

WHITE BLUFF
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH

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White Bluff News

November 2022

EMBRACE TRANSFORM EQUIP IMPACT

Staff

Rev. Barry Giddens
Senior Pastor

Mike McCann
Director of Youth
Ministry

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

Welcome to Music Worship:

A divine season of worship – in remembrance of All Saints, in thanksgiving for God’s free gifts, and in celebration of Advent in the birth of our Lord! We sing of our Lord’s divinity and humanity in congregational hymns, in choir anthems, and in offertory solos throughout the Christmas season, all in praise of God’s love for us.

One year ago my wife Phyllis and I were attracted to join this White Bluff congregation due to the warm welcome from members and our pastor, your enthusiasm for congregational singing, and the role of sacred music in weekly worship. Our first week here was through a bit of arm-twisting from our realtor, Jane Beare, who can be quite persuasive. I think Pastor Barry would call it “outreach.”

By way of our musical background, Phyllis and I married in 1970 and directed a junior high and a senior high choir while I taught Bible at a denominational school. I have directed church choirs, large festival choirs, and a university performing choir. Phyllis has always accompanied me through these years. Our best six years in university were spent in directing 24 singers, four band members and four crew members, traveling through the Midwest from Texas to Minnesota from Alabama to Massachusetts during university spring breaks, performing in denominational congregations, staying with members in their homes. Not much sleep, but great joy.

Music worship is truly a collective effort by all our wonderful musicians. Suzanne Woodrum is our mainstay – over 35 years at White Bluff playing organ and accompanying soloists and the choir, opening the sanctuary and choir room, among other tasks. Rev. Cindy Layton, a recent addition to the choir, serves as assistant director, soloist, and sings with sisters, Linda and Nancy. Jane Beare plays solos and duets on our grand pianos, as does Phyllis, who also shares with Suzanne in accompanying the choir. We are blessed to have such musical talent who devote hours each week to prepare for worship.

Choir members practice each Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Each voice is vital, and each member is committed to be prepared for each Sunday and for special days like Christmas. Our librarian Martha Adams keeps our music sorted and ready for practices and performances. Our sound crew does a great job, as they work with each component of worship, both for the sanctuary and those watching online.

On December 11th we will present our Christmas Cantata – “Were You There on That Christmas Night?” Please join us in celebration. See you there!

In His Grace,

Russell Duke

ALL SAINTS DAY

November 6, 2022

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

We remember those who have died this past year. Listed below are the church members, and their family members.

CHURCH MEMBERS:

Michael Jordan
Neta Lawrence
Molly Ryon
Brenda Luckey VanFossan
Barbara Ihly Anderson
Michael "Mike" Herrin Wilson
Carlton R. Kemp
Margie Ann Lewis Brinson
Eric Lasseter
Elmyra Roberta "Bobby" Fields
Madie Lee Clements Dickey

FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Rhett Anderson	Linda Diane Youmans
Shirley Temple	Jeffrey "Jeff" Lynn Wood
Michael Lee Howell	Sarah Gertrude Coursey
Chris Meeks	William L. "Bill" Strickland
Rev. Brad Brady	Lynn Gergacs
Susie Grace Haney	Barry White
Tommy McGalliard	Lorelei Lynn Brady
Stephen Foster Heine	Joseph Riley White III
Dorothy Sharpe	Cameron Knight
Peter "Pete" Vasta	Alan Blake Matthews
Rev. Grady Mills II	
Terry Wilson Floyd, Sr.	
George R. "Randy" Cone	
Curtis Gene Borret	
Jewel Traxler Gilbert	
Joy Thweatt Kerkoff	
June Grace Copi	
Alton Kemp	
William Bruner	



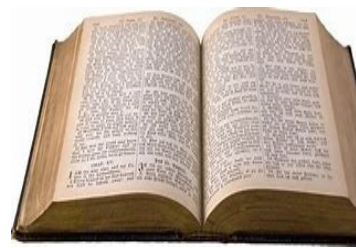
WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship
(Sanctuary)
9:30 A.M. Flourish Kids
(Children's Church)
10:30 A.M. Connection Café
Coffee & Doughnuts
(Horton Hall)
11:00 A.M. Sunday School Classes

Journey with Friends S.S. moved to
Room 28.

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.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

10:00 A.M.
Room 21
Everyone is welcome
to join us.



Stewardship Report

Attendance 10/02/2022

9:30 am.....176
No Sunday School
Online Views57

Attendance 10/09/2022

9:30 am.....130
No Sunday School
Online Views86

Attendance 10/16/2022

9:30 am.....152
No Sunday School
Online views81

Attendance 10/23/2022

9:30 am.....143
No Sunday School
Online views49

Attendance 10/30/2022

9:30 am.....144
No Sunday School
Online views20



TIME CHANGE

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Remember to set your clocks back
before you go to bed on Saturday
night, November 5, 2022.



White Bluff is a
Community-oriented,
Bible-believing church
family serving the southside
of Savannah, Georgia where
the Truman ends and faith
begins.



Portable Hand Ramp for Choir and Handbells

Many areas within the church including the choir loft are not accessible to our members that utilize wheelchairs or scooters. The Trustees have been searching for an answer to the challenge. We hope to have a portable wheelchair lift available in early 2023.

The donation effort to raise the needed \$12,000.00 have been initiated by Al and Debbie Hudgins, in the honor of David Wilson. David, a long time member of WBUMC who has served the choir faithfully and worked with Dr. Paz on mission trips to Honduras.

The acquisition of the portable wheelchair lift can be used throughout the campus and provide accessibility for all WBUMC members, with no alterations to the building.

We will let the congregation know when the lift is ordered.



**Happy Birthday
Greetings extended
to:**

David Barnhill
On celebrating his
92nd birthday
November 13th

Corine Hall
On celebrating her
96th birthday
November 28th

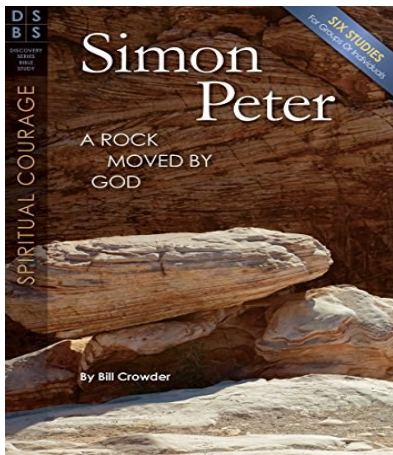
**Kathryn "Tina"
Kiger**
On celebrating her
97th birthday
November 30th

Charge Conference

Richmond Hill United
Methodist Church

November 6, 2022
4:00 P.M.





**White Bluff United Methodist Church
Tuesday Morning Book Group**

November 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Room 21

Book: \$6.50

To purchase a book contact:
Harriet Cobb
(912) 925-3320

The Study will be 6 sessions. No DVD.

LINE DANCE CLASS



November 3rd and 17th

(No Line Dance November 10th)

Time: 10-11 A.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.

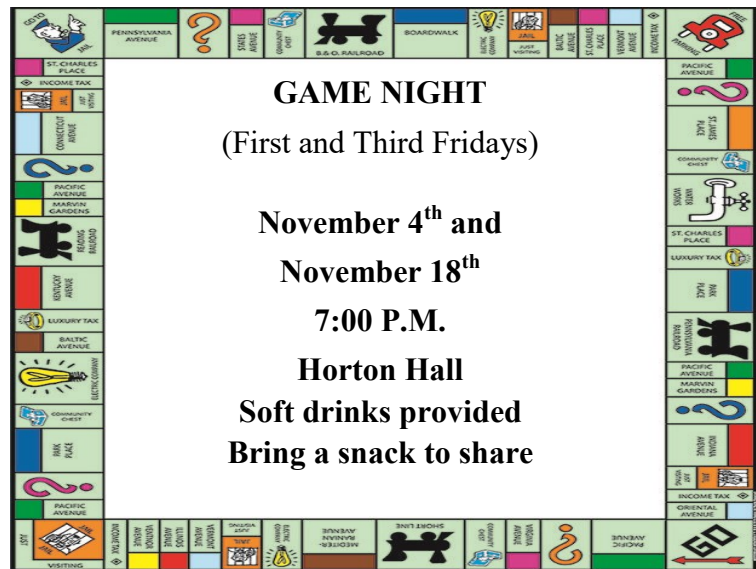
**Come play Hand and Foot (Canasta),
and other card games.**

**November 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th
Room 21**

**Bring your own drink and a light
snack to share.**



**Trustee Meeting
November 9, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Room 21**



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Pins and Needles Sewing Group

Meets every Monday

9:00 A.M.

Room 21

Make plans to join us!



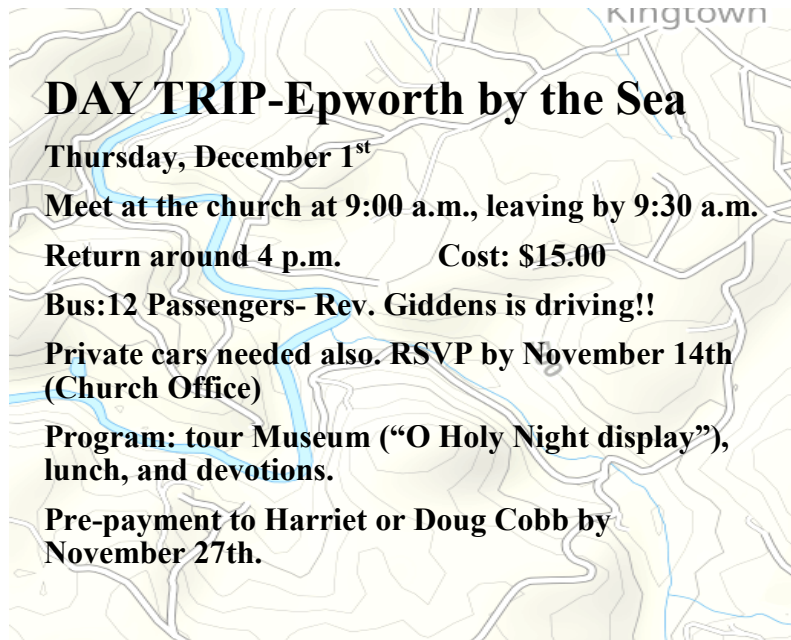


Social Seniors

November 16, 2022
11:30 A.M.
Horton Hall

Please bring a covered dish
enough to share.

Meat will be provided.



DAY TRIP-Epworth by the Sea

Thursday, December 1st

Meet at the church at 9:00 a.m., leaving by 9:30 a.m.

Return around 4 p.m. Cost: \$15.00

Bus:12 Passengers- Rev. Giddens is driving!!

Private cars needed also. RSVP by November 14th
(Church Office)

Program: tour Museum (“O Holy Night display”),
lunch, and devotions.

Pre-payment to Harriet or Doug Cobb by
November 27th.

leadership passion
motivation
dedication drive discipline heart
excellence

Church Council Meeting
Monday, November 21, 2022
7:00 P.M.
Fellowship Hall

** Reminder to Council Members...so I can plan
accordingly, if anyone needs to be added to the agenda
with a specific report, please let me know ONE week prior
to the meeting. **

Also, come prepared to share with the council any up-
coming ministries you may be planning, so we can all be
well informed so that we, in turn, can better communicate
to our fellow church members.

Thank You,

Kay Williamson
(912) 925-3723
(912) 656-2683 (text)
catlady1091@yahoo.com

FOOD PANTRY

ITEMS MOST NEEDED THIS WEEK

- INDIVIDUAL SLEEVED CRACKERS
- SPAGHETTI MEAT SAUCE
- SPAGHETTI
- SMALL BOXES OF CEREAL



**Check expiration dates. We cannot use
outdated items.**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Diana Hodges
Pantry Coordinator**

FALL FESTIVAL

A big thank you to the staff and members for putting together a great Fall Festival. A fun time was had by all. Here are a few of the highlights.



We would like to welcome our newest members to White Bluff United Methodist Church

Phyllis Duke	Profession of Faith
Russell Duke	Profession of Faith
Karen Robinson Harris	UMC Transfer



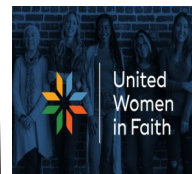
DECORATE
the Church

November 27, 2022

11:00 Noon

Pizza provided

Volunteers are needed



United Women of Faith

Sarah Circle	November 8 th 9:30 A.M. UMW Room
Eve Circle	November 8 th 11:00 A.M. Horton Hall
Abigail Circle	November 17 th 6:00 P.M. Horton Hall

United Methodist Men
&
United Methodist Women
Christmas Party
Monday, December 5, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Fellowship Hall
(See Lisa McGalliard)



POINSETTIAS

Red and White Poinsettias
\$14.00 each

Place your order now

Deadline December 15, 2022

Call the Church office at (912) 925-5924

Forms will be in the Narthex.

Merry Christmas

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

December 11, 2022
9:30 A.M. Worship Service



TEXT
to Give

Text "GIVE" to 855-958-2527

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Sponsored by White Bluff UMC

HOLIDAY HOOPLA

KIDS ONLY EVENT
SEE YA LATER MOM & DAD

Lunch, Cookie Decorating, Games, Santa Store, Storytime
with Santa & Mrs. Claus

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 17
12:30PM-4:00PM
WHITE BLUFF
UMC GYM

Ages 2-12
Price \$5 Per Child

BRING YOUR KIDS IN FOR OUR
DROP AND SHOP. FINISH TAKING
CARE OF THOSE LAST MINUTE
HOLIDAY ERRANDS AND PRESENT
WRAPPING & WE'LL TAKE THE KIDS.

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912-925-5924

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Special Gifts

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

Lorelei Lynn Brady

Henry Bowen

Madie Lee Clements Dickey

Suzanne Woodrum

Carlton R. Kemp, Sr.

Michael and Melinda Bailey

Alan Blake Matthews

Michael and Melinda Bailey



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

Donna Michelle Knight and Bill Knight, on the death of their son, Cameron Bradley Knight, on October 20, 2022.

Shelby Blake Matthews and the Gandy family, on the death of Alan Blake Matthews, on October 22, 2022.

Donna Dickey Bailey and Deborah Dickey Connor, on the death of their mother, Madie Lee Clements Dickey, on October 27, 2022.

Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

November Ampersand/Harmony

December Journey with Friends

All classes are responsible for the entire month.