

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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FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

8:05 am
Rick Moore
Steve Kelton
Alexis Boster
Gary Podgurski

9:30 am
Bob Merchant
Jack Infield
Joe Stewart
Rob Thomas

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

Greeters
Hospitality Team

Acolytes
2/5 - J.D. Frederiksen
Madeline Lee
2/12 - Caroline Teague
Ayla Elliott
2/19 - Camden Curd
Devin Franklin
2/26 - Aspen Cone
Noah Good



In Hospital:

Linda Seubold (UAMS)
Gary Nishmuta (LR)

At Home:

Mark Anders, Ron Hall, Georgia Hutton, Kim Fimpel, Tom Gipson, Irene Oxford, Gary Pittman, Carolyn Silva, Debbie Stewart, Connie Warren, Becky Whitley, Saylor Wilkinson

Assisted Living:

Mary Coble (Crawford H & R)

Gerlinda Dibble (Willowbrook)

Geraldine Hurst (Pink Bud Home)
Wilberta Spears (Alma Rehab)
Jean Stratton (Crawford H & R)
Warren Taylor (Methodist)
Pike Robinson (Alma Rehab)

In Sympathy:

Raymond Howard and Family in the death of his wife, *Marjorie*.

Debbie Bretch and Family in the death of her sister, *Myra Joy Baldwin*.



March 1 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7 PM	March 12 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SPRING FORWARD	April 14 GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE 7 PM	April 22 COMMUNITY SERVE DAY WITH AREA CHURCHES
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Have an Announcement for the Bulletin or Newsletter?
Email it to office@heritage.church.



FROM THE HEART OF YOUR CHILDREN'S MINISTER...

"You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between our eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." - Deuteronomy 6:7-9 (ESV)

Exhausted, spent, running in a million directions, stressed, a to-do list a mile long. Sound familiar? Me too! You are not alone in this battle called Parenthood. It is so easy to get caught up in the day to day errands, school work, activities and the list goes on and on.

In the everyday routine, what are we communicating are the most important things to our kids? Are we using every opportunity to share the Love and Truth of Jesus with our children? Are we teaching them as "We Walk by the Way and when we lie down, and when we rise" as Deuteronomy instructs us to? God provides several opportunities throughout each day for us as parents to turn everyday situations and challenges into moments we can preach Jesus to our kids.

As parents, our most important job is to be the spiritual leaders in our children's lives. Is that a call for us to be perfect? Not a chance! It means we get the all-important call of being the lead teacher of Jesus in our kids lives. Just like we as parents do not stumble into spirituality, neither do our children! We get to show them with our priorities what is most important. We also get to show Jesus through our reactions to our children. I have messed up in this area more times than I would like to admit BUT there is grace each day. I get to use those examples when I mess up to share with my kids that God forgives and restores us each and every time I mess up...and He does the same thing for them.



Shea Marsh
Children's Ministry

Children are not a distraction from the more important work. They are the MOST important work. - Anonymous

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

In honor of **CONNOR TEAGUE'S BIRTHDAY** by:

Bill and Debbie Thomas (YM)

In honor of **HILTRAUD JAMES' BIRTHDAY** by:

Bill and Debbie Thomas (YM)

In memory of **MARJORIE HOWARD** by:

Benton and Juanita Cone (FP)

Darrell and Alice Goodlin (FP)

Bruce and Janet Johnson (BF)

Sue Stranathan (BF)

Charles and Nina Sullivan (BF)

BF-Building Fund YM-Youth Ministry

FP-Food Pantry

NEWCOMERS' DINNER

Join us for the next newcomers' dinner Thursday, February 16th at 6 pm at the Kneeland's. See Becki Kneeland for your reservation.

BAPTISM

If you are interested in being baptized at church Sunday, February 19th, please contact the church office at 474-6424.

SPIRITUAL REVIVAL

Bishop Gary E. Mueller wants to ask you to make a commitment to join he and thousands of other United Methodists throughout the state of Arkansas in praying for spiritual revival during the month of February.

* Spend **five minutes a day** praying for revival.

* Invite **five different people** to join you for group prayer once a week.

* Invite **five other people** to pray five minutes a day for spiritual revival.

* And if the Holy Spirit moves you, consider **fasting five times** during the week.

IN REMEMBRANCE



MARJORIE JO ARMSTRONG HOWARD, 75, of Van Buren, passed away Wednesday, February 1, 2017 in Fort Smith. She was born December 10, 1941 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late William and Isabel Armstrong. She was an accounts receivable clerk and a homemaker, and a member of Heritage Church where she was active in their food pantry.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond Howard of the home; two daughters, Kelly Faulk and husband LTC David M. Faulk of Lansing, Kansas, and Cindy Hernandez and husband Paul of Greenwood, Arkansas; two sons, Sean Leonard of Carrollton, Texas, and Wayne Howard and wife Candy of Cedarville, Arkansas; a sister, Judith Anne Standley of Independence, Missouri; eleven grandchildren including Savannah Jane Faulk, Riley Faulk, and Peyton Grace Faulk; and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were LTC David Faulk, John Faulk, James Faulk, Wayne Howard, Jeremy Howard and Chance Howard. Honorary Pallbearers were Bill George and Pau Hernandez.

Interment was at Gracelawn Cemetery in Van Buren.

SAVE THE DATE

Make plans to participate on Saturday, April 22nd, as we partner with area churches for our first ever Community Serve Day! Details coming soon!

PRISON MINISTRY

If you are interested in participating in the chapel service at Wrightsville Prison for men on Tuesday, February 28th, contact the church office. For more information, contact Jake Ball at jakebonnieball@yahoo.com.

TRAINING

Sunday school, Life Group and Ministry team leaders, join Max and Leanna Garrett during the 9:30 or 11 am service for a short training session this Sunday, February 12th in the Welcome Center.

ALTAR PRAYER TEAM MEETING

The altar prayer team will meet this Sunday, February 12th at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you are not a current team member and would like to join, please come.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Children's Camp for children entering grades 3-5 is July 23-25 at Pinecrest in Ozone, Arkansas.

WALK TO EMMAUS: A JOURNEY WITH CHRIST

The *Walk to Emmaus* is an experience of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a three-day short course in Christianity. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers.

The objective is to inspire, challenge, and equip the local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others.

Walks are scheduled in April for both men and women and will be held at Camp Siloam in Siloam Springs. Pilgrim applications are being accepted at this time. Informational brochures and registration forms are available in the Great Hall.

YOU'RE INVITED

We will have a *Mom and Baby Brunch* Saturday, February 18th from 10-11:30 am in the Welcome Center. Please join us as we celebrate the babies born to our Heritage family in 2016. RSVP to Alexis Boster at 501-912-1370 or alexisboster@gmail.com by this Wednesday, February 8th.

BLANKET CREW

The Blanket Crew will meet again Monday, February 20th at 9 am in room 134 to continue making blankets for the homeless camp along the river and for local schools to give to children with no permanent home.

HEALTHY

CONGREGATION DAY

Come to the office Sunday, February 19th between 9 and 11 am and have your blood pressure and sugar level checked.

GIVING IS AN ACT OF WORSHIP

Your contributions go directly to funding the ministry initiatives of Heritage. Through your faithfulness, you are assisting us in fulfilling our mission of "loving God and people passionately and leading people into a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ". We are grateful for your financial support of Heritage Church and are encouraged by your confidence in our ministry. May God bless you!

ONLINE GIVING:

Electronic online giving is available through ACS Technologies. By establishing a user account, members can set up one-time gifts or recurring gifts, check their giving history, or print tax receipts. Go to www.heritage.church/give for more information.

WE HAVE:

- Text Giving: Text HERITAGEVB to 73256 to give using your text messaging. Standard text messaging rates may apply.
- Mobile Giving: The *ChurchLife* app by ACS Technologies is available for iOS and Android devices. This app includes giving as well as a church directory.
- Kiosk Giving: There is a kiosk located in the main hallway directly across from the Welcome Center. Simply touch the "Get Started" button, and follow the instructions. It even allows you to print a receipt.
- Offering Plates: We provide an opportunity for giving during every worship service. We encourage everyone who gives electronically to place their connection card, their kiosk receipt, or some other token into the plate as a symbol of giving themselves to The Lord.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

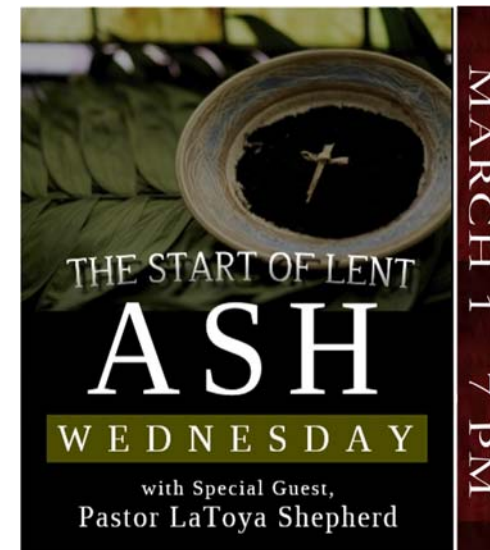
Please remember to return your sack full of canned goods this Sunday, February 12th. Everything collected will be donated to the Heritage Food Pantry.

BIRTHDAY LIST

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

CELEBRATION INVITATION

Because you have shared in our lives and in the faith of this community, the members of First Presbyterian Church of Van Buren joyously invite you to attend the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the church building on Saturday, February 11th at 2 pm. If you have a special memory or picture of the church, please send it to 1stpresbyterianvb@gmail.com. Reception to follow. For more information call 479-474-2375.



NEED A WORD?

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

YOUTH (grades 6th-12th)

For upcoming activities, pick up the February calendar by the youth office in the children's wing or go to heritage.church under the 'What We Do' tab.

WESLEY HERITAGE TOUR

Join Dr. Robert Tuttle and Pastor Wesley Hilliard on the Wesley Heritage Tour of England May 15-23. Brochures are available in the Great Hall. For more information, email Wes at whilliard@heritage.church.

ONCE UPON A PROM

It's that time of year again! Please donate your old formal/prom dress so it can dance again! We need size 10 on up. Please bring them to the children's wing at Heritage on Saturday, February 25th from 10 am-12 pm. Please make sure the dresses are clean and in good condition.

If you can't come during this time, no problem! Contact Sydne Tursky at 208-2678 or Kim Tursky at 208-0063 and we can meet to pick them up.