

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

## ANGELS IN APRONS

**May 9-22** Debbie Hinshaw/Stacy Hays

**May 23-June 4** Elizabeth Bailey/Becky Brabham

**NMMC Newborn Care Closet** – We are now accepting items for the NMMC-Women's Pavilion Nursery Care Closet for newborns. This project will help newborns in need go home with essentials. Items needed are diapers and wipes, diaper cream, baby shampoo and soap, diaper bags, blankets and burp cloths, sleepers and onesies, bibs, bottles, and nipples, socks and booties, pacifiers, and gentle laundry detergent. They will accept used car seats in good condition as long as the date has not expired on the sticker. You may leave your items in the cart outside the Fellowship Hall.

**Tornado Relief** – we are accepting monetary donations for the communities affected by the March 24<sup>th</sup> tornadoes in Mississippi. Please designate "tornado relief" on your check. To date we have raised \$4,801. Thanks to everyone who has donated so far!

**Volunteers for Tornado Relief** – We are beginning to make plans to send a group to help with tornado clean-up, putting together hygiene packs and distributing Blessing Buckets (buckets filled with cleaning supplies) in Amory. If you are interested in going, please let Stacy know. They would like for us to come on a Saturday.

**Mission Trip** – We have scheduled a mission trip to Guatemala December 26<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>. We will be distributing food to needy families, coordinating some kind of event for the children, such as a Vacation Bible School with a Christmas theme as well as doing other outreach work. If you are interested in going or would like more information, let Stacy know.

**Blood Drive** - We will hold a blood drive Monday, June 5 from 3-7 pm in the fellowship hall. Thanks to Charlotte Messier for coordinating this event.

## MUSIC NOTES

Hello Church Family!

Great job to all of the children who have participated in Children's Choir this past year! We learned so many things, like how God's love for us is outrageous and awesome. We were made to praise him and when we praise him in song, the devil runs away from us. I thought everyone did a great job this past Sunday and you are to be commended for sharing your gifts with our congregation and community. Please continue to sing as you continue to grow.

We are still searching for men who would like to share their gift of singing with the Chancel Choir. If you are interested even a little, please talk to me or a fellow choir member. No matter how great or not so great your talent may be, God can use you! He will return the blessing to you as well!

Rachel



**Early Registration at the CDC** is going on now through the month of May 2023. Parents will receive a discount on the Registration Fee and this will hold your child's spot for the 2023-2024 year. The Early registration fee is \$75 for students who register by May 31, 2023. For more information, please contact the CDC office at 494-6811.

Calling all kids!



Thank you to the dads for helping make the Mother's Day Brunch so enjoyable for the moms! It was so wonderful to have the opportunity for this group of women to sit and fellowship with one another. As we move closer to the summer, please start praying about ways you can contribute your gifts to make VBS better than ever! VBS will return to a four night evening bible school this year with the theme "Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light." I am very excited about this year's theme and all of the possibilities it holds to teach our children about shining their light for Jesus!

Jessi

**Vacation Bible School** will be June 11-14, 5:30pm - 8:00pm. Please let Jessi know if you would like to volunteer!

**FUMC Youth** Join us for Wednesday Night Supper at 5:30 with a meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Youth House.

The **West Point Clay County Arts Council** announces the upcoming Opening Art Exhibit featuring Stacey Monteleone on Sunday, June 21 at 2:00 PM at the Louise Campbell Center for the Arts.

The exhibit will hang through July 15. This event is family friendly and free to the public.

*\*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:

Beverly Campbell  
Jordan Helveston  
Montez Ganss  
Deb McGaughey  
Bubba Atkins  
Tom Storey  
Price Brister

### For our Family and Friends:

Mary Margaret Case (Daughter of Kenny Dill)  
Susie Purnell Randall (Daughter of George and Luann Purnell)  
Zach Bryan (Scot Bryan's cousin)  
Mary Clair Ford  
Shannon Greenan  
Ted Judson (brother of Deb McGaughey)  
Emily Jones  
Polly Briggs (sister of Alice Hughes)  
Tommy Briggs (brother-in-law of Alice Hughes)  
Family of Dr. Bill Billington  
Family of Donna Serio (sister of Debbie Bond)  
Family of Rita Davis Priscock (sister of R.B. Davis)  
Christine Montgomery  
Abby Bates  
Elena Jameson (Ben Jameson's wife)  
Robert Rosenkrans (Ben Rosenkrans' nephew)  
Camillia Zepponi  
Family of Lynda Bell (mother of Hillary Haas)  
Harold Tedford

### For our Nation and World:

War in Ukraine, Mass shootings in our country, Turkey and Syria  
MS tornado victims and recovery

**STEWARDSHIP FOR 2023**

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| 2023 budget                  | \$610,027.33 |
| Received 5/14/23             | \$2,624.00   |
| Received to date, Budget     | \$184,870.10 |
| Received 5/14/23 Bldg.       | \$235.00     |
| Received to date, Bldg. Fund | \$17,815.00  |

**ATTENDANCE May 14, 2023**

|                               |           |
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| Sunday School.....            | .....     |
| 8:45 Worship Service.....     | .....21   |
| 11:00 Worship Service.....    | ..... 177 |
| Virtual 11:00 AM Service..... | .....47   |
| Total Worship.....            | .....198  |

**SOUND TECH:** Ray Purnell  
**COFFEE & JUICE:** Good Shepherd Class  
**CDC CHAPEL:** 5/22 Linda Drake

**STREAM TEAM:** Art Shirley

**LAY READER:** 8:45 AM 11:00 AM Bob Seitz  
**CHILDREN’S CHURCH:** 5/21 Vandy and Sara Frances Stubbs 5/28 Anna and Jordan Thompson  
**ACOLYTES:** 5/21 Elam and Mary Michael Flurry 5/28 Treston and Kate Holcomb

**Remember in Prayer  
 In the Hospital**  
 Tom Storey

|               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
|               | <b>AT HOME</b> |
| Jean Sarsgard | Robert Darsey  |
| Montez Ganss  | Ann Ross       |
| Ann Miller    | Max Hinshaw    |
| Bubba Atkins  |                |

**Ascension Sunday  
 Sunday, May 21, 2023  
 8:45 & 11:00 AM  
 Luke 24:44-53  
 “Watching for Power from On High”  
 Anthem: “Total Praise”**

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|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| <b>DUGAN</b>    | <b>WAVERLY CARE</b> | <b>TRACEWAY</b>       | <b>Online</b> |
| Jennie Cantrell | Bobbie Tumlinson    | Evelyn O’Hara Wallace | <b>Giving</b> |
| Deb McGaughy    | Mary Ann Weems      | Betty Sue Shumpert    |               |



**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.**

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**P.O. Box 293**  
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 Rev. Dr. Darian Duckworth, 494-5133  
 Rachel Wood, Music Ministries, 494-2198  
 Stacy Hays, Family Ministries, 494-2198  
 Jessi Sugg, Children’s Ministries 494-2198  
 Lance Dalton, Youth Intern  
 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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 May 15, 2023  
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 of  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 West Point, Mississippi

May 15, 2023

Celebrating Our Child Development Center

The Child Development Center has been experiencing a renewal. Many of you have noticed how much brighter the center looks with all the new paint, furniture, toys, and a safer playground. A delightful mural has just been created by West Point’s own extremely talented Deborah Mansfield. All who see it leave with a smile, and the children and parents love it!

In addition to the physical changes, the Center is experiencing new energy led by the staff, the CDC Board and many volunteers. Church members have often moved out of their comfort zones to lead Monday chapel or Friday reading sessions with these lovely children. Others are organizing toys, books, and games in the resource room to make everything readily accessible. Everyone wants to be appreciated, especially those who work with some of God’s greatest blessings, so volunteers provide treats each Friday to emphasize the importance of the CDC employees. Besides these improvements, plans for new activities are in the works.

The Center would like to recognize the individuals who are giving their time and talents this year to create a special place for the children and staff.

Elizabeth Bailey  
 Joyce Brister  
 Pam Carson  
 Jane Caston  
 Donna Cook  
 Rebecca DeSantis  
 Anna Dill  
 Jean Dill  
 Linda Drake  
 Darian Duckworth  
 Dee Echols  
 Mary Carr Ecklund  
 Gail Foote  
 Julie Gray  
 Diane Haas  
 Debbie Hinshaw

Wilma Hinshaw  
 Holly Hitt  
 Ann Jameson  
 Janet Jameson  
 George Purnell  
 Luann Purnell  
 Lona Rosetti  
 Judy Sanders  
 Melanie Sanders  
 Sara Frances Stubbs  
 Jessi Sugg  
 Rachel Wood  
 Kathy Wood  
 Ann Wade  
 Elizabeth Zepponi

If you, too, want to join this list of talented volunteers, the CDC would love to have you. Please contact George Purnell (662-295-3738) or Anna Dill (662-481-7805) if you are interested.

Sympathy – We extend sympathy to the family of Ruby Westbrook who served the FUMC Church in the nursery. She passed away on Thursday, May 11, 2023.