

# The Ambassador

April 2019

## Our Mission Statement

To be disciples of Jesus Christ so all may know, to educate, to grow and empower to serve.



## Sundays

10:30- Coffee & Conversation  
10:00 – Sunday School  
11:00- Worship  
6:00-Youth



## Up Coming Events For Holy Week

### April 14- Palm Sunday

9:30-10:30 am- Egg Hunt

11:00 am- Palm /Passion Service

### April 18- Holy Thursday

6:30 pm- From Seder to Supper

### April 19- Good Friday

6:00 pm – Service of Nails

### April 21-Easter

6:50 am- Sunrise Service

Breakfast following service

11:00 am- Easter Celebration



Christ is Risen!



## Prayer Networking/Caring Ministry

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. James 5:13-14

If you have a need for special prayer, please call Jennifer Wisniewski at 404-226-0023 or 678-513-8116. If you would like to be part of this "CHAIN" call the coordinator or the Church Office at 770-844-7095 and your name will be added to the list.

The Pleasant Grove UMC Altar Guild is a Service Ministry. The Guild's purpose is to provide the best possible environment for our congregation's worship of God. This committee works closely with the Pastor and the Worship Committee to provide visual elements which reflect the liturgical season.



The Guild met recently with Pastor Dana to discuss proper placement of the elements of communion when preparing the communion table. Preparations for Holy Week and Easter were discussed.

The space to the right of the Altar Table is designated as place of honor and is important to us. If you would like to help us celebrate and remember, or honor someone or an event, we welcome your contribution. Please call our church secretary, Diane, to add your name to the altar calendar. A reminder is that flowers must be fresh however they do not have to be from a florist.

During the month of March flowers were placed on the altar in memory of Lanier Gilbert, and in honor of Gene Scott and Richard Ashmore who celebrated birthdays.

The Altar Guild appreciates Barbara McNutt and Jean Massie for their services in March. Hostesses for April are Glennell Holbrook and Katie Wallace.

Beth Blalock and Mary Stark, co-chairs

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## United Methodist Women



Our UMW hosted Lenten Time Apart on March 16. Over forty women from 8 churches in the AROS (Atlanta/Roswell) district attended the event. They brought with them carloads of supplies to help pack snack/play bags for the children of Family Haven, as well as a lot of extra supplies needed by Family Haven. It was amazing to watch the abundance of items they brought with them. Ladies involved with Family Haven were our main speakers. After packing the snack/play bags, we went to our sanctuary for a service that included Pastor Dana providing communion. We were truly blessed to have been the host church for Lenten Time Apart.

UMW Sunday on March 17 was well attended. The women were in charge of everything during the service. Pastor Dana was our speaker.

Our women enjoyed having Stephanie Dressler, the Vice President of the North Georgia Conference UMW, attend the March meeting. The ladies took turns sharing what all we have been involved in this past year.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 22, at noon, in the clubhouse. Dianna, Beth, and Darlene will be in charge of the devotion and refreshments.

Our UMW will be having a Book Drive for Family Haven from now through the end of May. We are asking the congregation to help us by donating any new or gently used books for children through teenage years. Blue plastic bins will be in the narthex for you to place the books. They will be delivered to Family Haven at the end of May.

Co-presidents  
Barbara McNutt



# PGUMC YOUTH

The Youth had an awesome weekend at Camp Glisson where we talked about making “room at the table” for everyone and being quick to listen to others and slow to speak and slow to anger. It was a great message and one we can all take to heart and begin to put into practice in our busy daily lives.

We also enjoyed working in the garden at The Place of Forsyth. We harvested the winter vegetables and helped prepare the beds for the spring garden. We harvested 8 lbs of winter vegetables that we then sorted and put right into their MarketPlace store. It was a chilly, but FUN day working together for others!!

The Youth are off for Spring Break April 1-5, and then we will all be back in town and ready to host the Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday April 14th from 9:30-10:30. After a peaceful Easter with our church and families, we will be hosting a dinner and fellowship time with Family Promise.

We will be participating in Cardboard City to raise money for Family Promise again this year on March 3-4. This month, we will be working on our “cardboard house” and raising some “rent” for the event and Family Promise. If anyone is interested in making a donation, please see any of our youth or youth leaders!

We are excited to announce the rising 10-12 grade Youth will be returning to Albany, GA this summer on a mission trip to work with Mission Change June 9-13!

The Youth Group welcomes all youth grades 6-12. Our meetings include devotion, fellowship time and a light snack/supper. The Youth Group enjoys fun weekly fellowship and activities with great friends, serving in our church and community, and sharing God’s love with others...So Come Join Us!!!





## Egg Hunt

Mark your calendars! Our annual Egg Hunt will be Palm Sunday, April 14th from 9:30-10:30am.

A light breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall, and the Egg hunt will follow.

Please stay for our 11am Palm Sunday service!

Invite your friends and neighbors!



## ROAR VBS!!!

Please join us June 2nd-June 6th 6:00-8:30pm for our annual VBS!! The theme this year is ROAR! Life is Wild! God is Good! Kids will enjoy food, music, crafts, story time and games.

On June 2nd at 5pm we will host a VBS kick off cookout. Dinner will include hotdogs, chips, drinks and cookies. Everyone is invited to attend.

To sign up or to volunteer, please see Wendi Jones or Allison Ellis.

Invite your friends and neighbors!



Lay Servants = Greeter/Usher,  
Liturgist, Acolyte,  
Children's Church  
Nursery Workers

## For the Month of April

### **Greeter/Usher**

April 7-Earl Holbrook & Fay Gravitt  
April 14-John & Amy Faulkenberry  
April 21-Steve & Angela Schimweg  
April 28-Patience & Cameron Wisniewski

### **Acolyte**

April 7-Allison Ellis  
April 14-Mary Mc Brayer  
April 21-Shaun Ellis  
April 28- Jennifer Wisniewski

### **Liturgist**

April 7-Don Putnam  
April 14-Jennifer Wisniewski  
April 21-Barbara McNutt  
April 28-Chris Bannon

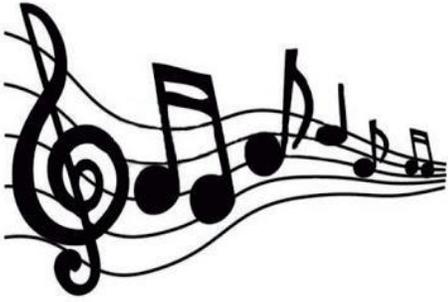
### **Nursery**

April 7- Terra Manton  
April 14-Wanda & Emily Garmon  
April 21-Wendi & Mary Jones  
April 28-Gail & Cary Bannon

### **Children's Moment**

April 7-David Holladay  
April 14-Pat Bradley  
April 21-Pastor Dana  
April 28-John Ellis

Those who are to count the offering for the month of April are Kim Fannin,  
Richard and Brenda Ashmore.



**PGUMC Music Notes**  
From David Holladay

*Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord!*  
*Ephesians 5:19*

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings!  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder,  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings!

Chorus:

This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Jesus I sing for  
All that You've done for me!

Who brings our chaos back into order?  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?  
The King of glory, the King of glory!  
Who rules the nations with truth and justice,  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?  
The King of glory, the king above all Kings!

(repeat chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy! Worthy! Worthy!

(repeat chorus)

These are the words from the song titled "This Is Amazing Grace" as sung by Paul Wickham.  
What an awesome Easter message! Thank you Jesus for all you have done for us!



# Missions

- April There is a weekly shopping list on the Operation Christmas Child page of the ambassador. The list will also be in the narthex and on the Facebook page each week. Please help by shopping for all or some of the items each week.
- April Don't forget to check the giving calendar daily. We are collecting for a "Knitter's Gift Basket" to provide a llama, an alpaca, a sheep and an angora rabbit to a family so that they can gather wool to sell or to knit. After Easter we will send the money to Heifer International, they send the animals to a family and teach the family how to care for the animals, gather and use the wool, and how to create a business to pull themselves out of poverty.
- April Our next time to host for Family Promise will be April 21-28the sign-up genius is out so don't forget to sign up. If you would like to attend a training session to be able to be directly involved with the families, please check with Wanda Garmon for more information.
- May The UMW will be having a Book Drive for the children at Family Haven during the month of May. Look for the article in the March Ambassador. They are asking for new or gently used children's books.
- May The tentative date for Family Promise Cardboard City this year is May 3-4. This is a fun event to help raise awareness of the homeless situation in Forsyth County by building your cardboard home, eating soup, playing some fun games and sleeping outside overnight.



We continue to work toward our goal of 2000 boxes this year. 2000 boxes means: 2000 shoeboxes, 2000 washcloths, 2000 bars of soap, two thousand combs, . . . you get the idea. This is a wildly ambitious goal, one that I know we will not reach without a little help from each of you and a lot of help from God.

I know that you have lots of other ministries asking for your time and money this year. Please don't forget to take your shoebox list with you when you are out and about. November (and packing time) is, really, right around the corner. We continue to need the following items:

From Walmart:	1 plastic shoebox	\$ 0.97
	1 Mainstays 18 washcloths	\$ 3.97
	1 pkg 6 adult toothbrushes	\$ 1.00
From Dollar Tree:	1 pkg Palmolive 3 count soap	\$ 1.00
	1 pkg 12 count combs	\$ 1.00
	1 pkg 3 mini notebooks	<u>\$ 1.00</u>
	Plus 7 % tax	\$9.56

As always, please do what you can. If you can't buy all the items just get what you are able to. If you would rather donate money and let us do the shopping, we are happy to do that too. Every little bit helps. And thank you for whatever you do.

In His service,

Jennifer, Cameron and Patience



Empowering and Assisting families who are experiencing homelessness to gain sustainable independence.

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## SAVE THE DATE.....APRIL 21~28<sup>th</sup>

We will be hosting the FP families during this week. The SIGNUP GENIUS has been sent out to volunteers that have signed up in the past. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Wanda Garmon at [wgarmong100@gmail.com](mailto:wgarmong100@gmail.com) to have your name added to the volunteer list. There are still plenty of spots to be filled.

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The poster for the Cardboard City 2019 event features a central graphic of a city built from cardboard boxes. Above the graphic, the text "Family Promise of Forsyth County" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Below that, "Cardboard City" is written in a large, stylized, brown font with a white outline. To the right of "Cardboard City", the year "2019" is written vertically in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Below the graphic, the dates "May 3 - 4, 2019" and the time "6 pm - 8 am" are written in a bold, dark red, sans-serif font. Underneath, the location "Bethelview United Methodist Church" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The phrase "Join us for an experience you'll never forget!" is written in a bold, brown, sans-serif font with a white outline. At the bottom, the text "Cardboard City is a Service Learning Event for all ages." is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire poster is set against a dark red background with two vertical bars on the left and right sides.

Join us to BOX UP homelessness and send it packing! This is a service learning event featuring activities to learn more about homelessness within our community and ways to be a part of changing the lives of children facing homelessness. As a bonus, it is a fun night helping raise funds for the Family Promise program. The evening features a Soup Kitchen Dinner, Cardboard House Design Awards, Games, DJ and more! Come for the evening or stay the night! Please follow the following link if you are interested in participating <https://www.fpforsyth.org/copy-of-cardboard-city-2018>



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 1-3 Prayer Shawl Ministry  6- Scouts	<b>2</b> 10-Bible Study  7-Choir	<b>3</b>  7-Choir	<b>4</b> Quilting Guild 	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 9:45-Lenten Study 10:30-Coffee & Conversation 11-Worship 6-Youth	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10-Bible Study 	<b>10</b>  7-Choir	<b>11</b> Quilting Guild 	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>9:30-Egg Hunt</b> 9:45-Lenten Study 10:30-Coffee & Conversation <b>11-Palm/Passion Service</b> 6-Youth	<b>15</b> 1-3 Prayer Shawl Ministry  6-Scouts	<b>16</b> 10-Bible Study  6- Scouts	<b>17</b>  7-Choir	<b>18</b> Quilting Guild  <b>Holy Thursday</b>  <b>6:30- From Seder to Supper</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Good Friday</b>  <b>6-Service of Nails</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21Easter</b> <b>6:50-Sunrise Service</b> <b>Breakfast</b> <b>10:30-Coffee&amp; Conversation</b> <b>11-Easter Celebration</b> 6-Youth	<b>22</b> 12-UMW	<b>23</b> 10-Bible Study 	<b>24</b>  7-Choir	<b>25</b> Quilting Guild 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 10:00- Sunday School 10:30-Coffee & Conversation 11-Worship  6-Youth	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10-Bible Study 				



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	1	2	3 John & Allison Ellis	4	5	6
7	8 Pat Tincher  Dakota Stubblefield	9 Sam Ellis  David & Linda Holladay	10 Frank Wolfe	11	12	13
14 Delaney Ripley	15 Anne Newton  Mitchell Martin	16	17	18 Sarunya Dye	19	20 Doris Holbrook  Monica Garmon
21	22	23	24 Robin Blalock	25	26	27
28 Toni Smith	29 Glennell Holbrook  Dawn Grella	30				