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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter ~ April 24, 2022 8:30 and 11:00 am

**PRELUDE** 

Improvisation on *Joyful, Joyful and For the Beauty of the Earth* Molly Thomas, violin

#### WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space! Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's resurrecting power!

Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

Praise God with the harp and the cello!

Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

Praise God with flutes and guitars!

Praise God with cymbals and drums!

Let everything with life and breath praise God!

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

When we keep our fears and faults locked up inside us, it is hard to be healed and receive new life. So let us open ourselves to God in confession, trusting the Lord's desire to give us peace.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts,
when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world,
forgive us and help us to find our voice.
When we are afraid to forgive and to love again,
forgive us and give us the power to forgive.
When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority,
join with the weak to make us all strong.
When we are confined by our hurts,
touch us with your wounded hands and set us free.
When we are locked behind our doubts and fears,
pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

\*THE PSALTER #839

Psalm 118

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

\*GLORIA PATRI

11:00 RECOGNITION OF OUR GRADUATING SENIORS

**OFFERTORY** 

Improvisation on *Be Thou My Vision*Molly Thomas, violin

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CHILDREN'S TIME (11:00)

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**GOSPEL LESSON** 

John 20:19-31

RESPONSE TO THE WORD #177

He is Lord

**SERMON** 

"Who's Afraid of the Living God?"

Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**CLOSING HYMN #364** 

Because He Lives

SENDING FORTH

**POSTLUDE** 

Improvisation on *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*Molly Thomas, violin

Please stand as able

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of Clarence and Sandra Bishop for their 67<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Danny and Mona Barfield.

# Assisting in Worship Today:

Dr. Darren M. McClellan, Rev. Ontonio Christie Music: Tom Hood, John Richardson, Chancel Choir 11:00 Acolyte: Cate Richardson

Sound: Alex Beaman, Josh McClellan, Ann Lyles Tapscott



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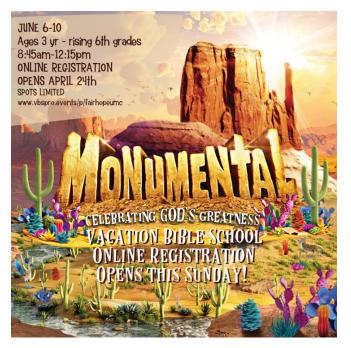
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OPENING SONG

All Because of Jesus

Shea White, Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 150)

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in the sanctuary.

Praise God in the vault of heaven.

Praise God in the earth and skies.

Sing praises to the Lord.

Shout and sing praises to God.

We have witnessed God's mighty acts.

We have seen the Lord's greatness.

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

Let everything that draws breath praise the Lord!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

We hear you calling, Lord;
how can we keep from singing?
How can we keep our lips
from proclaiming the good news,
that Jesus Christ is risen,
bringing healing and forgiveness to all?
Whether we have seen or believe without seeing,
we have found life in his name.
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SINGING OUR PRAISES

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SERMON "Believe!!" Rev. Laura Parker

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RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBER ~ JoAnn Chirico

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING SONG

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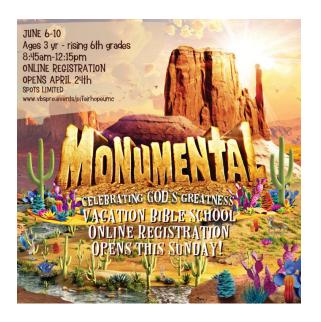
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# Thank you to the Covenant Group...

FUMC Covenant Bible Study Group had so much fun! The Easter buckets for the Baldwin County Sheriffs Boys Ranch turned out fantastic! Thanks to the ladies who

came to help, as well as those of you who dropped off items in advance. The Ranch staff was so thankful to the group and said they would give the boys their gifts Easter weekend.

Picture on left: Lucy Sowell, Paula Higgins, Lynn White, Hazel Odom and Chephren Sussenberger



#### Thank you...

We would like to thank Ashleigh McKenzie from The Plant Shoppe (across the street from the church) for providing the beautiful flowers outside for Easter Sunday.



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#### Knit and Crochet...

Thank you to the team for making cute cactuses to help decorate for our annual Children's Ministry Vacation Bible School.

# **Upcoming Support Group Meetings this week...**

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**Grief Group Seeking Peace** meets on *Monday, April 25th at 3:00 pm in B-114.* Grief and loss comes in so many waves and can be an unpredictable season of life.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group (SOS) meets on *Monday, April 25th at 6:30 pm in B114*. A zoom option is available upon request.

**Tough Dogs Cancer Support Group** meets *Tuesday, April 26th at 12:30 pm in the church Library.* This group has a diversity of experiences in the cancer journey and is a great sounding board for each another. A zoom option is available upon request.

#### Notes of Thanks...

Dear Caring Ministries,

I found a lovely spring bag and Easter Message at my front door. Thank you for the outpouring of warmth and "steadfast love" from FUMC in Christ's name.

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My dearest wonderful care givers of God's Joy... The sweet things you do fill my heart with thanks for you! You are a blessing! Thank you so much for the flowery fancy bag with Easter Egg and Believe Ball. We appreciate everything so much. *I thank God for you*. II Timothy 1:3 NLT

To FUMC Caring Ministries,

Thank you for delivering Easter gifts to my mother, Rebecca Kramer, and also to me. She was delighted by your visit as well as her photo in the Link.

You all are so kind to remember our family at this time of year. May God bless each of you for your "caring ministry."



#### WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Children's Choir (K-6th grades)
Wesley Hall, Education Building | Wednesdays,
4:15-5:00pm

We are currently working on our Spring musical, "Once Upon a Parable!" set for Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00am in the Gathering Service.

**SWIFT** (5th-6th grades), CLC Loft 2nd floor Wednesdays, 6:15-7:30pm Topic this week: VBS Service Projects!

Pier & Pier34 (K-4th grades), Wesley Hall, Ed Bldg

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm

Topic this week: Crazy Little Thing Called Love: Don't Throw Your Love Away, Jesus and The Rich Young

Ruler

POWER VERSE: 1 John 4:8

ALL K-6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School classes meet on the Pier Hallway.

3 & 4 yr olds meet in the first Preschool classroom on the left by the office entrance of the first floor. Our lesson this week is on The Lord's Prayer: Forgiveness

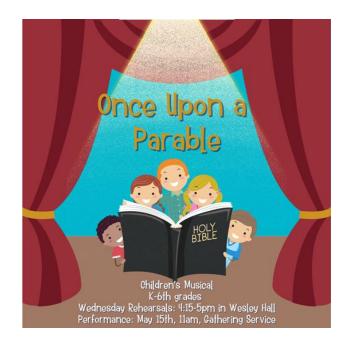
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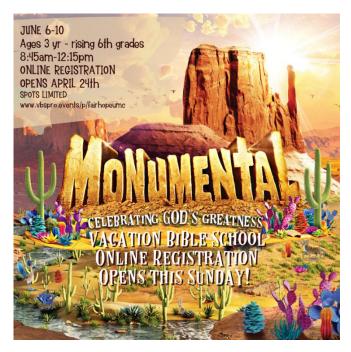


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#### **CONFIRMATION 2022:**

The Confirmation Sunday Service is Sunday, April 24 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Our church family is invited to join us!

# SENIOR SUNDAY CELEBRATION Sunday, April 24

Senior Family Breakfast @ 9:30 am (CLC Fellowship Hall) Senior Sunday Recognition @ 11:00 am (Traditional Service)





#### **STEPPING UP 2022**

(For Rising 7th graders)
May 4, 11, 25 // CLC// 6:30-7:45 pm

Stepping Up is a 3-week bridge program that prepares our current 6th graders to enter into our student ministry program. We use current students in our ministry as mentors so that your rising 7th grader can get-to-know some of our crew! These 3 weeks are jammed packed with dinner, games, worship, small group discussion, surprises & prizes of all kinds.

Once they complete this program, our summer ministry begins on Wednesday, June 1 and they are all invited to DIVE IN! We cannot wait to have your child in student ministry! Please take a moment to sign-up your student on our church website.



## **HIGH SCHOOL MISSION**

(Rising 10<sup>th</sup> grade-Class of 2022) Cost=\$850

Come serve with our High School team throughout downtown Las Animas, Colorado. We are partnering with Group Mission Trips in the community and doing home repair. Scholarships are available to students upon request and fundraisers are going on now! Information will be sent to you after you register. Please note that the registration number is limited based on our adult chaperone participation. If you would like to serve as a leader, please contact Rachael Waldhour for more information.



#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION

(Rising 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) Cost=\$465

All rising 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to come serve on our middle school mission team this summer. We will be providing hurricane relief in some of the hardest hit areas during Hurricane Ida. We will be continuing a partnership that we established between our church and other local churches in Louisiana directly after the storms hit. If you are interested in serving with us, please sign-up and pay your deposit online. Your student has the option of paying the trip in full or helping with fundraisers. Scholarships are available to students upon request and fundraisers are

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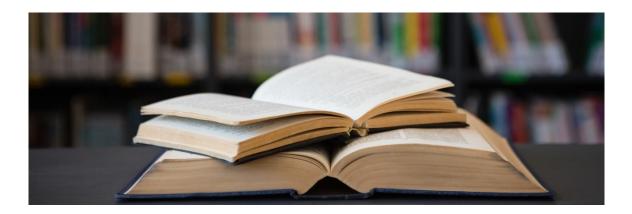
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# LIBRARY NEWS...



Good news for our church library! We have recently purchased an online data system that will make our cataloging and tracking processes much easier. Now, all we need are some book lovers who also love data entry. If you fall into this category and have time to spend in our library learning the WikiLibrary system and updating our inventory, call Kimberly McKeough at 251-214-5449. Most of the work will take place over the summer when our upstairs foot traffic is much lighter. We already have volunteers who are willing to do the "leg work" of removing and re-shelving the stacks while you are there.

We appreciate the generous donations that our congregation continues to make to our library inventory. This has enabled us to add new volumes without breaking our budget. However, please use the following guidelines when you are sorting books for donating:

Do not include books that have been written in, underscored or highlighted.

Make sure the book is in good condition; no loose pages, cracked spines, mildew, etc.

Leave donations in a box or bag underneath the library desk. Please do not put them on the library cart. This is reserved for returned books that need to be checked in.

Again, thank you for helping us expand our stacks. We encourage suggestions and love volunteers!

# **MISSIONS UPDATE...**

# **HOW WE ARE SERVING!**

