

"The Messenger" May 2024

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Celebrate, but Don't Stop....

May is the month of graduations: preschool, kindergarten, elementary, high school, college, grad-school, law school, med. School, etc. But you know, no matter the number of diplomas, degrees, skill certifications, we all need to continue learning and growing.

A few years ago, Tom Morrow was in his nineties. He still served on our Board of Trustees. And every time we had an air conditioner/heater repair man come to work in the church, Tom stood by, watched and asked questions. He always wanted to know and understand more. He kept on learning and serving.

A few weeks ago, I heard that a pastor colleague is retiring this summer. Yesterday he told me that the Global Methodist Church does not have retired pastors; we have Senior status clergy. After our discussion I looked in our Global Methodist Book of Doctrine and Discipline. Here's what I read; "Following the scriptural pattern, there is no retirement for clergy or laity from the work of God's kingdom." Did you know that? In God's kingdom work, there is no retirement. You may adjust what you do. You may take on a different ministry. But you do not retire from being a coworker with God.

In Paul's first letter to Timothy he encourages him; "Do not let anyone look down on your youthfulness...... Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you."

In the letter to Titus Paul speaks to different age groups: older men; younger men; older women; younger women (Titus 2). Those who are mature should set an example for the younger ones. Also, those who are mature are to exhort the young ones on being a godly man and godly woman.

Your last official graduation may have been many years ago. Your career retirement party may have been a few years ago. But that doesn't mean we sit in a rocking chair and watch the world go by. We are to continue learning and growing as a Disciple of Jesus. Also, we are to keep on serving.

I hope you take advantage the opportunities God gives you to bless others, to share your Spirit gifts, and to serve.

Your fellow servant,

Bart



What can we pray for together?

Pray for those who are shut-in and those in nursing homes:

Frances Bryson, Marjorie Canup, Janice Newman, Margie Taliaferro

Pray for those who are sick or in need of prayer for other things:

Our Pastor, Samantha Ross, Olivia Davidson (OM's sister in law), Thelma Crawford, Carla Hamm, Larry Smith, Kruz Davenport and his family, Randy & Mendy Gray, Thomas Sledge, Liz Wyers, Denise Adcock, Ronnie Wicks, Peggy Bowling, Charlene Wages, Cara, Steve & Tia Davis, Tom Watson, Shirley Watson, Katie Bendall, Janice Nix, Vettie Parker (Sister of Bonnie Watford), Eve Espinoza, Amy Maxwell, Elizabeth Wright, Sylvia Ingram, Mario Myers, Kenlynn Prosbt, Deborah Bell Pasuer, Wesley Williams, Sherry Woods (best friend of Bill Bedsole's daughter, Heather), Craig Wright (brother of Christy Casiday), Leland Barnett, Jim Murphy, Vic Watford, Jackie Nix, McCoy Eastman (son of Savannah Eastman)

Memorials

Faith in Action-In memory of Judy Jenkins given by Chuck & Elaine Beard, Cathy & Doug Farris and an anonymous giver.

<u>General-</u>In memory of Judy Jenkins given by Ben & Debby Gardner, Zelda Jackson, Howard Jagger's Class, Louise & Robert Taylor.

In memory of **Anna Lee Hickman** given by Louise & Robert Taylor.



Join us for:
Promotion Sunday
and
Aloha Day!
Sunday, May 19, 2024
Right after church service

Our church family would like to off sincere condolences to the family and friends of **Judy Jenkins**. We have all been touched by this precious woman.

Love and prayers for her family.



Wednesday Night Meal!

May Menu

May 1-Nacho Bar, Dessert

May 8-Jennifer Dean— Meatloaf, smashed Potatoes, Vegetable Surprise, Dessert

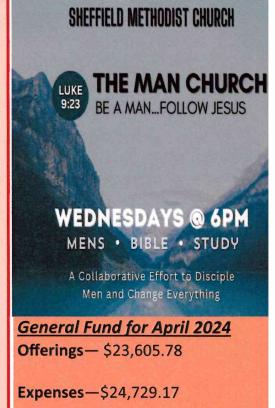
May 15-BBQ, Chips, Dessert

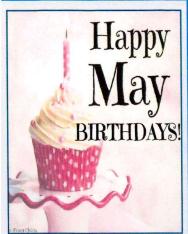
May 15th will be our last Weds. Night Meal until school starts back. Please join us for small groups and choir practice as they will continue through the summer.

\$8 per person or \$22 per family

Join us for a scrumptious meal then hang around for small groups!







May 3- Reeve Holcomb May 6- Stephanie Keenum

May 7-Todd Wann

Joey Lindsey

May 8-Emma DeMorse

May 10-Pat Springer

May 11-Jackson Jones

May 18-Charlie Grimmitt

May 24-Max Williams, Kaye Mason

May 26-Libby Kundert

May 27-Judy Hamby

May 28-Mary Settle Cooney







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Our Weekly Schedule



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY

10AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for Online Worship. Please join us on Facebook Live Sunday mornings at 10am.

You may go to our Webpage & click on the link.

Sunday School — 9AM all ages!

Wednesday Evenings

Wed Night Meal –5:30pm

Youth, Kids, Adult Small Groups-6pm

Chancel Choir Practice -7pm



2024 SMC Event Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			10:30am Games, Dominoes 5:30pm Weds Night Meal 6pm Small Groups-all ages! 7pm Choir practice	2 National Day of Prayer	3 Church office closed 5-7pm Creekside Graduation	4 1-4pm Creekside Graduation
5 9am Sunday School (All ages!) 10am Worship Service	9	9:30am Prayer Group 10-12pm Creekside	8 10:30am Games, Dominoes 5:30pm Weds Night Meal 6pm Small Groups-all ages! 7pm Choir practice	2:30pm Shoals Order of St. Luke	10 Church Office closed	11
12 Mother's Day 9am Sunday School (All ages!) 10am Worship Service	13	14 9:30am Prayer Group	15.30am Games, Dominoes 5:30pm Weds Night Meal 6pm Small Groups – All ages! 7pm Chancel Choir	16	17 Church Office closed	18
19 9am Sunday School (All ages!) 10am Worship Service Promotion Lunch- Aloha Day	20	9:30am Prayer Group 6pm Shoals Emmaus Cluster- North Wood UMC	10:30am Games, Dominoes 5:30-7pm Kids Pool party 6pm Small Groups – All ages! 7pm Chancel Choir	23	24 Church Office Closed	25
26 9am Sunday School (All ages!) 10am Worship Service	27 Church office closed Memorial Day	28 9:30am Prayer Group	10:30am Games, Dominoes 6pm Small Groups – All ages! 7pm Chancel Choir	30	31 Church Office Closed	

May 2024 Family Spotlight

Josiah Davis is 4 years old and attends WC Handy School. His sister Madden is 2 years old and attends Handy as well. Josiah and Madden's parents are Lee Davis and Jennifer Colvard-Davis. Lee works for Carelon as a wound care utilization management nurse. Jennifer (aka Dr. Colvard-Davis) is the principal of The Florence Freshman Center. Sometimes you'll find Jennifer in our choir and other times she can be found in the front of the sanctuary with Madden on her hip during worship time. Lee attends Man Church on Wednesday evenings and together they bring wisdom to the Grace Fellowship Sunday School Class.

Josiah loves dinosaurs and enjoys playing the Go-Fish mechanical game in the Loft after Sunday School each week. He has a tender heart for his baby sister and always makes sure she is included and loved. Madden loves caring for the baby dolls in the nursery and sliding down the slide. As a family, the Davises enjoy camping, biking, and playing Throw, Throw Burrito. We are blessed to have the Davis Family

