

## FLOWERS



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the sanctuary altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God and in honor of Caroline Elizabeth Tucker, by her maternal grandparents, Melanie and David, and her paternal grandparents, Kathy and Rick Tucker, and her Great Grandmother, Bessie Shaw.

## STEWARDSHIP

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|--------------------------|----|----------|
| 2018 Requirements        | \$ | 533,563. |
| Monthly Requirements '18 | \$ | 44,463.  |
| MTD Receipts March       | \$ | 13,685.  |



## LENTEN LUNCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>- Lunches at 11:30 & 12:30pm  
Speakers 12:00 noon

Mon.-Rev. Gilstrap, Tuesday-Rev. Mike Birdsong  
Wed.- Rev. Marc Pritchett

March 29<sup>th</sup>-MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE  
6:30PM-Lenten Cantata



## SUNDAY March 11<sup>th</sup> ATTENDANCE 3.4..18

|                             |              |           |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| <b>11:00 AM GREETERS</b>    | 8:00         | 15        |
| Schumacher Class            | 9:00         | 114       |
| <b>11:00 AM USHERS</b>      | <b>11:00</b> | <b>78</b> |
| Randy Flanagan, Johnny Deen |              | 197       |
| Al Brannon, Don Jimerson    |              |           |

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!!!



March: 10: George H. Hightower, Jr., Jane Salter, Kathy Berryhill, Ann Margaret Irvin; 11: Donna Andrews, Bill Andrews; 12: Kathy Tucker, Robin Phillips; 13: Charles McDaniel, Holly Harrison, Lynn Towe; 14 Fred Whitaker, Kaylen Holloway

## Thomaston

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## WEDNESDAY MARCH 6, 2018

3:30pm Wonderful Wednesday  
5:30pm Church Family Supper  
6:30pm Bible Study

## SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2018

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

REVOLUTION CAFÉ SUNDAY, MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>  
YOUTH FUNDRAISER FOR SUMMER TRIPS  
BARBEQUE AND TRIMMINGS  
\$8 Adults, children \$6.

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## Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 18, at 3:00 PM Thomaston First United Methodist Church will have our Easter Egg Hunt. The children will hunt eggs, have their picture made with the Easter Bunny, participate in Resurrection Eggs where they will learn the story from Palm Sunday through the Ascension, an Easter craft and snacks. Parents with children want to be with their children during the event. I need older adults to help bless the life of a child. I need you for about 2 hours. We need you to volunteer to help, please email the church or use "remind" to let someone know if you can help on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Children from the church, preschool and Wonderful Wednesday are invited. It is OK to bring a friend. If your child and a friend are coming, please let the church know before Thursday, March 15. Please pray for a beautiful sunny day for our Easter Egg Hunt.

See you Sunday  
at church !

Pastor Eddie



## COMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PASSION & RESURRECTION** portions of Handel's "Messiah"

Wonderful opportunity to hear a live performance of the timeless beauty and majesty of Lent and Easter.

Presented by Griffin Choral Arts centered at FUMC Griffin. THURSDAY, MARCH 15th. Bus 5:30. Cost: \$15. Please call

Pat Dodson for reservation. [770-354-5422](tel:770-354-5422).



On behalf of the Gideons of the Thomaston County Camp and The Gideons International, I want to express my sincere thanks to you and your congregation for your support of the Gideon

work. An offering over \$700.00 is going to buy a lot of Bibles. I really appreciate your personal contributions to this effort. We pray that many precious souls will come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as a result of these Scriptures being distributed.

## PRAYER CONCERNS



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

**CURRENT REQUESTS** – Family of Dr. Byron Deen-(passing of Byron), Ozzie Huff, Richard Black, Ralph Ross, Charlene Daniel, Murray Deen Jr.-ATV accident, broken leg, Norma Brown, and safe travel prayers to Florida for Herb and Susan Pomfrey.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Family of Doris Bedford (loss of Doris); 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, Norma Brown

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

**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 18<sup>TH</sup> 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 4-8<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30pm*

**Rolling River Rampage  
FIND- ADVENTURE,  
ACCEPTANCE, JOY, REST, &  
PEACE ON THE RIVER!!!!**

### ATTENTION LADIES!

Ever been to The Grove at Passion City Church in Atlanta? The Grove is a monthly event on the second Monday of each month that offers a night of worship just for women. In February praise and worship was led by Brooke Fraser of Hillsong United. Brooke also gave a powerful teaching on 'The Father's Blessings.' Invite a friend and be blessed. Mickey Rawls has volunteered to drive the bus if enough ladies are interested. Call the church office and let them know if you want to attend this event. Need more information? Here's the link: [www.passioncitychurch.com/thegrove](http://www.passioncitychurch.com/thegrove)

## YOUTH

## JASON WEEMS

**BELIEVING. LIVING. OPENLY for GOD**

THIS SUNDAY...

**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

EQUIP to WIN WEEKEND

March 9th and 10th.. 20.00 per person includes food and event.. great message and fun activities.. check it out at link <http://www.centennialbaptistassociation.com/equip2018>

Lean in and strain, focus and be still, calm your mind and still your heart. Focus, drown out the world, focus on the stillness and utter silence. Are you close enough to here His whisper? Are you walking in the cool of the evening with your Creator? Have you become so filled with the Holy Spirit that you can discern the words of God? If you have, you are doing so much better than me these days. I need to slow down, I need to focus more on staying in the flow of the Holy Spirit, I need to drown out the noise of the world and wait in the silence to hear my Lord speak. I need wisdom and guidance, I need fulfillment, and I need burdens lifted. Above all this, I just simply need God, not for what God can do for me, but Him. I need His presence to hold me and calm my heart. I need His soft whisper to give me the direction of the next step. All this is as certain and concrete as the words you are reading now on this page, yet it takes stepping out on faith and focusing on the unseen and not the seen. I pray for you, and for me; that we get close enough in the coming days to hear God whisper! I pray we lose ourselves in Him, and we stand tall knowing our God is the God of all!

Lord, give eyes to see, and ears to hear,  
jason