

Messenger

A PUBLICATION OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

P O Box 444, Yazoo City, MS 39194

Pastor: Rev. Lauren Porter
Phone: 662-746-7648
Website: fumcyazoo.org

November 8, 2020
Vol. 47 No. 44

Thoughts for Veterans Day

Abraham Lincoln gave his second Inaugural Address on March 4, 1865, as the Civil War was raging. He said, “Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away.”

Lincoln’s next paragraph is especially appropriate for Veterans Day:

“With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation’s wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations.”

When President Lincoln finished his classic oration, he reportedly kissed the Bible and left the platform. He was assassinated the next month.

Veterans Day has its roots in what was called Armistice Day, the day when a peace agreement was signed with Germany ending World War I. Armistice Day was established with a proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson which reads in part: “Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations.” On June 1, 1954, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day to honor all U.S. veterans.

On Veterans Day this year, let us remember and honor those men and women who gave of themselves, and let us continue to pray for our men and women currently serving in the military.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZUR Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship
- 5:00 p.m. P22 Ministries
- 5:00 p.m. Planet 456
- 5:45 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:00 p.m. Hiskidz Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible study
- 6:15 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9-12 noon Methodist Market

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Small Group
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible study

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 8. Alice Cobb
- 9. Ella Phillips, Phil Nichols
- 14. Allison Hughes
- *****



Memorial Gifts

Lois Myers Gary

- Byron, Cameron & Darrington Seward
- Mr. & Mrs. Camp King
- Bank of Yazoo City
- Dr. & Mrs. David Arnold
- Thomas E. Guillot, Jr.
- Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes
- Mr. & Mrs. John Simmons

James Epps Watson, Jr.

- Mr. & Mrs. Seger Collier
- Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes

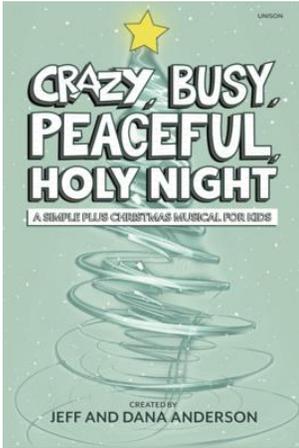
**Congratulations
on Your
New Baby!**



Congratulations to Brittany and Chase Spell on the birth of their daughter Remi Stone Spell, who was born October 28, 2020.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

CRAZY, BUSY, PEACEFUL, HOLY NIGHT



Christmas is often crazy, busy with SO many things to do. It is easy to lose focus on the Prince of Peace that was born in Bethlehem that holy night. This Christmas, we are preparing to bring you another musical that shows you that Jesus came to bring peace and hope to a crazy, busy world.

With the situation of our unplanned PANDEMIC, we are working on this musical in hopes that we can present it on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6. We pray that God will bless us with good health and conditions that allow us to present this program.

We will begin practicing from 5 to 7:15 p.m. this Sunday night, November 8, 2020. Supper will be served at 5:45 p.m. Please make every rehearsal count!



Our FUMC Day Care three and four year old children had a visit from our local firefighters and “Sparky”. They also got to see a real fire truck and learned about safety.





Solid Ground Youth

During the month of November our unit is entitled *Willing to Serve*. In our lesson this Sunday we will talk about “Following Good Directions.” The scripture this week will be from Acts 13:1-4; 16:6-10; Galatians 5:16-17, 22-25. Trust is something that is hard, and society does a great job teaching us all to rely and trust only in ourselves. We need to take hold of the fact that God has sent the Holy Spirit to guide us, but we must put our faith and trust in Him. As Christians, we need to follow the Holy Spirit, but also allow the Spirit to lead us.

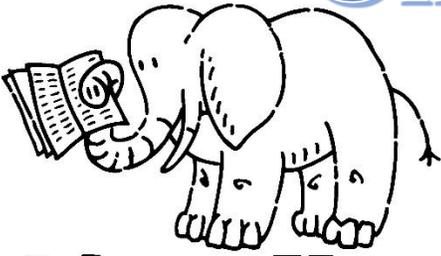
Sunday Night Youth

Last Sunday night we talked about the importance of forgiveness. We are commanded by Christ to forgive one another even as He has forgiven us. This is something that can sometimes be difficult to do, but the only one we hurt by not forgiving is ourselves.

Wednesday Night Small Group

Our youth group will continue with our Wednesday night small group and move through our study entitled, **Feed the Dog**. This study focuses on 7 key disciplines to help us grow our relationship with God. We have discussed Worship, Scripture, Prayer, Solitude, Fasting, and Ministry. This week we will conclude with our study and talk about the seventh discipline.

Children's Page



Memory Verse

"You, Lord, are to be blessed. Teach me your statutes."

Psalm 119:12



Hiskidz and Deep Blue:

This week we will be reading scripture from the book of Proverbs. The Book of Proverbs helps us look at things from another side so that we can grow in wisdom. The Bible is like a road map for us and it is full of scripture and direction that God wants us to use daily.

Last Sunday night we completed our Bible Study on **The Armor of God**. This week we will meet but use our time to have extra choir practice with Mrs. Lettie. We will have snack supper at 5:45 p.m. followed by another hour of choir. Everything should wrap up by 7:15 p.m.



P22 Ministries:



**P22
Ministries**

Last week we completed our Bible Study on **The Armor of God**. This Sunday we will meet but use our time to have extra choir practice with Mrs. Lettie. We will have snack supper at 5:45 p.m. followed by choir practice. Everything should wrap up by 7:15 p.m.



Hopefully you have finished your shoe box for a waiting child. Please place them outside the church office beginning November 8. They will be collected November 16 in the morning. The U. S. total for 2019 was 8,950,144 boxes collected. World wide 10.5 million boxes collected and distributed. Let your box be in the 2020 boxes to be sent to the waiting churches.

The youth will be selling poinsettias for Christmas and for decorating the church. There will be forms in each of the Sunday school rooms, as well as at the back of the church. Several of the youth will also be coming around to take orders and collect the forms. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, please ask a youth member, contact the church office or Tera Smith. The colors offered are red, pink, and white. Each poinsettia is \$15.



Volunteers serving Sunday, November 8, 2020

Greeters	D'Ann Adams/Brenda & Denny Paul
Scripture	Matthew 6:16-18
Sermon	“Practice at Saying ‘No’ ”
Flowers	Ladies of Yazoo Florist
SNS	Robyn Kelly & Laura King

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

NOVEMBER

8. 23rd^h Sunday after Pentecost

9. What can mortals do?

10. Singing for joy

11. In peaceful trust

12. A mighty prophet is born

13. None like the LORD

14. Written in the heart

Psalm 139:1-6

Psalm 56:10-11

Psalm 92:1-5

Isaiah 26:3-4

1 Samuel 1:4-20

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25