

# First United Methodist Challenge

615 East Main Street • Batesville, Arkansas 72501 • 870-793-3803 www.fumcbatesville.org

May 15, 2024

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

#### From the Pastor . . .

Dear Church Family,

This Sunday is Pentecost, the celebration of the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. Last week I said in my sermon that the Holy Spirit is sometimes called the "shy member of the Trinity." While it is easier to understand the role of God the Father and Creator and Jesus Christ, God incarnate, it



can be more difficult to understand the role of the Holy Spirit because the Holy Spirit primarily works through usthe church. The book The Acts of the Apostles could more accurately be called the Acts of the Holy Spirit Through the Apostles. Pentecost will be the last week of the worship series on the Holy Spirit; I hope this series has helped you to understand and be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in our worship and our lives.

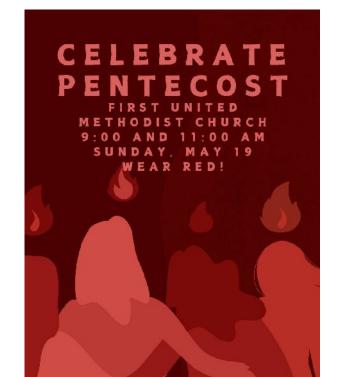
This will be a very special Pentecost because we are also confirming three youth into the church at the 11:00 AM service. I am excited for this step they are taking in their faith lives and hope you will be present to support them and their families. It is also our tradition to wear red on Pentecost to symbolize the Holy Spirit!

Next Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, there will be an Informational Meeting at 5:30pm in the sanctuary. I will be giving a report on the recent General Conference. I encourage you to send in any questions you have in advance by emailing me at Katie.pearce@arumc.org.

I look forward to celebrating Pentecost with you on Sunday!

Blessings,

Pastor Katie



#### **Informational Meeting**

On Tuesday, May 21st at 5:30pm

In the Sanctuary

Pastor Katie will give a report on the General Conference.

To submit questions in advance email

katie.pearce@arumc.org



May 19<sup>th</sup>
In the
11:00am
service only





May 21, 2024
At 12:00
FUMC Fellowship Hall
Poppy Seed Chicken
Bring sides
Program on Mother's Day

Page 2 The FUMC Challenge Prayer Page

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 Ginger Davis .....member Emma Herrington ......friend of Abby & Lily Barker Bill Hess......father of April Rice Linda Hicks.....friend of John Ellis Louise Hughes ..... member Starr Kent.....member Daniel King.....member Anne Luster ..... member Bill Luster.....member Aline McCracken ..... member Jerry Millspaugh ...... Elaine Vinson's uncle Heather Pool.....niece of Jim & Kay Pool Billy Prickett.....member Kathleen Reynolds.....member Alannette Rushing ..... member Banks Shaw.....Barbara & Ron Cheatham's Great Grandson Sonja Massey Turner ..... member

#### Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

Baptist Health Medical Center ICU - Little Rock

Bill Waldrip.....member

**Baptist Health Medical Center-Little Rock** 

Marcus Bowers.....member

**UAMS - Little Rock** 

Belinda Turner.....friend of the Reynolds

# Pentecost Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> Wear red to church to represent the Holy Spirit!

Confirmation Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>
In the 11:00am service only

# 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 Lively......grandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby
Trent McDonald......cousin of member
Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson
Capt. Chris Milum.....husband of Kaylea Milum
Cmdr. Greg Tebbetts......son of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts
Ltc. Colonel John Tice.....nephew of Verona Bebow
Major Joe Warren.....
Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheeler......cousin 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

The FUMC Challenge Page 3

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

#### Our Presence

 Online Worship Views
 May 5<sup>th</sup>

 11:00 Service (YT 16 + FB 186)
 202

 9:00 Service(FB)
 239

In-Person Attendance

**May 12**<sup>th</sup>......164

#### **Our Gifts**

#### Received in May

 Received through
 05-05-2024

 Total Giving
 \$6,889.55

 Received through
 05-12-2024

 Total Giving
 \$10,801.30

#### Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Acts 2:1-13

#### **Our Service**

for May 19th

**ALTAR FLOWERS** given to the honor and glory of God by

(need altar flowers this Sunday)

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Holifield

Diana Waldrip

Joyce Prickett

#### **GREETERS**:

9:00 Jim Ramsey 11:00 Tom & Ruby Curl

**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Amanda Lucy

**LITURGIST:** Joyce Prickett

**USHERS:** Need Ushers

#### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

from UMMEN Calendar

May 19 Clark Emery

May 20 Caroline Patterson Crystal Smart Rolins

Kelsey Weaver

May 21 Melissa Brewer

Carla Langston

Molly McLean Reggie Rice

May 25 Dot Lewis

Nancy Phillips

Shirley Waits

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

May 25 Buddy & Elaine Vinson

Pray for our church

for our pastors & staff

for our leaders

for those who are homebound or hospitalized

for every household

for our small groups and relationships

Pray for our community

for those who are hungry

for those who are struggling in life or faith

for those who are abused and oppressed

for those who do not yet know the love of Christ

Pray for our world

for the church universal

for our nation's leaders

for all the nations

for the unity of all God's children

for the care of God's creation

for peace with justice

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done

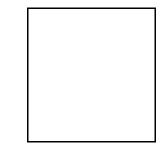
on earth as it is in heaven.

## Flower Calendar 2024

2024 is open!

Come pick your special Sunday to do the altarflowers!





#### Inside This Issue!

- From the Pastor page 1
- Prayer Page page 2
- Stewardship page 3

email us at fumcbatesville@gmail.com Check out newsletters online! www.fumcbatesville.org/



#### The FUMC Challenge

Page 4

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on **May 20<sup>th</sup>, 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 15<sup>th</sup> Chancel Choir Practice
BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm
Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm

May 16<sup>th</sup> HIIWAYS College Group - 6:30pm

May 18th Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall

May 19<sup>th</sup> Penecost Sunday - Wear Red!

May 19th Confirmation Sunday - 11:00 service

May 20th Men's Bible Study - Grammer House - 6:00pm

May 20th Young Men's Group - Alpha Room - 6:30pm

May 21st Silver Bells and Beaus - Fellowship Hall - noon

May 21st Report on the General Conference-Sanctuary-5:30pm



#### Community Breakfast

Free 8:30 Every Saturday FUMC Fellowship Hall

#### **Next Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for the May 22<sup>nd</sup> newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net.