



First United Methodist Challenge

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May 1, 2024

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

From the Pastor . . .

Dear Church Family,

Last week I traveled to England with a group of Arkansas United Methodist clergy for a Wesleyan Pilgrimage. We traveled to Epworth, Bristol, Oxford, and London to see the places where John and Charles Wesley, the founders of the Methodist movement, were raised, baptized, started the Holy Club, and began their ministry. We visited the New Room in Bristol, which is the first Methodist building ever built, worshipped at City Road Methodist Church where John Wesley is buried, and walked on Aldersgate Street where John Wesley was converted. This trip reminded me why I fell in love with the United Methodist Church. We have a rich history and inspiring story. John Wesley was passionate about welcoming all



people into the church. Wesley and the early Methodists were often reviled by the established Church of England because they were too “enthusiastic” in their faith, but this same enthusiasm attracted people from all walks of life into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

I look forward to sharing more about this trip with you in the coming weeks. I am so thankful to the church staff for going above and beyond so that I could take this trip. I am especially grateful to Joel Williams, Joel Wagoner, and Michael Robinson for preaching and leading worship while I was away. I got to watch the worship service from London which was very special, and I know their messages were a blessing to you. I will be back in worship this Sunday and starting a new sermon series on the Holy Spirit and the church. I encourage you to read the scripture passage in advance, Acts 6:1-6. I look forward to being in worship with you after a couple of Sundays away!

God bless,
Pastor Katie

Go to the insert page for pictures of Pastor Katie's trip.

Pentecost Sunday May 19th
Wear red to church to represent
the Holy Spirit!

Confirmation Sunday May 19th
In the 11:00am service only



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

Please review the names on the prayer list. Names will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks.
At the end of 2 weeks to continue the name, please call the church office.

Our Prayers for Those at Home

- Bill Beller.....member
- Glenda Bowers.....member
- Marcus Bowersmember
- Ginger Davismember
- Bill Hess.....father of April Rice
- Linda Hicks.....friend of John Ellis
- Louise Hughesmember
- Starr Kent.....member
- Daniel King.....member
- Anne Lustermember
- Aline McCrackenmember
- Jerry Millspough Elaine Vinson's uncle
- Heather Pool.....niece of Jim & Kay Pool
- Billy Prickett.....member
- Kathleen Reynolds.....member
- Alannette Rushingmember
- Banks Shaw..... Barbara & Ron Cheatham's
Great Grandson
- Sonja Massey Turnermember

Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

- Baptist Health Medical Center ICU - Little Rock**
Bill Waldrip.....member

Nursery Available 11:00am Service

Kids Sunday School is every week from 10:00am–11:45am.

There is a nursery available for young children during this worship service.

We encourage older kids to stay in worship and it's fine if they make noise!

There are busy bags and coloring sheets located in the hallway behind the Sanctuary.

We are glad you and your kids are Here!

Nursery & Sunday School 9:00am Service

Kids are invited to go to the nursery after children's sermon.

Sunday School for kids is every week from 10:00am–10-45am.

Our Prayers for Those in Health Care Centers and Retirement Homes

Eagle Mountain Assisted Living

- Ruth Chesnutt..... mother of Gayle Ross
- Connie Crafton sister of Joel Wagoner
- Asa Whitaker member

The Springs Batesville

- Judy Murrah..... member

Wildwood Independent Living

- Nelda Hackworth..... member

Wood-Lawn Heights

- Sally Allen..... mother of Vicki Reed
- Benodlyn Kramer..... aunt of Sonya Massey

Woodcrest Assisted Living

- Ernestine Boyce member

Our Prayers for Those in U.S. Military Service

Those who have listed family in military service, please review and update the status of your service member.

- Staff Sergeant Cole Long.....Great Nephew of Verona Bebow
- Sgt. Lane Livelygrandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby
- Trent McDonald.....cousin of member
- Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson
- Capt. Chris Milumhusband of Kaylea Milum
- Lt. Cmdr. Greg Tebbettsson of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts
- Ltc. Colonel John Ticenephew of Verona Bebow
- Major Joe Warren
- Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheelercousin of member

Blessing Box

If you would like to help stock our Blessing Box, here's a list of items:

Pull tops please on can goods.

Canned meat, tuna, chicken, Vienna sausages

Thank you for being a blessing those less fortunate!

Bring to church and put in the basket in front of the church office

If you need pastoral assistance contact:

Pastor Katie Pearce at the church office (870) 793-3803

Church Leadership

Senior Pastor

Reverend Katie Pearce
katie.pearce@arumc.org

Church Administrator

Teresa Brown

Minister to Children & Family Ministries

Katie McLean

Director of Youth, Young Adults, and Welcome

Michael Robinson

Director of Traditional Worship

Marc Sexton

Worship Leader

Alicia Williams

Treasurer

Ruby Curl

Custodian

Joe Johnson

Lay Leader

Mike Wilson

Lay Servants/Ministers

Sandy West
Asa Whitaker

Church Council Chair

Barrett Moore

Finance Chair

Robb Roberts

Staff/Parish Chair

Rikki Painter

Trustees Chair

Joyce Prickett

Our Mailing Address is:
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Our Presence

Online Worship Views **April 21st**

11:00 Service (YT 20 + FB 70) 90
9:00 Service(FB) 88

In-Person Attendance

April 28th 109

Our Gifts

Received in April

Received through 04-07-2024
Total Giving \$9,477.96

Received through 04-14-2024
Total Giving \$7,946.38

Received through 04-21-2024
Total Giving \$8,712.48

Received through 04-28-2024
Total Giving \$23,503.12

Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Acts 6:1-6

Our Service

for May 5th

ALTAR FLOWERS given to the honor and glory of God

(need altar flowers this Sunday)

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Holifield
Diana Waldrip
Joyce Prickett

GREETERS:

9:00 Michael Robinson
11:00 Mike Wilson

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Amanda Roberts

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Julia Nail & Pam Smith

LITURGIST: Michelle Szybowicz

USHERS: Need Ushers

Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMMEN Calendar

May 5 Roger Barker
Amanda Lucy
Josh Taylor
May 6 Katherine Brannon Fishman
Melissa Bube
Sue Kibbe
May 7 Wes Shelton
May 8 Leanne Curl Nail
Scott Pinkston
May 9 Zach Langston

May 9 Scott and Cindy Kallsnick
May 10 Andy & Ann Walmsley

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO SERVE

Blessing/Prayer/Bible Box & School Backpacks

Seeking persons to help replenish boxes when able as well as donations of non-perishable items (strong preference for easy open containers)

Community Breakfast

We are seeking people to help set-up, cook, serve, and/or clean-up for our Saturday community meal, as well as monetary donations.

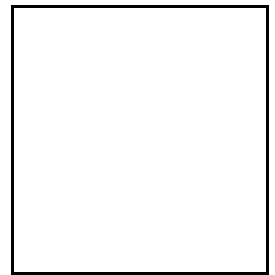


Flower Calendar 2024

2024 is open!
Come pick your special Sunday to do the altar flowers!



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The FUMC Challenge

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on **May 6th, 6:00pm**, at the Grammer House. Bring your favorite food.

11:00 Worship Service
 Livestream on
 YouTube and on Facebook

SUNDAYMORNINGS

9:00am Contemporary Service—Fellowship Hall
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Traditional Service—Sanctuary

Announcements

- May 1st Chancel Choir Practice
 BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm
 BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm
 Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm
- May 2nd HIIWAYS College Group - 6:30pm
- May 4th Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- May 6th United Women in Faith - Parlor - 5:00pm
- May 6th Men's Bible Study - Grammer House - 6:00pm
- May 6th Young Men's Group - Alpha Room - 6:30pm



Community Breakfast

Free
8:30 Every Saturday
FUMC Fellowship Hall

Next Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the May 8th newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, May 6th, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net.



The group of clergy I traveled with standing in Wesley's pulpit in the New Room in Bristol.



I am standing next to the baptismal font where John and Charles Wesley and their siblings were baptized at St. Andrew's Parish Church in Epworth where their father, Samuel, was the priest.



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