**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**MARCH 2021**

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*Focus on gratitude ~ give up complaining*

*Think kind thoughts ~ give up judgments*

*Be hopeful ~ give up discouragement*

*Turn to forgiveness ~give up bitterness*

*Return good for evil ~ give up anger*

*Control your tongue ~ give up gossiping*

*Be optimistic ~ give up pessimism*

*Enjoy the beauty that is around you ~ give up gloom*

*Pray for trust ~ give up jealousy*

*Trust Divine Providence ~ give up worry*

*Hang in there ~ give up giving up*

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|  **SUNDAY** | **MONDAY** | **TUESDAY** | **WEDNESDAY** | **THURSDAY** |  **FRIDAY** |  **SATURDAY** |
| ***Sunday Schedule:*****9:30 AM *SUNDAY SCHOOL* (Meet in Fellowship Hall)****10:30 AM *MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE in the Sanctuary and on Facebook*** | **1**6:30 pm Zoom Event -“Moving Together into Methodism’s Bright Future” | **2**9 am Growth7 pm AA | **3**No Supper/Service**6 pm Board of**  **Trustees Meeting**7 pm Chancel  Choir Practice | **4**7 pm AA | **5**See the source image | **6**11 am AA |
| **7** | **8** | **9** | **10** | **11** | **12** | **13** |
| **3rd Sunday in Lent****4 pm Lydia Circle****6 pm Cooper’s**  **Chapel Methodist**  **Church (Pam will**  **bring message)** | **6 pm Committee**  **on Finance**  **Meeting** | 9 am Growth7 pm AA | No Supper/Service7 pm Chancel  Choir Practice | 7 pm AA |  | 11 am AA |
| **14** | **15** | **16** | **17** | **18** | **19** | **20** |
| **4th Sunday in Lent***UMCOR Sunday (Offering)*Image result for daylight savings time 2018 clip art spring forward |  | 9 am Growth7 pm AA | No Supper/ Service 7 pm Chancel  Choir Practice | 7 pm AA |  | 11 am AA |
| **21** | **22** | **23** | **24** | **25** | **26** | **27** |
| **5th Sunday in Lent** |  | 9 am Growth**April Newsletter Deadline**7 pm AA | No Supper/ Service**6 pm Church Council Meeting**7 pm Chancel  Choir Practice | 7 pm AA |  | 11 am AA |
| **28****Palm/Passion Sunday*****HOLY WEEK BEGINS***Deadline to order Easter Lilies ??? | **29*****MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK*** | **30*****TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK***9 am Growth7 pm AA | **31*****WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK***7 pm Chancel  Choir Practice | **APRIL 1ST** Image result for Maundy Thursday clip art 7 pm AA | **APRIL 2ND** Image result for good friday clip art*6 pm Good Friday Service in the Church Sanctuary*Holiday – The Church Office Will Be Closed | **APRIL 3RD** ***HOLY SATURDAY***11 am AA |

**MEMBERS:**

Charles Davis, Rev. Roy & Nayoka Givens, Carl Graham, Ben & Ruby Jean Ivy, Harriet McCann, Carolyn & Ray Smith, Helen Stevens, Harold Sumrall, Lee Vinson, Harriet Waltman

**FAMILY OR FRIENDS OF MEMBERS:**

Dr. Ahmad, Mrs. Bobbie Breland, Blaine Bunch, Jim Burford, Matthew Conner, The Covid-19 Patients & Families, Anita Davis, Bill Davis, Joel Dearman, Stewart Givens, Jerry Hamm, The Willie Hiatt Family, Carolyn Holiman, Laverne Holloman, Ronald Holloway, Paulette Hopkins, Jamie Howey, Tammie Ivey, Gwen Johnston, Ben Jones, Roger Kennedy, The Rev. Samuel Kim Family, Gary King, Penny Lane, The Roger McHenry Family, Roun McNeal, Rodger McRee, The Jasper Mashburn Family, Sandra Mosley, Gary & Linda Nelson, Melinda Northam, The Bobby Rainey Family, Erica Rawls, Patsy Richardson, Brent Robinson, Bessie Ruttley, Chantel Spire, The Cassandra Stewart Family, Hermann Stoesser, Janice Walters, Clint Weaver, Oleane Ivey Whitt, Wayne & Rose Wicker, Candy Widener

**NURSING HOMES/SHUT-IN’s:**

Karen Cockrell, Joyce F. Ellzey, Bennie Sue Hubbert, Annette Hutto, Joyce Hyatt, Tom Impello, Wayne Lewis, Dwight McCarra, Janelle O’Neil, Mrs. Bill Rowell

To add or remove someone from the prayer list, please call Susan Lewis, 601-776-3238.

**CARE GROUP FOR MARCH**

If the Care Group is needed for **MARCH**, please call Chairpersons: Lisa or Nick Kramer, 601-776-9148. Other members are: Jim & Kay Sanders, 601-776-7482; Thetis Tisdale, 601-479-0743; Byron Evans, 601-562-3876; and Edward Kramer, 601-606-9380.

**FLOWERS FOR MARCH**

 7 Al & Sylvia Vowell

14 Walt & Cheryl Waltman and Family

21 FUMC Worship Committee

28 The Hutcherson Family

**WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Gloria Graham and her family on the passing of her brother, Jasper Mashburn, on Friday, February 19, 2021.

 **MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**

11 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Holloman (Carrie)

29 Mr. & Mrs. Wes Longwitz (Ashley)

  Happy Anniversary!

 **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

 2 Jerry Holloman

 4 Tom Sebring

 7 Betty Groves

 8 Beth Brewer

10 Alexander Price

12 Linda Fleming

13 Terry Whigham

15 Tina Fulcher

17 Lizzie Jones

20  Pat Whaley, Kim McDonald

21  Robert Case Boatner

22 Susan Lewis

28 Lacia Donald

30 Al Vowell, Jaynice Neely

  “Happy Birthday To All Born in March!”

Dear Church Family:

On behalf of my family, let me first take this precious opportunity to thank our Lord in heaven who takes care of us day and night for the love.

Let me also take this chance to thank my fellow church members for the wonderful love shown to us in time of need.  It has been a comforting blessing to each of us. God bless you all for your acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy in our great loss of James.

Thank you for your prayers and support. We sincerely appreciate the token of love you have provided and means so much to our family. Edith Smith & Family

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR & SPREAD THE WORD –MONDAY, MARCH 1, 6:30 P.M.**

MISSISSIPPI METHODIST FRIENDS,

Monday, March 1st, at 6:30 p.m., traditional Methodists from across the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the UMC will gather for a 90-minute Zoom event called "Moving Together into Methodism's Bright Future." This event features the latest information from Carolyn Moore and Keith Boyette on General Conference, the Protocol, and the new traditional Methodist denomination. This Zoom call is hosted by the Mississippi Chapter of the Wesleyan Covenant Association in partnership with other WCA regional chapters across the SEJ. Registration is not required. You'll find the Zoom link below.

All are welcome to participate. We hope you'll join us, and we ask for your help in spreading the word about the event to others you know who would be interested. The promotional graphic is attached. You'll find a shareable post with a live Zoom link at our public Facebook page: *MS Methodists*.

Participants from across the SEJ will have an opportunity to submit questions during the event for the Q & A time, but we are offering our Mississippi friends a chance to share questions prior to the event. Send any questions you'd like to hear addressed at the event to wcamiss@gmail.com with "Question" in the subject line by Wednesday, February 24.

Please pray for the General Commission on General Conference as they determine the status of General Conference 2021.

If I can answer any questions, please feel free to email or call me. My phone number is 662.435.3393.

Hugh Griffith

MS WCA President

Zoom link for March 1 / Moving Together into Methodism's Bright Future:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81244239518](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81244239518?fbclid=IwAR2Fa3oeMK_vvso84iv0NchuwwcCQU7WhWBLhYTsFxmzzMPpC8ZEoKucxvk)

Meeting ID: 812 4423 9518 Dial by your location

(312)626-6799 US (Chicago)

(646)558-8656 US (New York)

**UMCOR SUNDAY OFFERING**

Sunday, March 14th is designated as UMCOR Sunday. An offering is given to help support the administrative costs for UMCOR. First United Methodist Church-Quitman supports UMCOR through offerings given to make Flood Buckets, Hurricane Relief, as well as other disaster relief efforts that may be needed throughout the year. These offerings are strictly used for UMCOR. You may give a special offering on this Sunday, as well as throughout the year, to support UMCOR.

**COOPER’S CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH SERVICE**

Pam will be bringing the message at Cooper’s Chapel Methodist Church on Sunday evening, March 7th beginning at 6:00. You are invited to attend this service.

**EASTER LILIES IN THE SANCTUARY**

If you would like to order Easter Lilies this year *“In Memory Of”* or *“In Honor Of”* someone special, order forms are available on the table in the Church Foyer, in the hall outside the Church Office, and also in the Church Office. The Easter Lilies will cost $10.00 each. The deadline to place your order will be on Sunday, March 28th. Order forms should be turned in to the Church Office.

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE DURING HOLY WEEK**

Holy Week is the week of Sunday, March 28th. Due to the COVID virus still being active, the community will not meet for services during the week at the different churches. However, plans are being made to have a Good Friday Service at First United Methodist Church-Quitman on April 2nd beginning at 6:00 p.m. Please join us for this special service. The Safe Worshipping and Social Distancing Guidelines will be followed during this service.

**STANDING TOGETHER AGAINST CANCER**

Our Standing Together Against Cancer team (STAC) will seek donations during the month of March. Since Covid is not allowing us to have our normal fund raisers, we will give you the opportunity to make a donation to *Anderson’s Cancer Patient Benevolence Fund*. If you so choose, please make check out to the fund previously listed. This can be turned in to church office or a team member. Memorials or Honorariums are welcomed. Thank you in advance. Elaine



The First United Methodist Preschool Class for the 2021-2022 school year is already full. A waiting list has begun if anyone else wants to register their child. For more information, please call Cheryl Waltman, Preschool Chairperson at 601-692-8700.

**THE CORONA VIRUS IS STILL ACTIVE.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONTINUE TO USE THE NECESSARY SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.**

**CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please remember to contact the Church Office if you have had a change of name, address, phone number, or a new email address.

**ATTENTION!**

**YOUNG & OLD**

**NEED A RIDE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS?**

The Church Van will be running…

just let Pastor Pam know.



**NEWSLETTER NOTICES**

The monthly Newsletter is also on the Church’s Website at [**https://www.quitmanfumc.com**](https://www.quitmanfumc.com)**.** If you have anything you would like printed in the monthly Newsletter, please email the Church Office at **fumcquitman@gmail.com****.** Be sure to add **“Newsletter”** to the subject line so your announcement does not go unnoticed.

***DON’T FORGET:***

*****Sunday, March 14th -***

AND ALSO REMEMBER TO **CHANGE** THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS