



# First United Methodist Challenge



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January 15, 2020

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

From the Pastor. . .

It's hard to believe that we're already half the way through the month of January. We spent the first two Sundays talking about "God's timing," and "God's example." We've been working on the ways that we can make changes in our faith journey that help align us with the work that God is doing all around us.



This Sunday, we will turn our attention to John 1:29-42 as we consider "God's invitation" that is both life-changing and amazingly simple. I hope you will come and see what we mean at 8:30, 9:45, or 11:00 this Sunday. If you can't make it to one of our services in person, you can watch our service on our churches YouTube channel when it's convenient for you, or you can join us live on YouTube at 11:00 am or listen live at 103.3 FM.

In Christ's love,  
Pastor Mark

## Saturday breakfast known far and wide

Last month, the Arkansas United Methodist newspaper ran an article on our Saturday morning breakfast. It was shared with United Methodists throughout the state of Arkansas, and then was picked up by our international news service. It was exciting to see the news of this wonderful ministry being shared with United Methodists around the world.

Thank you to all those who make this wonderful ministry possible!

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## Upcoming Events

- Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>** - Youth Parent Meeting - 7:15pm - Youth Room
- Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>** - Office Closed - Martin Luther King Day
- Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>** - Silver Belles & Beaus - 11:30am - Tavolo Restaurant
- Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>** - Family Retreat at Mount Eagle
- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>** - Joyful Heart Ball - 6:00-9:00pm - F Hall

*Thank You!*

The United Methodist Women want to thank the church for all the support of our local unit. We support National UMW through our individual pledge to missions. We were also able to distribute over \$3,350.00 to local and national missions including our own Saturday morning breakfast and our Wednesday night children/ youth meals and activities. We appreciate all your support and invite all women to join us on the first Monday night at 6:00 in the parlor for our monthly meeting. Again, thank you for your support of our soup luncheon last Sunday where we raised about \$1,700.00 to start our 2020 endeavor to support children and women through the work of the United Methodist Women.

Thank you,  
Ruby Curl

## Sunday Baptism

Pastor Mark baptized the Hon family this past Sunday. Travis, Ashley, Charlie, and Maxwell Hon were supported by their church family along with Travis' parents, Charles and Brucene Hon.



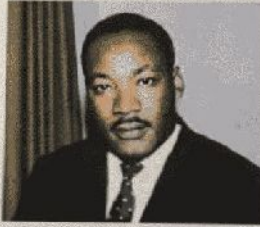
**Community Breakfast**  
**Free**  
**8:30 Every Saturday**  
**FUMC Fellowship Hall**

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

*O Magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His Name together*

*Bethel A.M.E. Church  
889 Oak Street  
Batesville, AR*

*Invites You  
To  
Share in a wonder Experience  
A Mighty Warrior  
"Martin Luther King"*



*Sunday January 19, 2020  
3:00 P.M.*

*Messenger Rev. Jeremy Jones, Pastor  
St. Paul A.M.E. Church  
Jonesboro, AR and  
Community A.M.E. Church, White Hall*

*Rev. Mary Cash Pastor*

You are invited to a baby shower for

*Amy Bullard*

Sunday, January 26

10:30am in the Fellowship Hall  
(immediately following the 9:45 service)

Amy is having a boy!

Hosted by:

Kaylea Milum

Dee Warren

Kaisha Gott

Emmy McKibbon

Katie McLean

Ruby Curl



**Secret  
Pals**

It is time to choose a secret pal for the year 2020.

I have a list and information on those who need a secret pal.

Please contact me for information and thanks for those who participate.

Thank you,  
Bennie

## SILVER BELLES & BEAUS

Our first meeting for 2020 will be on January 21st, 11:30 a.m., at Tavolo Italian Restaurant. A couple of our members have eaten there, and they recommended that we try this restaurant for one of our meetings. Its address is 3000 Jennings. Jennings Street is off of Harrison Street between the new Hampton Inn and Wade's Heating, Cooling & Electric.

We consider our group to be the "older" (or more mature) people – although you might find that this description doesn't apply to all of us. But we do have a good time in fellowship. Come join us. If you have any questions, call me at 698-1919 or e-mail me at [hihosilber@suddenlink.net](mailto:hihosilber@suddenlink.net).

Gayle Silberhorn

## Family Retreat January 24–26

Batesville FUMC has Beal Lodge at Mount Eagle on hold for the weekend of January 24th. We need a minimum of 15 people and there is room for more to join us!



If interested, please contact Sara Moore at [saraforgy@yahoo.com](mailto:saraforgy@yahoo.com) or let Pastor Mark know. The cost is \$50 per person for 2 nights. For more information and photos visit [mouneagle.org](http://mouneagle.org)

### Church Leadership

**Senior Pastor**  
Reverend Mark McDonald

**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**  
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

January 12<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Worship Total..... 193  
Sunday School..... 69

### Our Gifts

Received in January

Received 01/05/2020.....\$9,121.00  
Received 01/12/2020.....\$9,319.00  
Amount needed weekly ..... \$11,427.00

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 January 19<sup>th</sup>

ALTAR FLOWERS The flowers which adorn the altar are given to the glory of God by (we need a volunteer to do the flowers this week)

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Holifield  
Diana Waldrip

ANNOUNCEMENTS:  
8:30 Sandy West

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:  
Pastor Mark

COFFEE and DONUTS:  
Barnabas Sunday School Class

LITURGIST: 8:30 Joyce Prickett  
11:00 Glenda Martin

8:30 USHERS 11:00 USHERS  
J Ellis & D Smith Need Ushers

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMCN Calendar

January 19 Rance Wagoner  
January 20 Libby King  
Becky Shelton  
January 21 Bill Bobrosky  
Martha Healey  
Russell Staggs  
January 23 Julie Taylor  
January 24 Laura Brissey  
Pam Smith  
January 25 Gina Robertson

### MEMORIALS

MIKE HEALEY  
Michael & Sandy West

J.C. WELLS  
Janie Lewis

ROYCE KNOWLES  
Her Choir Friends

BOB LANGLEY, MERRELL WALKER, ROYCE BLEVINS

Bill & Anne Luster

### The FLOWER CALENDAR for 2020

Please take a moment to stop by the flower calendar and pick a week of two to sign up to do the flowers.

We have a lot of open dates coming up in the new year, here are just a few:

January 12, 19, 26  
February 9, 16, 23  
March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

We invite you to provide flowers for the altar by signing up on the calendar near the office (or calling the office). You may donate \$50 or more, contact Signature Gifts to work with them, or create your own arrangement/work with a florist of your choice. The flowers are noted in the bulletin, and following Sunday worship, volunteers arrange them into individual vases and take them to members who our ill or homebound.

Please take a moment to pick a Sunday where you can be a part of this wonderful ministry

Our Mailing Address is:

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

**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

Don Wayne & Patsy Anderson...parents of Wayne Anderson  
Hannah Baker.....  
Gerri & George Bentz.....member  
Vernon Block.....father of Gina Garrett  
Glenda Bowers.....member  
Marcus Bowers.....member  
Winnell Calhoun.....member  
Doris Casper.....member  
Bryan Dickey.....friend of David Smith  
Nancy Duncan.....friend of Amanda Pickett.  
Chad Edwards.....friend of David Smith  
Anabelle Fletcher.....friend of David Smith  
Don Gilchrist.....member  
Randy & Linda Guthrie.....relatives of Glenda Bowers  
Alvetta Hatfield.....mother of Karen Holifield  
Patty Healey.....mother of Jon Healey  
Mona Hobbs.....friend of Diane Tebbetts  
Jane Jameson.....member  
Kerry Jennings.....sister of member  
Mary Johnson.....mother in law of Clifton Burrell  
Charles Kibbe.....member  
Irvin Kimmer.....member  
Janine Kimmer.....member  
Sharon Looney.....friend of Jon Healey  
Mary Ann Marshall.....member  
Ruth Meyers.....aunt of member  
Janice Murphy.....cousin of Sharan Pittser  
Maria Paningua.....friend of member  
Angela Panneck.....friend of member  
Traci Phillips.....daughter of George & Pat Collins  
Terri Presley.....member  
Judy Pridden.....friend of Glenda Martin  
Pat Rice.....family member of Rice Family  
Rodney Rice.....family member of Rice Family  
Sam Rigsbee.....relative of member  
Raye Rogers.....member  
Charlotte Rose.....member  
Bob Spencer.....father of member  
Gladys Smith.....mother of David Smith  
Shirley Stuckey.....member

### ✠ Our Prayers for Those Who Mourn ✠

Our sympathy goes out to *Ina Bolton and family* on the passing of her husband, **Ken Bolton**, on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Funeral services January 12<sup>th</sup> with interment in Middle-  
settlements Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be  
made to Middlesettlements United Methodist Church 2729  
Middlesettlements Rd. Maryville, TN 37801 or to Palliative  
Care and Hospice Fund c/o Blount Memorial Foundation  
907 East Lamar Alexander Parkway Maryville, TN 37804.

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

#### Eagle Mountain Assisted Living

Polly Livingston.....member  
Jackie Martin.....member  
Carol Robertson.....member  
Barbara Stevenson.....member  
Katherine Tripp.....member  
Stanley & Mary Jeanette Wood.....members

#### Wood-Lawn Heights

Jessie Allen.....father of member Vicki Reed  
Mildred Arnold.....member  
Bobbie Sue Graves.....mother of Diana Waldrip  
Troy Kuchler.....stepdad of member  
Lucille Maris.....member  
Margaret Matthews.....member  
Virgina Swetnam.....mother of Lorrie McClure

#### Woodcrest Assisted Living

Robert (Lit) Craig.....member  
Marilyn Coffman.....member  
Judy Murrah.....member  
Dianne Taylor.....member

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

MSgt. Jason Austin.....son of Robin Austin Gay  
Lt. Col. Chris Carpenter....son of R.L. & Susan Carpenter  
Lt. Col. Marc Jones.....nephew of Mildred Arnold  
SPC Lane Lively.....grandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby  
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  
Staff Sgt. Jonathan Reed...son of Dan & Vicki Reed  
TSgt. Karl Sager.....son of Shirley Stuckey  
Stg. Bradley Skelton.....  
Senior Airman Keegan Smart.....member  
Petty Officer 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

### Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

#### Encompass Health Rehabilitaion - Jonesboro

Gayle Silberhorn.....member

#### Baptist DeSoto, Southaven, MS

Clif Burrell, IV.....son of Clifton & Norma Burrell

### If you need pastoral assistance contact:

Pastor Mark McDonald - 501-650-0046

January 13, 2020



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United Methodist Men's  
 Breakfast Meeting  
 Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 a.m.  
 Spah Grill (old Scenic View)

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**Hospitality Team for Sunday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30 Service  
 Joel & Jeannie Wagoner  
 11:00 Service  
 Paul & Karen Holifield  
 Coffee & Donuts  
 Barnabas Sunday School Class

**Tuesday Activities**  
**January 21<sup>st</sup>**  
 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary  
 7:30pm Adult Praise Team - Sanctuary

**Wednesday Activities**  
**January 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
 5:30 Kids & Youth  
 6:00 - Adult Bible Study - Chaney Class Room  
 6:00 Wesley Group(off Site)  
 8:00 Wesley Group-off site

**Bible Studies / Small Groups**  
**Jan 17<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00am - Men's Fraternity Meeting  
 At Ameriprise Office on College St.  
**Jan 19<sup>th</sup>** - Wesley Small Groups  
 11:00am Morningside-ShelbyDobbs/AmandaRoberts  
 11:00am Faith Classroom-Cyndi House  
 3:30pm Charity Sewing Group  
 4:00pm Loft Classroom-Kathy McKinney  
 6:00pm Faith Classroom-Barrett & Sara Moore  
**Jan 20<sup>th</sup>** - Men's Bible Study  
 At the Grammer House  
**Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Women's Bible Study - 9:45am  
 Home of Eleanor Royer  
 "The Mission of Jesus"

**Other Events / Committee Meetings**  
 January 18<sup>th</sup> - Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall  
 January 21<sup>st</sup> - Finance Meeting - 5:30pm - Alpha Classroom

Listen to the Worship Service at 11:00 am on  
 KWOZ FM 103.3 or on the internet  
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 or add it to your favorites on apps such as TuneIn Radio

**YouTube**  
 Watch at 8:30a and 11:00a  
 on our YouTube channel  
 (FUMC Batesville, AR)

**Next Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for the January 22<sup>nd</sup> newsletter must be submitted by 3:00 pm Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> to the church office or by email to Lyndal at [lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net).