

# The Newsletter of Bainbridge First United Methodist Church

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## Calendar for April 24, 2019

### Wednesday, April 24, 2019

11:00 AM-----Agape UMW Circle Meeting, Simmons Parlor  
3:00 PM-----Knitting/Crochet Ministry, Simmons Parlor  
\*6:00 PM-----Christian Fellowship Dinner, J. O. Smith Building  
\*6:25 PM-----Children's Worship Arts, Drama Room  
\*6:25 PM-----Preschool Music and Arts, Circle Room  
\*6:40 PM-----Youth Small Group Bible Study, Youth Basement  
\*6:40 PM-----Esther Bible Study, Esther Bible Study Room  
\*7:30 PM-----Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### Thursday, April 25, 2019

10:00 AM-----Thursday Morning Bible Study, Library

### Sunday, April 28, 2019

8:30 AM-----Mission Café, J. O. Smith Building  
\*9:00 AM-----Contemporary Worship Service, J.O. Smith Building  
9:30 AM-----Mission Café, Adult S. S. Building  
\*9:45-10:45 AM-----Sunday School, Sharp Building and Adult S. S. Building  
\*11:00 AM-----Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
3:00 PM-----Southwest District Conference, Albany FUMC  
4:30 PM-----Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
5:00 PM-----Children's Snack Supper, J. O. Smith Building  
5:30 PM-----Children's Fellowship, Sharp Building  
5:30 PM-----Youth Snack Supper, J. O. Smith Building  
6:00 PM-----1 Timothy 4:12 UMYF, Youth Basement

### Monday, April 29, 2019

12:00 PM-----Missions Team Meeting, Simmons Parlor

### Tuesday, April 30, 2019

9:00 AM-----Food Bank, Adult S. S. Building  
9:30 AM-----Church Staff Meeting, Simmons Parlor  
5:15 PM-----Sistas Bible Study, Adult Sunday School Building

\* denotes 'nursery provided'



## **Pastor Mike's Upcoming Sermons**

April 28—Acts 5:27-32—"To This We Are Witnesses"

May 5—9:00 a.m. Revelation 5:11-14—"Worship!"

11:00 a.m.—Confirmation Service

May 12—Ephesians 2:21-22—"The Tie That Truly Binds"

## **Did You Know?**

For those of you who have had trouble hearing Pastor Mike's sermons (especially recently) or who have missed worship, those sermons are available on our church website, [www.bainbridgefirstumc.org](http://www.bainbridgefirstumc.org).

## **"Witnessing Through the Storm"**

The "Witnessing Through The Storm: The Church Before, During, and After Natural Disaster," event scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019, has been cancelled.

## **Mission Café This Sunday**

This Sunday, April 28, we will have a Mission Café before the 9:00 a.m. service and during the Sunday School hour. The proceeds from the Mission Café will benefit our Children's Mission Fund in making food packs containing easy-to-heat and ready-to-eat food for those in need. Come enjoy some breakfast goodies and make a donation to help our children in mission!

## **District Conference**

The Southwest District Conference will be held Sunday, April 28, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Albany. If you plan to attend, please contact Pastor Mike, as the district has requested he report how many are coming.

## **Keenagers**

The next gathering of Keenagers will be Wednesday, May 1, at noon in the J.O. Smith Building. Misty Barber Tice will bring some young people from Grace Christian Academy to share with us parts of their recent "Broadway Revue." The cost of the meal is \$5—please make your reservations with the Church Office.

## **Confirmation Sunday**

Confirmation Sunday will be celebrated Sunday, May 5, during the 11:00 Worship Service. Our confirmands this year are:

Laney Brantley  
Owen Earnest  
Ellie Godwin  
Bay Harper  
Mercer Murray  
Kate Poitevint  
Kate Sigman

These young people have spent the last few months studying with Pastor Mike what it means to be a Christian and how God's grace works in our lives. They also attended the Confirmation Retreat at Epworth By The Sea in March.

During the May 5 service, the confirmands will provide significant leadership in the service, and several of them will speak during the message time.

Please plan to attend and welcome these young people as professing members of the church!

### **Mother's Day Offering**

The annual Mother's Day Offering for The League of the Good Samaritan at Magnolia Manor, our South Georgia Annual Conference Ministry for Senior Living, will be received Sunday, May 13. The funds raised from this offering support the work of the League in keeping a promise that no one will ever have to leave Magnolia Manor because of an inability to pay for their care. For more information about Magnolia Manor, visit [www.magnoliamanor.com](http://www.magnoliamanor.com).

### **2019 Graduation**

The following students are our known graduates in the Class of 2019: Mallie Kate Andrews, Sean Casterline, Randy Fillingame, Parker Miller, Abigail Mills, Collin Morrison. If there are any other high school seniors you know of, please notify the Church Office.

Our Graduate Recognition service will be Sunday, May 19, during our 11:00 AM Unity Worship Service. Our graduates will be leading all parts of the service. The United Methodist Men invite the graduates and their families to a breakfast honoring their accomplishments on May 19 at 8:30 am in the J.O. Smith Building. Please RSVP to the Church Office.

This year, as in the past, we will create a PowerPoint presentation to honor our Seniors. Seniors and Senior parents, please bring the following to the Church Office: One (1) baby photo, one (1) elementary school photo, one (1) middle school photo, and one (1) Senior photo. If you have any group photos of your Senior with any other FUMC Seniors, please include those as well. Please turn these in by May 12. All photos will be returned to you.

### **Vacation Bible School**

Save The Date! Vacation Bible School will be Monday, June 17, through Friday, June 21, in the evening. More information will come soon.

### **Summer Camps at Epworth By The Sea**

Don't miss out on the opportunity for your child to spend a week away from normal everyday life in the beauty of God's creation with people who seek to share Christ in the everyday. Register today for Camp Connect, the camping ministry of the South Georgia Conference.

With an "Upside Down" theme this summer, a week at Camp Connect will teach campers how to turn the world upside down for Jesus. Diving into Scripture and sharing life stories will show them they are can make an impact for Christ in their own schools and communities.

"My prayer, as each camper registration comes through, is that everyone will have the opportunity to encounter Christ in a powerful, life-changing way during their week at camp," said Suzanne Akins, Camp Director. "There is something so rare and unique about shutting down technology, looking eye to eye with people, sharing meals, laughing, playing, and worshipping together day after day, night after night."

Each morning at camp begins with a Morning Show, an interactive high-energy gathering with music, skits, and announcements for the day. From there, each team's day is filled with swimming, marsh walks, trips to the beach, fishing, Bible studies, art, and indoor/outdoor games. Each evening is a camp-wide activity bringing out the best of competitions. Camp closes each night with a worship service of meaningful skits, powerful music, testimonies, and relevant speakers.

College students who are committed to serving Christ through working with children and youth during the summer are the full-time camp counselors. Each staff member has been interviewed by the Camp Ministry Team, passed a background check, attended 10 days of training, and is supervised by Camp Director Suzanne Akins.

Each week of summer camp costs \$315. Here are the dates for this year's camps:

High School Camp for students entering grades 9-12  
June 10-14 (registration deadline: May 28)

Middle School Camps for students entering grades 6-8  
Session 1: June 17-21 (registration deadline: June 3)  
Session 2: June 24-28 (registration deadline: June 10)

Elementary Camps for students entering grade 4-5  
Session 1: July 8-12 (registration deadline June 24)  
Session 2: July 15-19 (registration deadline July 1)

For more information or to register, visit [www.campconnectumc.org](http://www.campconnectumc.org) or call 912-638-8626.

### **Food Bank**

#### **Food Items Needed:**

Peanut Butter (16 oz), Dried Beans (16 oz), Evaporated Milk (12 oz), Canned Soups (10.5 oz),  
Chunky Soups (18 oz), Canned Vegetables – Green Beans, Corn, Tomatoes, etc. (14.5-15 oz).

### **Still Waters**

Still Waters is a nondenominational, faith-based, temporary residence for women and children. The ministry relies on volunteer help and donations of items. They are always in need of the following: Trash Bags (13 gal.), Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue, Kleenex Tissue, Dishwasher detergent, Dish detergent, Laundry detergent, Dryer Sheets, Vinegar, Bleach, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Soap, Deodorant, Towels (new), and Washrags (new). Contact Cheri Jaeger at Still Waters (229) 254-3877, or the Church Office for more information.

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### **I will support my church with my prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.**

<b>April 18, 2019 Attendance:</b>	Holy Thursday:-----	40
<b>April 19, 2019 Attendance:</b>	Good Friday:-----	85
<b>April 21, 2019 Attendance:</b>	Sunday School:-----	99
	Easter Contemporary Worship: 9:00 a.m.-----	74
	Easter Traditional Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.-----	197

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### **Members Who Minister**

**Ushers for April 2019:** Paxton Poitevint, Connor Poitevint, Jack Zilis, Ansley Yarbrough

**Greeters for April 28, 2019:** 9:00 AM Charles Wayne Griffin  
11:00 AM Peggy Metcalf

**Contemporary Worship Leader for April 28, 2019:** Steve Reynolds

**Acolytes for Traditional Worship on April 28, 2019:** Abby & Izzy Rentz

**Snack Supper for April 28, 2019:** Cile Warr

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### **Monthly Mission Focus**

**April 2019:** Ministries of Epworth

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## **Services of Worship**

**April 28, 2018**

### **Second Sunday of Easter**

9:00 AM – Contemporary Worship Service

11:00 AM – Traditional Worship Service

OFFERTORY-----"Open the Eyes of My Heart"---Ashton Aldridge & Piper Loeffler  
ANTHEM-----"People Need the Lord"-----Chancel Choir  
SCRIPTURE -----Acts 5:27-32-----Rev. Mike Brown  
SERMON-----"To This We Are Witnesses"-----Rev. Mike Brown

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## **Music Notes**

**Children's Music and Arts Ministries:** Our Preschool Music and Arts and Children's Worship Arts are happening! Join us on Wednesday afternoon/evenings!

**Two Year Old Music Group (for ages 18 months-2 years old):** meets on Wednesdays from 5:30-5:55 p.m. in the Circle Room for developmentally appropriate music activities: singing, instrument playing, and movement. This Wednesday, April 24, will be our last music session for this season.

**Preschool Music and Arts (PreK 3-4):** meets on Wednesdays in the Circle Room from 6:25-7:25 p.m. for developmentally appropriate music activities and Bible stories and crafts.

**Children's Worship Arts (Grades K-5):** meets on Wednesdays in the Drama Room from 6:25 to 7:25 p.m. We are finishing up our preparations for Confirmation Sunday's special music on May 5.

**Youth Choir (Grades 6-12):** rehearses on Sundays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.

All Music Camp information and deposits are due this Sunday, April 28. If you have any questions, contact Karen Forrester at [karenforrester65@gmail.com](mailto:karenforrester65@gmail.com).

**Chancel Choir:** rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 p.m., with warm-up for Sunday Traditional Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. in the Choir Room. This is a great time to join! Come and be a part of the musical legacy of our church family!

## **Children's Chat**

We will meet this Sunday at our regular time. We will be working on a Mother's Day project. Hope to see you there!

## **Youth News**

### **1 Timothy 4:12 Youth Group Regular Weekly Schedule**

#### **Sunday Night:**

5:30-6:00 pm--Snack Supper (J.O. Smith Building)

6:00-7:00 pm—1 Timothy 4:12 UMYF (Youth Basement)

#### **Wednesday Night:**

6:00-6:40 pm--Christian Fellowship Dinner (J.O. Smith Building)

6:40-7:30 pm--Small Group Bible Study (Youth Basement)

### **Members to Visit, Call or Send a Card**

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William & Peggy Wildhagen	1104 Douglas Court, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-248-0817
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Kathy Malone	Bainbridge Health & Rehab, 1155 W. College Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	
Evelyn(Pat) Morgan	Memorial Manor, Room #16, 1500 E. Shotwell Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	
Helen Tillman	Riverside Place, Room #113, 1151 W. College Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	
Hazel Westbrooks	Riverside Place, Room #135, 1151 W. College Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	

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### **Memorials**

#### **Stained Glass Window Fund**

##### **In Memory of:**

J. O. "Spud" Bush  
Libba & Heidt Neal III

##### **By:**

Lane & Lee Bush  
Lane & Lee Bush