Lenten Worship Schedule

Thursday March 23 from 12 Noon to 12:30 pm the Lenten Worship will be held at Legion Memorial UMC. The speaker will be Rev. Greg Townsend, First Christian Church. Dennis Shuler, First Baptist Church, will be performing the special music. A light lunch will be provided following the service with people who need to return to work going first in the refreshment line. The



full schedule will stay posted in the hallway before you enter the sanctuary.

Spring Yard Sale

The Kelly Sunday School Class Spring Yard Sale is right around the corner. The vard sale will be April 3–7 in the Fellowship Hall. This event will happen rain or shine. If you have items you would like to donate, feel free to bring them by the church at your convenience. If you have large items you would like to donate, please contact Kathleen Gillespie. Pickup can be arranged also, if it is needed.

NOW Team Meeting

The NOW Team will be meeting Monday April 3, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Wicker Room. Everyone is encouraged to come be a part of the team that reaches out to the community. Mark your calendars to attend this meeting.

April Fellowship Supper

The April Fellowship Supper will be Wednesday April 12, 2017 beginning at 6:00 pm. This supper will also be an Appreciation and Farewell Dinner for one of our pianists, Robert Holbrook. Help us to show Robert how much we appreciated his wonderful talents by attending this special dinner. Be sure to bring along a covered dish and a FRAN (friend, relative, associate or neighbor) as well. There will be a money tree set up to collect donations to be given to Robert. We look forward to having a wonderful turnout as we wish Robert well in his future endeavors.

Peanut Butter & Coconut Egg Fundraiser

Don't forget to complete your order form for the peanut butter and coconut eggs Vacation Bible School fundraiser. We will be offering 3 different dates for pickup this year to make the fundraiser go a little smoother. This is the main fundraiser for Vacation Bible School and your support is greatly appreciated.

Thoughts About What is Happening...

Well, it seems as if the Lord might be trying to get my attention. For instance, the 40 Days With Wesley devotional is really designed to be used on an individual basis. However, several of those engaged in the readings wanted to meet weekly and talk about what was being read. After the first meeting, I felt led to delve deeper into my Wesleyan roots. This led me to the discovery of a Methodist podcast on how to do small groups in the Wesleyan manner. This, in turn, led me to several episodes that simply go above and beyond in helping to explain the Methodist way of forming disciples. This in turn has led me to craft some sermons over the next few weeks that I hope will help us all better understand some of the distinctive Wesleyan emphases of discipleship. So. One thing led to the next. To me, this is a series of God moments that led me to the sermon you will hear this morning and the sermons you will hear for the next few weeks.

In addition to all of this, though, the Lord also spoke to me last Sunday during the worship service. As you all know, the last year has not been the best one for me in terms of my physical health. I think that it has also taken a bit of a hit on my spiritual life as well. Late last fall, I once again began the habit of regular methodical prayer. This has led me to a deeper spiritual relationship with God. There was still, though, something that didn't feel right. For instance, I know that the church is actively involved in so many different things. I began to question, "Are we really making a difference or are we just doing things?" I have pondered this in my spirit for several months.

Last Sunday, I heard Dennis Ashley tell about the 81 bags of food that were put together for the kids at PVPS. I heard him talk about the toys that the kids were allowed to take home. I have been hearing many of you talk about the manner in which our church is being viewed and talked about in our community.

I can't explain what I felt last Sunday, but I felt a peace and assurance in my spirit that what we are doing is making a difference. It is not just busy work, but it is real ministry that is helping to feed the hungry and make life better for people around us. I have felt that peace carry over into the week and into my spirit. It has been a good week for me. I look forward to many more as I continue to seek God's power and presence in my life and the life of our church, in the days, months, and years ahead.

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Let me tell you how glad we are to have you at our worship service today. We hope that you will encounter the presence of the risen Christ. We'd really like to get some contact information. Would you please text your email and name to 80123 and we'll get back in touch with you.

Greeters: Paul Clark and Ruben Allman

Announcements:	Diane Botts		
* Prelude: "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" * Call to Worship: "Spirit of the Living God"			
*Opening Hymn: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"	No. 298		
A Sharing of Our Joys, Concerns, and Thanksgivings (Please raise your hand and an usher will come by with a microphone so that everyone will be able to hear your joy, concern or thanksgiving. After you state your concern, everyone will join together and say: Lord. In your Mercy. Hear our Prayer.)			
The Lord's Prayer(as forGloria Patri	ound at No. 895) No. 70		
Children's Message:	Christy Smith		
The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings Ushers: Angie Tipton, Sandra Rich, Donna Mahan, Nancy Allman *Offertory: "Down at the Cross" with themes from Hadyn's "The Heavens are Telling"			
*The Doxology:	No. 95		
*Anthem: "Old Irish Blessing"			
The Presentation of God's Word			
Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-25 (NRSV)	David Goodman		
Lector: The Word of the Lord for the People of the Lord People: Thanks be to God			
Sermon: "The Methodist Way of Being Christian"			
*Closing Hymn: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"	No. 731		
 *Pastoral Benediction: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" *Postlude: ""March On, O Soul, with Strength" John Godd, AD 1800-1880 			

*Please stand, as you are able

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March Events and Activities

- Sunday March 19, 2017—Third Sunday During Lent
 - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
 - ♦ 5:00 pm—Asbury Circle
- Monday March 20, 2017
 - ♦ 6:00 pm—Garden Club
- Wednesday March 22, 2017
 - ♦ 5:30 pm—Lenten Devotional Study
 - ♦ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ♦ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- Thursday March 23, 2017
 - 12:00 pm—Lenten Luncheon at Legion Memorial UMC
- Sunday March 26, 2017—Fourth Sunday During Lent
 - NO UMYF
 - 2:00 pm—Katie Rich Baby Shower (see insert)
- Wednesday March 29, 2017
 - 5:30 pm—Lenten Devotional Study
 - 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ♦ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice

April Events and Activities

- Sunday April 2, 2017—Fifth Sunday During Lent
 - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- Monday April 3, 2017
 - Spring Yard Sale Begins
 - ♦ 6:30 pm—NOW Team Meeting

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Van Drivers and Riders

5—Kenny & Martha Spurlock 12-Christy Smith, Cathy Galyean 19—Pat Bowden, Diane Botts 26– Kenny & Martha Spurlock

Children's Church

5—Christy Smith 12—Patty Robbins 19—Mary Beth Allen 26—Cathy Galyean

Money Counters

5—Bill Cole, Ashley Turner 12—Chris Higgins, Paul Clark

Children's Message

5—Nancy Toney 12—Bill Cole 19—Christy Smith 26—Diane Botts

Greeters

Paul Clark Ruben Allman

Announcements Diane Botts

Ushers Angie Tipton, Sandra Rich, Donna Mahan, Nancy Allman

Be Sure to Get Your Peanut Butter and Coconut Eggs Ordered



19—Diane Botts, Christy Smith 26—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons



"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS. EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

For Those with Cancer:

Robin (Rita Nash's Daughter); Debbie Cooper; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley; Doris Berta; Denise Qualls; Kathy Hirsch (Larry & Teddy Bland's daughter); David Burke (Bubba Burke's Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton's daughter); Zack Carter; Carey Mills; Steve Clark; Robert Holbrook; Kamyrn (Patsy Mutter's great granddaughter's sister)

Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay

Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T. R Davidson; Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Jim Cooper; Ronnie Phillips (Patty Robbins' brother); Elizabeth White; Terry Goodman; Karen West; Dotty Allen; Dell Williams; Tom Owens

Non-Specific Prayers for:

Geneva Allen; Jennie Shupe; Matt Carroll; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne; Beth & John Hagan; Debbie Goodman; Sarah Shores; Elmer Lowe; John Wheeley; Louise Wright; Joyce Ann Harver; Dustin Cooper

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.
- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.