

THE MESSENGER

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The next Membership Class will be held on Sundays, March 2nd and 9th from 12:00-2:00 p.m. This is for anyone wishing to know more about United Methodism and our church in particular. Lunch will be served. Please let us know if you are interested so that we have adequate materials by contacting Opal Wolff or the Church Office.



We have begun the year on a very positive note and have a good balance for this time of the year. Two payments have been made on our property insurance and we have paid 23.49% of our apportionments. We still need your continued support as the Trustees have several projects that need to be done (most important a roof leak near the bell tower/Narthex area) and want to have some "sprucing up" for our 100th anniversary celebration. The Finance Committee appreciates your faithfulness.

SMOKED CHICKEN DINNER

Sponsored by United Methodist Men

Friday, March 14
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
(Take-out Only)
4:00-6:30 p.m.
(Dine-in or Take-out)



Donation: \$8.00

Thank you for your support of the Global Life Ministries food collection for February. Stocking the shelves for our own local Presbyterian Food Pantry will be the March Giving Tree opportunity. Please check the trees in either the Fellowship Hall or the Narthex (both if you wish), pull a leaf and let's share our bounty during the month of March.



ATTENTION WOMEN: Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

March 4, 5:45 p.m. - Executive Committee
March 4, 7:00 p.m. - Esther Circle
March 8, 9:30 a.m. - Spiritual Day Apart, First UMC, Melbourne
March 12, 1:30 p.m. - Ruth Circle
March 20, 1:00 p.m. - Lydia Circle



From Parish Nurse
Diana Saum, RN

In diseases that affect absorption of nutrients through the GI tract sublingual medications can help. Ex: Celiac Disease sublingual medication is placed under the tongue thus is absorbed through the mucous membrane in the mouth not the gut.



Vacation Bible School has been a program for our kids and an outreach tradition in our church for decades. Should it continue? This is the one activity that requires the most volunteer involvement. There is a job for "everyone!" From construction, promotion, shopping, cooking, prep work to leading and, of course, praying. The decision to continue or not for this year will be made in March. Contact Nancy Vaughan (863) 763-4021, (863) 532-1618 or by email - number1dce@aol.com

The March meeting for the United Methodist Men will feature a special presentation by Judge Bill Hendry. We invite our spouses and anyone interested to attend and hear this informative program on our local history. The meeting will be Monday, March 17 beginning with a covered dish dinner at 6:30 p.m.



SPONSOR A MILE! Summer camp is right around the corner. We have a record number of kids who wish to go. Will you help? I have taught Bible in camps all over the southeast and none compare to Warren Willis Camp in Leesburg. The experience is life-changing, especially for our kids who have been going through challenges. It costs \$400 for each child (or leader) to attend for the week. Each child has earned some of the cost. Won't you help? The Sponsor a Mile poster is on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall hallway. You can sponsor a mile for as little as \$5.00. Watch the bus go up the road and make a difference in a child's life. Contact me, Nancy Vaughan, with comments or questions. Thank you.



- 3rd - Merle Bass, Dennis Tyson, Don Minor
- 4th - Debbie Krum
- 5th - Donna Tenniswood, Francis Oleson, D.J. Hood
- 6th - Linda Tewksbury, Michael Wibbels, Phillip Hawthorne
- 7th - M/M Simon VanBeek, Anna Lou Wilson
- 8th - Charlie Rucks, Lillian Doane, Nora Ragamat, Nicholas Flood
- 9th - Doris Entry, Chris Straight
- 10th - Thomas Bobbitt, Vivian Jones, Maddox Quinlin
- 11th - Rosemary Knoll, Angela Raulerson
- 12th - Justin Rhodes
- 15th - Kenneth Tyson, Matthew Davis, Vance Akins, Rev/Mrs Neil Gunsalus
- 16th - Debby Runyon
- 19th - Andy Demeter, Jr., Cindy Hansbarger, M/M George Clement
- 20th - M/M Tom Yackamouih, Frances Gilmore, Howard Harrison
- 21st - Patricia Byrd, Karen Smith, Sandra Blankenbaker
- 22nd - George Markham
- 23rd - Elliott Cook, Lois Cone
- 24th - Cathie Carpenter, Kathy Boswell, Carroll Head, Naomi Harris
- 25th - Kent Emley, M/M Kenneth Tyson, Olivia Coombs, Joan Campbell, Connie Hall
- 26th - Joy Burnham
- 27th - Debra Webb, Nita Amditis, Ken Keller, Cristian Suarez
- 28th - Betty Stinnett, Kathryn Murphy, Robert Baldwin, M/M Richard Kersey
- 29th - Cody Walker
- 30th - Karter Keller, Evan Keller
- 31st - Rick Gammill, M/M Edwin Rucks, Ray Baggett

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or has been omitted, please call the Church Office.