

# What's Happening at FUMC.....

ANGELS IN APRONS

**Jan. 30-Feb. 12** Debbie Bond & Ethlyn Mortimer

**Feb. 13-26** Stacy Hays & Rebecca DeSantis

**Yoga** – Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Children's Choir** – will meet on February 1st

**Pastor Visitation Schedule** – If you would like to be added to the monthly visit rotation either with a home visit or a phone call, please contact the church office to determine a convenient time. 662-494-1658 or [fumc@fumcwestpoint.com](mailto:fumc@fumcwestpoint.com)

**Men's Breakfast** – The Men's Breakfast will be held Sunday, February 5 beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A representative from Contact Helpline will present the program.

**"Super Bowl" Canned Food Drive** – Plans are underway for a canned food drive for Super Bowl Sunday, February 12. Drop off locations will be at the back of the sanctuary, the cart by the Fellowship Hall and outside the children's Sunday School classes. If your class would like a box located in your Sunday School classroom, please let Stacy know. Our Blessing Box has made a tremendous impact in our community, and we need your help to keep it going!

**Grief Committee Volunteers Needed** – We still need volunteers for our Grief Committee. This committee provides a meal for church members who have lost a loved one. If you could help host, clean up or provide a salad, vegetable, or dessert, please let Stacy know.

**Shrove Pancake Supper** – We will be back in person for the Shrove Pancake Supper this year February 21 from 5-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A link to sign up and more information coming soon! If you would like to volunteer to help that night, please contact Stacy at 662-295-3186.

## MUSIC NOTES



Hello Church Family!

Children's Choir has started and we are so excited to sing for you soon. Last night, the 1st-3rd grade Children's Choir discussed how God helps us change our hearts. For example, if we have a bad habit, God can help us. Or if there is a big change coming up, God can help us with that too! We also talked about what being mindful means and how God is mindful of us! God worries about us and wants us to live good lives full of blessing. We started working on our songs for this semester and I was amazed at how quickly the children caught on to the music. I'm so proud of all of them and how thoughtful they are when we are discussing scripture! Thank you to everyone who helps make children's choir possible, especially our parent volunteers! If you would like to help with Children's Choir, please let me know and we can definitely put you to work! It will be a blessing to you too!

Rachel

Last week the PRE K-K Children's Choir and I played a fun game that taught us how it is easy to make mistakes when we take our eyes off of our leader. It was funny and we giggled, but in the end we talked about how when we take our eyes off of Jesus how easy it is to make bad choices. Then we sang about how God is the BEST thing that has ever happened to us! I can't wait for you to hear these sweet voices soon!

Jessi



It's February, which means it is time for another children's activity! Only this month it's even better....we are having two!! First, we will have a Father/Daughter Dance on Friday, February 10th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Then, we will have a Mother/Son Nerf Gun Challenge on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, also in the Fellowship Hall. All ages are welcome! The children of FUMC will definitely enter into the week of Valentine's Day already feeling the love!

Jessi



**FUMC Youth** Our youth will continue meeting during Sunday School as well as on Wednesday nights. Wednesday Night Dinner is at 5:30 with a meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Youth House.



**Communications Survey** – Please take a few moments to let us know how you prefer to receive your church information. Surveys are located at the back of the church. You may complete a paper copy or use the QR code.

*\*Unless told otherwise, we will leave these names on the prayer list for two months. Please update us on anyone you have added to the list.\** <http://www.fumcwestpoint.com>

### LET US PRAY...

#### For our Members:

Ann Miller  
Max Hinshaw  
Ben Rosenkrans  
Fox Haas

#### For our Constituents:

Bill Messier

#### For our Family and Friends:

Curtis Lewellen (father of Lona Rosetti)  
Donna Serio (sister of Debbie Bond)  
Lynda Bell (mother of Hillary Haas)  
Mary Margaret Case (Daughter of Kenny Dill)  
Susie Purnell Randall (Daughter of George and Luann Purnell)  
Zach Bryan  
Mary Clair Ford  
Shannon Greenan  
Prentiss McKibbin  
Dr. Bill Billington  
Frank Alford  
Becky Angle  
Bryan Hughes  
Ray Childress  
Leslie Whitehead Boatner  
Family of Butch Fowler  
Family of Richard Garley

#### For our Nation and World:

Water Crisis in Jackson, MS, War in Ukraine, Mass shootings in our country

### Prayer Service

**Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

**5:30 p.m.**



**STEWARDSHIP FOR 2023**

2023 budget \$610,027.33  
Received January 29, 2023 Budget \$ TBD  
Received to date, Budget \$43,886.72  
Received January 29, 2023 Bldg. \$ TBD  
Received to date, Bldg. Fund \$2,750.00

**ATTENDANCE JANUARY 29, 2023**

Sunday School.....86  
8:45 Worship Service.....27  
11:00 Worship Service.....94  
Virtual 11:00 AM Service.....48  
Total Worship.....169



**THE WINDOW**  
of  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
West Point, Mississippi

January 31, 2023

**SOUND TECH:** Julie Gray  
**COFFEE & JUICE:** J.B. Cook Class

**STREAM TEAM:** Jason McKellar  
**CDC CHAPEL:** 2/6 Dr. Darian Duckworth  
2/13 Pam Carson

**LAY READER:** 8:45 AM  
**CHILDREN’S CHURCH:** 2/5 Elizabeth & Fred Zepponi  
2/12 Allie & Jud Judkins

**ACOLYTES:** 2/5 Treston Holcombe  
2/12 Corbin Tinsley

**Remember in Prayer**  
**In the Hospital**

**AT HOME**  
Jean Sargard Robert Darsey Ann Miller  
Montez Ganss Ann Ross  
Coy Burgess Max Hinshaw

**DUGAN** **WAVERLY CARE** **TRACEWAY** **WINDSOR**  
Jennie Cantrell Bobbie Tumlinson Evelyn O’Hara Wallace  
Deb McGaughy Mary Ann Weems Betty Sue Shumpert  
Montez Ganss

ONLINE GIVING QR CODE



**The 11:00 AM worship Service is broadcast on WKBB 100.9 FM and on Facebook Live at First UMC of West Point and You Tube.**

**First United Methodist Church**  
**P. O. Box 293**

Dated Material  
January 31, 2023

**West Point, MS 39773** **ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

**CHURCH STAFF**

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Stacy Hays, Family Ministries, 494-2198  
Jessi Sugg, Children’s Ministries 494-2198  
Kaeley Tackett & Ray Purnell, Volunteer Youth Leaders  
Julie Gray, Financial Secretary, 494-1658  
Melanie Sanders, Office Manager, 494-1658  
Polly Grimes, Organist  
Dr. Garrett Torbert, Pianist  
Ron Crawford, Custodian  
Paul Fowler, Building Superintendent

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What We’ve Been “Seeing” Together

For the past three Sundays, we have begun a new calendar year with a call to see through “The Eyes of Jesus.” Here is a brief recap, and I encourage you to go back and listen/watch our reflections on Scripture together.

We began in John 1:35-42, where Jesus asked us, “What are you looking for?” We were challenged to really SEE one another in our church family, to spend time looking into each other’s eyes and to see Jesus in each other.

We then moved to 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, where the apostle Paul strictly warned us not to live in division with one another, for in doing so we are “dividing Christ.” We can live in unity, and without division, even though we disagree. We were challenged to HOLD one another in prayer and gratitude, especially those with whom we disagree.

This past Sunday, the prophet Micah (6:6-8) told us bluntly what God has called “good”: to do justice, love goodness, and walk humbly with our God. We were challenged to MOVE into acting beyond our walls, beyond those we are close to in our church family, to remember our calling is bigger than ourselves.

We have assembled a small group of leaders from both within and outside the Administrative Council who will begin this week planning ways we can see, hold, and move with each other into our vision as a church. I encourage you to hold them in prayer as we listen to the Holy Spirit together: Shane Alpe (Admin Council chair), Freddie Brister (lay leader), Elizabeth Bailey, Pam Carson, Jack Jameson, Laura Tinsley, Steven White, and myself.

Aren’t the eyes of Jesus a wonderful place to dwell? Where there is peace and vision and unconditional love? Let us make every effort to see through his eyes so that we might live with his vision!

all good things to each of you,  
Dr. Darian

Sympathy – We extend sympathy to the family of Mr. Barry (Butch) Fowler who passed away on Thursday, January 26, 2023. A service was held Saturday, January 28, 2023.

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