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Confirmation Class - Sunday, March 12th will be our first confirmation class. Be praying for our confirmands - Claire Gorny, Caitlyn Ludwig, Matthew Moore, Tess Rollins, and Christopher Watson, as they begin their Journey through Confirmation.

Easter Eggstravaganza - Join in the fun for an Easter Eggstravaganza!! This will be a great day of hunting eggs, eating hotdogs, and just relaxing around the table. Who knows, we may even see the Easter Bunny!! The best part is ... It's all FREE! Mark your calendar for **Saturday, April 8th beginning at 11:00 am**. Invite your friends and family and join us for this great day.

Candy Needed - We need help with the Easter Egg hunt! Donations of individually wrapped candy (any kind - chocolate is welcomed!) is greatly appreciated. Please bring the candy to Tracey no later than **Sunday, April 2nd**. Thank you so much for all your help!

Vacation Bible School - Sunday, June 11th - Thursday, June 15th The BIGGEST event that will reach over a hundred children will be here before you know it! Volunteer and make a difference in the life of a child. From teaching and leading to assisting and set-up to sweeping and cooking, we need you! There is a place for everyone. To join the team, talk to Tracey.

Scarlet Movement (6th -12th) Director of Student Ministries: Ben Lee
923-3737, ext. 111 youth@fumcwrgea.org

The Me I Want To Be -Join us Sundays at 4:00 pm for 6th-8th grades and at 5:30 pm for 9th-12th grades. We are in a series that focuses on us recognizing our brokenness, our understanding that God is the project manager of our lives, and how we should go about following His directions. "The Me I Want to Be," will center on our graciously accepting His invitation. It is a great time to bring friends!

Bible Study - Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the youth room. We will go verse by verse through Paul's New Testament letters. Supper is available from 6-6:30 pm,

The Space Between (18-25 yr. old) Director: Ben Lee
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The Parables - Jesus taught mostly in parables, but why? Join us on Thursdays at 7:00 pm as we study the most well known of Christ's teachings and why they were communicated the way they were.

The Space Between Concert Series - Each show will be from 6-8 pm and will feature different local artists. Tickets are \$10 general admission and are available in the church office, or see Ben Lee. Please search "The Space Between Concert Series" on Facebook for more information. The locations/dates for the series are: Bonaire UMC on **March 18th**, and at the Oasis CC on **May 13th**.

UMM President: Mark Phillips
960-0927 mark.phillips233@gmail.com

Annual Catch n Fry will be **Saturday, March 18th** in Forsyth from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. All men are invited to bring their children & grandchildren to this fun-filled day! See Eddie Davidson at 478-361-0076 for more information.

United Methodist Men-Annual Retreat at Epworth By The Sea, on **April 21st - 22nd**. This year's theme is "Lord, I am Full; Teach Me to Be Empty". Dr. Craig Rikard will be the guest speaker. The Lost Dogs Found will be leading the music. For more information contact Donald Rhodes or go to the website: <http://www.sgaumc.org/umm>.

UMW President: Sharon Waugh
478-329-8082 swaugh@bellsouth.net

General Meeting for United Methodist Women will be **Tuesday, March 14th**, at 11:30 am in Carter Hall. We will have a Soup and Cornbread Luncheon. The program is "A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial: Maternal and Child Health". The scripture reading is Exodus 1:6-2:10. The Girls' Night Out Circle is in charge of the program. All are welcome. Please let Sharon know if you plan to attend.

North Central District UMW Mission Study, is "Climate Justice: A Call To Hope And Action". The study leader is Agnes McKinney and will be held at Liberty UMC on **Saturday, March 18th**. Registration begins at 9:30 am. There is a \$5 charge for lunch and you must pre-register. The study will conclude at 2:30 pm. See Sharon know if you plan to attend.

Billboard Campaign In an effort to better communicate about the missions and ministries of First to a broader external audience in the community, we are electing to execute a targeted marketing campaign using Digital Billboards. We plan to have 3-4 promotions during the course of the year to include Easter, Christmas, and Vacation Bible School. As funds are available we may even undertake a Back to School promotion. These campaigns will not only focus on the event, but will also give us an opportunity to increase awareness about First within our City. The features outlined below would make this a desirable medium for us to Promote FUMC activities:

- *The Ad is seen on the digital board for 8 seconds once every minute.
- *Approximately 1336 times per day
- *NO production fees, *Creative flexibility
- *Ad may be changed at any time during the campaign, countdown to the dated event and even run more than one ad in the slot is allowed

We already have one donor that has made a contribution that will allow us to launch the Easter promotion. Our fund raising goal for the year is \$4,500. If we have 100 donors to contribute \$45, we could totally underwrite the investment in this marketing project. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Billboard Partner for the minimum investment of \$45. You may make a larger financial commitment if you are in a position to do so. The more funds we are able to raise; the greater our exposure can be for First with these targeted campaigns.

Wednesday Night Supper

March 15th @ 6:00 pm
Program: Study of Malachi
Menu: Corned Beef & Cabbage & Pistachio Dessert

Adults \$6.25/Children (3-12) \$4.25 /Toddlers under 3 - \$1.00 (Family max. of \$26). Reservations must be made/cancelled by 4:30 pm, Monday by completing the form located in the pew on Sunday morning or call Tracey at 923-3737, ext. 107. If you do not cancel your reservation, you are responsible for payment.



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United Methodist Women: Faith * Hope * Love in Action

United Methodist Women is a membership and faith-based organization. Membership is open to any woman who indicates her desire to belong and to participate in the global mission of the church. The purpose of United Methodist Women is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church. Our goal is to show Faith, Hope and Love in Action.

At FUMC, the UMW, through our pledges, special offerings, and money raised from the Marketplace, made contributions to local ministries within our church (Cheerful Cherubs, Soup Kitchen, FUMC Kitchen, Snax Sax, Space Between, Youth Summer Mission Trip, and Youth Road Race) and community (Middle Georgia Community Action Agency, Methodist's Children's Home, Cherished Children, Heart of GA Development Ministry, Family Promise, and Habitat for Humanity). We have also helped support the North Central District projects including The Open Door Community House, United Methodist Empowerment House of Jinja, and three South Georgia mission agencies: The Vashti Center in Thomasville, Wesley Community Center in Savannah, and Open Door Community House in Columbus. In addition, we have collected purses to be filled with toiletries for food banks, socks for children at various agencies, and prepared meals for bereaved families.

Sunday, March 12th, is United Methodist Women's Sunday. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Charlene Black from Statesboro First United Methodist Church. Dr. Black has a Ph.D. in Sociology from Vanderbilt University. She spent most of her academic career at Georgia Southern University as Professor of Sociology and Associate Vice-President of Academic Affairs. She has served on numerous district and conference boards and served as a delegate to four General Conferences leading the delegation at three of them. Please join us as she shares her life of faith and service.

In Christ's Service
Sharon Waugh
President, UMW

Sunday Servants

TV Crew: Producer: David Jones; Camera: Skip Blumenthal; TV Sound: Terry Landreth; Sanctuary Sound: Mickey Meeks; Character Generator: Christopher Morgan; Powerpoint: 8:30 & 10:50: Tracey Landreth

Ushers: Walter Ranew; UMW Ladies will usher this Sunday

Greeters: Linda Meade, Inge Arisohn, Daniel Aaron

Acolytes: Gracie Wilkes & Ellie Barber

Children's Church: Kylin Poth, Jennifer Ludwig & Ray & Elizabeth Waits

Nursery: Carrie McCall, Mary Norton, Jenny Stokes, Katie Stokes

Flowers in the Sanctuary are placed by Donald & Theresa Rhodes and Tim & Elizabeth Harrell to the glory of God and in celebration of Lonnie Rhodes' birthday on March 14th.

News of Our Members

Birthdays this Week: **Mar. 7:** Mickey Meeks, Carley Rollins; **Mar. 10:** Mary Johnson; **Mar. 11:** Art Bosshart; **Mar. 12:** George Clements; **Mar. 14:** Joyce Adcock, Lonnie Rhodes, Barbara Lee

In the Hospital:

Houston Healthcare: Richard Moore, Maudie Grisham

Home from the Hospital:

Mary Ferguson, Opal Mitchell, Sandra Childs, Bill Scott, Sr.

Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents:

W. R. Nursing & Rehab: Evelyn Tucker, Harry Cuppett

Antebellum Grove: Joan Warren, Carolyn Reeves

Southern Heritage: Barbara Jansky

Summer's Landing: Mary Duke, Ken Hall, Marie Nelson, Clarence Channell, Sr., Marjorie Girmsey

Summer Hill: Macy Calloway, Pearl Waits, Mary Ferguson

The Lodge: Ann Ray

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the following families...

... Sandy Scaggs and her family with the passing of her husband, Tom Scaggs last Wednesday.

... Stape & Jean Marriott on the passing of Stape's sister, Chris Rutter of Atlanta.

... Jose & Rosaland Tallet and family on the passing of Rosaland's aunt, Annie Belle Mathison Sheehane, of Ozark Alabama.

Our Faithfulness

Attendance: March 5th:

Early Worship 27
 Sunday School 158
 Worship: 219

Our Tithes & Offerings:

Needed Monthly for Budget: \$ 70,598.00
 Budget Receipts for 3/5 : \$ 38,593.10

Prayer List

Jim Arnett (fr. of Kelly Cofield)	Betty & John Massey (Mother & step father of Sharon Tallet)
Carleen Bishop (step-mom of Joann Price)	Richard Moore
Ricky Bishop (father of Joann Price)	Don & Shelia Morgan
Mary Bowman	Jeremy Morgan
Gene Bowen (father of Donna Smith)	Don Parker
Anne Carpenter (sister of Nancy Payne)	Pearl Perry (sis. of David Payne)
Jere Cater	Donna Poche (mom of Donna Bartoe)
James Clements, Jr.	Rosemary Preuit (mother of Theresa Rhodes)
Lenora Clements	Rhodes)
Charles Cofield (father of Paul Cofield)	Ann Ray
Harry Cuppett	Brandy Rusk (fr. of Donna Bartoe)
Mac Derrick	Alan Rushing (son of Margie McDowell)
James Gibbs (g.fath. of Paul Cofield)	*Sandy Scaggs
Patrick Ginn (deployed)	Bill & Verna Scott
Ken Hall	Steve Shelly (fr. of David Payne)
Justin Harter (fr. of Ann Ray)	Zell Stephen
Nell Isgate	Danny Surrency (b-i-l of Ann Ray)
Pam Ivey (fr. of Gillilands)	Steve Swimmer (fam. of Bill Lanier)
Dr. Jeff Jarrett	Jon & Sharon Tallet
Mildred Kitchens (g.mother of Donna Smith)	Teresa Thompkins (fr. of Ted Clements)
Betty LaJustice	Randy Thompson
Randall Landers (b-i-l of Doris Meeks)	N.U. Turpen (b-i-l of Doris Meeks)
Ben Lowery	Jack Warner (father of Karen Warner)

Golden Bunch If you are 55+ and single, widowed, or divorced, come and join us **Monday, March 27th** at 478 Country Buffett in Byron at 12:30 pm. We will take the bus for this lunch. Meet at the church to leave at 12:00. Contact Marie Nelson at 922-8024 if you are coming so that we will have enough space set up!

Veteran Give Back Day On **Saturday, March 18th** from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, we will be cleaning a Veteran's home on Harrison Road.. If you want to come and help us give back to our community, we will meet at the church on the back parking lot at 8:30 am. Contact Missy at 478-923-3737, ext 106, if you plan to come.

In Case of Emergency

In the event of an emergency after hours, you may call the church at 923-3737 and press 5 during the greeting. Follow the instructions to leave a message. The phone system will notify the pastors. You may also call them at home.

Prayer Chain:

Windy Smith 922-4923
 Dot Moore 929-1348

Prayer Pager:

749-2200

Church Happenings

Sunday, March 12th: **UMW Sunday**
 8:30 AM Early Worship
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 10:20 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 10:50 AM Worship Service
 12:00 PM Confirmation Class
 2:00 PM Hispanic Worship
 4:00 PM Scarlet Movement (6-th-8th grade)
 4:30 PM Praise Band Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Sunday Bells
 6:00 PM Scarlet Movement (9th-12th grade)

Monday, March 13th:
 12:30 PM "The Kitchen"

Tuesday, March 14th:
 11:30 AM UMW General Meeting w/Lunch
 2-4:00 PM Food Pantry

Wednesday, March 15th:
 5:00 PM Youth Bells
 5:15 PM Little Angels (3-4 yr. olds)
 5:15 PM Cherub Choir (5K - 1st grade)
 5:15 PM Praise Kids (2nd-6th grade)
 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper
 6:30 PM Scarlet Movement
 6:40 PM A Study of Malachi
 6:40 PM Solid Rock Ringers (3rd - 5th grades)
 6:40 PM Good Times Chimes (1st - 2nd grades)
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 16th:
 2-4:00 PM Food Pantry

Friday, March 17th:
 12:30 PM "The Kitchen"
 6-9:00 PM Truth Be Told Party in C/H

Saturday, March 18th:
 9-12:00 PM Flea Market Drop Off
 9-4:00 PM Veteran Give Back Day

Consignment Sale What a great sale!! Our sales totaled \$7,173. Profit for the Bridge SS Class is approx. \$1,500 which will go toward Albany/Middle GA tornado damage, on campus mission and fellowship/ministry. Thank You!

Snax Sax Ministry is in need of the following items: Individual serving boxes of milk, (no refrigeration necessary) and Ritz Stacks crackers. Your item donations will help us stretch our monetary donations. Please drop them off in the bin outside the church office.

Wednesday Supper Reservations

Name: _____ Permanent? ___Y ___N
 Adults _____ Children (3-12) _____ Toddlers (under 3) _____ If you have a permanent reservation and will **NOT** be at supper, you **must** cancel by **4:30 pm on Monday or you will be responsible for payment.** *First time visitors are free.*
Please make reservations.