

WHITE BLUFF
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH

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White Bluff News

December 2021

EMBRACE TRANSFORM EQUIP IMPACT

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at White Bluff United Methodist Church

Nightly, 6-9 pm,
December 6-December 23, 2021

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'Tis the Season for a Celebration

Thousands of lights including Nativities, A Kiddy Barrel Train, your favorite inflatables like Star Wars and Disney, Reindeer, Christmas Trees, American Flags, and so much more!

**Bring a Canned Good to Drop in the Box for the
Food Pantry or Monetary Donation**

Here Comes Santa!

Take pictures in Santa's sleigh every night the lights are on! Bring your phone and make a new holiday memory!

Santa will be with us from 6-9 pm on Fridays and Saturdays, December 10, 11 and 17, 18. Save the dates!



You're Invited to Christmas Eve Candlelight

Two opportunities to worship with your family:

5:30 pm Traditional in the Sanctuary

7 pm Outdoor Tacky Sweater Modern Service

Bring the entire family and come as you are! Included will be Holy Communion and the Lighting of the Candles



Director of Modern Worship and Student Ministries

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Greetings Everybody,

December happenings:

1. Youth Sunday School is back to it from 11-12. Also, I am planning a youth Christmas dinner this month. Keep an eye on your bulletins and ears on the service for details. I'll be sending a Constant Contact when I have firm plans.
2. For our kids, we are doing brunch with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 12-2 on December 11th. Bring your kids to put together some gingerbread houses and eat some breakfast food. Santa will be arriving around 1 o'clock for story time and pictures.
3. On Christmas Eve, our Modern Worship Tacky Sweater will be at 7 o'clock. December 26, the services will be a combined service at 10:00 a.m. (note: No 9:30 am or 11:00 am Worship Services) Hope to see you then!

Bobby

Stewardship Report

Attendance 11/07/21

9:30 am.....125
11:00 am.....13
Sunday School.....52
Online Views-Tradition..133
Online Views-Modern.....31

Attendance 11/14/2021

9:30 am.....128
11:00 am.....14
Sunday School.....63
Online Views Tradition....82
Online Views-Modern.....29

Attendance 11/21/2021

9:30 am.....141
11:00 am.....9
Sunday School.....70
Online views-Tradition....66
Online views.....25

Attendance 11/28/2021

9:30 am.....125
11:00 am.....13
Sunday School.....64
Online views-Tradition....88
Online Views-Modern.....31

Director of Music Ministry

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HYMNS, they have only one use, right?

First, did you figure out who the 2 actors in the hymn poem “Wrestling Jacob” were from last month’s newsletter? One actor is you or me or anyone seeking Jesus. The other actor is Love; the “one who died for me.” It is Jesus but actor 1 doesn’t know this actor 2 so they wrestle all night to find comfort. I challenge you to read the entire poem, all 14 verses and see how it ends. Hymn #386 and the verses on page 387.

For this month’s newsletter I go to a different hymn for a different purpose. Have you ever sinned? I mean serious sin that caused you to stop and drop to your knees. The kind of sin that is going to require patching things up with someone else? The kind of sin you don’t have words to say to Jesus? The hymnal has the poem to pray. Actually, the hymnal has several hymns to pray, but I’m thinking of one in particular that is unfamiliar. The words are by Martin Luther. Here are some of the words, “Out of the depths I cry to you; O Lord now hear me calling. Incline your ear to my distress in spite of my rebelling. Do not regard my sinful deeds. Send me the grace my spirit needs; without it I am nothing.” Hymn #515 “Out of the Depths I Cry to You.” When you need a prayer after sin, this one is great. By the way, Scriptures encourage us not to sin!

How do people live without hymnals!

Merry Christmas

Rodney



Happy Birthday
Greetings extended
to:

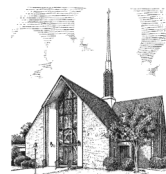
Betty Downs
On celebrating her
94th birthday
December 12th.



WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

- 9:30 A.M.** Traditional Worship
(Sanctuary)
10:30 A.M. Connection Café
(Coffee & Doughnuts-Gym)
11:00 A.M. Open Table Modern
Worship (Horton Hall)
11:00 A.M. Kids’ Table (Room 9)
11:00 A.M. Sunday School Classes
(All Ages)

All Sunday school classes will resume meeting in their classrooms. Seekers Sunday school class now meets at 11:00 a.m. in room 6.



White Bluff UMC Combined Service

December 26, 2021
10:00 A.M.
Sanctuary

WBUMC Mission Statement

The White Bluff United Methodist Church is called by God to **EMBRACE** their salvation in Christ, to be **TRANSFORMED** into His likeness, to be **EQUIPPED** to serve in ministry, as we **IMPACT** the world.

Advent Schedule

2021

November 28	
9:30am	The Giddens Family
11:00 am	The Giddens Family
December 5	
9:30 am	The Drescher Family
11:00 am	The Murphy Family
December 12	
9:30 am	Gary and Susan Young
11:00 am	The Anderson Family
December 19	
9:30 am	The Lariscy Family
11:00 am	Alan and Kay Williamson
December 24	
5:30 pm	Bobby and Olivia Floyd
7:00 pm	Bobby and Olivia Floyd



DEAL THE CARDS

MONDAYS AT 1:00 P.M.

Come play Hand and Foot (Canasta),
Hearts, Solitaire, Quiddler, etc.

December 6, 13, 20, and 27th
Room 21

Bring your own drink and a light
snack to share.

GAME NIGHT

December 3rd

7:00 P.M.

Fellowship Hall

Soft Drinks Provided

Bring a snack to share.



United Methodist Men
&
United Methodist Women
Christmas Party
Monday, December 6, 2021
6:30 P.M.
GYM
(Park behind the gym and enter through
the gym door.)
Catering by Lavon
Entertainment: Huxsie Scott
Games and Prizes
\$20.00



BRUNCH WITH SANTA

**December 11, 2021
12:00 until 2:00 P.M.**

Come build Gingerbread houses with Santa. (Family tables are encouraged) Location: GYM
Call : (912) 925-5924



SOCIAL SENIORS

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Christmas Gathering

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

11:30 A.M.

Fellowship Hall

**Bring a covered dish.
Suzanne is bringing her garden vegetables!
Meat and drink provided.**



CHRISTMAS *Cantata*

December 12, 2021

9:30 A.M.

**Traditional Worship
Service**



YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School

at 11:00 A.M.

Youth Rm or Rm 7

Traveling Prayer Sign



This sign being placed in your yard means that you have been prayed for by another church member! Leave the sign on your lawn for a couple of days and, when it is convenient, move the sign to the home of another church member.

If you currently have the sign please contact the church office at (912) 925-5924.



POINSETTIAS

Red and White Poinsettias

\$12.50 each

We have a few more Poinsettias available for sale.

25 Red

12 White

Place your order now.

Call the Church office at (912) 925-5924

Forms will be in the Narthex.



Samaritan's Purse-Operation Christmas Child



WOW— Kudos to WBUMC!

We delivered 53 boxes! Let's do 100 boxes next year.

Start filling a shoe box now!

What is new at White Bluff United Methodist Church!
Exciting changes are going on.
Take a look at our new website:

www.whitebluffmethodist.org



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

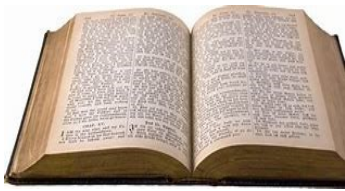
**Sunday School Volunteers
for**

**Children, Middle and High School
11:00 am**

**See Harriet Cobb or Kathryn Murray
Call the church office (912) 925-5924
before January 2022**



REMINDER: Pledge envelopes for 2022 are located in Narthex. If your envelopes are not available and you are an active contributor, please see Malinda Smith in the finance office.



WEDNESDAY MORNING

BIBLE STUDY

10:00 A.M.

Room 21

Everyone is welcome to
join us.



WHITE BLUFF FOOD PANTRY

During the month of December please consider creating a box or other container for items indicated below for our Food Pantry. Deliver items to church no later than Christmas Eve.

December 1-box of cereal	December 13-canned beans
December 2-peanut butter	December 14-spaghetti
December 3-stuffing mix	December 15-spaghetti sauce
December 4-boxed potatoes	December 16-chicken noodle soup
December 5-macaroni and cheese	December 17-tomato soup
December 6-canned fruit	December 18-canned corn
December 7-canned tomatoes	December 19-canned mixed veg.
December 8-canned tuna	December 20-canned carrots
December 9-dessert mix	December 21-package of rice
December 10-jar of applesauce	December 22-package of crackers
December 11-canned sweet potatoes	December 23-canned veg. soup
December 12-cranberry sauce	December 24-package gravy mix

Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Diana Hodges, Food Pantry Coordinator



LINE DANCING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



When: December 9, 2021

Time: 10A.M.-11A.M.

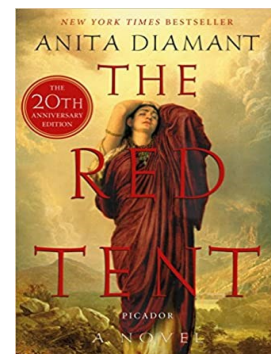
Where: White Bluff UMC-Gym

Cost: Free (a small donation is requested for church utilities)

Instructor: Susan Morgan

Note: Line Dancing will resume normal schedule on January 6, 2022.

SAVE THE DATE



Book Study

The Red Tent by Anita Diamant

January 11, 2022

11:00-12:00 noon

(Sells for \$10-12)

Facilitators: Nancy Leavitt and Harriet Cobb

Purchase the book on your own, or contact us
to order it for you.

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Christian love and sympathy are extended to the following families and friends of White Bluff United Methodist Church.

Susan Beblaw and Mary Mortensen, on the death of her mother, Shirley Templet, on October 4, 2021.

Barbara Anderson, on the death of her son, Rhett Anderson, on November 17, 2021.

Cecil and Mildred Jordan, on the death of their son, Michael Jordan, on November 22, 2021.



Office Closed

December 24 & 27, 2021 Christmas
January 3, 2022 New Year's

Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

December Journey with Friends
All classes are responsible for the entire month.

Merry Christmas