



# The Beacon

First United Methodist Church

A light for Christ in Cleburne County and the World!

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## LENT: A SEASON TO GET UP AND GIVE!

The season of Lent is almost upon us. Historically, this has been a time when we think about doing without or giving up something. I think it would be fitting if the church found a way to give instead of finding something to give up. I would like to suggest we give a simple gift that would help a child in need.

Methodist Family Health is holding its third annual Get Up and Give collection throughout the forty days of Lent. They are collecting items needed by the 1,400 children that they serve daily in our Methodist Children's Home, behavioral hospital, group homes, counseling clinics and a number of other programs throughout Arkansas. Many of these children come to them with nothing more than the clothes on their back, and they often depend on Methodist Family Health to provide basic necessities like socks, underwear, toothbrushes and toothpaste. (You can see the complete list to the right of this article.)

I want to ask the church to participate in this year's collection during Lent. The items can be

delivered to the Heber Springs Methodist Family Health office at 407 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street (across from Rustic Inn) the week following Easter, anytime from 8 AM to 5 PM. What a wonderful opportunity that lies before us. How will we respond to the cry of the needy? See you Sunday, Tommy

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### Morning Worship, February 12

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Sermon: "How Much Is It?"

### Evening Worship, February 12

Music:

Carolyn Strickland

Sermon:

"The Outward Spiritual Disciplines: Simplicity, Solitude, Submission, Service"

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## WEDNESDAY MEAL

Our menu for Wednesday, February 15, will be Mom's Homemade Salisbury Steak, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll and Dessert. You may sign up on the registration pad each Sunday morning, or by calling the church office by noon, February 14.

## EMMAUS GROUP ANNOUNCES NEW TIME & POTLUCK

Our Living Waters Emmaus Reunion Group will meet immediately following third service on Sunday, February 19, in the Family Life Center for a potluck luncheon. If you have participated in the Walk to Emmaus, or if you are interested in learning more about this 3-day spiritual retreat, please join us!



## "GET UP AND GIVE" NEEDED ITEMS

- Socks (infant – 18 years)
- Underwear (3 – 18 years)
- Diapers
- Baby Wipes
- Paper Towels
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Toilet Paper
- Backpacks/Duffel Bags

Drop off your items at 407 S. 7th Street from April 9 – 13.

## CONFIRMATION KICK-OFF

Part of the tradition of Christianity is the concept of a faith journey. No matter our age, we all are in the process of becoming who God would have us to be. Faith experiences help shape and mold us in our discipleship and confirmation is that special time in a young person's development when they reaffirm or confirm their faith, discover how God is and has been at work in their lives and affirm a new commitment to Christ's body, the Church. It's also when we acknowledge the changes in how they approach life, faith, relationships and responsibilities.

Students in the 6th grade are invited to participate in Confirmation Classes. Classes will be held on Sundays, beginning February 26 through April 29. Confirmation Sunday will be May 6.

Mark your calendars for Confirmation Kick-Off, Saturday, February 25. We will meet at the church at 9:00 AM, kids will be given an overview of the classes, assemble their Confirmation Books and then we will head out for a day of fun-filled activities. Parents, to sign up your 6th grade kids, please email [reddingdonna@yahoo.com](mailto:reddingdonna@yahoo.com) or call me at (501) 951-3605 and I will send you more detailed information. Be a blessing!

*Mrs. Donna*



## Mother's Day Out OPENINGS

Mother's Day out has openings! We accept children ages 6 weeks to 4 years old and are open on Mondays and Wednesdays. We provide a fun, safe, loving environment and are licensed by DHS. For more information, call the church office, 362-2696.

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Sunday, February 12

8:25 Morning Worship\*  
9:35 "Come As You Are" Service\*  
9:45 Sunday School\*  
9:50 Wiggle Worship\*  
10:50 Promiseland, FH\*  
10:55 Morning Worship\*  
10:55 Sunday School\*  
2:00 GriefShare, FH  
3:00 Disciple I, 104  
3:45 SPAM Band, FLC  
5:00 Worship, 109  
5:30 Youth Small Groups  
7:00 Godpleasers

### Monday, February 13

8:00 Mother's Day Out, Nursery  
8:30 Staff Meeting, 104  
8:45 Gentle Fitness, FLC  
1:30 N.O.W. Leaders, 104  
5:30 Holy Trollers, 203  
6:00 Sons of Thunder, FLC  
6:00 Cub Scouts  
7:00 Boy Scouts  
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous, 208

### Tuesday, February 14

7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast, FH  
9:00 Disciple I, 104  
9:30 Explorer's Bible Study  
12:00 Newsletter Deadline  
1:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry, Parlor  
1:30 Dorcas Circle, FH  
5:30 Joy Circle, Michael's Restaurant  
6:00 Disciple I, 104  
6:30 Invitation to New Testament, 207

### Wednesday, February 15

8:00 Mother's Day Out, Nursery  
8:45 Gentle Fitness, FLC  
9:00 Invitation to New Testament, 207  
9:00 Disciple I, 104  
1:00 Library Committee, 104  
3:30 Lighthouse, FH  
5:00 Fellowship Meal, FLC  
5:30 Joyous Carillons, 203  
6:00 Intercessory Prayer Group, 210  
6:00 SPAM, FLC  
6:00 FaithWeaver Friends, FH  
7:00 Praise Team, FLC  
7:00 Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

### Thursday, February 16

3:30 Daisy Scouts, 208  
6:00 Jesus in the Gospels, FH  
6:30 Daniel Study, 207  
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous, 208

### Friday, February 17

8:45 Gentle Fitness, FLC

### Saturday, February 18

9:00 Adopt-a-Hwy, Mack's Fish House

\* **Nursery Provided**

## ATTENTION STEPHEN MINISTERS

If you have not already turned in your Stephen Minister Annual Survey, please bring it to the Peer Meeting on Monday, February 13, at 11:00 AM.

## YOUTH NEWS

### D-Now Weekend

Youth that are interested in attending the community D-Now weekend, please turn in your permission form and payment by February 15. If you don't have a form, you can find one in the church office or on the website.



## ADOPT A HIGHWAY MINISTRY

### *Calling all trash picker-uppers!*

Our next scheduled pickup will be Saturday, February 18. Weather permitting, let's meet at 9:00 AM at Mack's Fish House parking lot for a safety meeting and handing out of safety vests and garbage bags. Don't forget warm clothes, sturdy work boots and gloves - trash pickup is messy and hard work, but the results are SO worth it!

If we get bad weather, we'll postpone the pickup for one week and attempt it again on the 25th. If you have questions, please call me at 206-0160, or e-mail me at [burgan\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:burgan_99@yahoo.com).

God bless you and thank you in advance! Marti Burgan

## HEARTFELT THANKS

Thanks for the thoughts and prayers, cards and memorials, and especially the meals that were brought to the house at the death of my brother. They were all greatly appreciated. Clara Konkle

## PRAYER CONCERNS



**UAMS-LR:** Stacy Dolan, Lee Lustfeldt

**Baptist-LR:** Tommy Barnett

**St. Vincent-LR:** Joe Rork

**Concerns:** Betty Amberson (Jim Bolhuis' sister), Audrey Arnoult, Richard Baumgarten, Ruth Beggs, Joy Braden, Karen Brinley, Tony Burnam (Cheryl Sivertson's brother), Polly Chandler (Debbie Robus' grandmother), Dallas Clark (Michelle Taylor's dad), Len Clark (Jimmy Clark's father), Wilma Crouch (Audrey Arnoult's sister), Annie Cupit, Elizabeth Dick (Kasey Goddard's mother), Kevin Diffie (Joe & Carolyn Diffie's son), Bob Douglas, Jack Dunlap (Jenise Dunlap's son), Art Dunn, Ann Dye (Sandra Cherry's sister), Cole Elrod, Bill Faircloth (Brinley's grandson), Glenn Ferren (Selena Evans' father), Kolsen Fleming (Renae Hudspeth's nephew), Lon Foreman (Lois Rickman's son), Dotty Bea Gish, Annie Harris, Floyd & Jeanie Hayes, Forrest & Ann Hergert, Reba Hicks (Karen VanDyke's mother), Robert Holt, Joan Kelley, Tim Kemp, Dan Konkle, Chelsea Koop (Mary Kendrick's granddaughter), Patti Ledbetter (friend of Sondra Seaton), Mike Linn (Debbie Robus' brother-in-law), Margueritte Madding (JoAnn James' mother), Shannon Martin, Paul McFarland (friend of the Brinleys), Kelly McKenzie, Laurie Morgan (Melba Herring's granddaughter), J. L. & Jody Mullens, Lou Seale Nichols (Freddie Lou Quist's mother), Bill & Barbara Pierce, Mary Pruett, Josie Rast (Selena Evans' niece), Jack Rhodes, Dustin Roberson (Melba Herring's great-grandson), Lois Robertson (Rebecca Cockrell's mother), Jeff Stanford, Jim Stanford, Donald Traylor (Linda Tredway's cousin), Judy Taylor (Jerry Bise's sister), Peri Thomas (friend of Lehfeldt Family), U.S. Armed Forces, Jean Bice-Vejovoda (Lynne Brown's mother), Layne Wallace, Eva Warner, Sabrina Wells (Dana Wells' daughter), Rosemary West, Merriam Wiggins, Opal Williams (John Haugen's mother), Kenny Wilson, The Yeisley family (Bill & Karen Brinley's daughter), Pat Zimmerman (E.J. Devlin's sister)

**Sympathy:** To Carl McSpadden on the death of his sister, *Doris Thornton*.

## MEMORIALS

*The following gifts have been given to the glory of God and in memory of ...*

### Choir Fund

*Delton Pockrandt* by Mr. & Mrs. Al Bridges

### Pastor's Emergency Fund

*Ruth Garner, Ruth Wilson, C.A. Smith* by Barbara Little

*Doris Thornton* by Pairs & Spares Class

### Storm Shelter Youth Fund

*Jim Stephens* by Mr. & Mrs. Al Bridges

### Godpleasers Youth Choir Fund

*Ruth Wilson* by Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Almond, Mr. & Mrs. Hess Hall, Dr. & Mrs. Jerry Moon, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Lybrand, Betty Daschler, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Stuart, Mr. & Mrs. Dick St. Clair

## HONORARIUMS

*The following gifts have been given to the glory of God and in honor of ...*

### General Fund

*Praise Team* by Mr. & Mrs. James Carr



Ash  
Wednesday  
Service

February 22

6:00 PM

Sanctuary

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS REMINDER

Don't forget a new Sunday School has started meeting in the Chapel on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM. *If you are currently not attending Sunday School, we encourage you to join us.*

## EVENING WORSHIP SERIES EXAMINES SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE

Last Sunday night we began a short, 3-week series on spiritual disciplines, those practices Christians and others have employed over the centuries to draw close to God. The primary resource is Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster, a modern classic that *Christianity Today* named one of the 10 most important books of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Foster divides the disciplines into three groups: inward, outward, and corporate. This Sunday, we look at the outward disciplines of simplicity, solitude, submission, and service. This series leads up to the season of Lent, which begins February 22. We meet at 5:00 PM and end at 5:45 PM. The service is casual and meets in the Chapel. We hope you can join us.

David Jones



## MINISTRY MINUTE

Is God calling you to do more in your ministry through the church? *If you haven't committed to any of the active ministries in our church or if you're a new member, please pray about areas God would want you to serve.* There are many areas where you can serve and leaders are ready to train you. For more information, call the church office at 362-2696.



## COMING SOON DETAILS ON IN HIS STEPS 2012

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 5, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. We're having a Fair!

**SERVING IN HIS STEPS**  
**A light for Christ through**  
**Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness**

By Our Presence

Attendance – February 5 **491**  
 8:25 AM - 86 9:35 AM - 237 10:55 AM - 139 5:00 PM - 29  
 Sunday School **256**  
 Children: 100 Adults: 156

By Our Gifts

Weekly Budget Needs \$ 20,615.88  
 Our Giving Last Week \$ 29,708.92  
 Year-to-Date Needs \$ 123,695.31  
 Year-to-Date Budget Income \$ 115,748.89

By Our Service

**Bus Driver:** Ernest Flippo (362-7751)

**Pray for Worship during Worship**

Feb. 12	Joanne Evans	Feb. 19	Jan Awalt
Feb. 26	Melba Herring	Mar. 4	Melba Herring

<b>Liturgist</b>	<u>8:25</u>	<u>9:35</u>	<u>10:55</u>
Feb. 12	R. Nordskog	Kent Hulsey	Bill Wells
Feb. 19	Sarah Bond	Lary George	Kathy DeBusk
Feb. 26	Jerry Cockrell	Johanna Lehfeldt	David Jones
Mar. 4		Faye Owens	Bill Pierce

**A/V Ministry**

February 12  
 8:25 - James Carr, Jared Gifford  
 9:35 - Mark Spanel, Sherry Shearer, April Woods  
 10:55 - Rick Davis, Kelley McCormick, Greg McCormick  
February 19  
 8:25 - Cliff Childers, James Carr  
 9:35 - Mark Spanel, Arden Schlicker, April Woods  
 10:55 - Rick Davis, Kelley McCormick, Kim Bell  
February 26  
 8:25 – Charles Stuart, James Carr  
 9:35 – John Goddard, Logan Rolleigh, Warren Darden  
 10:55 – Scott Tomlinson, Devin Redding, Kim Bell

**Ushers**

February 12  
 8:25 - Tom & Audrey Moore, Mary Kendrick, Jack Fowler  
 9:35 - Benny & Tracy Hargrove, Pete & Kelli Harris, Dennis & Gail Farmer  
 10:55 - Paul & Jane Bowie, Bud & Barbara Williams  
February 19  
 8:25 - Paul & Jared Gifford, Jerry & Rebecca Cockrell  
 9:35 - Kent & Jill Hulsey, John & Pat Latimer, Conrad & Johanna Lehfeldt  
 10:55 - Walter & Aprille Tharp, Keith & Gloria Cathey  
February 22 – Ash Wednesday  
 6:00 – Howard & Alyce Chapin, Jerry & Rebecca Cockrell  
February 26  
 8:25 – Charle & Twila Cayton, Paul & Jared Gifford  
 9:35 – Doug & Glenda Magee, Jeff & Dana Lynch, Jerry & Libby Jackson  
 10:55 – Charlie & Pam Evans, Barbara Pitts, Carolyn Hathcock

**Attendance Slip**

Feb. 12 Jerry & Jan Moon  
 Feb. 19 B. Langley, Dot Duncan  
 Feb. 26 C.K. & Jean Rhodes  
 Mar. 4 Mike & Melissa Graham

**Sanctuary Stewards**

Ernest & Dona Flippo  
 Dick & Nealia Neal  
 B. Buchman, Tempa Davis  
 Tom & Sue Barnett

**Nursery Volunteer – February 12**

9:35- Amanda Cooper 10:55 – Jerry Bise

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Church Staff

David Jones - Pastoral Assistant  
 Lynne Brown - Administrator  
 Beth Rork - Administrative Asst.  
 Tommy Toombs, Jr. - Custodian  
 James Carr - Audio/Visual Coordinator  
 Selena Evans - Promiseland Coordinator  
 Jo Wells - Organist  
 Kasey Goddard - Praise Team Coordinator

Rev. Tommy Toombs - Pastor  
 Charle Cayton - Minister of Visitation  
 Carolyn Strickland - Office Manager/Music Dir.  
 Greg Luetschwager - Custodian  
 Mike Wagner - Office Assistant  
 Donna Redding - Dir. Children's Ministries  
 Barbara Little - Pianist  
 Alesha Presley - Youth Director

**OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT**

To be a light for Christ in Cleburne County and the world by exalting Christ in worship, encouraging fellowship in the family, enlightening disciples with biblical truths, equipping the saints for service, and evangelizing all in the name of Christ.

**HEBER SPRINGS WOMEN CAN  
 WALK/RUN CLINIC**

**Mondays and Thursdays**

**6:00 PM at HS High School Track**

**Beginning March 5, 2012**

**Pre-register March 1 at 6:00 PM in  
 our Chapel, or online at**

[www.womenrunarkansas.net](http://www.womenrunarkansas.net)

**For more info, call Dona Flippo at  
 206-9876**