

#### **VUMC Weekly**

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#### **From Pastor Chris**

The theme for our services this Lent is the invitation to "Live Differently." On Sundays, we are exploring spiritual disciplines and practices to aid in our willingness to live differently for Jesus. For our midweek services on Wednesdays, we are building on the Gospel's call to live differently as we hear God's call to prioritize the Gift of Love – a love sometimes seen as foolishness - in our daily walk of faith.

Last Sunday Regina spoke on the discipline of Prayer. I hope you are taking spiritual steps this Lent to increase your commitment and joy found in a life of prayer. Next Sunday, we reflect on the discipline and vitality of the written Word of God.

As most of you know, I've been flat on my back this week with a couple herniated discs. This is not a new issue for me as I've known I had degenerative disc disease for about fifteen years now, but every now and then, it causes trouble. One of the medications causes blurred vision, and reading my Bible was affected. That's how I stumbled (pardon the pun!) onto a new resource.

I use <u>biblegateway.com</u> often to look up passages of scripture from a variety of translations, and I've long appreciated their commentary resources. However, I never utilized its audio feature until this week. I simply told my iPad to read Exodus 1 on biblegateway, and it did ... and continued on chapter by chapter. To lay quietly while listening to those familiar opening chapters of Exodus being read aloud opened up a new appreciation to me for the power of the scriptures.

Do you read your Bible daily? Maybe you listen to it. As a spiritual discipline I encourage you to strengthen your habit of getting into the Word. Read it. Listen

to it. Use different translations. And ask the Lord to give you wisdom as you seek to grow in the Word.

And ... just in case you're not sure where that Bible of yours ended up, visit <a href="www.biblegateway.com">www.biblegateway.com</a> and get started today. It's free and easy to use! If you need a Bible, let me know. I would be honored to gift you a Bible.

As an old friend always said, between the covers of your Bible are the very thoughts and love of God given for you. I pray that Living Word comes to new life in you very soon!

See you Sunday!

Chris

# Scripture Text, Sermon Title and Music

# 2nd Sunday in Lent February 25

Psalm 1: 1-3

"Live Differently through Scripture"

Pastor Chris Hemund

#### Praise Service at 9:00 a.m.

Open the Eyes of My Heart Build Your Kingdom Here Cornerstone Living Hope Refiner's Fire

#### Traditional Service at 11:00 a.m.

O Worship the King, UMH 73 Great Is Thy Faithfulness, UMH 140 My Faith Looks Up to Thee, UMH 452

ANTHEM: Day By Day Arr. Joseph M. Martin

### Lenten Mid-week, Holy Week and Easter Worship Opportunities

Feb. 28 Wed. Lenten Service @5:00 p.m.
March 6 Wed. Lenten Service @5:00 p.m.
March 13 Wed. Lenten Service @5:00 p.m.
March 20 Wed. Lenten Service @5:00 p.m.

March 24 - Passion/Palm Sunday Praise Service @ 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service @ 11:00 a.m.

March 28 - Maundy Thursday and Holy Communion @ 5:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir presentation of "Mass in F" composed by F. Schubert

March 29 - Good Friday @ 3:00 p.m.

March 31 - EASTER Sunrise Service @ 7:00 a.m.
Praise Service @ 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service @ 11:00 a.m.

#### **Altar Flowers**

Altar flowers this Sunday are given by John Shrock in loving memory of Barbara Shrock.





# Radio Ministry

The RADIO MINISTRY for this Sunday is sponsored by the Village United Methodist Men. The sermon for Sunday, February 25, will be broadcast on the radio station KVRE 92.9 on March 3 at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.

Reminder, the sermon will be from the prior Sunday.

Use the LINK below to listen to the radio station anytime.

<u>Click this Link for KVRE 92.9 FM</u>

#### SIGN-UP SHEETS

New sign-up sheet available. Serving and helping at Jackson House.



Scholarship forms are available on the Opportunity Center table. Do you know someone who is pursuing a post-secondary education? Check the article in The Chimes for more details.

You will also find on the Opportunity Center table copies of the South-Central Arkansas edition of the *Fellowship of Christian Athletes* (FCA) newspaper. One picture on the front page is from the event "Fields of Faith" and is showing over 3000 students in attendance. The event was held at the Lakeside High School football stadium in Garland County.



The March/April Upper Room Daily Devotionals are available. You will find them on the Opportunity Center table and also the hallway table by the church office.



## **Happy Birthday**

2/23 Helen Willaims

2/24 Major Davis

2/24 Bobby Oswalt

2/25 Darlene Whitwell

2/27 Jim Freeman

2/28 Melissa Gibbs

2/28 Tom Melcher

3/01 Alice Canham

3/01 Jo Morrison

3/02 Steve Rogers

3/03 Marilyn Wilms

3/04 Sandra Jones

3/04 Cindy Parker

3/04 Zack Taylor

3/05 Tish Fisher

3/05 John Wilms



# **Happy Anniversary**

2/26 Richard & Gerrie Sanders 2/28 Bill & Susan Veal 3/04 Tom & Loraine Melcher

#### **Dear VUMC Friends:**

Thank you for the cards and notes expressing support and encouragement during my health challenge. I sincerely appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness. It was a source of strength to know others



were praying for me. God bless you and thank you for being the Church.

Willis Alderson



# MORE BOOKS TO CHECK OUT IN OUR LIBRARY

If you are interested in learning more about the spiritual disciplines, the book for you is *Celebration of Discipline, the Path to Spiritual Growth,* by Richard Foster. You will find it on the Spiritual Direction shelf in the library.

Mary Anne Settle, Spiritual Director



# **Eyeglasses for Mission Trip**

VUMC is collecting reading and prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses (new or gently used) for the Honduras Mission team to take with them for distributing to those in need.

Glasses need to be clean, unscratched and with no missing pieces. Sunglasses can be plain or with a prescription.

The glasses can be in clean, soft covers. <u>NO HARD CASES!</u> Bring them to VUMC through Sunday, May 5. Put them in the eyeglass collection box currently in the Narthex.



Singing in the choir has many pluses. It even can outnumber the minuses. Just ask a choir member. Notice the title of the book in the picture. It may be how you feel at first, but as the story unfolds ... the joy, peace, comfort, and heartfelt love can truly fill your heart and soul. The Village UMC Choir has a chair waiting for you. Bring a friend, too. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.



SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP The Scholarship Committee is currently accepting applications for the Village UMC Scholarship.

The need-based award is for \$500-\$1000 for a high school senior or post-secondary student who is either a constituent of Village UMC, or a child /grandchild /great-grandchild of a constituent of Village UMC, with a home address of record in Garland or Saline County, AR. Students should be planning to pursue post-

secondary education from an accredited 4-year college/university or accredited vo-tech program that awards certificates or associate degrees.

Applications, additional guidelines, and eligibility are available on the Opportunity Center table. Deadline is noon, Wednesday, March 13, 2024.

If you have any questions, contact <u>nikki@villageumc.net</u>.

# United Methodist Men's Breakfast Thursday, March 7 at 8:00 a.m.

"The next Methodist Men's Breakfast will be at 8:00 am on Thursday, March 7, in Steele Hall. Our Speaker, Mr. Jeremy Simmons will tell us about the upcoming Solar Eclipse on



April 8, which will be bringing people from all over the world to the Hot Springs area. Join us for this timely and interesting presentation."

All men of the Church are invited to attend. Friends, too.

An accurate count is needed to help plan the food amount for those who are joining us for the breakfast. A call list is in place so be sure and respond. If you are not on a call list and plan on attending, please call the Church office at 501-922-1030 to be included in the count.



# Mobile Pantry has many wonderful changes and updates!

Thanks to Sew for Service and their willingness to change rooms, the Mobile Pantry has relocated. Gary Mouton is shown laying out supplies for painting the new space. Wife, Debbie, Carolyn & Jay Law completed the work team.

Thanks to
Debbie & Gary
Mouton, Jay
Law, Loraine
Melcher, Ed
Wallace, Pat &
George
Sisterhen and
Pat Eubanks the
new shelves are
stocked.





Spending a hour sacking for the veterans and Mt. Pine are Dave Glomski, Therral & Molly Wilson, Rick & Debbie Perryman and Rebecca Elliott.

Finishing the final
February sacking for
Mountain Pine in record
time are Ivan Williams,
Loraine Melcher, Carolyn
Law, Debbie and Gary
Mouton.





Note the new cloth bags with the church logo. The shelves are empty. Bags are ready for March delivery. It takes a church! The photos spotlight just a few of the dedicated individuals who show

up each month to help and make the mission of the Mobile Pantry possible. Grateful!



#### **BIRTHDAY BAGS NEEDED!**

We are continuing to collect Birthday Bags to take to Faith Fellowship Church. FFC distributes them at their regularly scheduled food distribution (twice a month on Wednesdays). This is an on-going, yearround mission opportunity so the children can have a Happy Birthday.

Thank you to those in the past and those in the future who provide this special need!

Each Birthday Bag should contain the following: 9x12 aluminum baking pan with lid, one box cake mix and container of frosting, birthday paper plates, cups, napkins, plastic forks, birthday candles AND a large birthday gift bag to put it all in. Leave the Birthday Bags in the Narthex below the Opportunity Table.

## BLESSINGS FROM SEW FOR SERVICE HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO TEEN CHALLENGE

During worship on Sunday, February 18, Sew for Service presented 33 men's pillowcases, 14 women's pillowcases, 13 men's and 13 women's laundry bags for a blessing before being delivered to Teen Challenge.

Making the delivery on Monday, February 19, were Teryl, Ginny, and Carolyn. Pictured with our three Sew for Service team is Clarence.





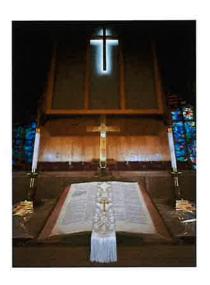


Our donors are head and shoulders above the rest!

# Village United Methodist Church and Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

Tuesday, March 5 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. 200 Carmona Rd Fellowship Hall All donors get a stand TALL T-shirt with front and back design, one free entry to the Museum of Discovery and one free bundtlet from Nothing Bundt Cakes!





Did you miss worshiping with us this past Sunday? And the Midweek Lenten Service?

# Watch online anytime!

Click LINK below for the **Praise Worship Service for February**18.

CLICK THIS LINK for February 18 Praise Worship Service

Click LINK below for the **Traditional Worship Service for February 18.** 

CLICK THIS LINK for the February 18 Traditional Service

The Wednesday Service begins at 5:40 timing on this video.

LINK for Midweek Lenten

Service - February 21

# VOICES RISING

presents



Village Bible Church 100 Ponderosa Way Hot Springs Village

Sunday, February 25, 2024

3:00 pm \$10 / \$5 students

Tickets on sale at the door or from any member of Voices Rising



If you have not filled out a Time and Talents form, take time to CLICK on the link below. Look over the ministries available. Please give prayerful consideration to selecting one, two, three, etc. of the ministries you would be interested in sharing in ministry with those who have already filled out the Time and Talents form. In ministry together.

# Click this LINK to Sign up Online for the 2024 Pledge Card form AND the 2024 Time and Talents form.



#### Some Dates to Remember

On Wednesdays (Feb. 28 - March 20) - Lenten Worship Services at 5:00 p.m.

March 24 - Palm Sunday

March 28 - Maundy Thursday (5:00 p.m.) - Communion and the Chancel Choir's presentation of "Mass in F" composed by Franz Schubert.

March 29 - Good Friday (3:00 p.m.)

March 31 - Easter Sunrise Service (7:00 a.m.) Contemporary Service (9:00 a.m.) and Traditional Service (11:00 a.m.)

April 23 thru May 3 - General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina

June 19 thru June 21 - Arkansas Annual Conference in Hot Springs

# ><> Internet links of interest <><

**ARUMC LINK** 

<u>Lectionary</u> Calendar LINK UMC Hymnal LINK

The Faith We Sing
Hymnal LINK

CLICK LINK BELOW to see the VUMC Weekly Calendar LINK February 25 WEEKLY Calendar

#### 2024 LEADERSHIP TEAM Glenn Wortham, Lay Leader/LT Chair

#### Class of 2024

#### Debbie Perryman (SPR) Glenn Wortham (L.T. Chair, Lay Leader, SPR, Tr) Duane Heckelsberg (Trustee) Gary Mouton (Trustee)

#### Class of 2025

Rosetta DuBose
Genell Harris (SPR)
Slade Strickland (Trustee)
Mary Hushaw

#### Class of 2026

Dana Chaney (SPR)
Richard Sanders (SPR)
Gary Buettner
Carmen Edwards

Without vote: Senior Pastor, Financial Manager/Treasurer, Recording Secretary

Rev. Chris Hemund, Senior Pastor Rev. Regina Turner, Associate Pastor Lee Ann Branch, Community Life Mary Anne Settle, Spiritual Director Bettie Land, Administrative Secretary Lisa Hester, Communications Nikki Saltmarsh, Finance Stephen Edds, Music Director Lisa Hester, Accompanist Houston Pierce, Audio/Video Katie Goodwin, Custodian

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

unless noted differently in church calendar (LINK above)
9:00 PRAISE SERVICE
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 TRADITIONAL
SERVICE

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