

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.

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Worship With Us Every Sunday!

8:05 AM
Awakening Service

9:30 AM
Traditional Service

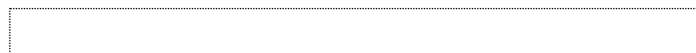
11:00 AM
Contemporary Worship

Nursery provided for all services.

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

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Hospital:
Guy Tutwiler (hospital in VA)
Max Goins (WRMC)

At Home:
Mary Ellen Weidman-Burris,
Barbara Blythe, Jim and Gerlinda Dibble,
Jeanette Elkins, Bruce Johnson,
Kerry and Grace Kelly, Katelyn King,
Lavita Middleton, Jeri Nash, Donna Pape,
Gary Pittman, Carolyn Scott, Linda Seubold

All Military Personnel all around the world

Assisted Living:
Billie Jacks (Alma Health Care)
Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Lena Mae Smith (Crawford H & R)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Maxine Fahrner (Ashton Place)

In Sympathy:
Casey, Brigitte and Sophia in the birth of their son, *Braxton Lee*. Proud grandparents are Grant and Becke Symonds.

In Thanksgiving:
Rick Moore and Family in the death of his father, *Thurman Moore*.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 13:
 CRAWFORD COUNTY
 LENTEN SERVICE AT
 KIBLER UMC
 6 PM

Sunday, April 13:
 PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20:
 RESURRECTION SUNDAY
 8:05 AM, 9:30 AM
 AND 11:00 AM

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

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
 John Poole
 Myron Kirksey
 Mike Kneeland
 Mike McSpadden

9:30 am
 Wayne Stewart
 Connie Mendenhall
 Mark Stafford
 Mark Evans

11:00 am
 Roger Burkert
 Jon Harper
 Matt Harper
 Mark Anders

Greeters

8:05 am
 Mary Dempsey
 Bruce Brown

9:30 am
 Jan Katz and Doris Wortham
 Bill and Emma Lee Kelton

11:00 am
 Kim and Jon Talley
 Jena, David and Matt Harper

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**FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... THE SIGNS OF HIS COMING...
 BLOOD MOONS, AND STANDING WITH ISRAEL!**

This Sunday is **PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**. We are tackling Luke 21 where Jesus says, *"There will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken, Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory!"*

There is a lot of talk about the **BLOOD MOON TETRAD** that will begin on the evening of April 14th! What does this mean? Is it a sign for us? We'll discuss this!

Jesus then talks about the parable of the fig tree budding (Luke 21: 29-33). Many scholars say the fig tree represents Israel, and when it was reborn as a nation. Jesus says, *"assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place."* Meaning, the sign for the beginning of the closing chapters of the end times begins with the rebirth of the nation of Israel.

This month we are standing with Israel, against all the powers of evil that have sought to destroy it. We are celebrating Passover, remembering their deliverance from slavery to the Egyptian Pharaoh and how Yeshua/Jesus has come to be our Passover Lamb. We are remembering the Holocaust against the Jewish people by Nazi Germany with the Anne Frank Exhibit; the play "And Then They Came For Me" directed by our own Terry McGonigle and performed by students from Alma High School; the play "Korczak's Children," directed by Chuck King, starring Terry McGonigle and many others from Heritage. And finally, we are joining in a Yom HaShoah service (Holocaust Remembrance) with the United Hebrew Congregation in Fort Smith at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 27th at the UHC synagogue in Fort Smith. Contact the church office for specifics and don't miss the play at Alma **THIS WEEKEND!**

These are special APPOINTED TIMES GOD HAS SET to meet with us! Let us revere Him and hallow His Name in these high and holy days! See you Sunday as we watch and pray! Will you be *"counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass?"* Luke 21:36



Pastor Wes

This Issue

- Prayer Walk
- Prayer Summit
- Anne Frank Exhibit
- Our Thoughts and Prayers
- Lenten Schedule



HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In memory of **BILL WHITE** (brother-in-law of Smokey McPhail) by:

M/M Ron McPhail (BF)

In memory of **BETSY DENNIS** by:

Jason Lewis (BDM)

In memory of **DR. HENRY EDWARDS** (by):

Anne Burlingame (EMF)

Cynthia Hersch (EMF)

BF - Building Fund

BDM - Betsy Dennis Memorial

EMF - Edwards Memorial Fund

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church begins THIS Sunday at the 8:05 am service.

3-Kindergarten Preschool Praise

1st-3rd Big Backyard Adventure

Children will join their parents for worship time in the sanctuary and then will be dismissed for Children Church.

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

The Brazil Mission Team will be selling burritos this Sunday. They will be sold for \$1 after each of the three worship services. First come, first serve. If anyone wants to pre-order, please call 561-7858.

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)

In Memory of _____ In Honor of _____

By: _____



Heritage Travelers at Garvin Gardens

10 STEPS TO POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

Malinda McSpadden will teach a five-week course on positive discipline. The class is free and open to the public. Continuing education credits may be earned. For more information or to register, contact Becki Kneeland.

ANNE FRANK: A HISTORY FOR TODAY

The Traveling Exhibit from The Anne Frank Center, New York City offers visitors a look into the life of Anne Frank against the backdrop of the Holocaust and the Second World War. The tour will consist of a video presentation based on the life of Anne Frank with time for a question and answer session followed by a walk-through tour of the exhibit. The entire experience should last around 90 minutes. For a full schedule of the exhibit, contact the church office.

PRAYER SUMMIT

You are invited to Oaks Manor Conference and Retreat Center on from 8 am - 12 pm on Saturday, April 26th to learn to pray and practice what you learn. Guest Leader is Bro. Dale Walker, Pastor of Concord Baptist Church. Brunch is \$3. Please call 410-3900 if you are planning to attend brunch.

KORCZAK'S CHILDREN

Tickets are on sale in the Fellowship Hall for *Korczak's Children*. Adult ticket prices are \$10 each and student prices grades K-12 are \$6. The play is not recommended for children under 5 years of age.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER WALK

Join us Friday, April 18th at 11 am for a prayer walk on Good Friday. You may park in the west parking lot of First Baptist Church. We will meet in the City Council Chamber in the VB City Municipal Building. After prayer there, we will pray and walk through the downtown area ending at the County Courthouse. Afterwards, for those who want to continue in prayer, buses will take us across the Arkansas River to walk parts of Midland Avenue to pray for needs in that area. Buses will return people to their cars.

CHILDREN'S CAMP 2014

Registration for this year's camp, *Buried* has begun! Camp is July 16 - 18 for children entering 3rd - 6th grade in the Fall of 2014. Forms are available in the Children's area and in the office. Deadline is Sunday, June 29th.

ONCE UPON A PROM



We will be giving prom dresses away free of charge for any girls who can't afford a dress. Come see us Saturday, April 12th from 10 am-2 pm in the lobby of the VBHS Fine Arts Center. Please spread the word!



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: Sunday night, April 27th is the night we honor our seniors at Pulse in the Block and we need photos of you. Please have your parents get 15-20 photos to Brian by Sunday, April 10th. The photos need to be on a disc or a jump drive and NOT a printed copy. If you have any questions, contact Brian.

Dear Church Family,



Most of you probably know Kathryn Goins and me, Erin Marsh, through our parents who work and serve Heritage Church faithfully. For those of you who do not know us, here's a little background. We have both grown up attending Heritage. Heritage is our home. We have grown through the Heritage youth ministry and have been faithfully poured into by many loving and obedient leaders in this Church. Kathryn is currently attending Missouri Southern University in Joplin and is pursuing a degree in the medical field. I have recently moved back to Van Buren after graduating college to teach kindergarten at King Elementary.

The reason that I am writing this is because sometimes the Lord calls you to crazy places and to do crazy things. Kathryn and I have both recently said "Yes" to Lord to go on a medical mission trip to Leticia, Columbia with a team from Central United Methodist Church in Fayetteville this July. Kathryn, like I said, is pursuing a degree in the medical field. The Lord has gifted her and given her a passion for this field. Kathryn is thrilled to serve many families in the communities surrounding Leticia, Columbia by joining doctors and nurses from Fayetteville to show the love of Christ to these people through medical clinics. Kathryn is excited to begin her pursuit in the medical field with the firm foundation in missions and obedience to the Lord. I am beyond excited for her and to see where God takes her.

As for me, I have zero passion or talent in the medical field. My passion has always been children. Bob Odiorne, the pastor of Missions and Outreach at Heritage, told me about this mission trip and that they were seeking someone to be involved with children's ministry while the medical clinics were being held. I spent a few days in prayer even though I knew immediately that the Lord's answer for me was yes. I was, and still am, terrified but decided to take complete joy in knowing that God has called me to this foreign place because there is work to be done for His Kingdom. I found out a few days later that my best friend, Kathryn Goins, was also attending this mission trip. Neither of us knew that the other was even considering the trip. I immediately thanked the Lord that sometimes he doesn't send you alone. And this was one of those times.

Kathryn and I are excited about this trip and all that God has in store for it. We both obediently said yes to the Lord with complete faith that He would take care of getting us there, both financially and spiritually. We ask that you join us in prayer for these communities surrounding Leticia, Columbia and also for the hearts of those that are going to serve. If you feel led to donate money to finance mine and Kathryn's trip please make all checks payable to Central UMC and put in the notes FBO: Kathryn Goins and Erin Marsh.

Thank you for your prayers and support, Erin and Kathryn

AND THEN THEY CAME FOR ME
Directed by Terry McGonigle
Dramatic Presentation Alma High School
THIS WEEKEND

Friday, April 11, 2014 @ 7 pm
Saturday, April 12, 2014 @ 7 pm
Sunday, April 13, 2014 @ 2 pm

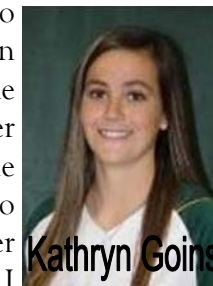
A unique theatrical experience combining multimedia and video taped interviews with Holocaust survivors and contemporaries of Anne Frank, Ed Silverberg and Eva Schloss. For ticket information: www.almapac.org

BACKYARD BLAST

All one-year-olds through 5th grade are invited to sign-up for *Summer Day Camp* at Heritage. Camp will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am - 2 pm during the month of July. Registration forms are available in the Children's office and in the Great Hall.

BIRTHDAY LIST

A list of April birthdays is available in the Great Hall.



Kathryn Goins