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Operation Christmas Child

It's Christmas Shoe Box time again! In 2017 over 11 million gift-filled shoe boxes were sent to underprivileged children in 160 countries around the world. What an awesome gift of your time and money to pack shoe boxes for these waiting children. Use a shoe box with the top and bottom wrapped separately in Christmas paper, a shoe box size plastic box with a flat top or the church office has some boxes you may put together. A brochure explaining different age groups, girl or boy, items to put in a box, how to pack your boxes and large rubber bands are also there. More information will be in each weekly Messenger.

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR



- 23. Tommy Backstrom
- 24. Larry Clark, Camp King
- 25. Emily Simmons
- 26. Shirley Dew
- 27. Bob Coker
- 29. Claiborne Adcock

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service

9:50 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

5:00 p.m. Planet 456

6:00 p.m. Snack Supper

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren

6:30 p.m. Youth

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9-12 noon Methodist Market

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

6:00 p.m. Emmaus Community Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:00 a.m. See You at the Pole - Area schools

3:00 - 4:15 p.m. Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)

4:30 p.m. Ladies' Handbell Choir

5:30 p.m. In the Hands of God/Prayer Meeting

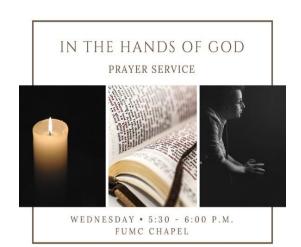
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study/Bro. Lauren

6:15 p.m. Youth Small Group

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9-12 noon Methodist Market



For more info go to fumcyazoo.org or Facebook at "First Methodist Facebook" at "First Methodist Yazoo."



Congratulations to Thad & Crosby Hicks on the birth of their daughter, Irma Emmalynn Reid Hicks, who was born September 13, 2018.



Solid Ground Youth

This Sunday as we continue our 15-week study on the History of the Old Testament, we will be looking at the life of Samuel. Samuel played a very important role in the history of the Israelites and served as a transitional figure of Judges ruling to Kings ruling over Israel. We will get a great overview of the life of Samuel and see his faith and obedience in the Lord.

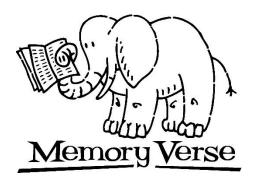
Sunday Night Youth

Last Sunday night at Bible study, we went off-track and addressed a pertinent topic in our daily lives. This week we will be wrapping up our **Be Brave** series. We will finish out our game called *Fortress* by adding level 4 to it. Our winners will be announced this week. Our final lesson in this series is entitled <u>Be Bold</u>. So what does it mean to be bold? It means that you don't take the easy way out, it means you don't do what everyone else is doing, it means you take a stand, it means you act on who YOU are! So now, who are you? You are a child of God... BE BOLD!

Wednesday Night Small Group

Small group will meet Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. in the youth basement. We will continue our Bible study on **David: Seeking God's Heart.** Since these sessions are somewhat long, we will be splitting each one into two or more parts. This Wednesday we will continue over the first half of Session 3 entitled "Alone with God." After David had to flee from Saul and leave his best friend behind, he found himself alone. David grew in his faith and trust in God during this time. We may face times in our lives when it seems we are alone. The one thing we must always remember is that God is always with us.

Children's Page



"A voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son whom I dearly love: I find happiness in him'."

Matthew 13:17



Hiskidz and Deep Blue

As we continue to learn about Jesus and his family, this week we will study about the calling of the disciples. These men were asked to leave their own families behind to become part of Jesus' family. I hope to see you on Sunday, as we learn how Jesus called these men to



Planet 456

This Sunday we will continue with part 3 of our Bible study series called *First Impressions*. This week's lesson is on *Self-Control*. It means the ability to control yourself and your reactions/emotions. If a person has poor self-control, it can leave a bad impression on others. It is important to remember, how YOU do YOU has an impact on how others see YOU! Bible study will begin at 5:00 p.m. in the Planet 456 room in the basement. Following Bible study, we will have snack supper at 6:00 p.m. and dismiss by 6:30



Every Sunday and Wednesday night at 6 p.m. Brother Lauren will be teaching a Bible Study on the Book of Matthew. Room #306 on the second floor. Everyone is invited to attend.

Charge Conference 2018

FUMC will be hosting the Yazoo-Delta Region Charge Conference in our sanctuary Sunday, October 7, 2018. Mark your calendars for this event.



Marilyn Burnett is heading up a mission opportunity through the Evangelism Committee. They will be participating with First Baptist Church in a weekend backpack ministry for the children at Bentonia Gibbs. These items are packed in bags for children that may not have sufficient food over the weekend. It is hard to believe that this need exists, but, unfortunately, it does. If anyone would like to help, please contact Marilyn!

Items needed for backpack ministry Instant oatmeal Cereal bars Pop-tarts Ravioli* Vienna sausages Soup* Jerky sticks Crackers Cookies Granola bars Macaroni and cheese* Ramen noodles

Thank You

Dear FUMC.

Thank you for welcoming us home so warmly. We enjoyed our time with you and it was a joy for Danny to share from the Word in your services. Thank you for your prayers.

Love, The Pasquale Family



ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

If you are chairperson of a committee or serve in a capacity that requires financial support from the church budget, it is important that your budget request for 2019 be turned in to the Church office by November 1, 2018.

Volunteers for Sunday, September 23, 2018

Greeters	Donna Heidel/Ed & Linda McDonald
Acolytes	Payton Heidel & Sherrill Ann Chaney
Worship Leader	Rich Knox
Scripture	Acts 7:54 - 8:3
Sermon	"The Seed of the Church"
Security	Steve Newman/Chip Heidel
Flowers	Gloria Kirk

Attendance, September 16, 2018

Worship Services	156
Sunday School	106

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SEPTEMBER

23.	Unwilling to hear	Luke 16:19-31
24.	New mercies every morning	Lamentations 3:19-26
25.	Making the vision plain	Habakkuk 3:17-19
26.	The LORD loves justice	Psalm 37:27-31
27.	The misery of exile	Lamentations 1:1-6
28.	Trust in the LORD	Psalm 37:1-9
29.	Rekindle the gift	2 Timothy 1:1-14