

The Ambassador

June 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

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Some of you may remember the PTL Club, the 70s Christian television talk show hosted by televangelists Tim and Tammy Faye Baker. I tuned in one time to find Tammy Faye talking about getting dressed one morning and standing in her closet trying to decide what to wear. She told the audience that she prayed and asked Jesus to help her decide.

Every day we make lots of decisions from the time we get up -- if we decide to get up! -- to the time we go to bed. Some decisions are small and easy, such as what to eat for breakfast or what to wear. (Unless we have a really large wardrobe.) Other decisions are a bit more challenging such as choosing a car or a dentist. Then there are some big, life-changing decisions including choosing a vocation, whom to marry, having children, relocating or retiring.

Those kinds of decisions impact our lives in myriad ways for years to come.

There's one decision that impacts our lives forever. That's choosing to believe in and follow Jesus Christ. Putting our faith in Jesus as our Lord and Savior assures us that we are forgiven our sins, reconciled to God and have new and eternal life -- now and forever!

Several youth in our church are about to make that decision. Shaun Ellis, Luke Schimweg and Alex Schimweg have been meeting with me, our Lay Leader and their mentors over the last several months. We've been learning about the Bible and how to study and interpret it for ourselves. We've talked about basic Christian theology, including the Trinity, being made in the image of God, love, sin, and grace. Also, Methodist theology based on scripture and informed by reason, tradition and experience. We've learned about the importance of worship and the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion in the community of faith called the Church. We've also talked about John Wesley's General rules: Do no harm; do good; and love God by observing Christian practices -- all grounded in the Great Commandment to love God and neighbor as one's self.

These three young people have decided for themselves that they believe in and want to follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, his disciples -- forever. On Sunday, June 9th, they will be baptized in His name and profess their faith in Him. Join us to witness and affirm their decision!

Pastor Dana

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Prayer Networking/Caring Ministry

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ 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 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. The flowers must be fresh; they do not have to be from a florist.

Beth Blalock and Mary Stark, Co-chairs

United Methodist Women



The mission study hosted by Pleasant Grove UMW on Monday, May 20, was a great success. Mary Ann Brannon presented the study called "Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living." Ladies were in attendance from 6 area churches. Everyone learned a lot and thoroughly enjoyed the study.

We want to thank everyone who donated books to the Family Haven Book Drive. The books, plus other donations for their pantry, will be taken to Family Haven in June.

The UMW will not meet in June, July, or August. We will begin meeting again on Monday, September 16, at noon, in the clubhouse. Everyone is asked to bring a food item to share for lunch.

Have a wonderful summer!

Co-Presidents

Barbara McNutt

Luna Farris

PGUMC YOUTH

ROAR VBS is June 2-6, and we have been working hard to make it an awesome week for the children!! Please plan to come and bring your friends! We have posted the sign up sheet in the narthex. If you are interested or know someone who is, please sign up and take a registration form and return it to Wendi Jones or Allison Ellis.

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! They are doing an individual fundraiser and asking friends and family to sponsor a day of the month to support them on their trip. Please consider sponsoring a day or two for one of our Youth!!

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!



Please sign up in the narthex or with Wendi or Allison.



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.

Invite your friends and neighbors!

Do You Know Your Hymns?

Dentist's Hymn	Crown Him with Many Crowns
Weatherman's Hymn	There Shall Be Showers of Blessings
Contractor's Hymn	The Church is One Foundation
Taylor's Hymn	Holy, Holy, Holy
Golfer's Hymn	There's a Green Hill Far Away
Politician's Hymn	Standing on the Promises
Optometrist's Hymn	Open My Eyes That I Might See
IRS Agent's Hymn	I Surrender All
Gossip's Hymn	Pass It Own
Electrician's Hymn	Send the Light
Shopper's Hymn	Sweet Bye and Bye
Realtor's Hymn	I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop
Massage Therapist's Hymn	He Touched Me

AND for those who speed on the highway-a few hymns:

55 mph	God Will Take Care of You
75 mph	Nearer My God to Thee
85 mph	This World is Not My Home
95 mph	Lord, I'm Coming Home
100 mph	Precious Memories

Give me a sense of humor, Lord, Give me the grace to see a joke, To get some humor out of Life, And pass it on to other folks.



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

For the Month of June

Greeter/Usher

June 2- Ruth Holbrook & Katie Wallace
June 9 – John & Allison Ellis
June 16- Richard & Brenda Ashmore
June 23- Bob & Anne Newton
June 30- Ben & Jenny Tribble

Acolyte

June 2- Chris Bannon
June 9 –Hollie Schimweg
June 16 – Allison Ellis
June 23 – Mary McBrayer
June 30 – Shaun Ellis

Liturgist

June 2 – Jason Murphy
June 9 – Jennifer Wisniewski
June 16 – Chris Bannon
June 23 – Diane Gilbert
June 30 – Barbara McNutt

Nursery

Only as needed

Children's Moment

June 2-Youth
June 9-Linda Holladay
June 16
June 23
June 30

Those that will be counting the offerings for the month of June are Terra Manton, Fay Gravitt, Earl Holbrook.



PGUMC Music Notes

From David Holladay

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

Revelation 5: 11-13

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they sang:

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea and all that is in them singing:

“To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!”

Let's join the chorus of the universe and sing praises to our Lord!!

Honduras Mission

Friends,

Again, I will be returning to Utila, Honduras from June 19-June 27. As you know I have been doing medical missions there for twenty plus years. Team members reach many facets of the community such as education, health care and spirituality. We embrace from the youngest to the oldest. We include the oppressed, the hungry, the sick, the mournful, and the broken. Our construction team works tirelessly to improve and build at the Methodist school to improve the lives of the students as they endeavor to prepare them for a brighter tomorrow. The Vacation Bible School Team form another positive and dynamic part of the team.

As in the past, I am asking you to support our mission team with your PRAYERS for a successful mission trip and your monetary support would again be so appreciated. With your help, I am able to purchase over the counter medication, medical supplies, medical equipment and buy food for the needy. Or, if you prefer purchase and bring items on the list to the church. I thank you and the wonderful people in Honduras, thank you.

To God be all the praise and glory!

In Christ name,

Terra

*If you would like to make a money donation, make the check out to PGUMC for Honduras supplies.

Medical Needs for Clinic

Non-stick bandages (Telfa Pads) any size
2 x 2 and 4x 4 both sterile and non-sterile gauze pads
Gauze roll Bandage (Kling Dressings)
First aid tape (paper or cloth)
Band-Aids (large or small)
Gloves (latex examination type) all sizes
Sandwich or snack zip lock bags (for dispensing tablets)
Antibacterial soap (bar)
Antibacterial or Alcohol wipes (small packets)
Toothbrushes (adults and children)
Toothpaste
Zantac (over the counter)
Antacids (tablets)
Emetrol
Pepto Bismol
Pepcid AC (over the counter)
Benedryl (Diphenhydramine) Antihistamine Adult & children
Imodium
Tylenol (Acetaminophen) Infant (drops) Adult, junior & children strength
Cold & Decongestant Medicines- Adult & Children
Antibiotic (Neosporin) First Aid Ointment
Antifungal Cream
Hydrocortisone (Anti-itch/rash)cream (all strengths)
Vitamins- infant (drops) Children, Adults, & Prenatal (all types are greatly needed)

School Supplies for Children and VBS:

Scissors for children & teachers
Glue sticks
Box of 8 Magic Markers (washable)
Children's hair combs & brushes
Spiral bound composition notebooks-(70-120 sheets --**not** hard back_
Pkgs of sugarless gum
Ziplock bags (Qt. Gal., & 2 gal.)
Heavy duty trash bags
Soccer balls, rubber playground balls-all deflated
8 x11 construction paper (all colors)
Box of 16 crayons
Pencils
Children's toothbrushes & toothpaste
Bath size soap bars

Congratulations Graduates!

At Pleasant Grove UMC



Graduate Sunday

Sunday May 19, 2019

Graduating from Elementary School (5th Grade)

Elijah Banks, Sam Ellis, Hollie Schimweg, 3rd Grade

Graduating from Middle School (8th grade)

Cary Bannon

Graduating from High School (12th grade)

Cameron Coppen, Mary Beth Farris, Abigail Heard,
Mary Grace Manton, Kaitlyn McGrady, Bill McNutt, Jr., Ann Spurka,

Graduating from College:

Britt Spurka, Sydney Stark

Graduating from Graduate School:



Max Evans (Masters in Engineering)

Lindsey Poe (Masters in English)

Margaret Tribble (Masters in Accounting-MAcc, Taxation)











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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Diane Gilbert	5	6	7	8
9	10 Terry & Beth Blalock	11	12	13 Gene & Mary McBrayer	14	15
16	17 Louie Jr. Holbrook	18	19	20 Joe Grella	21	22
23	24	25 Scott Jones Darlene Delaney	26 Angela Schimweg	27 Valeria Ross Phillip Croft	28	29
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