

**Mission Statement: To Love and to Lead**  
*The Mission of Heritage United Methodist Church is to Love God and people passionately and to Lead people into a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ.*

**WORSHIP WITH US EVERY SUNDAY!**

**8:05 AM**  
**Awakening Service**

**9:30 AM**  
**Traditional Service**

**11:00 AM**  
**Contemporary Worship**

Nursery provided for all services.

**Sunday School for All Ages**  
**9:30 & 11:00 AM**

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# Heritage Happenings

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## "NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM!"

This traditional blessing spoken at the end of the Passover Meal, expresses the desire of every Jew to one day return to the Holy City to celebrate this Feast.

As we approach Holy Week and the amazing opportunities for worship that are before us, we can truly say together,

"This year in Van Buren!" –since Jerusalem will be coming to us!



Our celebrations will begin on Palm Sunday when we welcome the Reverend Malcolm Hedding to Heritage. Malcolm is the chairman of the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem. I served under his leadership in Israel for thirteen years, traveled the world with him, and he is a close friend and brother in the Lord. More importantly, Malcolm carries a powerful mantle of authority when preaching the Word of God. His message, "Israel-God's Loving Choice" will surely challenge and inspire you!

Also, we wanted to give others in our community the opportunity to hear Malcolm preach, so we are conducting a special service on Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Van Buren High School Fine Arts Center, beginning at 7 pm. Since Malcolm is one of the world's most sought after speakers on Israel and the Church, you will certainly want to invite your friends and family to come and hear him!

I'm full of anticipation for the week ahead! Children, gather in the Fellowship Hall 10 minutes before each service on Palm Sunday, and we will welcome the King of Kings into our sanctuary by waving our palm branches and shouting "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

In His Service,  
*Chuck King*  
 Minister of Worship Arts

## *In Our Thoughts & Prayers*

**In Hospital:**  
**Bill Ottinger** (Hospital in CO)

**At Home:**  
**Margene Bules, Gerlinda Dibble, Roy and Fae Dyer, Jeanette Elkins, Debbie Hill, Jeri Nash, Linda Seubold, Jessica Utz, Michelle Young**

**All Military Personnel** all around the world

**Nursing Home:**  
**Jean Stratton** (Legacy Lodge)

**Assisted Living:**  
**Billie Jacks** (Alma Health Care)  
**Maxine Fahrner** (Hope's Creek)  
**Mary Coble** (Crawford H & R)  
**Mary Friday** (Crawford H & R)  
**Lena Mae Smith** (Crawford H & R)  
**Jim Dibble** (Ashton Place)

**In Sympathy:**  
**Jan Bennett, Gary Pittman and Family** in the death of their niece, Barbara Carter.

## *March Volunteers*

### Ushers

<b>8:05 am</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
John Poole	Tom Konert	Greg McClure
Buster Colbert	John Symonds	Jason Fontaine
Christina Fontaine	David Alexander	Kerry Kelly
Rick Moore	Andy Williams	Grace Kelly
		John Poole

### Greeters

**8:05 am:**  
 Max Goins

**9:30 am:**  
 Carolyn Loyd/Margo Symonds  
 David Fagan/ Mark Wilkerson

**11:00 am:**  
 Juanita and Benton Cone  
 Kelly Nash

## *Upcoming Events*

**March 25:**  
 MALCOLM HEDDING  
 7 PM  
 VB FINE ARTS CENTER

**March 29:**  
 MESSIAH IN THE PASSOVER  
 6:30 PM  
 ALMA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ARENA

Have an Announcement for the Bulletin or Newsletter? Email it to office@heritagevb.org.



## MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

In memory of **J.L. BROYLES** (uncle of Neta Orr) by:  
M/M Bruce Johnson

In honor of **CHUCK KING** by:  
M/M Bob Bretch (BF)  
BF - Building Fund

## LOVE TO SING?

Come join the Sanctuary Choir! We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. No experience necessary - just a heart for worship and a willingness to make a joyful noise!

## LIFE GROUPS

We have many Life Groups just waiting for you to join. We encourage you to pick up a brochure in the Great Hall and browse through the different groups and then contact Becki Kneeland, our Welcome Minister, to get plugged in. She can be contacted at 474-6424 or bkneeland@heritagevb.org.

## EASTER LILIES

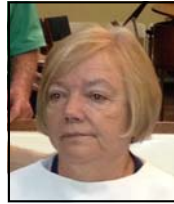


Lilies will be placed in the sanctuary on Easter morning. To place a lily in memory or in honor of someone please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate on Sunday morning or return it to the office with payment of \$10 per lily.

Placed in (circle one)  
Memory of \_\_\_\_\_ Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

## NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISMS



Jeanette Jackson was baptized and joined Sunday.



Serenity Adams was baptized on Sunday.



A new GriefShare Support Group will begin April 1st at Heritage. We will meet in the Pairs and Spares Sunday School Class at 9:30 am each Monday.

GriefShare is a weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close. You'll learn valuable information that will help you through this difficult time in your life and be around people who understand the pain of your loss.

For more information, please call Shirley Touchstone 629-7901.

## FREE CONCERT

Mercy House of Prayer of Alma will host *Ugandan Thunder* in a free concert on Tuesday, April 2 beginning at 7:00 pm. There will be a love offering for the orphan's of Uganda. For more information on the Ugandan ministry, please visit [www.penniesforposho.org](http://www.penniesforposho.org)

## Crawford County United Methodist Church 2013 Lenten Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24th  
at Mulberry UMC 5:00 pm  
Rev. Bob Jeffery

Maundy Thursday, March 28th at  
Kibler UMC 6:30 pm

Good Friday, March 29th at Alma  
High School Arena 6:30 pm  
*Messiah in the Passover*

## HERITAGE PRESCHOOL



Preschool Open enrollment has begun for the 2013-2014 school year. Class ages range from 1 year to 5 years. Stop by the Heritage preschool office for more information or email Erin Reeves at [ereeves@heritagevb.org](mailto:ereeves@heritagevb.org).

## ARISE FOR THE KINGDOM

*Awake, O sleeper and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you. Ephesians 5:14*

Kingdom I.D. Ministries presents a college outreach featuring the teachings and worship of Kristy Delgado, Sue Barnes and Jennifer Bauman. The event will be held Saturday, April 6th from 9 am - 5 pm at Journey Church, 4235 Kelley Highway in Fort Smith. Doors open at 8:30 am. The cost is \$5. For more information or to register, contact 208-3591.

## PULSE AND THE BEAT UPDATE

Mark your calendars! We will not meet:

Sunday Night, March 24  
Sunday Night, March 31

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Thank you to all of you that have volunteered to help with the Seder. **WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF SERVERS!** Please consider and contact Becki Kneeland or Chuck King in the church office at 474-6424 to participate.

## HELP NEEDED

The Food Pantry needs volunteers to help unload the delivery truck every Wednesday morning at 8:30 am. If you are interested, please contact Roger Burkert at 462-3392.

## PRAYER MEETING

The next River Valley First Monday Community Prayer Meeting is Monday, April 1st at the Alma High School Student Union from 7-8 pm. Join us as we lift up the River Valley in prayer.

## SOCIAL MEDIA AT HERITAGE



For all of you hip happening people on Facebook, be



sure you make Heritage UMC a friend. We often post upcoming events and interesting information on our Heritage Facebook page. You may also wish to follow us on Twitter at [Heritage\\_VB](https://twitter.com/Heritage_VB). Both are excellent ways to stay informed on the latest information and both of our sites welcome your comments!

## NEWSLETTER

If you would prefer to receive the newsletter by email, contact the church office at [office@heritagevb.org](mailto:office@heritagevb.org) or by calling 474-6424.

## WALK TO EMMAUS

If you would like to attend a walk, please contact Bob Bretch at 632-0585. The men's walk is April 18-21 at Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, AR and the women's walk is April 25-28 at Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, AR. A brochure with more information is available in the Great Hall.

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## YOUVERSION LIVE

Bring your iPad, iPhone, Android, or other smartphone or tablet with you to church on Sunday! With YouVersion Live, you can follow the service on your screen or smartphone and you don't have to use a bulletin.

## SAVE THE DATES



Heritage Rubies  
Women's Conference  
April 26 - 27



Women of Faith  
Conference in  
Oklahoma City  
August 2 - 3

Save the dates and be watching for more information and registration forms soon.

## WORSHIP AND PRAYER

You are invited to sit and soak in the Heritage Sanctuary every Thursday from 12 - 1pm as Chuck leads a time of worship and prayer.

## HALO REPORT

The Heritage men will have their first scheduled practice at the Diamond center (Kibler Road) as soon as enough men show interest. We currently have only three interested in playing softball. I have decided to drop one of the requirements in order to be a Heritage Halo in an attempt to gain more volunteers. No longer will you be required to explain any of the points of wisdom provided by Yogi Berra:

*Baseball (Softball) is ninety percent mental and the other half is physical.*

*In theory there is no difference between theory and practice. In practice there is.*

*I never blame myself when I'm not hitting. I just blame the bat and if it keeps up, I change bats. After all, if I know it isn't my fault that I'm not hitting, how can I get mad at myself?*

Contact Mike Kneeland if you are interested in playing softball this year. E-mail me at [mknee1260@cox.net](mailto:mknee1260@cox.net) or phone or text me at 719-9274.