

#### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday Morning Worship Broadcast -10:00a.m. KWLV 107.1

#### **FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2021**

It seems that we just put away the ribbons and bows of Christmas and that Easter should be months away, but Ash Wednesday is February 17. On Ash Wednesday evening we will gather on the church's front porch to begin the season of Lent. Lent is the six-week season of preparation for Easter, and we have no right to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter unless we have also observed his suffering and sacrifice during the weeks leading up to Easter.

We will gather at 6 PM on Feb. 17, outside and observing social distancing, to worship with some old traditions and to try something a little different this Ash Wednesday. We will have a fire pit and will cast our cares, burdens, and sins into the fire along with some of last year's Palm Sunday palms. I think that you will experience some deep and meaningful worship. You will also receive an invitation to receive ashes if you wish on your forehead or hand before the benediction.

COVID restrictions are continuing to challenge us as we try to plan meaningful worship experiences this year. We have added a regular outdoor service on Sundays at 11:10 and recently added the capability of a short-range radio broadcast; you can sit in your car if the weather is bad and both see and hear the service! You can sit in your car any Sunday if you need that protection from possible contagion. Our indoor service at 10:00 is live on regular radio and we have some live music each week. We are wearing face coverings and social distancing while inside. Our Wednesday evening programming observes health guidelines. Our Women's Bible Study group and UMW gatherings also observe health guidelines.

There is a spot in the human heart reserved for God. If we don't fill it with God, we will fill it with something much less meaningful and much less spiritual. I hope and pray that you are filling your God-spot with God.

See you Sunday if not before!

Pastor Gloria

#### **MEMORIALS:**

In memory of Diane Commons given by Ted and Carolyn Dove

#### **Committee Meetings for February 2021**

#### LayLeader Committee:

Monday, February 1st - 5:30 p.m.

#### Trustees:

Monday, February 8th - 5:30 p.m.

#### **Administrative Council:**

Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> - 5:30 p.m.



Thursday, February 4th at 11:00 am in Fellowship Hall.



Ash Wednesday February 17, 2021 Meal - 5:30 p.m. Worship Service - 6:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

I am asking for volunteers to provide the refreshments for each Sunday. This would entail getting to the church to make coffee, providing donuts, biscuits, fruit, banana bread, Little Debbie cakes, etc. Also juice or milk for the kids. You would also be responsible for serving while wearing gloves and cleaning up after. We are trying to provide a fellowship while also being safe. If you would like to help with this please let Vicki Weaver or the church office know. Thank you for your service to your church. Vicki



Dear FUMC Family and Friends,

Our Outdoor Worship Service at 11:10 AM each Sunday is a wonderful worship opportunity where a family or individual can come as they are (kids in pajamas if desired), sit in their warm car parked in the parking lot in front of the gym (or bring lawn chairs on a pretty day), hear the service at 91.1 on your car radio dial (and see it through their windshield), wave at our fellow worshipers (and roll the window down to greet them, if you prefer), sing your heart out (and even open the window to join with others). If you have been homebound and want a refreshing outing or unable to attend worship because of the pandemic, if wearing a mask is a problem, then this service may be just the thing for you.

Some of our youth have been serving coffee, hot chocolate and donuts to the congregation each Sunday. And, warm blankets are available if things turn cool. One worshiper is considering bringing a patio heater.

We are fortunate at FUMC to have two wonderful innovative worship opportunities especially designed for the pandemic safety. Our Sanctuary Service is at 10:00 AM and our Outdoor Service is at 11:10 AM.

Faithfully, Bro. Ray

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Cold weather is the best time to learn new songs to help get the wiggles out.



"E" is for earth that God made.







Two year olds are learning colors and numbers.



On these cold wet winter days the four year old class talked about our earth and played shape games.

### Church Transformation Team

Sunday Afternoon February 21<sup>st</sup> Fellowship Hall

The 2021 FUMC Administrative Council is our Transformation Team

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

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## First United Methodist Church Officers 2021

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**

Pastor	Gloria Youngblood
Chairperson	
Secretary	
Treasurer	
Director of Music	Carole Troha
Lay Leader	TBS
Pastor/Staff Chairperson	Chris Nolen
UMW President	
Preschool Board Chair	TBS
Lay Delegate to Annual Conference	Chris Nolen

#### **WORK AREAS**

Sarah O'Neal
Carolyn Dove
TBS
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Allen & Vicki Isgitt
To Be Elected
Gail Thomas & Laurie Gentry
Marilyn Mitchell
Virginia Fremaux- Marilyn Mitchell
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#### Members at Large

\*Under the Book of Discipline, an Administrative Council consists of EVERY full member of the church is a member at large. All members have both voice and vote. Chairs are expected to attend. All others are invited. There are no designated Members at Large.

#### STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Chris Nolen

<u> 2021</u>

Chris Nolen

2022

Diane Voorheis Mike Luster <u>2023</u>

Vicki Simpson

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#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

\*Chairperson: TBS

\*Elected annually from committee membership by committee

2021

<u>2022</u>

2023

Alex Isgitt Allen Isgitt Elizabeth Pickett Warren Founds John Migliore Linda Boudreaux

Kirt Voorheis

Ex-Officio: Lay Leader

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: TBS

2021

Mike Morris Robert Hable 2022

Tammy Luster Vicki Simpson

<u>2023</u>

Pete Abington Tammy Courtney

LayLeader: TBA

Ad. Council Chair: Carolyn Dove Trustees Rep: John Migliore

#### **COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP (Nominating)**

Chairperson: Rev. Gloria Youngblood

2021

Carolyn Gates Carolyn Martin 2022

Nancy Spiller Donna Ammons <u>2023</u>

Cathy Troquille Vicki Weaver

Ex-Officio: Lay Leader

#### **MEMORIALS**

Chairperson: Virginia Fremaux Carolyn Dove (Acting)

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#### **FELLOWSHIP TEAM**

Chairperson: Carolyn Dove

Carolyn Dove Karen Lombard

Bobbie Kratz Bob Nolen Allen Isgitt Suzanne Ammons Tammy Luster

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: Sarah O'Neal

2021
Cathy Troquille
Sarah O'Neal
Ashley Ford
Chad Ford

2022
Betsy Godfrey
Carolyn Wages
Joe Troha
Ashlee Lee

2023 Sarah Isgitt Vicki Weaver Lathan Lee

Ex-Officio: Lay Leader

#### **WORSHIP**

Co-Chairpersons: Gail Thomas Laurie Gentry

2021
Carolyn Gates
Sarah Erwin
Carolyn Martin
Nancy Spiller

2022
Zelma Broussard
Laurie Gentry
Crystal Hable
Addison Hable

2023
Carole Troha
Patsy McCormick
Gail Thomas
Ross Voorheis

#### **MISSIONS & OUTREACH**

Co-Chairpersons: Allen & Vicki Isgitt

Suzanne Ammons Vicki Weaver Allen Isgitt Vicki Isgitt Donna Ammons Kenneth Ammons

#### **PRE-SCHOOL BOARD**

Chairperson: Amanda Lambert Director: Linda Boudreaux

Trustees rep PPR rep - **TBS**Education rep Finance - Eugene Fremaux

#### **<u>At Large Members</u>**

2021- Vicki Isgitt 2022 - **TBS** 2023 - Candy Remedies

# February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Boy Scouts - 6:00 p.m. - Scout Hut LayLeadership Committee Meeting - 5:30 p.m.	2	Children K-4th grade 6:00 p.m.  Covenant Groups - 6:00 p.m.  Meal 5:30 p.m.  Teens & Tweens 6:00 p.m.	*Greg Everett Ladies Bible Study - 9:30 a.m FH UMW Meeting -11:00 a.m. Webelo's - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	5	6 *Tammy Courtney
7 *Olive Lee	5:30 PM Trustees  *Linda Boudreaux  Boy Scouts - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	9	10 Children K-4th grade 6:00 p.m. Covenant Groups - 6:00 p.m. Meal 5:30 p.m. Teens & Tweens 6:00 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study - 9:30 a.m FH Webelo's - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	12	13 **Pete & Ellen Abington
14	15 **George & Bonnie Miles  Boy Scouts - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	16	17 Ash Wednesday Meal - 5:30 p.m. Service - 6:00 p.m.	18 Ladies Bible Study - 9:30 a.m FH  Webelo's - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	19	20 *Sarah O'Neal
Church Transformation Meeting - Afternoon - Fellowship Hall First Sunday in Lent	*John Byrd  Administrative Council - 5:30 p.m.  Boy Scouts - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	23	24 *Debbie Everett Children K-4 th grade 6:00 p.m. Covenant Groups - 6:00 p.m. Meal 5:30 p.m. Teens & Tweens 6:00 p.m.	25 Webelo's - 6:00 p.m Scout Hut	26 *Karen Lombard	27 *April McCormick
28 Second Sunday in Lent		3 4 10 11 17 18	Jan 2021  T W T F S  1 2  5 6 7 8 9  12 13 14 15 16  3 19 20 21 22 23  5 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T  1 2 3 4  7 8 9 10 11  14 15 16 17 18  21 22 23 24 25  28 29 30 31	5 6 12 13 19 20	

# PRAYER CONCERNS February 2021

#### <u>Joys:</u> Church Audit Done

#### **Church Members**

Donna Ammons I.D. & Betty Bostian Carrie Broussard Family of Diane Commons Charles Enterkin Sarah & Emily Erwin Ken & Mary Ellen Freeman Virginia & Eugene Fremaux **Bob Gates** John & Betsy Godfrey Richard & Ann Harpel John Hoagland Grace Kelsey **Becky Lafitte** Shirley Lee George Miles Elizabeth Mitchell Garland Peterson Janice Rike Kevin Troquille Rev. Gloria Youngblood

Members with Covid

#### **Family of Church Members**

Cassity Barrett (Shirley Lee's great niece)
Carolyn Brasell(Carrie
Broussard's daughter)
Scott Brosh (Joe Troha's brother-in- law)

#### Mike & Maria Butler (Gail Thomas sister & brother-in —law)

Cindy Wright Calhoon
(Patsy McCormick's sister)
Murline Finuf(Ashlee Lee's
grandmother)
Jason Fluitt (Vicki Simpson's
son-in-law)
Seth Freeman
Les Huddleston
(Vicki Weaver's cousin's
husband)
Judy Boudreaux Jones
(Chuck Boudreaux's sister)
Corporal Aaron McGrew
(Virginia & Eugene's
grandson)

Kay McKey (niece of Chris & Susan Hills)

#### Our Nation Krista Colston Sklar(Ronnie Neel's niece)

Transformation Team Murlee Wilbanks (Carolyn Gates' mom) Judi & Bob VanderVeen

Robert Troha

#### Friends of our Community

Cade Anderson Steve Biggs

Family of Stuart Bird
June Booker (Friend of Vicki

Simpson)
Ace Bowling
Jiles Bowling
Cathy Byles
Dudley Carver
Ivan Droddy

Raegan Ensinger Darlene Griffin

Melva Horton (Vicki Simpson's

friend)

Kathy Humphries Sally Landry Cassie LaRoux

Jerry Lehr

Justin Lincecum Linda Lovett Catherine McGue Joella Peace

Prayers for Our World impacted by Ongoing Covid

Mike Rankin

Thelma Pickett Resic

Eddie Richard

Family of Cheryl Russell (co-worker of Ashlee Lee)

Tara Seals Douglas Seegers(Linda Seegers' son)

Kristin Sepulvado Arlene Small Reba Tarpley

Sissy Tatum Nancy Tidwell

Jacquie Williamson (friend of

Vicki Simpson)