

The Newsletter of Bainbridge First United Methodist Church

300 W. Shotwell St., P. O. Box 541
Bainbridge, GA 39818
Website: www.bainbridgefirstumc.org
Telephone: (229) 246-1864, Fax: (229) 246-3800

Vol. 23

March 17, 2019

No. 11

Staff Contact List

Rev. Mike Brown, Senior Pastor, browncrab59@gmail.com
Ida Cooksey, Children's Director, ida.cooksey@yahoo.com
Ruth Masciarelli, Church Secretary, 1stumc1@bellsouth.net
Mary Nell Lovering, Financial Secretary, fumcfinancial@bellsouth.net

Calendar for March 13, 2019

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

12:00 PM-----Keenagers, J. O. Smith Building
3:00 PM-----Knitting/Crochet Ministry, Simmons Parlor
5:30 PM-----Two Year Old Music Group, Circle Room
*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, March 14, 2019

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

Friday, March 15, 2019

7:00 PM-----Children's Movie Night, Movie Room

Sunday, March 17, 2019

*9:00 AM-----Contemporary Worship Service, J.O. Smith Building
*9:45-10:45 AM-----Sunday School, Sharp Building and Adult S. S. Building
*11:00 AM-----Traditional Worship Service-UMW Sunday, Sanctuary
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

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

9:00 AM-----Food Bank, Adult S. S. Building
11:30 AM-----Church Staff Luncheon
6:00 PM-----Cub Scout Pack #519 Meeting, Scout Hut

* denotes 'nursery provided'

Keenagers

Keenagers will meet Wednesday, March 13, at 12:00 noon in the J.O. Smith Building. Stacey Warren from The Salvation Army will be our speaker. The cost of the meal is \$5.00—please let the Church Office know if you plan to attend. Join us for a good time of food and fellowship!

UMW Sunday

Each year we celebrate United Methodist Women during the month of March, but this year is a special time for our organization. UMW was founded in 1869, 150 years ago. We are so thrilled that Cathy Cox will speak at our 11:00 Service on Sunday, March 17. I hope you will join us as we celebrate the many ways and many years of service UMW has given to women, children, and youth all over the world.

Ginger Johnson, UMW President

Pastor Mike's Upcoming Sermons

March 17—9:00 a.m. Guest Speaker

11:00 a.m. UMW Day Service—Cathy Cox, speaker

March 24—Isaiah 55:1-9—"Return to the Lord"

March 31—2 Corinthians 5:16-21a—"A New Point of View"

April 7—John 12:1-8—"The Price of Grace"

April 14—Palm Sunday—Luke 19:28-40—"Shouting Stones"

April 21—Easter Day—1 Corinthians 15:19-26—"The Last Enemy Destroyed"

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

Pastor Mike Out of Town

Pastor Mike will be out of town this weekend for a prayer, study, and sabbath (especially voice rest) retreat. As always, you can contact Pastor Mike if you need to get in touch with him by calling his cell phone. He will return Sunday afternoon.

March Mission Café

Our next Mission Café will be Sunday, March 24, before the 9:00 service and during the Sunday School hour. The proceeds from this Mission Café will benefit Colquitt United Methodist Church. This congregation is currently worshipping and operating out of Colquitt First Baptist Church due to the extensive interior damage sustained during Hurricane Michael. Insurance will not cover the full cost of repairs and restoration. This is an opportunity to help a sister United Methodist (and South Georgia) congregation—so enjoy some breakfast goodies and make a generous donation to help our sisters and brothers in Jesus on March 24.

Church Council

The Church Council will meet Monday, March 25, at 6:00 p.m. in Reynolds Chapel. All Council members are *expected* to attend, but all congregation members are *invited* to attend.

Fifth Sunday Unity Service

Our first Fifth Sunday Unity Service will be March 31. The service will be at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by our Unity Luncheon in the J.O. Smith Building. As always, the church will provide fried chicken and drinks, and you are invited to bring side dishes and desserts. The Epworth Class has been asked to help with set-up and clean-up, but anyone willing to help is welcome. Join us for good worship, good food, and good fellowship on March 31.

UMCOR Sunday

UMCOR Sunday (formerly known as "The One Great Hour of Sharing") will be March 31. UMCOR stands for United Methodist Committee on Relief, which is an outreach arm of our General Board of Global Ministries. UMCOR responds to immediate disaster needs as well as ongoing crisis situations (such as famine). UMCOR is able to do this because of the generosity of United Methodists around the world in responding to appeals for assistance. When an appeal is made and you respond, you can be assured that 100% of your gift goes to the project—no administrative costs are taken out. UMCOR can do this because of the UMCOR Sunday offering—

these funds cover the administrative costs of UMCOR as well as helping to fund projects that are underfunded. This church is part of the great tradition of United Methodists helping God's children affected by disaster—please continue that tradition with a generous gift on March 31!

New Youth Choir Director

We are pleased to welcome Misty Barber Tice, who will serve as our new Youth Choir Director. Misty is the daughter of Carl and Billie Barber and mother of Grayson. Those who attend the 9:00 a.m. service know how we have been blessed by Misty's vocal leadership. She brings a wealth of talent and training and a lot of enthusiasm to the leadership of the Youth Choir. Welcome aboard, Misty!

Vashti Bedding Drive

The Vashti Center in Thomasville is currently conducting a bedding drive. Mattresses have an assigned lifespan and must be replaced. We are now at the point of replacement. A donation of \$275 will provide a mattress, mattress protector, pillow, and pillow protector for one of our teens. Our goal is to sponsor 37 beds. Please consider a sponsorship. Your gift will brighten a room and offer the healing comfort of home to one of our youth.

2018 Giving to the Methodist Home

Once again, Bainbridge First United Methodist Church has been recognized as a "Church of Excellence" in giving to The Methodist Home for Children and Youth. In 2018 we gave \$10,075.00, or \$14.62 per capita, to this great ministry of the South Georgia Annual Conference. Thank you for your generosity!

A Personal Thank-You from Pastor Mike

I want to express my appreciation to all of you who have spoken words of affirmation to me concerning my two recent writings on General Conference 2019. I have tried in both pieces to provide a balanced approach to the chief issue of GC 2019, recognizing that there are differing points of view in the denomination, in the Annual Conference, and perhaps even in our own congregation. I have also tried to remind all of us of how we need to treat one another, whether or not we agree on this issue. Many of you have recognized this, and I am grateful for your encouragement.

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.

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

March 10, 2019 Attendance: Sunday School:-----79
Contemporary Worship: 9:00 a.m.-----54
Traditional Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.-----93

Wednesday Night Menu

March 13, 2019: BBQ Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Slaw, Fruit and Veggie Tray, Dessert, and Drinks.

Members Who Minister

Ushers for March 2019: Keith Kerper, Earl Begley, Ward Cole, Butch Yarbrough

Greeters for March 17, 2019: 9:00 AM Dottie Brown

11:00 AM Glenn Brown

Contemporary Worship Leader for March 17, 2019: Jackie Fleetwood

Acolytes for March 17, 2019: Bennett Earnest, Ruth Yarbrough

Snack Supper for March 10, 2019: Amber Moore

Services of Worship

March 17, 2018

Second Sunday in Lent

9:00 AM – Contemporary Worship Service

11:00 AM – Traditional Worship Service

ANTHEM-----Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE -----Cathy Cox

SERMON-----UMW Sunday-----Cathy Cox

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 in the Circle Room from 5:30 to 5:55 p.m. We hope to see you there for developmentally appropriate music activities, including: singing, playing instruments, movement, and social interaction!

Preschool Music and Arts (PreK 3-4): meets on Wednesdays in the Circle Room at 6:25 p.m. for developmentally appropriate music activities and then moves to the Arts and Crafts Room for Bible stories and art from 7:00 to 7:25 p.m.

Children's Worship Arts (Grades K-5): meets on Wednesdays in the Drama Room from 6:25 to 7:25 p.m. We are working on our spring musical, which we will present on Sunday, March 24! Keep listening to your music!

Youth Choir (Grades 6-12): rehearses on Sundays at 4:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. Now is the perfect time to join! All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome! Join us now as we welcome Ms. Misty and get ready for our future performances!

Chancel Choir: rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., with warm-up for Sunday 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

MOVIE NIGHT! This Friday, March 15, from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm!

I sure hope you are listening to your CDs and studying your lines! We perform in one week!

Upcoming Dates:

- Dress Rehearsal for Spring Musical - Saturday, March 23.
- Performance of Spring Musical - Sunday, March 24.
- Easter Egg Hunt - April 13.

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

Marcia Barber	1633 Wesleyan Drive, Unit 122, Macon, GA 31210	
Charles Burch	1032 Julia Circle, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-246-4707
Betty Hester	1020 Julia Circle, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-246-1845
Nita Holt	1407 Botts Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-246-4334
Billie Maestas	1640 Longleaf Drive, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-246-3319
Steele Malone	1808 Woodridge Drive, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-246-1381
Ruth Sansom	161 Redwood Drive, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-220-2313
Pat Smith	103 Springfield Drive, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-220-3286
William & Peggy Wildhagen	1104 Douglas Court, Bainbridge, GA 39819	229-248-0817
Sue Cole	Memorial Manor, 1500 E. Shotwell Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	
Anne Fowler	Wildwood, 3333 E. 28 Street, Tulsa, OK 74114-5915	918-935-9352
Betty Jo Fulmer	Riverside Place, Room #152, 1151 W. College Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819	
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	

*Cadet Nathaniel Lambert P.O. Box 2533, West Point, NY 10997-2533

Memorials

Building Fund In Memory of:

Judy Jeffords
Bruce Kirbo, Sr.
Linda Dubay
Sue Jones
Rachel Griffin
Willis Berry

By:

Charles & Mary Burch
Charles & Mary Burch
Charles & Mary Burch
Charles & Mary Burch
Charles & Mary Burch
Charles & Mary Burch