



# First United Methodist Challenge

open hearts  
open minds  
open doors



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Christ  
first

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April 17, 2019

**Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers**

From the Pastor. . .

He is risen! He is risen, indeed!  
How many times have you heard that proclaimed on Easter Sunday? It is a phrase I grew up hearing, just before we sang, "Up From the Grave He Arose!" or "He Lives." And it never seems to grow old to me. Now, we have other songs that have become part of our traditions, but the sentiment is the same: He is alive! Jesus has conquered the grave!



This Sunday, as we celebrate Easter, we will turn to Acts 10:34-43 as we look at the last, and perhaps the most misunderstood, of the Seven Deadly Sins: Pride. I remember a Christian telling me with deep conviction that pride is always a sin, but I also know many people who are proud of others who do a job well. I've discovered at least two ways that pride is expressed: one has to do with joy and awe, and the other with arrogance. I'll let you guess which one is sinful.

Join us as we turn to God with joy and awe, proud (in the right way) to be able to point to messiah, the savior of the world!

In Christ's love,  
Pastor Mark

P.S. Please remember to list to our 11:00 am service LIVE on 103.3 if you cannot attend one of our worship services on campus, or go to YouTube and search for "FUMC Batesville, AR" to watch a live video stream or see previously recorded services anytime that you want!

## Silver Belles & Beaus!

Instead of meeting for lunch & fellowship on our usual third Tuesday, we are going to Mt. View's Iris Festival on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. We'll be joined by some of the Master Gardeners from Batesville.

We look forward to the fellowship, having lunch at the Skillet Restaurant at the Ozark Folk Center and we're hoping the Irises will be in bloom!

Gayle Silberhorn

## Upcoming Events

- Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> – Easter Sunday
- Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Office Closed
- Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Silver Belles & Beaus – Mt. View



## Painting of Historic FUMC coming up for Auction!

The Trustees is excited to announce that we have commissioned a painting of FUMC that we will auction off to raise money for our capital campaign. The painting will be displayed this Sunday with a silent auction sheet. You may bid by writing you name on the silent auction sheet, or you may contact Teresa Brown in the office to get a number for your bids if you want to remain anonymous. You may also call in your bid if you aren't able to make it to the church. Bidding will start at \$400, and the auction will run through April 23 at 12:00 pm.



## Community Breakfast

Free

8:30 Every Saturday  
FUMC Fellowship Hall

*The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."*

## Financial Update

Thank you to all who continue to support the mission and ministry of our church! The Finance Committee is including a special "first quarter" financial update this week:

General Budget Approved for January - March: \$144,604

General Budget expenses for January - March: \$125,325

Tithes/offerings received toward general budget for first quarter: \$120,365

As you can see, we are short of meeting our budget, but our staff and leadership are doing a good job keeping expenses down. As we approach the summer months, we typically have a reduction in giving because people are traveling. However, we also have an increase in expenses because of our vibrant summer youth and children's programs (and higher utilities). Please consider helping us prepare for summer in whatever way you can. Here are some suggestions:

- Set up an automatic donation through your financial institution's bill pay feature and automate it!
- Give electronically through our website ([fumcbatesville.org](http://fumcbatesville.org)). You can make a one-time or recurring gift!
- Give a special offering to our "Summer Ministries Fund" this Easter (to support VBS and similar events).
- If you've given an "estimate of giving" card this year, please check your giving statement that will arrive soon and see if you are able to catch up or need to make adjustments on your estimate so we can plan accordingly.

Thank you for all you do to help us make disciples as we transform lives, communities, and the world!

### ERRATA TO FINANCIAL REPORT (above)

In our update for our first quarter giving, we mistakenly reported the incorrect income and budget numbers. During the first three months of 2019, we have received \$142,955 toward our budget of \$150,898. While we have not received 100% of what we have budgeted, we are closer than originally reported. Thank you again for all your support!



**Save the Date!**

Vacation Bible School

June 23-26

If you would like to volunteer, please call  
or text Katie McLean @ 870.307.4034

### Fellowship Hall Sound System

We have collected our bids for the sound upgrades in the Fellowship Hall, and we are excited to begin the work after Easter. When we finish, we will have our equipment mounted and secure, and the only set up will involve moving the projector into place. We have \$6,000 already given or pledged for this, and hope to raise another \$4,000 to complete our work. If you would like to contribute, please mark your donation to "A/V system."

### Our LIVE Radio Broadcast is Back!

We are excited to announce that our radio broadcast is back! Many have noticed that our radio broadcast has been repeating old shows because of technology problems that we have faced. This past Sunday, we found a great way to broadcast our 11 o'clock service live, with a failsafe of the 830 service if we experienced technical difficulties with our live broadcast. Everything seems to work great, and now we are back with a live broadcast of our service on 103.3 FM. In addition to the live stream that you can download on their website when you are traveling, we also offer a live video stream of our service each week on our YouTube channel. Simply search for FUMC Batesville, AR and watch for our live service to be broadcast at 11 AM each week. We also will archive our 830 and 11 AM services on that same page, so even if you can't watch it or listen to it live, you are able to go back to previous worship services.

Now that we have these new ways to stay connected in worship, we invite you to help us expand this outreach even more! We broadcast on the radio so that those who cannot make it to our building on Sunday are still able to join us in worship. Now that we have that back – and have added a live stream on YouTube – we hope that you will share with others about this opportunity to join us in worship. We also hope that you will consider sponsoring our radio broadcast. We invite you to sponsor one of our weekly services for \$50, much in the way you might offer flowers for our sanctuary each week. Simply call Teresa in the church office if you would like to sponsor one of our services at any time. We will include your honorarium or memorial in our weekly bulletin like we do with the flowers.

### Church Leadership

**Senior Pastor**

Reverend Mark McDonald

**Pastor Emeritus**

Reverend Bob Langley

**Choir Director**

Amanda Pickett

**Church Administrator**

Teresa Brown

**Minister of Congregational Care**

Bennie Burks

**Minister to Children & Family Ministries**

Katie McLean

**Minister to Youth**

Lorrie McClure

**Worship Leader**

Alicia Williams

**Sexton**

Joe Johnson

**Treasurer**

Ruby Curl

**Lay Leader**

Mike Wilson

**Lay Servants/Ministers**

Jon Healey

Kathy McKinney

Randy Seale

Joel Wagoner

Sandy West

Asa Whitaker

Joel Williams

**Church Council Chair**

Sandy West

**Staff/Parish Chair**

Paul Holifield

**Trustees Chair**

Gayle Ross

**Finance Chair**

Matt Martin

### Our Presence

April 14<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Worship Total.....297

Sunday School .....93

### Our Gifts

Received in April

Received 04/07/2019 .....\$12,123.57

Received 04/14/2019 .....\$8,285.00

Amount needed weekly..... \$11,607.52

If you are unable to fulfill your ministry service position please find a replacement and contact the church office with the change.

### Our Service

for April 21<sup>st</sup>

ALTAR FLOWERS in honor & glory of God by

ALTAR GUILD: Megan Holifield  
Kaley Waldrip

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

8:30 Sandy West

10:55 Sandy West

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Pastor Mark

COFFEE and DONUTS:

Chaney Huddleston Fellowship SS Class

LITURGIST: 8:30 Terrell Tebbetts

11:00 Barrett Moore

TRUSTEES OPEN & CLOSE SCHEDULE

Open: S Kibbe

Close: M Wilson

8:30 USHERS

11:00 USHERS

J Ellis & D Smith

Need Ushers

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMEN Calendar

April 21 Marieta Fraiser

April 22 Sandy West

April 23 Mona Neaville

April 24 Chad McClure

April 25 Kate Emery

Cindy Kallsnick

April 26 Cindi House

Scarlett Patterson

Urba Reed

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April 21 George & Gerry Bentz

April 23 Jason & Laura Seaton

April 26 Chris & Barbara Wagoner

### MEMORIALS

JERRY TAYLOR, SUSAN WAITS

LYNETTE WHITAKER

Lou & Alma Desio

JAY BURKS

Jim & Katy Smythe

JERRY TAYLOR

Alpha Class

### Sonshine Ministry



We are in need of SMALL BUD VASES! These small vases are used to take flowers to the home bound and those in the nursing home. If you have any Small BUD VASES please bring them to the church office.

Our Mailing Address is:

First United  
Methodist Church  
P.O. Box 2014  
Batesville, AR 72503-2014

### When you pray,

pray for our church,  
pray for our ministries,  
pray for our Sunday school teachers,  
pray for our staff,  
pray for each other,  
pray for our church!

Please review the names on the prayer list. Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks.  
At the end of 3 weeks to continue the name, please call the church office.

### Our Prayers for Those at Home

Dick Adams .....brother-in-law of Mark Wallace  
Gerri & George Bentz .....member  
Marcus & Glenda Bowers .members  
Dakivious Brown .....friend of member  
Michelle Burks-Canchola ..daughter of member  
Doris Casper .....member  
Winnell Calhoun .....member  
Ed Driver .....husband of member  
Chad Edwards .....friend of member  
Don Gilchrist .....member  
Alvetta Hatfield .....mother of Karen Holifield  
Patty & Mike Healey .....parents of Jon Healey  
Kerry Jennings .....sister of member  
Martha Lewallen .....member  
Mary Ann Marshall .....member  
Ruth Meyers .....aunt of member  
Janice Murphy .....cousin of Sharan Pittser  
Meredith O'Connell .....niece of Helen Musgrave  
Maria Paningua .....friend of member  
Angela Panneck .....friend of member  
Jack & Terri Presley .....members  
Pat Rice .....family member of Rice Family  
Sam Rigsbee .....relative of member  
Raye Rogers .....member  
Charlotte Rose .....member  
Margie Sexton .....cousin of David Smith  
Bob Spencer .....father of member  
Bob Stobaugh .....friend of member

### Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

#### White River Medical Center

Max Mize .....friend of member

#### St. Vincent Hospital - Hot Springs

Bob Steelman .....friend of member

### Prayer Cards

We have prayer cards in the pews to send to someone to lift them up in prayers. There are also a few on the table in hall.

Write their address on the front, sign your name on the back and write a brief message if you like. Add a postcard stamp and mail.

### Our Prayers for Those in Health Care Centers and Retirement Homes

#### Batesville Health and Rehabilitation

Rodney Trantham ..... friend of member

#### Eagle Mountain Assisted Living

Polly Livingston ..... member  
Jackie Martin ..... member  
Carol Robertson ..... member  
Barbara Stevenson ..... member  
Rachael Taylor ..... relative of member  
Katherine Tripp ..... member  
J.C. Wells ..... father of Gina Davis  
Stanley & Mary Jeanette Wood ..... members

#### Wood-Lawn

Mildred Arnold ..... member  
Bobbie Sue Graves ..... mother of Diana Waldrip  
Troy Kuchler ..... stepdad of member  
Lucille Maris ..... member  
Margaret Matthews ..... member  
Virginia Swetnam ..... mother of Lorrie McClure

#### Woodcrest Assisted Living

Robert (Lit) Craig ..... member  
Bufford Maddox ..... member  
Judy Murrah ..... member  
Dianne Taylor ..... member

### Our Prayers for Those in U.S. Military Service

MSgt. Jason Austin .....son of Robin Austin Gay  
Major Chris Carpenter .....son of R.L. & Susan Carpenter  
Lt. Col. Marc Jones .....nephew of Mildred Arnold  
Pvt. Lane Lively .....  
Capt. Ian MacDonald .....nephew of Starr & Johnny Kent  
Trent McDonald .....cousin of member  
Capt. Shannon McLoughlin ..... daughter of Cecilia Vinson  
Major Adam Moore .... son-in-law of Ken & Ginger Davis  
1st Lt. Jason Pomeroy .....son of Wanda & Bob Pomeroy  
TSgt. Karl Sager .....son of Shirley Stuckey  
Stg. Bradley Skelton .....  
Senior Airman Keegan Smart ..... member  
Seaman Apprentice Zane Smart ..... member  
Capt. Michael Stevenson ...grandson of members  
Lt. Cmdr. Greg Tebbetts ...son of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts  
Capt. John Tice .....nephew of Verona Bebow  
Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheeler ..... cousin of member

### If you need pastoral assistance contact:

Pastor Mark McDonald - 501-650-0046

What a fun Palm Sunday Celebration we had! Thank you to everyone that helped with the potluck, in the kitchen, the egg hunt, worship service and a special thank you to Bill and Carey Robertson for bringing their amazing petting zoo!

Great things are indeed happening at First United Methodist Church!



Thank you to the "Mike and Mike Team" for installing new speed bumps in front of our main entrance. It is so important that people drive slowly through that area because sometimes our kids forget to look both ways. And we have lots of little kids crossing on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings! Thank you Mike West and Mike Wilson for caring about the safety of our kids!

Ms. Katie

Thank you to Mr. David Pittser for being our guest speaker last week in Club 56. Mr. David shared lots of wisdom and insight and we appreciate him visiting with our class!

Thanks Mr. David!



# EASTER LILIES

## Given by:

Matthew & Jim Ramsey  
Glenda Martin  
Glenda Martin  
Jon & Martha Healey  
Urba Reed  
Bennie Burks  
Barrett & Sara Moore  
Barrett & Sara Moore  
Bruce & Sherry Hankins  
Winnell Calhoun  
Tim, Joan, & Meredith McKinney  
Lyndal, Shirley, Jason & Florene  
McKinney, Gardner and Rice families  
Mildred Arnold  
Mildred Arnold  
Sonja Turner  
Sonja Turner  
Pat Glass & Teresa Brown  
Elaine Vinson

## Given by:

Anne & Bill Luster

## Given by:

Doris Casper  
Your Secret Pal  
Jon & Martha Healey  
Mike & Carolyn Wilson  
Doris Casper  
Your Secret Pal  
Eleanor Royer  
Lyndal, Shirley & Jason Waits  
Life S.S. Class  
Life S.S. Class  
Gladys Smith  
Elaine Vinson

## In memory of:

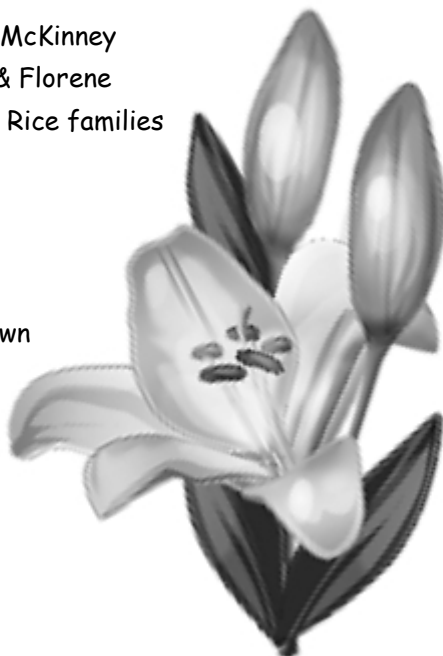
Sharon Ramsey  
Julian, Shelly & Sarah Martin  
Christain Martin Lovendahl  
Clyde & Marian McGinnis  
Dr. Stanley Reed  
Oliver Burks  
Malcom & Edith Moore  
Our grandparents  
Martha & John Taylor  
Joe Calhoun, Jr.  
Billy McKinney  
Susan Waits  
Cliff & Ester Long  
George & Sadie Kramer  
Alfred Arnold  
Lowell Turner  
Joe & Ona Bannon  
James M. Glass  
Cheryl Bentley

## In honor of & memory of:

Bennie Burks & Jay Burks

## In honor of:

Bennie Burks  
Mrs. Carol Robertson  
Ken & Ina Bolton  
Logan & Shelby Engles  
Sandy Taylor  
Doris Casper  
United Methodist Women  
Florene Renfro  
Abby Barker  
Lyndal Waits  
David & Pam Smith  
My pew mates: Cookie Ball,  
Sonja Turner, Aline McCracken  
Kathy McKinney





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There is **NO**  
United Methodist Men's  
Breakfast Meeting  
This Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

Enjoy Easter Day with your family.

We will meet the next Sunday, the  
28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am at Spah Grill.

**The FUMC Challenge**

**Hospitality Team for Sunday, Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>**

**8:30 Service**  
Joel & Jeannie Wagoner

**11:00 Service**  
Steven & Rebecca Richman

**Coffee & Donuts**  
Chaney Huddleston Fellowship SS Class

**Bible Studies / Small Groups**

**Apr. 19<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00am - Men's Fraternity Meeting  
At Ameriprise Office on College St.

**Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>** - Explorer's Bible Study  
In the Alpha Classroom

**Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>** - Faith Group - 6:00pm  
Faith Class Room  
"Twelve Ordinary Men"

**Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Men's Bible Study  
At the Grammer House

**Tuesday Activities**

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

**Wednesday Activities**

**April 24<sup>th</sup>**  
5:30 Kids & Youth  
6:00 - Adult Bible Study - Chaney Class Room  
6:15 Praise Team  
7:15pm Youth Praise Band

**Other Events / Committee Meetings**

April 25<sup>th</sup> - Morning Prayer Service - 7:15am-7:45am - Chapel  
May 3<sup>rd</sup> - UMW Meeting - 6:00pm - Church Parlor

Listen to the Worship Service at 11:00 am on  
KWOZ FM 103.3 or on the internet  
[www.ar1033.com](http://www.ar1033.com) and click Listen Live button  
paste into your web browser <http://player.tritondigital.com/2341>  
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or add it to your favorites on apps such as TuneIn Radio

**Next Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for the April 24<sup>th</sup> newsletter must be submitted by 3:00 pm Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> to the church office or by email to Lyndal at [lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net).