



# The Ambassador March

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. It is the perfect time to return to in-person worship, if you are able. Join us for our Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. and our Lenten Worship Series: "Gathered Up in Jesus." Come a little early each Sunday and enjoy some hot coffee and donuts.

Let's reconnect with God and each other. I hope and pray to see you in church.

Pastor Dana

### INVITATION TO OBSERVE A HOLY LENT

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

the early Christians observed with great devotion

the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection,

and it became the custom of the Church that before the Easter celebration there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation.

During this season converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism.

It was also a time when persons who had committed serious sins

and had separated themselves from the community of faith

were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness,

and restored to participation in the life of the Church.

In this way the whole congregation was reminded

of the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ, and the need we all have to renew our faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church,

to observe a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance;

by prayer, fasting, and self-denial;

and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.

To make a right beginning of repentance,

And as a mark of our mortal nature,

let us now bow before our Creator and Redeemer.

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## 2022 WORSHIP SERIES FOR LENT GATHERED UP IN JESUS

Our worship series for Lent, 2022, centers on surrendering ourselves and allowing ourselves to be gathered up in Jesus as we journey through these forty days. It's a time of introspection and reality checks, while we also seek to be nurtured and held in the arms of Jesus. Jesus tells us how he wants to gather us up, like a mother hen gathers her brood. He wants us to seek him, run to him, be loved and cared for by him – not to avoid the Lenten journey toward the cross but be challenged and strengthened by it.

MARCH 2nd	ASH WEDNESDAY	ASHES TO ASHES
MARCH 6th	1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT	AN OPPORTUNE TIME
MARCH 13th	2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT	UNDER HIS WINGS
MARCH 20th	3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT	IF IT BEAR FRUIT
MARCH 27th	4 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT	LOST AND FOUND
APRIL 3th	5 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT	FILLED WITH FRAGRANCE
APRIL 10th	PALM/PASSION SUNDAY	THE LORD NEEDS IT
APR 14th	MAUNDY THURSDAY	DO YOU KNOW WHAT I HAVE DONE?
APR 15th	GOOD FRIDAY	THE PASSION OF CHRIST

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

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The PGUMC Prayer Shawl Ministry group continues to meet every second and fourth Monday. We knit and crochet shawls for those in need whether sickness, grieving, sadness, recovering, or a special occasion. If you know of someone who could use a shawl please let us know whether it be for a woman, man, teen or child. We make these shawls with much love and prayer. In His Love, Amy Faulkenberry, Glennell Holbrook, Pat Bradley, Brenda Richards, and Sandy Putnam .

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## Announcements

\*Join us for our **Lenten Worship series "Gathered Up in Jesus "** beginning the first Sunday in Lent, March 6 at 10:30am.

### \*Spaghetti Bingo Supper !

Join us Sunday night, March 6 for our getting back together night at 6pm.

### \*SMALL GROUP STUDY FOR LENT

We pray the Lord's Prayer together nearly every Sunday at church. It's a regular part of many of our individual devotional lives. Most of us know it by heart, but do we really understand and appreciate what we are praying? Join us for our Lenten Small Group Study: **"The Lord's Prayer: The Meaning and Power of the Prayer Jesus"** by Adam Hamilton. Tuesday mornings beginning March 8th<sup>th</sup>. at 10 am in the Club House.

\*The **Senior Luncheons** are beginning again! Mark your calendar for March 15th at noon to come join us for soup/sandwiches and bingo.

\*Remember our 150 year celebration of Pleasant Grove coming up on May 1st. Details coming soon.



## United Methodist Women

The UMW will meet Monday, March 21st in the Club House at noon. Join us as we plan our UMW Sunday coming up on April 3rd.

### Upcoming Events

Homebound Communion will begin in March.

Senior Luncheon-March 15-noon

UMW Sunday- April 3

150 year Celebration in May.

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### MISSION PROJECT FOR LENT 2022

This year we have a very special mission project for Lent. Our own **Terra Manton** will be going back to Honduras, June 18-25, as part of the **Jim Thompson North Shore Honduras Mission Trip** from Gainesville First UMC. Terra will be working in the clinic. There also will be a Vacation Bible School and some construction projects going on that week. During Lent, we can support Terra and this mission by collecting supplies and/or making monetary donations. You can choose to participate in several ways:

\***Donate supplies** from the supply list provided. You may choose to bring some supplies each OR any Sunday as part of your spiritual discipline during the season of Lent.

\*Make a **monetary donation** - cash or check. Make checks out to the church and be sure to mark checks or cash for the Honduras mission trip.

\***Do both!** Bring supplies and make a monetary donation.

## Supply List For Terra's Honduras Mission Trip

### Medical Supplies

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  
Soccerr 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

















# March 2022

## Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 John Ellis 	2	3	4  David & Pat Bradley	5  James Bannon
6	7 Luna Farris 	8 	9  Gail Bannon Mary McBrayer	10	11	12 Gene Scott 
13	14 Jeff Holbrook 	15	16	17  Richard Ashmore	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Margaret Tribble 	26 David Holladay 
27	28	29  John Faulkenberry John & Amy Faulkenberry	30 	31		

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## Worship & Activities

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		<b>1</b> 10-Bible Study 	<b>2</b> 7-Ash Wednesday 7:00 	<b>3</b> Quilting 	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 9-1- Sewing
<b>6</b> 9:45-Choir 10:30-Worship 4-6 Confirmation 6-Spaghetti & Bingo 5:30- Girl Scouts	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>  10-Bible Study Cub Scouts	<b>9</b> 7:00 	<b>10</b> Quilting 	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 9:45 - Choir 10:30-Worship  5:30- Youth	<b>14</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry 	<b>15</b> 10-Bible Study 12-Senior Soup & Sandwich Luncheon	<b>16</b> 7:00 	<b>17</b> Quilting  6:30 Sewing	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 9:45Choir 10:30-Worship 4-6 Confirmation at Bethelview	<b>21</b> 12- UMW	<b>22</b> 10-Bible Study 	<b>23</b> 7:00 	<b>24</b> Quilting 	<b>25</b> <b>26</b> <b>Youth Spiritual Life            Retreat at Glisson</b>	
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