



# Messenger

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**“Fear not, for I have redeemed you.  
I have called you by name. You are  
mine.**

**When you pass through the waters, I  
will be with you.**

**And when you pass through the  
rivers, they will not sweep over you.**

**When you walk through the fire,  
you will not be burned. The flames  
will not set you ablaze.**

**For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.”**

Isaiah 43:1-3

Please be in prayer for all those who have been affected by the rising waters all around us. This year’s flood has become historic. In some areas the water is higher than it was back in 1973. In other areas the flooding has lasted longer than it did back in 1927. Communities like Holly Bluff, Wolf Lake, Satartia, and Eagle Lake have been underwater since March, and the river has not yet fully crested. Many homes are currently underwater, others are protected by small levees and sandbags. Farmland that would normally be planted with corn or cotton is still submerged. In many places no crops will be planted this year. It is truly heartbreaking. We are reminded yet again as a community: what affects one of us, affects all of us.

So, please be in prayer. If you hear of someone in need, volunteer to help, and spread the word so that others may help, too. As the waters recede in the coming weeks, there will be a lot to do. It’s in moments like these that we rely most on friends and community. By God’s grace, let’s be that community.



**THIS WEEKS CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2**

9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service  
9:50 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

**MONDAY, JUNE 3**

9-12 noon Methodist Market

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5**

5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8**

9-12 noon Methodist Market



**& Birthdays  
Anniversaries**

- 2. Slater Phillips
- 6. Lisa Saxton
- 7. Irma Newell Hart, Kemper King,  
Thomas Fuller, William Fuller  
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- 8. Mr. & Mrs. Davis Gary



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL ANTHONY HUGHES  
REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE  
*at the marriage of their daughter*

*Emma Christine*

*to*

*Tyler Briant Sullivan*

SATURDAY, THE EIGHTH OF JUNE  
TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN  
AT SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH OF YAZOO CITY  
203 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET

*Reception Immediately Following*

YAZOO COUNTRY CLUB  
2300 JERRY CLOWER BOULEVARD  
YAZOO CITY, MISSISSIPPI



*Memorial Gifts*

**Macel Gary Simmons**

Mrs. Josephine Ledbetter  
M/M Billy G. Janous  
Frances Pierce



We want to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Wash Dorsey and Mary R. Gibbs, two former members of our church, for their generous contribution to our church building fund through their estate. Wash was the son of Lee and Lucille Gibbs, Sr., and the brother of Lee Gibbs, Jr. Wash and Mary met and married while members here at First Methodist Church in the 1940's, and then moved to Texas in 1958. Wash died on April 27, 2012 at the age of 91, and Mary died on September 3, 2018 at the age of 98.



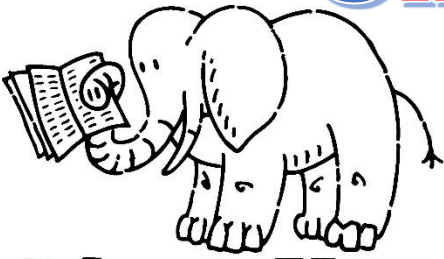
## **Solid Ground Youth**

This Sunday we will continue our study of the Book of Psalm. Psalm 51 confronts us with our need for God's forgiveness. We are all sinful, but we need to learn to be humble and inspire to follow God. This requires making sacrifices for God. This chapter is about repentance.

## **Sunday Night Youth and Wednesday Night Small Group**

Sunday, June 9, the youth group will meet for an afternoon of bowling and dinner. I will send out more detailed information as we approach the date. We will continue to meet throughout the summer for fellowship, activities and Bible study.

# Children's Page



## Memory Verse

"An abundance of grace was working among them all."

Acts 4:33



As we enter the month of June, we will be learning about the birth of the Church. Being a Christian was not a safe choice after the resurrection of Jesus. Many people were still confused about what had happened. Christians were spreading the Good news about Jesus, but they had to be careful. This Sunday we will begin to learn about how things happened in the early church.

### **HisKidz & Planet 456 Summer Activities:**

Last Friday grades 1-6 went to the movie in Madison to see Disney's *Aladdin*. Thank you to those who volunteered as chaperones. Our next outing will be Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be traveling back to Madison to see *The Secret Life of Pets: 2*. The cost of the movie is \$8.00, and you will also need money for snacks (\$12). The meeting time will be announced on Wednesday. Parents are welcome to tag along to enjoy the show. Please contact Tera Smith if you will be joining us.

### **Vacation Bible School**

Thank you to everyone who helped with Bible School. Without the volunteers, there would be no VBS. We had a wonderful group of children, and what awesome stories they got to hear from the Bible. Our focus and Bible Point was: No matter what happens in life . . . **GOD IS GOOD!**

Thank you to Teachers: Marilyn Burnett, Laura King, Emily Melton and Jana Bennett; Leaders: Julie Paul, Mabel George, Margaret Woods, Laura Catherine Phillips, Mary Russell Perry, Dianne White, and Katherine Phillips; Kitchen Helpers: Mary Lou Richards, Pam Hatfield, Millie Phillips, and Neetsie Gary; Youth Helpers: Lanie Potter, Annsley Smith, Anna Grace Perkins, Evan Michael Williams, Will Phillips, Greyson Winstead, and Garner Burton. And last but not least, decorations: Jana Bennett and Neetsie Gary.

## Mississippi Annual Conference

The MS Annual Conference will be held at the Jackson Convention Complex starting Wednesday, June 5, through Saturday, June 8. This year's conference is especially important since we will elect delegates to the General Conference 2020 next May. Mississippi will elect 5 lay delegates and 5 clergy delegates this year. So, please be in prayer for all those who will be participating in these meetings.

### Volunteers serving Sunday, June 2, 2019

Greeters	De & Julie Paul/Bob & Linda Coker
Security	John Cobb/Tim Richards
Communion Assistants	Howard & Vicky Webb/Tera Smith
Flowers	Rodney & Sara Henderson
Scripture	Colossians 3:17-4:1
Sermon	<b>“Work As If For the Lord”</b>

### Attendance, May 26, 2019

Worship Services	174
Sunday School	88

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### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

#### JUNE

<b>2. 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>Matthew 7:21-29</b>
3. Learn to do good	Isaiah 1:11-17
4. I desire steadfast love	Hosea 5:15-6:6
5. A sacrifice of thanksgiving	Psalms 50:7-15
6. The call of Abram	Genesis 12:1-9
7. Filled with God's love	Psalms 33:1-12
8. Faith counted as righteousness	Romans 4:13-25