



# The Messenger

October 5, 2017

## Upcoming Events

### Shine On...



Those volunteers who travelled to Vidor, Texas, and aided in the Hurricane Relief effort.

### Save the Date

The Creative Ministry Team (aka Puppet Team) will be presenting "God Is In The House" on Sunday, November 12th at 6:00 p.m.

### Service Opportunity

If you would like to be a part of our worship team by helping with the offering at the 8:30 a.m. service, please contact the church office or Lori Cripple.



## United Methodist Women Fall Rummage/Bake Sale

Come shop at the Rummage/Bake Fall Sale which will be Saturday, **October 7th** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Christian Life Center and Moore Hall. All monies earned go to our 16 Missions we support: Gulf Coast Center for Non-violence, Moore Community House, Seamen and Trucker's Center, Long Beach Food Pantry, Backpack Ministry, Missionaries: Gongwers Literacy Program - Library, Child Abuse and Prevention Center for South Mississippi, Methodist Hour, Gulf Coast Rescue Mission, Seashore Mission Homeless Ministry, Good Samaritan and Good Neighbor Fund, Wesley Foundation-USM Gulf Coast Campus, United Methodist Men, Open Table Ministry for the Homeless.

All God's  
Creatures



## Blessing of the Animals

We believe that our animals are an important part of our lives. We will have a special Blessing of the Animals for them on Saturday, October 14th, at 9:00 a.m. We will be located in the west end of the Christian Life Center parking lot. Please have dogs on a leash and other animals in a crate.



Come join us for our Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 29th, at 5:00 p.m. We will have a potluck dinner in the Christian Life Center and will end with a trunk or treat for our kids and teenagers! If you would like to supply a trunk of candy, please contact Lori Cripple or the church office. We will have a contest for the Best Decorated Trunk!

## Veterans Day Parade and Concert

We will honor all military veterans on Sunday, November 5th with a parade and a concert. If you have not received an invitation to this event in the past or know of a veteran you like to invite, contact Susan Taylor at [the.taylor.family@hotmail.com](mailto:the.taylor.family@hotmail.com) or 332-1083.



**We are planning to have a Go Serve Day on Saturday, November 11th. If you would be interested in leading one of the projects that day, please contact the church office (228-863-9619) by October 14th. Some of the project ideas currently are: visiting the children's shelter/the Armed Services Home/nursing home/hospital, participating in our Open Table ministry, prepping things for our Christmas Eve Lunch, helping one of our local schools, cleaning up our parks, and handing out popsicles at the town green. If you have an idea for a project you would like to lead, we would love to add that, too!**

### Online Giving

Just a reminder, you can go to our website at [fumclb.org](http://fumclb.org) and click on the Online Giving tab to make giving quick and easy.

[Online Giving](#)

---

## Weekly Updates and Events

## **Prayer Concerns...**

PC & Dee Havens, Pat & James Holifield, Kayne Troutman, Debbie Knight, Wanda Miller, Chrissy Edwards, Jackie Branch, Jan Flynn, Sandra Gibson, Randal Guthrie, Diane Saul, Barbara Ballanco, Kathy Reynolds, Cory Miller, John Harrison Doucet, Lois Jones, Barbara Barlow, Susan Molesworth, Jeremy Smith, Janis Slade, Rev. Love Loftis, Patrick Kirkland, Carl & Doris Flethrich, Rev. Ron & Connie Durham, Carol Hill, Caitlyn Johnson, Shayla Hosey, Pat Newcomb, Bonnie Long, Jeri Allen, Karen Samuelson, Ricky Bullock, Dot Hilton, Butch Borzik, Dawn McGinn, Wayne Eason, Shorty Haulk, Peter Psikogios, & Mary Kerg.

## **In Memory...**

Donations were given in memory of Linda Boone by Marvin Schatz and Robert Marble.

Donations were given in memory of Albert Crowder by Bob & Muzette Chatham and UMW Circle 1.

Donations were given in memory of Fannie Mae Bullard by Bob & Muzette Chatham and UMW Circle 1.

## **Welcome**

We would like to welcome David & Mary Roots into our family of faith here at FUMC of Long Beach.

---

## **Weekly Calendar**

### **Sunday, October 8th**

- 8:30 a.m. Sanctuary Morning Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Morning Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Worship @ The Well - Fleming Auditorium USM
- 3:30 p.m. Puppets upstairs in Moore Hall
- 5:00 p.m. United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF)

### **Monday, October 9th**

- 6:30 p.m. Exchange Club Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study in Youth Hall

### **Tuesday, October 10th**

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Christian Life Center (CLC)
- 7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Long Beach Middle School Concert - Sanctuary

### **Wednesday, October 11th**

- 5:30 p.m. Heart and Soul for Youth

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

### **Thursday, October 12th**

5:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Library

7:00 p.m. Long Beach High School Concert - Sanctuary

### **Saturday, October 14th**

7:00 a.m. Exchange Club Pancake Breakfast in the CLC

9:00 a.m. Blessing of the Animals in parking lot at Main Campus

### **Sunday, October 15th**

8:30 a.m. Sanctuary Morning Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Morning Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship @ The Well - Fleming Auditorium USM

3:30 p.m. Puppets upstairs in Moore Hall

5:00 p.m. United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF)

### **Monday, October 16th**

7:00 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study in Youth Hall

### **Tuesday, October 17th**

9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study in the CLC

7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice

### **Wednesday, October 18th**

5:30 p.m. Heart and Soul for Youth

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

### **Thursday, October 19th**

5:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Library

### **Saturday, October 21st**

9:00 a.m. UMW District Meeting in the CLC

---

## **Sundays Sermons and Scriptures**

### **Main Campus Sanctuary**

Rev. Jon Kaufman - Preacher

**Sermon Series: Moses**

Oct. 8 - Don't Forget...Pass it On

Deuteronomy 6:6-7, 20-25

### **The Well USM Fleming Auditorium**

Rev. Ben Barlow - Preacher

**Sermon Series: David**

Oct. 8 - David's Redemption and Legacy

Preached by Emily Barlow

Psalm 51

## Sermon Series: A Change in Perspective

This church wide series (Main Campus and The Well) is intended to help us focus on our mission as a church of making disciples for Jesus.

October 15th - Ambassadors for Christ  
2 Corinthians 5:11-21

---



Light. My heart and soul sank when I awoke to the news this week of the shooting in Las Vegas. Just the sheer number of dead and wounded left me heart-broken. Add this to the pain your mission team witnessed in Vidor, TX last week resulting from Harvey and the other two storms that have ravaged the country brings to the forefront the suffering and pain of the world that exists not only in regions and nations but in individual lives.

As people of God, we have a responsibility to respond with the love and care of Jesus. I caught a glimpse of this at our Cruising the Coast gathering on Monday as we gave food to anyone there. One man was so amazed that we were giving good food away, and when I told him we were a church group, his face lit up with joy.

As we think about responding to the darkness of the world, I suggest we find ways to be light. Think about how you can change any situation that is dark by calling upon God and by being an instrument of light. The world really needs this right now - for us to be the light of Jesus. One of my favorite songs is by Steve Fee called "You are the Light," and I want to share with you some of the lyrics. Let's be the Light.

We are the people of God  
The sons and daughters of love  
Forgiven, restored and redeemed  
Living our lives to the praise of our King

And to the lost and the broken  
The hurting and hopeless  
We shine You, Lord

We are the ones who will shine  
His light in the darkness of the night  
The hopeless, the broken, the poor  
They will be hopeless no more

To the ones who are weary  
Burdened and suffering  
We shine You, Lord

We shine like stars in the universe  
Proclaiming the hope of our God  
And to the sons and daughters in all the earth  
We shine You, Lord

You are the light  
the light of the world  
And we shine You, lord

Let's shine like light, the light of Jesus,  
Love, Jon

---

First United Methodist Church  
208 Pine Street  
Corner of Church Ave. and Pine Street  
(228) 863-9619  
Church email: [fumclb@cableone.net](mailto:fumclb@cableone.net)

Church Website  
[www.fumclb.org](http://www.fumclb.org)

The Well Website  
[www.thewelllongbeach.org](http://www.thewelllongbeach.org)

Rev. Jon Kaufman, Senior Pastor  
662-279-4993  
Email address: [jon.kaufman@fumclb.org](mailto:jon.kaufman@fumclb.org)

Rev. Ben Barlow, Associate Pastor  
228-806-2787  
email address: [ben@thewelllongbeach.org](mailto:ben@thewelllongbeach.org)