

**STEWARDSHIP FOR 2024**

2024 budget \$ 536,479.48  
Received February 4, 2024 Budget \$5,708.00  
Received to date, Budget \$25,953.00  
Received February 4, 2024 Bldg. \$375.00  
Received to date, Bldg. Fund \$1,210.00

**ATTENDANCE February 4, 2024**

Sunday School.....31  
Worship Service.....77  
Virtual 11:00 AM Service.....30  
Total Worship.....107

**SOUND TECH:** Mike Gammill  
**LAY READER:** Nita Wyman

**STREAM TEAM:** Jason McKellar  
**CDC CHAPEL:** 2/12 - Elizabeth Bailey



**THE WINDOW**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
West Point, Mississippi

Feb ruary 6, 2024

**Remember in Prayer**

**In the Hospital**

**At Home**

Robert Darsey  
Ann Miller  
Kenny Dill  
Ann Gatlin  
Johnnie Newell  
Evelyn Haas

**Transfiguration Sunday  
Sunday, February 11, 2024  
11:00 AM  
Old Testament Lesson: 2 Kings 2:9-12  
SERMON  
“Tell Me What I May Do for You”  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”  
Rachel Wood - Soloist**

**DUGAN**  
Deb McGaughey  
Montez Ganss

**WAVERLY CARE**  
Bobbie Tumlinson  
Jean Sarsgard

**TRACEWAY**  
Evelyn O’Hara Wallace  
Betty Sue Shumpert

**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.**

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*First United Methodist Church*      *Dated Material*  
*P. O. Box 293*      *F ebruary 6, 2024*  
*West Point, MS 39773*      **ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

**CHURCH STAFF**

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A Message from George Purnell, Our Stewardship Chairman

Dear Friends:

I bet you have been noticing how our church has entered a period of spiritual renewal. We are all so grateful to have our church family back together after a period of disruption last year. Maybe you are like me... I had almost forgotten that the Holy Spirit of Jesus was right there with us the whole time, but now I am in full realization that we were in His hands all along. What a great feeling it is to be a part of this church family, where all of us are committed to strengthening and growing our mission together to serve our Lord Jesus.

This coming Sunday, Super Bowl Sunday is really going to be super at FUMC. After our worship service, we will have lunch together, just like it should be! Our luncheon fellowships are always a joy, and if we look what happened in Acts, it should be no surprise.

Luke told us how it was at Pentecost in Acts 2:42:

*All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, and to fellowship and to sharing in meals (including the Lord’s Supper), and to prayer.*

Later in verse 46 Luke says that “they shared their meals with great joy and generosity”. This sounds like FUMC West Point to me!

**This Sunday, “Souper” Bowl Sunday, we’ll share a meal of soup and salad (and desserts, of course!) and no doubt it will be a joyful occasion. We’ll also exercise our generosity with an opportunity to complete a commitment card for our 2024 stewardship giving. Pretty much every member of our church has a renewed attitude of “what can I do to support our church family’s missions?” I know you feel it, too. This Sunday is our time!**

I hope to see you Sunday. Bring your commitment card which you will receive in the mail, but more importantly bring **YOU** ! Our church family has so many resources, so many God-given gifts, and so many opportunities to serve. It indeed will be a joy to fellowship with you. See you there!

With heartfelt gratitude,  
George Purnell, Stewardship Chairman

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

## ANGELS IN APRONS

**Jan. 29-Feb. 11** - Gen Thomas & Judy Stagers  
**Feb. 12-25** - Jane & Jenny Caston

**Judy Shirley Circle** - The Judy Shirley Circle will meet on Monday, February 19, at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Hostesses will be Nita Wyman, Wilma Hinshaw and Judy Shirley. We will study Chapter 7 in our book, *Women of the Bible*. We hope everyone can attend.

**Souper Bowl Sunday at FUMC** – We will enjoy a Souper Bowl lunch immediately following the worship service this Sunday, February 11. Thanks to everyone who has signed up to provide soup, sandwiches and dessert and thank you to the Joe Stephens Sunday School Class and our FUMC Youth for agreeing to help serve. It's going to be a great day of fellowship, so please make plans to join us!

**Canned Food Drive** – In conjunction with our Souper Bowl lunch, we are asking that you bring canned goods and place in the grocery cart outside the fellowship hall on that day. The canned goods will be donated to the Clay County Food Pantry.


**Mission Trip Interest** – A meeting for anyone interested in joining us on our next mission trip will be held in the Wesley Wasson/Friendly Fellowship Sunday School classroom on Wednesday, February 7 immediately following the 5:30 p.m. prayer service. We will discuss dates, possible locations and fund-raising opportunities. Please join us!

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** – Our Shrove Tuesday pancake supper is scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup>. Since we are enjoying a

meal together just two days before, the pancake supper will be drive-thru. Pick up times are 5 to 5:30 and 5:30 to 6 under the portico at the side of the church. You may sign up at this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45ABAE29A6FD0-47548629-shrove#/> or call the church office to reserve a time. There will be no charge for the meal, but a love offering will be accepted. Donations will go toward our mission projects. Thanks to Bob Seitz for chairing this event. **We still need a couple of volunteers to help plate food and work the drive thru. Contact Stacy if you can help.**

**Ash Wednesday Service** – Our Ash Wednesday service will be February 14 at 6 p.m.

## MUSIC NOTES



Hello Church Family! Lent is quickly approaching and I'm already thinking about what I can give up or add to my daily routine. Lent is something I think we all approach with hesitation, but every year I come out of Lent feeling so much more blessed and closer to Christ. I've given up meat, tv, sweets.... Each was difficult but fruitful and useful for new perspective. In addition to giving something up, I always try to add something as well. This year, I encourage you to add a bit of music to your daily routine. If you aren't a singer, don't worry. I'm not going to ask you to sing at the top of your lungs twice a day or anything like that. Keep it simple so it's easy to remember. This will only bear fruit if you do it every day with an open mind and heart. I encourage you to listen to at least one Christian song every day during Lent. Take the time to really listen and comprehend the words, not just have it playing in the background. Mediate on the message you hear and really use the time to praise God for the blessings he has given you! I'll help you along the way and we can all grow closer to Christ together!

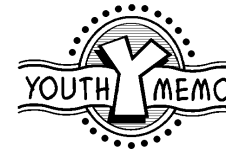
I'm looking forward to sharing this Lenten season with you all!

Rachel



Let's go skating! We will be going to Skate Odyssey in Starkville on February 18. We will meet at the church at 2:30. All ages are welcome to go! There are skate trainers available for our younger skaters. The cost of skating will be covered; however, if you would like to play arcade games please plan accordingly.

Jess



## UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

UMYF meets on Wednesday nights at 5:30. We will have supper and then devotion and fellowship. Join us!

## SUPPER HOSTS:

February 7 - Elizabeth Bailey  
February 14 - Jane Caston  
February 21 - Amy Buckley  
February 28 - Lucy McKellar



## Celebrating Our CDC

The CDC would like to invite anyone who likes to read to children to volunteer to be a reader. Readers can pick out their own books, dress up if they like, and have a lot of fun. Reading days are Fridays from 8:30 -10:30 a.m. and the reader reads to five classrooms for 15 minutes each. Join in the fun and call or text Anna Dill @ 662-418-7805 if you are interested in volunteering to read! It will be a blessing to you!

## LET US PRAY...

### For our Members

Beverly Campbell	Jordan Helveston
Kathy Wood	Donna Cook
Kenny Dill	Charlotte Messier
Ann Gatlin	Gail Wolanek
Ben Rosenkrans	Johnnie Newell
Fox Haas	Emerson Houston
Austin Hill	

### For our Constituents:

Deb McGaughey

### For our Family and Friends:

Mary Margaret Case (daughter of Kenny Dill)  
Susie Purnell Randall (daughter of George & Luann Purnell)  
Don Hoover, Jr. (Beth Raines' nephew)  
Karen Cliett  
Robert Calvert (father of Anita Keys)  
Brenda Loveless (mother of Phil McClellan)  
Billy Wayne Yarbrough (Hunter Brewer's father-in-law)  
Caryl Currier (Gloria Bunnell's sister)  
Frank McKellar (Jason McKellar's father)  
Marcia Bryan (Wilkes Bryan and Laura Williams' mother)  
Gigi Ellis  
Jim Stone (Judy Shirley's son-in-law)  
Susan Johnson (Abbey Dichiarà's & Allison Brister's mother)  
Frances Stacy (Jessi Sugg's aunt)  
Barbara Humber  
Loretta Milican (Dee Echols' sister)  
Family of Jennie Cantrell  
Family of Becky Cooper Angle  
Family of Mike Hines (Crystal Blanton's father)  
Family of Helen Perry (Emily Hays' grandmother)  
Family of Betty Holmes (Emily Hays' grandmother)  
Family of Wanda Triplett (Vic Johnson's niece)

### For our Nation and World:

War in Ukraine and Israel

*\*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.\**