

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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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S HEART ... HOLY WEEK!

We have a fantastic Holy Week planned for you, though scaled back a bit except for Resurrection Sunday! For Arkansas schools this year, Holy Week coincides with Spring Break! Bummer! So, most of our evening and weekday activities are cancelled. See the bulletin, newsletter or website (heritage.church) for details.

This Sunday is Palm or Passion Sunday! Lori Fay will be joining us as the guest violinist. Lori is the Associate Concertmaster with the Fort Smith Symphony. We will celebrate that **"God is Fighting FOR You!"** We see this in Genesis 32 as Jacob wrestles the angel of the LORD and experiences a radical life change. We see this as Jesus triumphantly rides into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday while being cheered as the Messiah. Later, He zealously cleanses the temple and declares it to be a House of Prayer for all nations. Then He battles the desire to avoid the cross, but humbly submits to the Father's will. In so doing, He conquers death, hell, and the grave and provides the means for us all to be reconciled to God. Hallelujah!

Good Friday, we have a simple communion service planned for 6:30 p.m. Our staff and special guest, Rev. David Hanshaw, will lead a short service focused on the Passion of Jesus and Holy Communion. This service is followed by an optional opportunity to remain in the sanctuary to meditate on the stations of the cross and receive healing prayer from our altar prayer ministry team. This will continue until 8:30 p.m.

On Resurrection Sunday we will celebrate with all the stops pulled out! The Arrows International Dance Team, our brass ensemble, combined worship teams and choir will be in each service! It will be GLORIOUS! We will be asking the questions, "Is Jesus really Risen?" And if so, "What difference does that make for our lives?" I can't wait to celebrate! See you at the foot of the cross before we join Him in the air!



All too blessed to get to be your lead pastor!

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MARCH VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
John Poole
Rick Moore
Steve Kelton
Alexis Boster

9:30 am
Bob Merchant
Jack Infield
Joe Stewart
Buddy Turner
Bob Bretch

11:00 am
Justin Lovett
Tim Schleiff
Danny Turner
Carey Wilson

Greeters

8:05 am
Galene Park/Christine Fontaine
Pat Poole/Darlene Craft

9:30 am
Wayne and Sue Weege
Debbie Bretch/Dorinda Stewart

11:00 am
Mark and Kim Fimpel
Dustin and Nicole Fimpel



In Hospital:

Jim Terry (OKC)
Pike Robinson (Mercy)
Tara Kelton and baby Chase (Mercy)

At Home:

Saylor Ables, Donna Pape, Gary Pittman, Jane Sanders, Carolyn Scott, Mikal Seegers, Linda Seubold, Alan Swaim, Mary Wrisinger

Assisted Living:

Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)
Gerlinda Dibble (Willowbrook)

Geraldine Hurst (Pink Bud Home)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Maxine Fahrner (Ashton Place)
Warren Taylor (Methodist Village)

In Sympathy:

Carolyn Treece and Family in the death of her father, *Jim Miller*.

In Thanksgiving:

Daniel, Tara and Charli Kelton in the birth of their son and brother, *Chase Stephen*. Proud grandfather is *Steve Kelton* and proud great-grandparents are *Bill and Emma Lee Kelton*.



Saturday, March 20
PALM SUNDAY

Friday, March 25
GOOD FRIDAY
BY HIS STRIPES
6:30 PM

Sunday, March 27
RESURRECTION SUNDAY

Have an Announcement for the Bulletin or Newsletter?
Email it to office@heritage.church.

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HONORARIUMS

In honor of **VESTA EVERITT** by:
Armor Bearers' Life Group (BF)

In honor of **MAX GOINS** by:
Donna Parker (BF)

In memory of **JIM MILLER** (father
of Carolyn Treece) by:
Scott and Pamm Treece (BF)

In memory of **DONNA PAPE** by:
Benton and Juanita Cone
Darrell and Alice Goodlin
(WAF)

Vesta Everitt (VF)
Donna Parker (BF)
John and Margo Symonds (BF)
Bill and Debbie Thomas (YM)
Scott and Pamm Treece (BF)
Doris Wortham
Transitions SS Class at Trinity
UMC in Little Rock

BF - Building Fund YM - Youth Ministry
WAF - Worship Arts Fund VF - Van Fund

BEKET BABY SHOWER

You are invited to a baby shower
Sunday, April 10th preparing for
the arrival of Eelco and Nicole
Beket's third child in May. Nicole
has poured into our children's
ministry, and we are proud to
welcome this new precious one
to our church family! She is
registered for diapers and wipes
at Walmart and Target. Join us in
the Welcome Center from 1-3
pm.

WEARING THE GREEN

You, your family, and friends are
invited to celebrate St. Patrick's
Day on Thursday, March 17th at
the Kibler UMC with Herschel
and Mardell McClurkin. Join them
for free Irish stew and the fixin's
between 11 am and 2 pm or from
5 - 7:30 pm in the Skokos Family
Life Center.

CELEBRATIONS



Kevin Baker



Cody Baker

NEED A WORD?

The Upper Room is a great
source for a daily devotional. The
March/April issue is available in
the Great Hall.

HERITAGE RIDERS

It's time to dust off the bike, put
on a good wash and wax job, and
get back in the saddle. We have
a ride coming up March
19th. This will be a short ride to
Oark for lunch. We leave the
church parking lot at 9 am, then
rambling up the mountain to
enjoy some food, fellowship and
God's beautiful scenery in the
Ozark Mountains. Look forward
to seeing everyone there.

BALDWIN BABY SHOWER

Please join us Sunday, April 3rd
from 1-3 pm in Welcome Center
to welcome new daughter, Mia
Elizabeth Baldwin. Parents are
Chris and Svana Baldwin. Great
grandparents are Brad & Renee
Baldwin. Hosted by Louann King
and friends of the family.

YOUNG AT HEART

If you are 55 and older, please join
us for a time of food and fellowship
Thursday, March 24th from 6-8 pm
in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish
to share!

COMMUNITY LENTEN

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Crawford County United
Methodist Churches will conduct
joint services each Sunday during
Lent rotating locations and
pastors. The schedule is printed
below.

Palm Sunday, March 20th:

Kibler UMC 6:00 pm
Rev. Max Goins

Good Friday, March 25th:

Heritage UMC 6:30 pm
By HIS Stripes
Communion and Prayer
for the Sick

WAY TO GO, CAMERON!



Congratulations to
Alma High School Sr.
Quiz Bowl 6A West
Regional MVP,
Cameron Fontaine.

BLANKETS

Blankets for the Homeless work
crew need your leftover fabric.
Any woven or flannel material
will work. Please leave them in
the church office.

EMMAUS REUNION MEETING

The Emmaus reunion group will
have their final planning meeting
on Thursday, April 7th from 7-8
pm in room 121. Please join us!

ATTENTION: 1ST - 5TH GRADERS

Have you noticed the banners of
the twelve tribes hanging in the
sanctuary? Do you want to learn
more? Join us Sunday mornings
for children's church as we study
the twelve tribes of Israel!

GOOD FRIDAY

Please join us at 6:30 pm for a
Good Friday Meditation and
Communion service led by Rev.
David Hanshaw. For those who
want to stay and meditate, we
will have a guided meditation on
the stations of the cross.

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION

All children are invited to
participate in waving the palm
leaves this Sunday, March 20th.
They will need to meet in the
Fellowship Hall five minutes
before the service they attend.

ATTENTION YOUTH

If you are going on the mission
trip to NYC, please arrive this
Friday, March 18th at 5:15 pm
SHARP! Make sure you eat
before you come!

ATTENTION: WORSHIP ARTS

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, March 26th! We will have a special rehearsal for our Resurrection Sunday services from 1 - 3 pm. We will be joined by our brass/wind ensemble as well as the Arrows International Dance Company. Your attendance is vitally important for an effective rehearsal. I am also asking that because of the scope of the musical content, that you plan on participating in all three services on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your commitment to Heritage Worship Arts, and more importantly, your service to the Risen King!

Chuck King, Worship Arts Minister

FREE CONFERENCE

Mark your calendar! The *Empowered to Connect Conference* is Friday, April 8th and Saturday, April 9th from 9 am - 5 pm. It is a free, live simulcast event at Kibler Baptist Church. This conference is designed to help parents connect with children from hard places in order to help them heal and become all that God desires for them to be. It is led by Dr. Karyn Purvis, Director of TCU Institute of Child Developments. Adoptive and foster parents and those considering adoption, foster or orphan care, ministry leaders, church volunteers and professions are encouraged to attend. Register at Hope.Akins777@gmail.com or 479-632-7007 by Friday, April 1st. For more information, go to www.empoweredtoconnect.org or www.etccconference.org.

WALK TO EMMAUS



Join us! The men's walk
is April 21st-24th and
the women's walk is
April 28th - May 1st. Both are at
St. Scholastica. Information and
registration forms are available in
the Great Hall.

GET UP AND GIVE

Please join Methodist Family
Health in collecting necessary
items during the season of Lent!
Your generosity will bring a smile
to the 1400 faces of children
they serve in hospitals,
alternative schools, group homes,
clinics and other programs
throughout Arkansas. There is a
list of needed items in the Great
Hall. Monetary donations are
also welcomed. For more
information, contact Jane Dennis
at jdennis@methodistfamily.org.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Due do spring break and Holy
week, there are many changes to
our weekly schedule. Please
check the calendar to make sure
the church is open. *Please note
that there is no youth or children's
ministry available on Sunday night,
March 20th or Sunday night,
March 27th.

HERITAGE PRESCHOOL

The 2015-16 school year has
been very exciting! We are so
pleased with the efforts of the
teachers and the progress of the
children. Registration for 2016-
17 school year has begun. Feel
free to stop by the church office
and pick up an enrollment form
or call Shawna Seewald at
474-6424 or email at
sseewald@heritage.church.

HALO SOFTBALL

Are you interested in playing
softball either in a men's league
or in a co-ed league this spring?
If so, contact Mike Kneeland at
719-9274 or email him at
mkneeland@vbsd.us.

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: _____