

# THE MESSENGER

## First United Methodist Church

*Loving Christ, Loving others, Serving God*

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February 10, 2021

*Love*

is patient love is kind  
it always protects  
always trusts  
always hopes  
always perseveres

*Love never fails.*

1 Corinthians 13: 4, 7-8



### EXTRAVAGANT LOVE

The love St. Paul describes in 1 Corinthians 13 is “no mild, tepid thing,” writes Mark Buchanan in *Your Church Is Too Safe* (Zondervan). “It is no flight of fancy, no frisson of giddiness, no mere ruffle of sensation. This love is neither nice nor prissy nor fragile nor coy. This love is fierce and wild and dangerous and unbreakable. It is sublime and subversive. It is indefatigable and undefeatable. It is nothing less than the love God has for you, to bind you and to loose you, to take you captive and then set you free. This love is extravagant.”

*The Newsletter Newsletter, February 2017*



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

6:00 PM, SANCTUARY

Please use the following link to register your attendance for Ash Wednesday.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ash-wednesday-service-tickets-139536759203>

Ash Wednesday is the day to put out our Easter crosses. If you are new to our church and would like a cross, come by the church office to pick one up. If you have previously had a cross and you have misplaced it, you can get a new one for \$5.

### LENTEN LUNCH

Our Lenten lunches start on Wednesday, February 24 at Noon in the fellowship hall. Our first speaker is Morgan Spencer from the Pope Charge.

No food or drinks will be offered by the church. You will need to bring your lunch.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Ed and Edee Temple are pleased to announce the arrival of their new granddaughter Lydia Duke Temple. Lydia is welcomed by her parents William and Laura Temple of Huntsville, AL. She was born on February 1, weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

### EASTER LILIES

It's time to order Easter Lilies. Please call the church office (563-4535) or email [firstumc@panola.com](mailto:firstumc@panola.com) if you would like to put a lily in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone.

### YOUTH NEWS

6th & 7th GRADE YOUTH AND PARENTS:

Confirmation classes start THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 during Sunday school in the YOUTH WORSHIP ROOM (Room 410). Confirmation Sunday is Sunday, March 28.

### CHILDREN'S NEWS

Level 5 Sign Up began on February 7! Parents, registration forms have been mailed. Please send the registration form to Haley by March 7. If you need one for your 5th grader or for a friend contact Haley. You can call the church 563-4535 or email Haley [batesvillefirstkids@gmail.com](mailto:batesvillefirstkids@gmail.com).

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FUNDRAISER EASTER COOKIE KITS

The children's ministry will be taking pre-orders for Easter Cookie Kits February 1-March 21. Kits include 12 cookies, some icing, and sprinkles for decorating. Cost is \$30. Pick up is on Palm Sunday. If you would like to order a kit, email Haley at [batesvillefirstkids@gmail.com](mailto:batesvillefirstkids@gmail.com) with your name, contact number, contact email and number of kits you wish to order. You can pay by cash, check or use Pushpay on the church's app. There are instructions on Pushpay on how to designate your payment.

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We need a Sunday School teacher for THIRD GRADE. If you would like to share your love for Jesus and His word with a great group of kids, now is your chance! Call Louise Powers 662-267-7556, and she will give you all the information.

## PRAYER REQUEST

**MEMBERS:** Joyce Ingram Casillas, Phyllis Floyd, Soren Bowie, John Mason, Sara Rogers, Mary Haberman, Bart Broome, Mary Katherine Baglan, Felicity Flint, Bonnie Johnson, Asa Tucker, Bobby Baker, Trey Hamby, Libba Byrd, Gary Walton, Collins Bailey, Thurman Stone, Faye Rich, Vivian Bridges, Tommie Sue Heafner, Delores Dugger Howze, Loree Tucker, Laverne Briscoe, J.R. Bolton, Hannah Welch, Bo Hansen, Jane Hentz, Ann Trusty, Hazel Weed, Christopher Baker, Eloise Rollins, Ellis Byrd

**FRIENDS:** Beth McCown Hipps, Maxine Thaggard, Jana Waller (Margaret Moore's niece), Reba Johns (Drew Herring's grandmother), Peggy Burnett, Rev. John and Gladys Bowie, Steve Plier, Wanda Lowery, Katy Smith (Haley Lowery's cousin), Patty Wilson (Hollie's mom), Jason Evans, Don Haynes, Doyle Manning, Dean Joiner (Ryna Smith's brother), Bill Elmore (Kelly Robison's dad), Hailey Morton (niece of Ryna Smith), Cody Gaines, Andy Hyland, Gloria Eddins (Mary Seale's mom), Bob Dickerson, Mary Neal (Elizabeth Dean's sister), Jayda Jenkins (niece of Ryna Smith), Brenda May (Scoot Wilson's daughter), Kim Airhart, Richard Baker (Christopher Baker's brother), Peyton McMinn (Pat Hardy's great-niece), Billy Shankle, Dennis Lightsey, Beth Johnson, Lisa Bragg, Willie Campbell (a parent in our Upward family), Amelia Spires (friend of Lee & Beth Garner), Chris McCarter, Ellen Embry, Shelly Few, Candy Hopper, Marvin Vaughn, Wilma Hentz, Austin Walthal, Kim Dean, Atlean Holman (friend of Janet Flint), Jim Baronowski & Family (friends of Bill Dugger)  
**Military Call-Up:** Thomas Bass, Carson Bass (grandsons of Calvin & Janet Flint)

**Our prayer list needs to be updated! Please call the church office (563-4535) and give us an update on anyone you have added to the prayer list. Anyone that has been on the prayer list for a year or longer will be taken off.**

## PRAYER TIME IN THE CHAPEL

The chapel will be open on Wednesdays during lent from 11:30-1:15. Prayer cards will be in the chapel with prayer

needs listed.

## *Happy Birthday*

February 11-Mary Jane Chapman, Griffin Pitcock, Brady Summers, Layton Wells, Elane Westfaul  
February 12-Travis Carpenter, Cele Meacham Carothers, Andi Belle Flint, Andrew Wright  
February 15-Benjamin Cole, Peyton Neal, June Palmer  
February 16-Darlene Greenlee, Vernon Herron, Christy Vinson Malatesta, James Moffatt, Crystal Allgood Ray, Sara Trotter  
February 17-Brad Baker, Aubrianna Craven

## *Happy Anniversary*

February 15-M/M Edwin Thomas  
February 17-M/M Tommy Wells

## February 14-Nursery Volunteer

Christy Burnett

## February 14-Acolytes

**8:30 A.M.**

Clay Russo/Warren Burnett

**10:55 A.M.**

Maggie Lea Thompson/  
Graham Overton

## February 14- Security Team

Glenn Gray/Mike Dulin  
Glen Gibson/Ronnie Goforth

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to God's glory and given in honor of Brandon Cole and Rebekah Gray. They are given by Chris, Christy, Jenna Grace and Warren Burnett.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Wednesday, February 10

**3:00 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building**

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

### Thursday, February 11

**9:00 A.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Education Building**

**12:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Education Building**

### Sunday, February 14 \*\*

**8:30 A.M.-Early Morning Worship**

**9:30 A.M.-Sunday School**

**9:30 A.M.-Confirmation Classes, Room 410 (Youth Worship Room)**

**10:55 A.M.-Morning Worship**

**6:00 P.M.-Evening Worship**

### Tuesday, February 16

**9:00 A.M.-Fellowship Quilters, Activities Building**

**12:00 P.M.-OWLS, Fellowship Hall**

**7:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Education Building**

### Wednesday, February 17

**3:00 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building**

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

**6:00 P.M.-Ash Wednesday Service**

**8:30**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/worship-at-batesville-first-umc-tickets-140919396709>

**10:55**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/worship-at-batesville-first-umc-tickets-140919773837>

**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**  
**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP**  
*February 14, 2021*  
**8:30 A.M. & 10:55 A.M.**

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**  
**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**  
**INVOCATION**  
**\*THE COMMUNITY GIVES PRAISE TO GOD**

**8:30**

“Lord of the Dance” (vs. 1-3) #261  
“O Praise the Name (Anastasis)” Drew Herring

**10:55**

“Lord of the Dance” (vs. 1-3) #261  
“Open My Eyes, That I May See” (vs. 1-3) #454

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS**

**MOMENTS OF PRAYER**

**PRAYER CONCERNS AND SILENT**

**MEDITATION**

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** #895

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**

Hollie Roberson/Sabrina Morris

**SCRIPTURE**

Luke 9:28-45

**Pastor: THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF**

**GOD.**

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**SERMON** “Transfiguration and Tragedy” Kerry Powell

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** “I Surrender All” #354

**BENEDICTION**

**THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**To get a copy of the hymns:**

Go to the website [hymnsite.com](http://hymnsite.com) and where it shows "Quick Hymn Search" at the top of page, type the number of the hymn in the box and click search, it will bring you to a link to click the song page.

**Financial Report for February 7, 2021**

2021 Budget	\$955,515.00
Budget Amt. Needed Weekly	18,375.29
<b>Budget Amt. Needed to Date</b>	<b>110,251.74</b>
Budget Amt. Offering	22,159.00
<b>Budget Amt. Rec'd to Date</b>	<b>107,539.67</b>

**Remember you can give online!**

**<https://batesvillefumc.com> and click on the “Give” tab.**

**OR**

**You can mail your tithes and offerings to P O Box 797, Batesville, MS 38606**

**Join us for online worship on our website**

**([www.batesvillefumc.com](http://www.batesvillefumc.com)), Facebook**

**([Facebook.com/Batesvillefumc](https://www.facebook.com/Batesvillefumc)), and our YouTube Channel (Batesville First United Methodist Church)**



**OWLS**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16**  
**12:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**GUMBO!!!!**