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White Bluff News February 2022

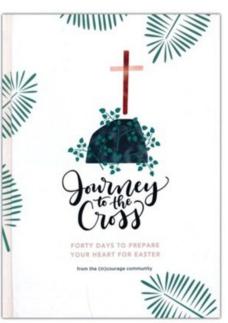
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Lent is on the way!

Wow, I cannot believe we are only a short time from the beginning of Lent! This year, Shrove Tuesday/ St. David's Day/ Mardi Gras falls on Tuesday, March 1. The Season of Lent begins on March 2 (Ash Wednesday) and ends when the sun goes down on April 16 (Holy Saturday). Save the date for Easter, which will be on Sunday, April 17. It will be an awesome day of celebration as we praise God that Christ is risen from the dead! You will not want to miss it. I thought it might be good for me to let you know what I know about all of our Lenten season events, so here goes!



Sunday, February 27: You can pick up your Lenten daily devotional book, Journey to the Cross, at church.

Tuesday, March 1: Celebrate the last day before you begin your Lenten fast with a pancake supper in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm

Wednesday, March 2: Join us for two opportunities to worship. 11 am - 12 pm: I am offering a Drive Thru Impartation of the Ashes. 5:45 pm: Salad Bar in the Fellowship Hall. 7 pm: A 30 minute Ash Wednesday service in the Sanctuary.

Friday, March 18: Monday, March 21 - Pictorial Directory Photos will be taken. While not directly connected to Lent, look for more information soon. You will be contacted to sign up.

Sunday, April 10: Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week!

Monday, April 11 - Friday, April 15: Holy Week Noonday Services will be at White Bluff. This year, we will begin with a 30 minute service in the Sanctuary at 12 pm followed by a soup and sandwich lunch in Horton Hall. Each day's service will feature a hymn, solo, and message. Friday will be a "Service of the Nails", bringing us into a time of tenebrae.

<u>Staff</u>

Rev. Barry Giddens Senior Pastor

Bobby Floyd Interim Director of Music Ministries, Director of Modern Service and Student Ministries

Suzanne R. Woodrum Church Organist

Rick Weeks Audio/Visual Coordinator

Carolyn Anderson Administrative Assistant

Malinda Smith Financial Administrator

Sarah McGalliard Nursery Director

> Audrey Tilton Custodian

Thursday, April 14: The Maundy Thursday Service will be at 6:30 pm. Join us for a moving service centering around the Last Supper and a time of Holy Communion.

Saturday, April 16: The Easter Egg Hunt will be at 2 pm. Join us at White Bluff for the hunting of tons of Easter Eggs and the accompanying festivities that will go with it. The kiddle barrell ride will be back by popular demand!

Sunday, April 17 @ 9:30 and 11 am: We will offer two identical services at 9:30 and 11 am in the Sanctuary. Choose which service you would like to attend and invite your friends and family. We are purposefully offering two services in the Sanctuary so that persons can feel more comfortable during this continued time of social distancing. It will also be a great opportunity for family pictures. Look for more information to come.

Blessings to you. I am honored to be in ministry with you, Barry

Rev. Barry Giddens Senior Pastor White Bluff United Methodist Church

Director of Modern Worship and Student Ministries

bfloyd@wbumc.org

Hey everyone!

I am the current interim Choir Director/Traditional Worship leader so please be in prayer that I can fill this role to the best of my ability for the glory of God's Kingdom. This month, the big word for our worship is [Love.] Spend some time reflecting on the love of God and how vividly He has painted the picture of His love for us, through His work on the Cross.

Children's committee meeting will be on February 23rd from 6-7! I will need to be out promptly at that time to make it over to choir practice. If you or anyone you know has an interest in helping out with our kids for the year, please do not hesitate to be there. We will be discussing our roles and ensuring that everything is in tip top shape moving through the year. At this meeting we will also be placing the final print on our children's valentines events! So keep an eye out for that as well.

Youth Sunday School is still happening from 11-12. We have been loving having our youth show up to give insight and growth during this season. February 13th we are also having a Youth Valentines lunch at Your Pie over on Skidaway Road, at 12:15 p.m.

Modern worship is still actively looking for volunteers for contemporary worship! Ashley and I are looking to expand our crew to get a more full sound. So if you know anybody who would be interested in playing drums, bass, or another guitar, let them know we are looking!

Grace and Peace, Bobby Floyd

Stewardship Report

Attendance 01/2/2022

9:30 am	.108
11:00 am	10
Sunday School	45
Online Views-Tradition.	130
Online Views-Modern	18

Attendance 01/09/2022

Attendance 01/16/2022

Attendance 01/23/2022

9:30 am	92
11:00 am	.20
Sunday School	.46
Online views-Tradition	
Online Views-Modern	21

Attendance	01/30/2022

9:30 am	.94
11:00 am	9
Sunday School	52
Online views-Tradition1	00
Online views-Modern	9



Happy Birthday Greetings extended to:

Margarete Deloe On celebrating her 90th birthday February 17th.



Do You Know Who Your Church Leaders Are???

Please pick up a copy of the 2022 Leadership Flyer. They are located in the church office, the Narthex and on the Welcome Table at the 'Open Table' Worship Service.

The phone numbers of all the Church Council members are included. If you need to talk to anyone on the Leadership Team, please don't hesitate to contact them. You can also use this as a guide to pray for the Leadership Team. Thank you. We look forward to serving in 2022.

Kay Williamson Church Council Chair

Trustee Committee

The Board of Trustees supervises and maintains all property belonging to White Bluff United Methodist Church so that the ministries of the church can be effective.

This year's committee members are Scott Harting, Teresa Coursey, DeeDee Seagraves, Tom Everett, Alan Williamson, Chris Anderson, Vernon Gandy, Bill Brown, and Joe Drescher.

Good stewardship, common sense, and foresight dictate that the church, parsonage, facilities, property, equipment, furnishings, and other physical property be well maintained.

While trustees are not required personally to maintain the facility, the trustees are responsible for the proper maintenance and improvement of the church buildings and grounds.

The Trustee Committee:

Oversees, maintains, and supervises all church property. This includes conducting an annual inspection of all church property, buildings, and grounds, including the parsonage;

Reports annually to the charge conference on the state of the church's property, furnishings, and Equipment;

Is responsible for the use of the church buildings and grounds;

Maintains adequate insurance coverage on all church property;

Submits to the committee on finance the annual budget requests for insurance, property maintenance and improvements.

The committee is accountable to charge conference and the church council.

Maintenance Request Forms can be found in the church office, sanctuary, and Sunday School rooms. If you see something that needs attention, please complete one of the forms and turn it in to the office, place it in the collection plate or with your Sunday school attendance so the committee can address the issue.

Joe Drescher

Trustee Chair



WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

9:30 A.M.	Traditional Worship
10:30 A.M.	(Sanctuary) 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.

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.

LINE DANCING



When: February 7, 14, 21, and 28th Time: 10A.M.-11A.M. Where: White Bluff UMC-Gym

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

Instructor: Susan Morgan

Social distancing will be observed. Masks will be required for all participants.





DEAL THE CARDS MONDAYS AT 1:00 P.M.

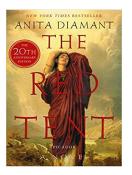
Come play Hand and Foot (Canasta), Hearts, Solitaire, Quiddler, etc.

> February 7, 14, 21 and the 28th Room 21

Bring your own drink and a light snack to share.

Shredding Day

On Saturday, February 5th, we held what we hope turns into an annual event and a day to plan other activities in conjunction with another shredding. Savannah Shredding had one of their trucks in the parking lot and several volunteers moved boxes upon boxes of old church documents to be properly disposed of. For three hours afterward, church members pulled into the parking lot to dispose of all kinds of paperwork. Altogether sixteen 95-gallon trash cans like the ones we put out to the road on trash day, were filled to the brim with documents that were shredded. Thank you to all who helped and especially to the anonymous member who paid for the cost of the service on behalf of the congregation.



Book Study The Red Tent by Anita Diamant Tuesdays 11-12 noon thru February Room 21 Next Book No Ordinary People begins March 1st

(Special people in the Bible that have "no name") Order your copy now (\$12)

> Contact Harriet Cobb (912) 927-3320



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10:00 A.M. Fellowship Hall Everyone is welcome to join us. Celebrating Christian Love A Church Wide Event

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 12:00 Noon White Bluff UMC

Provided: Meats, Desserts and Beverages *Bring: A Dish to Share

Special Music provided by A 13th Colony Quartet

> RSVP to Church office (912-925-5924) by Friday, Feb. 11, 2022



Children's Church Volunteer Meeting February 23, 2022 6:00 P.M. Horton Hall

Our congregation is a community of diverse gifts. Come help us share God's love with the children, one another, and the world.

We need volunteers!



Wesley Community Centers of Savannah, Inc.'s 2022 Hybrid Love Walk



"IT'S A LOVE THANG!" Saturday, February 12, 2022

In Person Event Activities start at 8:00 a.m. The 3.6 mile Walk steps off at 9:00 a.m. 1601 Drayton Street Savannah, Georgia 31401

Virtual Stream via Zoom starts at 8:00 a.m. Facebook Live starts at 8:00 a.m. Make your choice to attend our annual Love Walk! Registration forms are in the Narthex.



YOUTH VALENTINE LUNCH

Your Pie Pizza Restaurant 7360 Skidaway Rd. February 13, 2022 12:15 p.m.

Contact Bobby for details.



FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to everyone who contributed to restocking the WBUMC FOOD PANTRY. Below is a list of items that we need. Canned Ham (available at Walgreens, some Walmarts, Red and White on Habersham and on line.) Canned Roast Beef Chicken Broth canned Beef Broth canned Salt and Black Pepper (small double packs) Goya Jamon (ham seasoning in grocery Spanish section) Shelf Stable Milk (Fairlife, Parmalat, Horizon

Food Pantry boxes have been placed in Adult Sunday School rooms and on table in hallway outside kitchen for your convenience.

Thank you in advance.

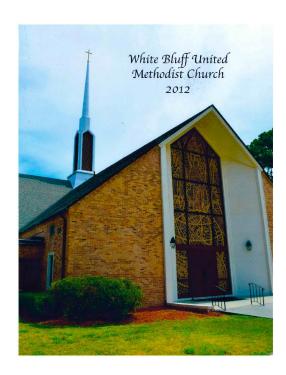
Diana Hodges Pantry Coordinator





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Modern Worship Volunteers If you know anyone that is interested in playing drums, bass, or another guitar, contact Bobby for more details.



CHURCH DIRECTORY COMING March 18-21, 2022 No Cost Free 8x10 per family On line registration or call Lisa to set up appointment (912) 658-7556 By: The Portrait Café

Everyone will have an opportunity to purchase their portraits.

Note: Look out for a call from The Portrait Café, out of Tennessee (877) or (423) area code.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

March 1, 2022 5:45 P.M. Fellowship Hall

Join us for this time of Fellowship. The cost of the meal is \$5.00 Adults and Kids. Come join us, the fellowship is great. Reservation forms will be in the Narthex or call the church office at (912) 925-5924.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

March 2, 2022

11-12 P.M. Drive thru Impartation of the Ashes and Prayer

5:45 P.M. Dinner: Salad Bar Fellowship Hall

7:00 P.M. Ash Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

Salad Bar Items:

ASH

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Salad Tuna Salad Egg Salad Shrimp Salad Congealed Salads Much, Much More. Potato Salad Spring Mix Caesar Salad Pistachio Salad

All your favorites.

Cost: Adults \$10.00 per person Children \$5.00 (10 and under) No Family Maximum Reservation forms will be in the Narthex or call the church office at (912) 925-5924.

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

Bobby "Wayne" Lawrence, on the death of his wife, Neta Faye Fortenberry Lawrence, January 12, 2022.

Special Gifts

Gifts were given to White Bluff United Methodist Church in memory of:

Michael L. Howell

Carolyn Bienzenbos

Neta Faye Fortenberry Lawrence

Abigail Circle, White Bluff UMW Jane S. Anderson Bob and Lucy Froelich Carlton and Carol Kemp Mat and Terry Turner Tom Johnson and Jane Beare Suzanne Woodrum Madie Dickey and Donna Bailey Mr. & Mrs. James VanFossan

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We would like to thank Rev. Barry Giddens, the UMW and the White Bluff UMC for the use of your building and the provision of snacks and drinks during the Unto the Least of His Dream Again Conference. A special thanks to Rick Weeks for his expertise in technology. Because of the availability and faithfulness of this church many lives have been touched.

Thank you and God bless!

Bobby Gale Unto the Least of His

Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

January February March April May June July August September October November December Ampersand/Harmony Journey with Friends Seekers Covenant Wayfarers Ampersand/Harmony Journey with Friends Seekers Covenant Wayfarers Ampersand/Harmony Journey with Friends

All classes are responsible for the entire month.