

THE MESSENGER
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September 15, 2021

Hello everyone! The music ministry of Batesville FUMC has been growing! Things are moving along smoothly and going well. I wanted to take a minute to share with you everything that is going on:

The Chancel Choir started meeting towards the end of the summer, and choir members have spent the past several weeks leading worship in both the 8:30 and 10:55 services. In response to higher COVID numbers in our community, the choir has adjusted by singing in smaller groups and rehearsing in the sanctuary, allowing us to be more spread out, and the smaller groups rehearse at different times. We have 15 members total.

The Handbell Choir began rehearsals in August and plans to play in worship this Sunday!

We have started back Wonderful Wednesdays! The children have been participating in music as part of the Worship Readiness portion. We will soon also begin learning music to lead in worship for our Children's Sabbath in October!

It is a joy each week to lead music with you and worship. It is such a blessing to have Hollie and Sabrina helping to lead each week as well. What an asset they are to our church! An extra thank you goes to Garrison and Elliot Gray as they have been helping

lead congregational music in the 8:30 service as well. And a special thank you to the Youth who have shared in singing the past couple of months. I would also like to thank our sound and media teams for their efforts which enable everything to go smoothly.

When you see any of these who use their time and talents to serve our church in Music Ministry, please thank them for their dedication and share with them what a blessing they are to you and/or our church! I am so grateful to be able to serve along with them. For you and all these, I give thanks to God. He is good and worthy of our praise!

Have a great week and see you Sunday!

Brooke

UNITED METHODIST MEN
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
7:30 A.M., FELLOWSHIP HALL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
6:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY NEWS

Each month we will be learning a new memory verse in Wonderful Wednesday. Our verse for September is: "Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, 'Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.'" Mark 9:35

LIBRARY NEWS

Prescriptions for the headaches and heartaches of parenting can be found in [Pills for Parents in Pain](#). See section A EZE



"Pray for all people. Ask God to help them, intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them ." ~ 1 Timothy 2:1, NLT

The Prayer Walk is scheduled for this Sunday, September 19 at 4:30 p.m. We will meet at the portico of the church.

PRAYER REQUEST

MEMBERS: Rosa Lee Canon, Ryna Smith, Ellis Byrd, Vivian Bridges, W. A. Allgood, Faye Rich, Glenda and Collins Bailey, Mary Haberman, Bart Broome, Mary Katherine Baglan, Felicity Flint, Bonnie Johnson, Asa Tucker, Libba Byrd, Gary Walton, Thurman Stone

FRIENDS: Sandra Turner, Jessica Byrd, Runt McMinn, Jillian Szerkins, Darrell Martin, Christy Collins, Allen Warwick, Olivia Billingsley Leow, John Farrish, Lucille Price, Darlene Lawrence (Magan Shipp's mom), Kim Thompson, Hayward Lee Harmon, Lisa Bragg, Maxine Thaggard, Reba Johns (Drew Herring's grandmother), Peggy Burnett, Rev. John and Gladys Bowie, Steve Plier, Wanda Lowery, Patty Wilson (Hollie's mom), Jason Evans, Don Haynes, Bill Elmore (Kelly Robison's dad), Cody Gaines, Andy Hyland, Gloria Eddins (Mary Seale's mom), Brenda May (Scoot Wilson's daughter), Kim Airhart

SYMPATHY

We express our Christian sympathy and love to Dottye Hammett and family at the death of her brother Robert (Bobby) Wilborn Shaheen of Senatobia who passed away on September 8.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the following people for being so helpful to me during my illness: Jay Amis, Trina and George Caffey, Carolyn Ferrell, Candy and Kenny Hopper, Becky Meacham, Greg Ross, Kaye Smythe, Angela Swindoll, Brooke, Mason, and Ann Elise Wright.

I would also like to thank Josh Bright, Chris Burnett and Jeff Magee for being wonderful servants of God and for the things they did to help me in my time of need!

Sincerely, Mitzi Still

POINSETTIA ORDERS

Once again we are taking pre-orders for poinsettias. If you would like to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone during the Advent season, please call the church office (563-4534) or email the office (firstumc@panola.com). The cost is \$18. The deadline to order is September 30. Please make checks payable to First UMC



We are postponing OWLS until October 25. We are still planning to have a "Great Western Roundup" when we meet again! See you in October!

Happy Birthday

September 16-Whit Byrd Bright, Olivia Cole, Brantley Poland, Rita Willingham

September 17-Gil Bridges

September 18-Cheryl Beene, Blake Herring, Kelley Robison, Bradley Turner, Brooke Wright

September 19-Robert Dunlap, Dottie Overton

September 20-Jeana F. Burchfield, Edwin Flint, Jr., Olivia Billingsley Leow, Paul Savage, Sr., Kaye Smythe, Daniel Wren

September 21-Dallas Allgood, Will Dunlap, Harry Guckert, Michael Taylor, Rush Wilbanks

Happy Anniversary

September 21-M/M Scottie Morrow

September 22-M/M Dave Billingsley

September 19-Nursery Volunteer

Brandon & Joanna Cole

September 19-Acolytes

8:30 A.M.

Clay Russo/Rhett Thomas

10:55 A.M.

September 19-Ushers

8:30 A.M.

Chris Smith/Mack Stallings
Tripp Thomas/Lent Ervin Thomas

10:55 A.M.

Ed Dean/Brad Greenlee
Eddie Greenlee/Harry Guckert

September 19- Security Team

Clint Egbert/Brian Kasch
Kevin Sayle/Josh Vick

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 15

3:00 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building (Drop Off)
Wonderful Wednesday PICK UP is in the PARLOR.
5:30 P.M.-Handbells
5:30 P.M.-UMYF “Rooted”, Activities Building
6:30 P.M.-Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 16

12:00 P.M.-Explorer’s Bible Study

Sunday, September 19

7:30 A.M.-United Methodist Men, Fellowship Hall

8:30 A.M.-Early Morning Worship

9:30 A.M.-Fellowship with Coffee and Donuts,

Activities Building

9:45 A.M.-Sunday School

10:55 A.M.-Morning Worship

6:00 P.M.-Evening Worship

Monday, September 20

1:30 P.M.-Prayer Shawl Ministry, Parlor

Tuesday, September 21

6:00 P.M.-Staff Parish Relations Committee, Rm. 401

7:00 P.M.-Explorer’s Bible Study

Wednesday, September 22

3:00 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesday, Activities Building (Drop Off)

Wonderful Wednesday PICK UP is in the PARLOR.

5:30 P.M.-Handbells

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

6:30 P.M.-Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Morning Worship

“The Greatest in the Kingdom”

Mark 9:30-37

Kerry Powell

Evening Worship

Acts 1:12-14

Kerry Powell

October 13-Bridges Family
 October 20-Sandra Lynn Bright
 October 27-Marsha Wren
 November 3-Trinity Sunday School Class
 November 10-Anonymous
 November 17-Kim Pointer/Billie Ann Beard
 November 24-Thanksgiving Break

- YOUTH DEVOTION CALENDAR

October 6-Bowen Bridges
 October 13-Bowen Bridges
 October 20-Frances Gibson
 October 27-Youth Costume Party
 November 3-Open
 November 10-Open
 November 17-Open
 November 24-Thanksgiving Break

The Youth Team needs volunteers to prepare supper for the youth on Wednesday nights at 5:30. They also need volunteers to present a 15-minute devotion to the youth on Wednesday nights. If you can help with either of these, please contact the church office at 563-4534 or email firstumc@panola.com.

YOUTH MEAL CALENDAR

October 6-Bridges Family

Financial Report for September 12, 2021

2021 Budget

\$955,515.00

Budget Amt. Needed Weekly	18,375.29
Budget Amt. Needed to Date	679,885.73
Budget Amt. Offering	8,791.00
Budget Amt. Rec’d to Date	598,465.97

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

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(www.batesvillefumc.com), Facebook

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

September 5-Communion	October 3-Communion
September 12-Mitzi Still	October 10-M/M Mike Dulin
September 19-M/M Stan Smythe	October 17-Barbara Broome
September 26-M/M Ronnie Goforth	October 24-Sheila Pounders
	October 31-Sheila Pounders

If you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone, contact the church office (563-4534) or firstumc@panola.com.

If you would like to donate your flowers to the flower ministry, please let us know. Thanks!