 3:30 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building
- 5:30 P.M.-UMYF "Rooted", Activities Building
- 5:45 P.M.-Handbells
- 6:45 P.M.-Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 12

- 12:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 15

- 7:30 A.M.-United Methodist Men, Fellowship Hall
- 8:30 A.M.-Early Morning Worship
- 9:30 A.M.-Fellowship with Coffee & Donuts, Activities Building

Building

- 9:45 A.M.-Sunday School
- 9:45 A.M.-Acolyte Training
- 10:55 A.M.-Morning Worship
- 5:00 P.M.-UMYF "Connected", Activities Building
- 6:00 P.M.-Evening Worship

Monday, September 16

- 10:00 A.M.-FUMC Gospel Choir, Choir Room
- 3:30 P.M.-Jr. High & Sr. High Boys' Man Cave, Activities Building
- 5:30 P.M.-Upward Basketball Registration, Activities Building

Building

- 6:00 P.M.-Youth Singers, Choir Room

Tuesday, September 17

- 9:00 A.M.-Staff Meeting
- 5:30 P.M.-Upward Basketball Registration, Activities Building

Building

- 7:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 18

- 3:30 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building
- 5:30 P.M.-UMYF "Rooted", Activities Building
- 5:45 P.M.-Handbells
- 6:45 P.M.-Chancel Choir

Financial Report for September 8, 2019

2019 Budget	\$1,040,865.00
Budget Amt. Needed Weekly	20,016.63
Budget Amt. Needed to Date	710,615.31
Budget Amt. Offering	13,567.20
Budget Amt. Rec'd to Date	518,581.20

"Light shines in the darkness for the godly. They are generous, compassionate and righteous." ~ Psalm 112:4, NLT

Attendance for September 8, 2019

Sunday School	202
Morning Worship	280
8:30 A.M.	180
10:55 A.M.	84
Nursery	12
Security	4
Evening Worship	57

MORNING WORSHIP

"Disciples Count the Cost"
 Luke 14:25-33
 Kerry Powell

EVENING WORSHIP

Kerry Powell



**YOU ARE A PIECE OF
 GOD'S PLAN!!!!**

OWLS
 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
 12:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP
 HALL

