



# The Messenger

June 6, 2019

## Upcoming Events



### Shine On...

Our volunteers who provide dinner for our Youth on Sunday nights.

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## VBS 2019

Get ready for VBS this summer... we will be having a blast! Vacation Bible School will be July 14th-18th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. each night. This event is free, and dinner is included each night. We are going to have a ton of fun so you won't want to miss spending the week with us. Registration forms for both kids and volunteers (adult & youth) will be available in the lobby of the sanctuary and The Well.

**There will be a volunteer dinner on Sunday, June 9th. Please be sure to sign up before the dinner.**

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## Seashore District Night at the Shuckers

Is on Friday, July 12th. First pitch is at 6:35 p.m. Join us for a fun-filled night at MGM Park cheering on the Biloxi Shuckers! Reserve your tickets now at the group rate of \$8.50 per ticket. Our own Chancel Choir will be singing the National Anthem. Contact the church office at 228-863-9619 by June 30<sup>th</sup> to reserve your seats.

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## Upcoming New worship Series The Main Campus

### Hidden Figures of the Bible May 26 - June 23

The Bible contains stories of amazing women who faithfully follow God. Some you know and others are more obscure. They are women who rise to the occasion and display virtues in their encounter with God which are virtues we yearn to have in our own lives. Join us in worship as we discover the strength, courage, and faithfulness of these Hidden Figures of the Bible.

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### Summer Youth Trip

Our youth will be taking a mission trip this summer from June 16 - June 21 to do Hurricane Michael recovery. They will stay at Laguna Christian Beach Resort. The trip is open to upcoming 7th graders through high school seniors. The cost of the trip will be \$150 per person. There are sign-up sheets in the lobby. Please see Mary Woodruff for questions or more information. Tree also contains tags that will help support the youth trip.



Our Giving

### Indoor Picnic Lunch

We will be enjoying an Indoor Potluck Picnic lunch together on Sunday, June 30th, after our morning services in the Christian Life Center. Bring your favorite picnic food or ice cream to share! We will gather between 12:00 and 12:30 p.m. There will also be a water slide available for the kids so don't forget their bathing suits and towels!



### Church Directory

You can now download our online church directory onto your phone! It is a great resource for phone numbers and addresses for your church family, and you will have access to update your own profile. Search for CTRN Online Church Directory in your app store. If you do not already have a login and password, please contact Lori Cripple or the church office and we will update it for you!





## **OAKS Outing On The CTA Beachcomber**

CTA will have a "Ride Free Day" on Thursday, June 20. OAKS members are planning to enjoy a ride on the Beachcomber Trolley route, east to Biloxi, have lunch at the Biloxi terminus and return to Gulfport. Approximate travel time is 2 hours with an added 1.5 to 2 hours for lunch, etc.

The plan is to meet at the Gulfport CTA Transit Center (old library) at 11:15 a.m. to catch the trolley that leaves at 11:30 a.m. We can exit the trolley along the way, or continue to it's easternmost stop near Mary Mahoney's restaurant. After lunch, we'll get back on to return to our cars parked in the garage. Please notify Marilyn Scholz or Penny Denmark no later than Sunday, June 16, if you intend to join this group outing.

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**Please come out and support our teams!**

### **Men's Softball Games**



June 11 @ 8 PM on Golden 1  
June 24 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 1 @ 8 PM on Golden 1  
July 15 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 16 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 22 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 23 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 23 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 23 @ 8:00 PM on Golden 1  
July 29 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 30 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 1  
July 30 @ 8:00 PM on Golden 1

**All games are at Goldin Sports Complex on Prudie Circle in Gulfport.**

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### **Women's Softball Games**



June 3 @ 8 PM on Golden 3  
June 4 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 3  
June 11 @ 6:45 on Golden 3  
June 17 @ 8 PM on Golden 4  
June 18 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 4  
June 24 @ 8 PM on Golden 3  
June 25 @ 8 PM on Golden 4  
July 1 @ 8 PM on Golden 3  
July 2 @ 8 PM on Golden 4  
July 15 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 3  
July 16 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 4  
July 22 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 4  
July 23 @ 6:45 PM on Golden 3

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### 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](#)

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## Weekly Updates and Events



PC & Dee Havens, Kayne Troutman, Debbie Knight, Wanda Miller, Chrissy Edwards, Randal Guthrie, Barbara Ballanco, Kathy Reynolds, Lois Jones, Patrick Kirkland, Connie Durham, Janis Slade, Pat

Newcomb, Shayla Hosey, Dawn McGinn, Shorty Haulk, Wayne Eason, Martha Hart, Jo Holyfield, Tina Botte, Cathy Yates, Mary Kerg, Marie Ward, Wanda Stevens, Rick Bullock, Joyce McCauley, Blakely Hammons, John French, Wanda Lee Corley, Chuck Cruthirds, Mindy & George Barker, Hank Viehmann, Alana Rutledge, Pam Serrato, John Arceneaux, Sharon Pierce, Micki McDonough, Betty O'Brien, Giovanni Fontecchio, Dave Blazick, Don Kerkove, Carol Hill, Caitlin Johnson Irwin, John Lever, Stephanie Bass, Floss Roberts, Brook Williams Ball, Renkert & Sharon Meyer, Lil Jobe, Anne & Mike Ladner, Spears/Wilson Family, and Patricia Badeaux



On Sunday, May 26th, Parvane and Hamilton Orgeron, children of David & Kay Orgeron were baptized.



Donations were given in memory of Anna Berry by James & Margaret Ray, Jim & Becky Collins, and the Polly Mincher Circle.

Donations were given in memory of Patsye Hester by Steven Hester, Boonkong Fore, and William & Carol McCreedy.

A donation was given by Diane Johnson in memory of my parents, Cam & Leonard Page "that taught me to love God".



The family of Anna Berry would like to thank the ladies of the church who provided a lovely luncheon after her funeral service for her family. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and kindness during this time.

Julie, David, & Scott Berry, and Julie L. Berry Caballero

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## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, June 9th

- 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. Creative Ministries upstairs in Moore Hall (MH)
- 5:00 p.m. United Methodist Youth Fellowship
- 5:00 p.m. VBS Volunteer Dinner in the Christian Life Center (CLC)

### Monday, June 10th

- 9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes Exercise Class in CLC

### Tuesday, June 11th

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

7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice

### **Wednesday, June 12th**

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

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice in choir room

### **Thursday, June 13th**

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes Exercise Class in the CLC

### **Sunday, June 16th**

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. Creative Ministries upstairs in Moore Hall (MH)

### **Monday, June 17th**

#### **Youth Trip**

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes Exercise Class in the Christian Life

6:30 p.m. UMW Circle 1 Meeting

### **Tuesday, June 18th**

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

7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice

### **Wednesday, June 19th**

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

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice in choir room

### **Thursday, June 20th**

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes Exercise Class in the CLC

11:15 a.m. OAKS "Free Ride Day" Meet at Gulfport CTA

### **Friday, June 21st**

Youth return from trip

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## **Sunday Sermons and Scriptures**

Main Campus Sanctuary  
Rev. Jon Kaufman - Preacher

**June 9th**

"Esther: For Such a Time as This"

Esther 4:13-17

**June 16th**  
"Mary Magdalene"  
Mark 16:9  
John 20:1-18

The Well USM Fleming Auditorium  
Rev. Ben Barlow - Preacher

**June 9th**  
"Integrity Matters"  
Genesis 39:1-23

**June 16th**  
"God Is Always with You, Even in Prison"  
Genesis 39:20-23, 40:1-23



June. This month is the time when United Methodists gather from all over the state in Jackson for our annual conference together. By the time you receive this, we will already have been meeting since Wednesday afternoon. During this time, we come together to worship God, to set missional priorities for the Mississippi Conference, to ordain and consecrate new persons into pastoral ministry, and to celebrate the stories of what God has been doing among us during the last year. And yes, it's also a great time to reconnect with friends and renew relationships with others.

This year, Pastor Ben and I will again be attending along with Glenda Hull and Kevin Bishop who were both elected by our church to represent Long Beach FUMC. We invite your prayers as we travel, gather, and discern the movement of the Holy Spirit.

Every year as we gather, I know that there are usually some controversial issues under discussion and I am sure this year will be no different. Part of the work we do is to pray, debate, and discern the movement of God. More likely than not, I will have friends who will advocate for different viewpoints that may not be the same as my own. But that's ok because in the end, I realize we (me included) are people who are not perfect. We are broken people that are being redeemed daily by God's grace and need the love of Jesus. I also realize that like in all things, God still reigns and God is working to bring good things out of the hardest of circumstances.

I'm grateful for our church in Long Beach. We are not perfect either but the signs of God's movement are seen all the time in your lives as we seek to love God and to love our neighbors in our community in a more excellent way. I'm also grateful for the United Methodist Church for how I received the gospel, was loved through tragedy, and how I have been encouraged to grow and seek out God's will. As I write this, I am looking forward to Annual Conference, to worship God, to meet new people called into pastoral ministry and to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

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### **Our Mission**

Make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

### **Our Vision**

To be a church that makes disciples that Live Like Jesus, Love Like Jesus, and Serve Like Jesus.