

FLOWERS



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the sanctuary altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Prentice Threadgill, by Christine, Sheryl and family.

The flowers on the pedestal this Sunday are in honor of Jeanette Raines on the occasion of her 90th birthday on March 8, 2018, with love, by her family.

STEWARDSHIP

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2018 Requirements	\$	533,563.
Monthly Requirements '18	\$	44,463.
MTD Receipts February	\$	32,269.



LENTEN LUNCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MARCH 26th- Lunches at 11:30 & 12:30pm
 Speakers 12:00 noon
 :Mon.-Rev. Gilstrap, Tuesday-Rev. Mike Birdsong
 Wed.- Rev. Marc Pritchett
 March 29th-MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
 6:30PM-Lenten Cantata



SUNDAY March 4th ATTENDANCE 02.25.18

11:00 AM GREETERS	8:00	14
United Methodist Women	9:00	115
11:00 AM USHERS	11:00	84
Richard Black, Bill Hightower, Wesley Brown, Rick Tucker		213

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!!!



March: 2: Ann Griggers; 4: Truitt Mallory, Ava Claire Weems, 5: Miles Flanders, Cole Flanders; 7: Ben Miller Jr., Caroline Irvin; 8: Jeanette Raines; 9: Paige Holloway

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THE NAVIGATOR

Wednesday February 28, 2018

Rev. Billy Graham

William Franklin Graham, Jr. was born on November 7, 1918 in Charlotte, North Carolina. He was raised in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Billy attended Bob Jones University and was almost expelled. Bob Jones told him not waste his life. "You have a voice that pulls. God can use that voice of yours. He can use it mightily." In 1939 Billy Graham was ordained as a Southern Baptist preacher. In 1943, he graduated from Wheaton College. On January 2, 1944, he started a new radio program called "Songs in the Night." This is where he recruited George Beverly Shea. September 13-21, 1947, Rev. Billy Graham held his 1st Evangelistic Crusade in Grand Rapids Michigan. It was his 1949 Los Angeles, California Crusade in a circus tent that attracted national attention. Rev. Billy Graham preached in person to over 215 million people in 400 crusades in 185 countries on 6 continents. Rev. Graham was a pastor to Presidents and he bailed Rev. Martin Luther King out of jail in the 1960's.

Rev. Billy Graham said, "I have one message: that Jesus Christ came, died on a cross, he rose again and he asked us to repent of our sins and receive him by faith as Lord and Savior and if we do, we have forgiveness of all our sins." Rev Billy Graham was the most known Christian evangelist of the last 100 years. I know he heard "Well Done My Good and Faithful Servant." Thank you Rev. Billy Graham for touching so many lives for the cause of Jesus Christ.

See you at church Sunday.
 Pastor Eddie

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 28

5:30pm Church Family Supper

SUNDAY MARCH 4

8:15am Traditional Worship/Chapel
 9:00am Contemporary Worship/FH
 9:45am Sunday School
 11:00am Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
 5:00pm Youth Activities
 5:00pm Handbell Rehearsal
 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Note of Thanks:

Thank you to my church family for your many caring acts during my recent illness. Your support has sustained me through it, and as I continue to recover I am blessed to join you at church again.

Janice Bennett

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COMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



FRIDAY, MARCH 2ND
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

(hosting the Presbyterian Ladies)

Speaker: Betty Hodges who has worked on the mission field in Africa. Everyone is invited to join us for this annual event.

You are invited to join us for a glorious presentation of Handel's "Messiah" Parts 2 and 3 which are the Passion and Resurrection sections.

Our bus will leave at 5:30 from the parking lot and travel to this service concert at 7:00pm in Griffin presented by the Griffin Choral Arts Group from First Methodist. the program will consist of many of the choral pieces plus solos by visiting artists from Atlanta, Auburn and Clayton State with an orchestra and a 50 voice choir of local singers. Cost is \$15.00 plus bus gift of \$2. Please call for bus reservation.

PRAYER CONCERNS



OUR MILITARY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT,
FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL,
& LEADERS & MISSIONARIES

CURRENT REQUESTS – Ozzie Huff, Richard Black, Ralph Ross, Charlene Daniel, Juli Greivel-URMC, Murray Deen Jr.-ATV accident, broken leg , Norma

Brown, and safe travel prayers to Herb and Susan Pomfrey as they move to Florida.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Doris Bedford; Dr. Warren Patrick, Judy Bowles, Dr. Huckaby, Dr. Fiesler

AT HOME: Margaret Tench, Hilda Andrews, Bernice Smith , John Logan

OUT OF TOWN: Martha Mallory, Gertrude Taylor, Jane Salter, Evelyn Sheets

WEST VILLAGE: Betsy White, Ann Britt, Libby Ingram, Mavis Kelly, Sonny Peacock

PROVIDENCE HEALTHCARE: Peggy Straughan

HARBOR VIEW: Mary Owen

RIVERSIDE NURSING CTR. Jim Esco

CHILDREN'S CORNER



EASTER IS APPROACHING
There Will be clipboards all around the church, so please stop and sign up to help with eggs- stuffing or hiding them, crafts,

snacks, and for picture taking with the Easter Bunny We can't do this without your participation!!!!
Call Stephen Holmes or Alex Garrard if you can't find a clipboard.



EASTER EGG HUNT IS MARCH 18TH AT 3PM

In an effort to help communicate better within our church we are starting a "remind group" This will allow us to send reminder text messages directly to your phone. We can remind you of Meeting, Nursery duties, and much more. It is very easy. Send a text to 81010 in the body of your text message type @9f66f2 Contact Laurie Holmes for help 770-584-0241

*VBS dates are
June 4- thru 8th
5:30-8:30pm*

Rolling River Rampage

Find..Adventure, Acceptance, Joy, Rest, & Peace on the River!!!!



YOUTH

JASON WEEMS

BELIEVING. LIVING. OPENLY for GOD

February 26th, 2018

REVOLUTION CAFE' MARCH 11th.. BBQ and Brunswick Stew and the fixings..

Come support our summer trips and have lunch with us..
Adults 8.00 and kids 6.00 Fundraiser

Small Group Bible Studies for Boys and Girls every Sunday for the next 7 weeks.... GREAT LESSONS!!!!

Girls are studying, "SPEAK LOVE"

Boys are studying "FEED THE DOG"

EQUIP to WIN WEEKEND

March 9th and 10th..\$ 20.00 each.. check it out at link .
<http://www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/equip2018>

Do you feel a burden for the lost? Do you sit and watch others around you who you know are not in a personal relationship with Jesus. I at times pray for Jesus to come redeem the earth and take us home, yet then I think of my own sinful nature that I was once captive to. If Jesus would have returned before I met Him, how terrible would my life have been for eternity? I don't even want to image the life I was destined to endure for eternity before I met Jesus. With that thought in my mind it burdens me to think of those that are still lost; that at any moment our King may return and call us home. Ya'll I am surrounded by kids and parents at school that I am not certain of their relationship with Jesus! It also burdens me to think of the youth group, and if I have failed at any moment to show the love of Jesus to them, and allow God to pour me out as a drink offering until they have come to know the only thing that matters in life, Jesus! I pray for you, as I pray for me, that God places an ever growing burden upon our hearts for the lost. To quote Megan from Sunday morning " Wake up church, the Lord is in this place, wake up church!" Let us find a fire for the lost! Let us be the offering of a true servant and pour out our lives for the lost. Let us not just read this, let us move with certainty. Let us feel the pain of the lost, and let us lean upon the rock of our salvation. Let us use His strength to call the lost unto the arms of our loving father.

Time to take action, remember the shame of our lives before we lived for Christ, as I often do, and let that redeeming love drive your heart to help point the lost to Jesus.

jason