

News & Events

Fat Tuesday Missions Dinner & Auction. The FUMC Annual Fat Tuesday Dinner & Auction is this Tuesday, February 21st. Come join us for an authentic Cajun meal of gumbo, jambalaya, and red beans & rice served with salad, bread, dessert, and drink. Tickets are \$10.00 and available at the church office through noon this Tuesday. They can also be bought at the door the evening of the dinner. Curbside pickup is 4:00-5:00 p.m.; dine-in is 5:15-6:30 p.m.; the silent auction is 4:45-6:15 p.m.; the live auction starts at 6:30 p.m. It isn't too late to turn in silent or live auction items.

Ash Wednesday. Please make plans to join us this Wednesday, February 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. for our Ash Wednesday service. The 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study and G.R.O.W. Kids are cancelled for that day. The noon Pastor's Bible Study will still take place both in-person and via Zoom.

Rotary Club Fundraiser. The Rotary Club is hosting a catfish/chicken dinner fundraiser to support Imagination Library. Tickets are \$17 for a meal of catfish or chicken (4 pieces), fries, hushpuppies, slaw, and a drink from Dorey's Catering. Pick-up is in the First United Methodist parking lot Friday, February 24th, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Our Town. If you haven't already seen *Our Town*, it isn't too late. The last showing is this afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Congratulations Bill Higgins, Morgan Lewis, Collin Green, Jim Fletcher, and Russ Breshears on their performances!

Weekly Participation Opportunities

Sunday Night Youth. Meets from 6-8:00 p.m. in the Sturgis Children & Youth Center. Contact Jewelie Mills for more information.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study. Meets at 9:30 a.m. in the church library. Led by Claire Gehrki.

Pastor's Bible Study. Wednesdays at noon and 6:30 p.m. (in-person/Zoom) in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Zeke Allen.

G.R.O.W. Kids. Children ages 5 through 5th grade, join us Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:15 in the Sturgis building for Bible story, craft, and game time. Contact Jewelie to sign up or volunteer.

Chancel Choir Practice. Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Contact Bill Higgins for more information.

Mission Opportunities

Food Pantry. The February Distribution Day is Tuesday, February 28th (the 4th Sunday of the month). The schedule is as follows:

Monday, February 27th: Walmart pick-up, weigh-in and storage, finish packing boxes

Tuesday, February 28th: 9:30 a.m. - Unload Food Bank Truck and store; 10:00 a.m. - Finish packing boxes; 11:30 a.m. - Homebound deliveries pick-up; 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. - Food distribution

Requested donation items: peanut butter, cereal, and Ramen

Ozark Mission Project. Youth going into 6th grade through 12th grade are going to OMP this summer, July 9-14 in Paragould. Please let Jewelie know if you can come! More details to follow.

Please Remember:

- A. You may put your offering in the plate, use Tithely by scanning the QR code under Ways to Give, go directly to Tithely at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=368022>, or drop it off at the church office during the week or by mail.
- B. You can live stream services on Facebook or YouTube at www.facebook.com/fumcark or www.youtube.com/user/fumcark. Watch previous services at www.fumcark.org/sermons.

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Flowers Mary Ellen Taylor

Nursery Workers Erin Mecum and Sabrina Mecum

Custodian Sharon Murphy

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Adopted by First United Methodist Church Council, October 10, 2017.



Worship for the Lord's Day

February 19, 2023
Transfiguration Sunday

Traditional Worship Service
Arkadelphia, AR

Welcome Ryan Lewis

Opening Voluntary Kay McAfee
Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring
-by J.S. Bach

*Call to Worship

Arise people of God. Give heed to God's invitation to worship

Help us encounter you in a mighty way, precious Lord

Arise people of God. Open yourselves up to experience the glory of God's presence

Shape our lives such that we embody the love of Christ to the world

***Hymn of Praise** UMH No. 103
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Apostles' Creed** UMH No. 881

***The Gloria Patri** UMH No. 70
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Moment Jewelie Mills

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Zeke Allen

The Lord's Prayer Congregation

Reading from the Psalter UMH No. 819
Psalm 99

Offertory Prayer Rev. Zeke Allen

Offering
The Offertory Kay McAfee
Every Time I Feel the Spirit
-by Calvin Taylor

***Doxology** UMH No. 95
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Reading God's Word** Ryan Lewis
Matthew 17:1-9

Anthem Chancel Choir
Be Thou My Vision
-arr. John Ferguson

Sermon Rev. Zeke Allen
The Holy Huddle

***Hymn of Response** UMH No. 173
Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

***Benediction/Blessing** Rev. Zeke Allen

Closing Voluntary Kay McAfee
O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair
-by Bert Carlson

**Please stand if able*

Prayer Concerns

Please keep Myra Smith, Eddie Graham, and Barbara Rhodes in your prayers. Please also keep all those going through any kind of sickness in your thoughts.

ANTHEM TEXT

Be Thou My Vision
-arr. John Ferguson

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
naught be all else to me save that Thou art;

Thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord.

Thou my soul's shelter, Thou my high tower,
raise Thou me heaven ward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:

Thou, and Thou only, first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all. Amen.

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