



The **Youth and Children Family Picnic** is *today* from 5:00pm-7:00pm at the farm of Joe & Gloria Smith. We are so excited to fellowship with our youth and children families! Don't forget to bring a side to share and a dozen filled eggs for us to hide. There will be games, face painting, the egg hunt, and a hay ride. We cannot wait to see everyone this afternoon.

**Rummage Sale Prep** will begin April 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-12:00pm. If you are interested in helping or have donations, please call Nancy McGilvray (229-873-1148).

There will be a **United Methodist Men's Fish Fry** at the home of Buster & Dottie Clements on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Please let the church office know if you will be attending by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

The **District Conference** for the Southwest Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church is Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00pm. It will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Albany, Ga. Bishop Bryan will be speaking. All are welcome to attend.

**Food Bank volunteers** are needed May 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-12:00pm. Please contact the church office (229-985-2139) or Nancy Matthews (229-985-2132) if you are able to help.

We are partnering with the First Presbyterian Church for **VBS** again this year! Mark your calendar for *July 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm-8:00pm*. If you want to **volunteer** to help, please let Laura or Margaret know. We need volunteers for recreation, science, crafts, bible story, music, decorating, group leaders, and the general assembly. Thank you!

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday, April 8, 2018**

- 9:00am Early Service
- 9:45am Sunday School
- 10:30am Choir Warm-up
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 5:00pm NT Bible Study
- 5:00pm Family Picnic

**Monday, April 9, 2018**

- 9:00am Preschool & K
- 5:30pm Trustees meeting

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

- 9:00am Preschool & K
- 6:00pm NAMI Education
- 6:00pm Weight Watchers

**Wednesday, April 11, 2018**

- 6:30am Men's Bible Study
- 9:00am Preschool & K
- 10:00am Rummage Sale Prep
- 5:30pm Family Night Supper
- 6:30pm Choir Practice
- 6:30pm Children, Youth, Adults

**Thursday, April 12, 2018**

- 9:00am Preschool & K
- 6:00pm UMM Fish Fry

<b>Sunday School</b>		<b>90</b>
<b>Early Service</b>	<b>109</b>	
<b>11:00am Service</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>264</b>

**2018 Stewardship** \$581,023

**Monthly Revenue Needed for April** 42,370  
 (based on previous giving patterns)  
**Monthly Revenue Received 4/1** 19,156

**Year-to-Date Received** 157,596  
**Year-to-Date Needed** 140,160

**CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM**

Stephen Grantham	Senior Pastor
Connie McCoy	Admin Director
Laura Little	Admin Assistant
Laura Little	Children
Margaret Chapura	Children
Nancy Riley	Youth
Ian Smith	Youth
Joe Smith	Homebound Ministry
Ingrid Wingate	Director of Music
Jane Tucker	Organist
James Huffman	Early Worship
Vanessa Hayes	Food Director
Nancy McGilvray	Hostess
James Tyler	Custodian
Jerre Malone	Building Security
Erika Alcantara	Nursery
Paige Mitchell	Nursery

**Churchwide Wi-Fi Information**

SSID: FUMC-WIFI  
 PASSWORD: @Christ2016



April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
 9:00 & 11:00 AM Worship  
**Communion Sunday**

**When Easter Arrives**

Easter has come and we are celebrating the resurrection. Easter is not just one Sunday but is a whole season in the life of the church that lasts for 7 Sundays. Notice the altar paraments for the next seven weeks; they are white in celebration of the resurrection.

Easter is not just one Sunday and it is even not just a season in the life of the church. Easter defines who we are as a people. We are an Easter people, a people of the resurrection, and a people whose hope is bolstered by a story told year after year. This story is that Jesus died on the cross and was raised by God. His resurrection is God's way of showing us that sin and death do not dominate who we are.

Our Joy is found in a resurrection faith. This faith is a faith in what God can do in a world full of darkness, disasters and loss. We, the Easter people are a people of perpetual hope. Our hope is grounded in the one who does not stop loving us and caring for us.

Rev. Stephen Grantham

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## **9 o'clock AM Contemporary Worship**

### **Worship in Song**

Praise Band

### **Welcome & Opening Prayer**

Rev. Stephen Grantham

### **Worship in Song**

Praise Band

### **Children's Sermon**

Laura Little

### **Offering**

### **The Doxology**

### **Scripture Reading**

*Acts 4:32-35*

### **Sermon**

"The Church with an Easter Faith"

### **Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

Rev. Grantham

### **Holy Communion**

### **Announcements**

## **11 o'clock AM Traditional Worship**

Prelude "All Glory Be To God On High" Walther

Lighting of the Candles Acolytes

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Stephen Grantham

\*Hymn "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" No. 312

\*Opening Prayer No. 6

Almighty God,  
to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

(Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade dismissed for Children's Church)

Offertory Prayer

Offertory "Let the People Praise" Chancel Choir

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**\*Doxology – Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Hymn "Thine Be the Glory" No. 308

Prayer

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word Proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading Pew Bible NT No. 114  
*Acts 4:32-35*

Sermon "The Church with an Easter Faith" Rev. Grantham

Invitation Hymnal No. 7

Confession and Pardon Hymnal No. 8  
The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal No. 9

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\*Hymn "Surely the Presence of the Lord" No. 328

Benediction Rev. Stephen Grantham

\*Extinguishing of the Candles Acolytes

\*The Response "On Eagles Wings" All Sing  
And God will raise you up on eagle's wings;  
Bear you on the breadth of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

The Light Goes into the World

Postlude "Lift High The Cross" Nicholson

\*If able, please stand.

Infant & Toddler Nurseries are available during both worship services for children through age 3. A greeter will be happy to assist you.