

Messenger

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What does stewardship mean to you?

The word, stewardship, simply means to manage someone else's property. For the Christian, as Scripture proclaims everything belongs to God, we manage the property of our Lord. Since everything belongs to Christ, we need to have the attitude and view that our things are His things, our stuff is His stuff, that all we could have now, all we have lost, all we will have, is His, including our very bodies and spiritual gifts. We are mere lessees of the property, money, relationships, talents, time, and even our lives. That means all that we are and all that we have is not ours to begin with. They belong to God. Therefore, the duty of the Christian is to learn how to become responsible stewards of our Lord's resources entrusted into our care. It means to manage everything to the best of our abilities for His glory.

First Corinthians 4:1-2 says, "Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful." Next week everyone will have the opportunity to come, worship Christ, and return your Intention of Giving form and your Time and Talent Survey. I hope that you have been prayerfully considering what it means to be a steward of God's possessions. Thank you for your service to First Methodist Church of Yazoo City and to God.

Rich Knox
Stewardship Chairperson

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. Planet 456
- 6:00 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:15 p.m. Hiskidz Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Solid Ground Youth
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study - Matthew

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market
- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 6:00 p.m. Emmaus Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 3-4:15 p.m. Hiskidz Choir Grades 1-6
- 4:30 p.m. Ladies' Handbell Choir
- 5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- 6:15 p.m. Youth Small Group
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study - Matthew

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

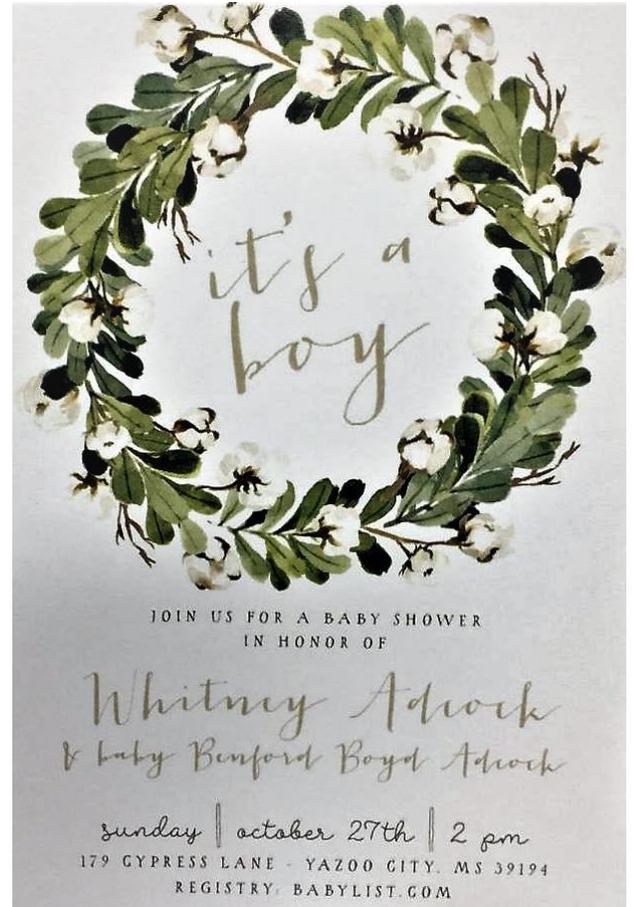
- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 20. Derek Parker
- 24. Scott Haynes
- 25. Patsy Clark, Josh Allen, Neetsie Gary,
Rose Anderson, Lynne Howie

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- 20. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Newman  
Mr. & Mrs. Truett Duncan
- 24. Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Kyle
- 25. Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes  
Mr. & Mrs. Slater Phillips



I would like to thank Amy Bowlin for her help with one of my clients at Wolfe Lake.

Her love for Jesus was put into action and is very much appreciated.

Rosemary Knox,  
Case Manager



## **Solid Ground Youth**

This week we continue with our series called “The Promised Land.” Our focus this week will be on a woman named Deborah. Deborah trusted God which led to Israel’s success. It is important for us to allow God to lead us. We must trust in Him, because He will direct our paths.

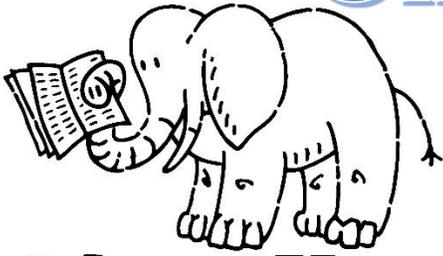
## **Sunday Night Youth**

Last week we had a fun night of Bible Trivia. Congratulations to the girls for their win over the boys. It was fun to have a night of fellowship and games, and a chance to bring out a little healthy competition. We have been studying a series by Francis Chan entitled “**Surrender.**” We have talked about the importance of not being so worried about our stuff and our status, but instead we need to surrender to God and allow Him to use us for His will. This week we will cover session 3, *Surrender Sin*. Sin is everywhere, and we have to make choices every day. It is impossible to live a sin-free life, but we must strive to make the choices that are pleasing to God not man.

## **Wednesday Night Small Group**

This Wednesday night in small group, we will start a new series called **Forever Changed.** In this series we will be talking about the life of Saul/Paul. We will see how God can truly transform lives. We just need to be willing to completely surrender to Him. God wants what is best for us, but we must be willing to trust Him.

# Children's Page



## Memory Verse

"I'll be with you."

Exodus 3:12



## Hiskidz and Deep Blue:

As we continue with our lessons about Moses and the Israelites, we can all learn a valuable lesson. God never left His people. He took care of them. He met their needs, and He provided them with exactly what they needed. He does the same for all of us. God meets our needs, and He will never leave us.



Last week we continued with our series called **Filters**. The focus of our lesson was on **Friends**. Our friends bring influence into our lives, good and bad. We talked about how we need to let God help us filter how we choose our friends. This week we will talk about **Talent**. You all have a talent, something that is unique to only you. It is very important that you learn to use the talent and gifts that God gave you for His glory and purpose.

## **Volunteers serving Sunday, October 20, 2019**

|                          |                              |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Greeters                 | Nancy Hart/Millie Phillips   |
| Security                 | Mike Hughes/Larry Adams      |
| Acolytes                 | Maddie Canard & Myla Wallace |
| Scripture                | Mark 12:41-44                |
| Sermon                   | <b>“The Generous Giver”</b>  |
| Flowers                  | Clark & Truett Duncan        |
| Sunday Night Supper Moms | Jamie Swafford/Carrie Chaney |

## **Attendance, October 13, 2019**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Worship Services | 152 |
| Sunday School    | 94  |

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### **20.19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

21. Love fulfills the law
22. As you love yourself
23. Like well-watered trees
24. Moses sees the goal
25. Show us your works
26. Speaking to please God

### **Matthew 22:15-22**

- Romans 13:8-10  
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18  
Psalm 1  
Deuteronomy 34:1-12  
Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17  
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8



The delivery of shoe boxes is only the beginning of the Operation Christmas Child story. Gospel books in 80 local languages are offered to boys and girls. Before the boxes are handed to each child, they listen to the story of salvation through Jesus Christ. The Salvation story is placed on top of each box. The illustrated pages make the Good News of Jesus Christ come alive for children in a way they can understand. Since 2010, because of these shoe boxes, more than 7.4 million children worldwide have enrolled in the 12 week course following this initial meeting. 3.4 million have accepted Jesus as their Savior.

## DISTRICT-WIDE CHARGE CONFERENCE



Our annual **regularly scheduled Charge Conference** will be held this year on **Sunday, October 27, at 5 p.m. at Anderson UMC in Jackson, MS.** This is the meeting at which all of our church officers are elected for the year. All are invited to attend.



## *Memorial Gifts*

*Becky Hendrix*

Mr. & Mrs. Walter Ellington

*Penny Jackson*

Millie Phillips

*Lorene Ketchum*

Camp and Joan King