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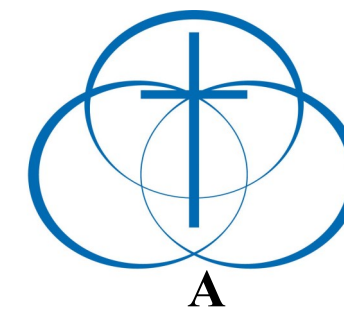
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White Bluff
News
October 2023

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Hello White Bluff, happy fall y'all! Barry here. It's that time of year again, when the leaves turn and the air gets crisp. Let's enjoy the fall and all the beautiful colors it brings. Let's make the most of it!

White Bluff Methodist will be teaming with activity during the month of October. First, I would like to invite you to join me in reading the Proverbs and receiving a periodic prayer challenge via text. The Proverbs contain 31 chapters, so it is perfect for reading a chapter a day during October. On October 1, you will read Proverbs 1. October 2, you will read Proverbs 2, and so on. On Halloween (October 31), you will read about King Lamuel's mom, the virtuous woman. This is the narrative of Solomon writing about his mom, Bathsheba, one of my favorite passages in all of Scripture. You will be invited to prayer through periodic texts from me, featuring a prayer challenge and Bible verse. You can opt out of the texts if you would like, so please let me know if that is your preference. As a component, I am offering a weekly Zoom online meeting to discuss how God is impacting your life through the readings and your prayer time. Zoom meetings will be on the Sundays of October 15, 22, and 29 at 7:30 pm. Participate in any or all of this opportunity as you feel led by the Holy Spirit, no pressure! Sign up by replying to this email (barrygiddens@gmail.com) or sending me a text (912-585-7247).

Our annual stewardship emphasis will be October 15 and 22 in 9:30 am worship. The focus will be on being a good steward of what God has entrusted to us. We will continue in the miracles and will study The Feeding of the 5,000 and Jesus and the Fig Tree on the Road to Bethany.

October 15 at 9:30 will also feature testimonies from our August Hope Initiative team... you will not want to miss it!

October 21 will be our annual Fall Festival, including inflatables, food, and much fun! This event will be from 5-7 pm.

There is so much more I could tell you, but let me say this: Keep an eye on your e-mail and the bulletin!

I am glad to serve in ministry with you.

Blessings to all,

Barry

ALL SAINTS DAY

November 5, 2023

We are asking families to provide photographs and names of Church Members who have died this past year. We will also list the names of family members who have died this past year in the bulletin. (Immediate family only).

If you have not gotten a picture of your family member to the church, please bring it to the office no later than October 22, 2023.



CHURCH VAN

If you drive the van or if you are interested in driving the van, please stop by the church office to see Carolyn to update your drivers license and insurance information.

Poinsettia Order

Red and White Poinsettia to be placed in the Sanctuary at Christmas

\$15.00 each

Please complete the order form no later than October 22, 2023.

Floral suppliers are asking florist to get their orders in early to guarantee delivery in December 2023.





Flourish Kids



October 2023

Pre K – 5th Grade

This year is really flying by. We are having a great time in Children’s Church on Sunday mornings. This month the kids and I have thoroughly enjoyed learning about all the different miracles Jesus did for people. We have a lot of exciting things coming up for the month of October.

This month’s kids mission project is collecting canned goods for the food pantry. The boys and girls will be competing against each other to see who can collect the most cans. Which-ever group collects the most cans gets to pie me in the face.

October 21st is our Annual Fall Festival from 5-7pm. We will have Games, Inflatables, Crafts, Kiddie Barrel Ride and Food. The cost of the event is \$5 a person and it includes everything even food. If you would like to volunteer to help with the fall festival please sign up in Horton Hall during Coffee and Donut time. You may also call the church office and sign up. (912) 925-5924.

Items needed for Fall Festival

- Candy
- Apple Juice Pouches/Boxes
- Chips
- Canned Soda
- Small Christian Fall prizes.

October 22nd is Children’s Sabbath and the children will be singing “Jesus loves me” and “Jesus loves the little children.” The 3rd-5th Graders will be assisting with the service. You definitely won’t want to miss it.

We are in need of volunteers to teach Pre K– 5th. Starting October 22nd we will be starting a brand new Sunday school class for the children. If you are interested in teaching children’s church or Sunday school please call me at 912-658-6773.

Love and Grace

Sarah McGalliard
Assistant Children’s Director

Save the Date



- October 1 Church Wide Meeting 11:00 A.M.
- October 21 Fall Festival Time: 5-7 P.M.
- October 22 Children’s Sabbath 9:30 a.m. Worship
- November 1 Church Charge Conference 6:00 P.M.
- November 5 All Saints Day
Daylight Savings Time ends
- November 19 Children will Sing during Worship Service
- December 4 Church Wide Christmas Dinner
Everyone is invited. Pre-k thru 5th grade will be presenting a Christmas play.
- December 10 Cantata 9:30 A.M. Worship Service
- December 16 Lunch with Santa and Mrs. Claus
Time: 12:30-3:30 p.m. \$10 per family
- December 24 9:30 A.M. Worship Service
5:30 Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve Worship Service.



Christmas Cantata will be presented on December 10th in worship. If you would like to join the choir for the cantata, we will rehearse on Wednesdays from 7:00-7:30 P.M., Will meet in the choir room.

It’s not to late to join us.



The Church Directory is on the way!

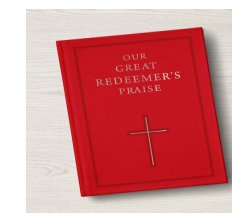


White Bluff Methodist CHURCH CONFERENCE

November 1, 2023

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Sanctuary



OUR GREAT REDEEMERS PRAISE HYMNALS

The Trustees are raising funds to purchase new hymnals. Hymnals cost \$30 each.

Would you like to purchase one in honor of someone or in memory of someone? Please complete a Hymnal order form and return it to the main office with your check.

If you have any questions, please see Gayle Spilliards or Dee Dee Seagraves.

Please mark your check payable to:
White Bluff Methodist Church and mark “Hymnals”.

Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

- October Covenant
- November Wayfarers
- December Joyful Believers

All classes are responsible for the entire month.

**White Bluff Methodist Church
Missions Ministry**

OCTOBER 2023



In October we will again be collecting macaroni and cheese for P.A.C.K. Last year P.A.C.K. distributed 4,500 backpacks with meals to schools in Chatham County per week. This school year the need has grown for backpack meals and the P.A.C.K. is distributing 4,800 backpacks per week. They provide for 12% of the school population in Chatham County. White Bluff receives 400 per week, Windsor Forest between 315 to as many as 600 per week, and Isle of Hope receives 150.



Celebrators Conference
Steadfast Love
October 16-19, 2023
Leconte Center
Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

Good music, Great preaching, and the sweet spirit of friendship

Speakers: David Jeremiah, Phil Waldrep, Candace Cameron Bure, and Tim Lovelace

Musicians: Jason Crabb, Ricky Skaggs, Charles Billingsley, Keith & Kristyn Getty,

If you are interested in attending this conference see Doug and Harriet Cobb for details.



Thank you to all who support our Food Pantry. We have received monetary contributions which we are using to order bulk lo-cost items on-line but still need the following:

- Large Canned Chicken**
- Canned Ham**
- Large Canned Roast Beef**
- Large Canned Beef Stew**
- Large Canned Tuna**
- Large Box Saltine Crackers**
- Instant Potatoes**
- Canned Turnips**
- Canned Collards**
- Canned Yams**

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me

Diana Hodges
Food Pantry Coordinator



The Handbell Choir is in need of new ringers! Join in the fun! Wednesdays at 11:00 A.M. in the choir room.

Stewardship Report

Attendance 9/03/2023
9:30Horton Hall
Sunday School.....39
Online Views.....34

Attendance 9/10/2023
9:30 am.....149
Sunday School.....74
Online Views.....61

Attendance 9/17/2023
9:30 am.....154
Sunday School.....95
Online views68

Attendance 9/24/2023
9:30 am.....143
Sunday School.....72
Online views83



The Global Mission

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.



White Bluff Methodist Church

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

- 9:30 A.M.** Worship Service (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



Sunday School Classes

11:00 A.M.

Covenant	Room	21
Joyful Believers	Room	12
Seekers	Room	6
Wayfarers	Room	4
Young Adults	Room	16
Nursery	Room	9
Flourish Kids (3rd grade thru 5th)	Rm	14
Pre-K thru 2nd grade	Room	10



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



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
10:00 A.M.
Room 21
Study of Deuteronomy
Everyone is welcome to join us.



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

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

October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
Room 21

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

Overcomers
Tuesday Morning Book Study

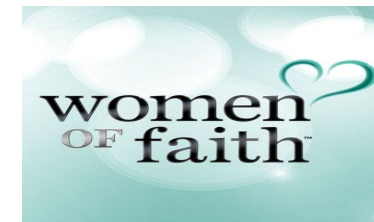


October 3 10- to be decided
October 17-no meeting
October 24

The Great Disappearance
Dr. David Jeremiah
DVD series on "31 Ways to be Rapture Ready"

10:00 A.M.
Room 21

Facilitators: Doug Cobb and Nancy Leavitt



White Bluff Methodist Women's Circles

Sarah Circle
October 10, 2023
10:00 A.M.
UMW Room

Eve Circle
October 10, 2023
11:30 A.M.
Horton Hall

Abigail Circle Meeting
October 19, 2023
6:00 P.M.
Room 21

Quarterly Meeting
October 23, 2023
Carey Hilliard's-Abercorn
(back room)
6:00 P.M.
Program: Wesley Community Center



SOCIAL SENIORS

October 18, 2023
11:30 A.M.

Fellowship Hall

Meat and drink provided;
Bring a covered dish to share.



**Pins and Needles Sewing
Group**

October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30
9:30 A.M.
Room 21

LINE DANCE CLASS



October 5, 12, 19 and 26
Time: 10-11 A.M.

Where: White Bluff Methodist Church
Gym
Cost: Free
(a small donation is requested for church utilities)
Instructor: Susan Morgan



White Bluff Methodist Church
9:30 A.M. Worship Service
October 15, 2023
Wear Pink Day

"I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my
righteous right hand". Isaiah 41:10

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give
you rest" Matthew 11:28



Be a good steward of what God has entrusted to us.

ANNUAL STEWARD EMPHASIS

October 15th and 22nd

9:30 A.M. Worship Service

Sanctuary



GAME NIGHT
(First and Third Fridays)

October 6th and 20th
7:00 P.M.
Horton Hall

Soft drinks provided
Bring a snack to share



October 11, 2023
5:30 P.M.
Room 21

