

**Birthdays**

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| 3/6  | Latanya Knight                    |
| 3/9  | Timothy McGahee<br>Wes Collins    |
| 3/11 | Danette McGee<br>Bonnie Crain     |
| 3/13 | Emily Griffin                     |
| 3/19 | Beth Caldwell                     |
| 3/23 | Debbie-Joy Agee<br>Anthony Krepps |
| 3/24 | Lyle McGahee                      |
| 3/28 | Matthew Cannon                    |
| 3/29 | Carolyn Neal                      |

**Anniversaries**

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|------|-------------------------|
| 3/7  | Jack Jr. & Debbie Hixon |
| 3/22 | Ellis & Gloria Irby     |
| 3/24 | Dan & Kay Carrington    |
| 3/27 | John & Alice Caldwell   |

**Covered Dish Luncheon**

March 26th

*Bloom where you're planted*

Directly after Church

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday   |
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| <p>Sundays @ 10:50am</p>  | <p><b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Ashes to go:<br/>6:30am-9am<br/>12:00pm-1:00pm<br/>Sanctuary:<br/>5:00pm-6:00pm</p>       |   | <p><b>1</b></p> <p>Ash Wednesday<br/>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Teen Small Group @6pm<br/>Choir rehearsal @6pm</p> <p><b>Picture Day</b></p>                | <p><b>2</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Karate @ 10am<br/>Spanish @3pm</p>   | <p><b>3</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm</p>   | <p><b>4</b></p>  |
| <p><b>5</b></p> <p>Praise B. Rehearse Fellowship @ 9:45am<br/>Worship Service @ 11am<br/>Children's Church 10:50</p>                                | <p><b>6</b></p> <p>Mission Monday<br/>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Ballet @ 2:30pm<br/>W.O.W. 5:30pm</p> <p><i>Dance</i></p> | <p><b>7</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Children's Chapel @9:30<br/>Prayer Group @ 10:30am<br/>Creative Chaos 5:30pm</p>  | <p><b>8</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Men's Small Group 6am<br/>Teen Small Group @6pm<br/>Choir rehearsal @6pm</p>                                  | <p><b>9</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Karate @ 10am<br/>Spanish @3pm<br/>Rooted In Faith<br/>Shealy's BBQ Trip</p> <p><b>BBQ</b></p> | <p><b>10</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm</p>  | <p><b>11</b></p>   |
| <p><b>12</b></p> <p>Praise B. Rehearse Fellowship @ 9:45am<br/>Worship Service @ 11am<br/>Children's Church 10:50<br/>Girl Scouts join worship!</p> | <p><b>13</b></p> <p>Mission Monday<br/>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Ballet @ 2:30pm<br/>W.O.W. 5:30pm</p>                    | <p><b>14</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Children's Chapel @9:30<br/>Prayer Group @ 10:30am<br/>Creative Chaos 5:30pm</p> | <p><b>15</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Men's Small Group 6am<br/>Teen Small Group @6pm<br/>Choir rehearsal @6pm</p>                                 | <p><b>16</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Karate @ 10am<br/>Spanish @ 3pm<br/>Adult Life Group 6:30pm</p> <p><b>Life group</b></p>      | <p><b>17</b></p> <p>HAPPY St. Patrick's DAY!</p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>ReQoop</p> | <p><b>18</b></p> <p>ReQoop</p> <p><b>CONSIGNMENT SALE</b></p>                              |
| <p><b>19</b></p> <p>Praise B. Rehearse Fellowship @ 9:45am<br/>Worship Service @ 11am<br/>Children's Church 10:50<br/>ReQoop</p>                    | <p><b>20</b></p> <p>Mission Monday<br/>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Ballet @ 2:30pm<br/>W.O.W. 5:30pm</p>                    | <p><b>21</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Children's Chapel @9:30<br/>Prayer Group @ 10:30am<br/>Creative Chaos 5:30pm</p> | <p><b>22</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Men's Small Group 6am<br/>Teen Small Group @6pm<br/>Choir rehearsal @6pm</p> <p><b>Men's Small Group</b></p> | <p><b>23</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Karate @ 10am<br/>Spanish @ 3pm</p>   | <p><b>24</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm</p>  | <p><b>25</b></p>   |
| <p><b>26</b></p> <p>Praise B. Rehearse Fellowship @ 9:45am<br/>Worship Service @ 11am<br/>Children's Church 10:50<br/>Covered Dish lunch 12pm</p>   | <p><b>27</b></p> <p>Mission Monday<br/>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Ballet @ 2:30pm<br/>W.O.W. 5:30pm</p>                    | <p><b>28</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Children's Chapel @9:30<br/>Prayer Group @ 10:30am<br/>Creative Chaos 5:30pm</p> | <p><b>29</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Men's Small Group 6am<br/>Teen Small Group @6pm<br/>Choir rehearsal @6pm</p>                                 | <p><b>30</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm<br/>Karate @ 10am<br/>Spanish @ 3pm</p> <p><b>hola</b></p>  | <p><b>31</b></p> <p>Preschool 6:30am-6pm</p>  | <p>*Don't forget to bring in cleaning supplies the 1st &amp; last Sunday of the month!</p> |

**Maundy Thursday Drama**

April 13th, 7:00pm

**CASTING CALL**

We are looking for actors:  
-Jesus  
-Disciples  
(Extras)-Women & children  
**Please contact the office by March 10th**

**Palm Sunday**  
April 9th  
9:45am-11:00am  
Procession

**Adult Life Group**  
March 16th - April 27th

## Rooted In Faith

A big thank you to our resident artist, Jay Jacobs, for his recent presentation to our senior/retiree group. Many budding artists were discovered as we produced beautiful bird paintings to take with us and grace our homes. Jay, Mel, and Ren are very special gifts to Woodlawn.

Our March gathering will be a trip to Shealy's Restaurant in Batesburg/Leesville, SC for some great southern food. In route, we hope to see the Ridge section peach trees in full bloom. On Thursday, March 9th, please meet at the Church at 10:15am. We will carpool from Woodlawn to South Carolina. Please join us for this day of Christian Fellowship and enjoyment of early Spring.



\*Rooted in Faith  
Feb. art lesson

## Preschool

**Picture Days:** March 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> are picture days. All of the children will be photographed. Parents are not required to purchase pictures unless they want to. The center does receive a percentage from pictures we sell.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be April 12th from 5:30pm–7:00pm. THE CENTER **WILL CLOSE AT 5:00 April 12th. PLEASE BE HERE TO GET YOUR CHILD SO THE TEACHERS CAN PREPARE FOR THE HUNT!**

We will have hotdogs and chips and of course a visit from the Easter Bunny. The egg hunt will start at 6:00 sharp.

**Palm Sunday:** April 9th is Palm Sunday. We are asking that the children and their parents meet us here at 9:45 am to process over to Good Shepherd to celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem.

**VBS:** Woodlawn will be hosting our own vacation bible school again this year. Children from the age of two will attend VBS. More information to come.

**Masters Camp and Summer Camp:** Get Ready! We are already planning for both of these camps and we promise that camp will be even better than last year. If you are interested in having your child attending these camps please sign up in the office.

**Volunteers:** Parents did you know that Woodlawn has their very own Maundy Thursday, "The Last Supper" Drama? This year we looking for parents and grandparents who would like to be a part of this wonderful production. If you are interested please sign up in the front office. We will have more information as we draw closer to Easter.

## Family Ministries

Lent?

Not being raised in the Methodist Church I wasn't familiar with the tradition of the Lenten Season. Here are a few short explanations I discover about the features of Lent.

Lent is a time (40 days!) in which you can use to return to God, refocus our live, and change your lifestyle by building a stronger relationship with God. Jesus would have times where He set himself apart from this earthly world filled with distractions to intentionally spend time with His Father. Luke 5:16 tells us "Jesus Himself would often slip away to deserted places to pray." Jesus set an example for us on how to develop our relationship with the Father. Do you need time alone with God to refocus, make changes and build a stronger relationship with God? Lent is the perfect time.

Why Ashes?

Ashes are a symbol of repentance and to remind us of our mortality.

"Then the LORD God formed a man from dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." Genesis 2:7

The shape of the cross is used to remind us that Jesus Christ gave us eternal life.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

You may receive Ashes on March 1<sup>st</sup> check the newsletter for times.

Fasting, Prayer & Service?

According to Wikipedia fasting is a willing abstinence or reduction from some or all food, drink, or both for a period of time. Fasting is found in several places in scripture<sup>2</sup>. The time that would have been spent in food prep and eating can now be spent in prayer building your relationship with God. You could try a fast from your phone, entertainment or just get your mind off of self and serve others. Check with Pastor Jim for ways to serve in our community.

Did you know Lent has a colour?

Purple is used for two reasons: firstly because it is associated with mourning and so anticipates the pain and suffering of the crucifixion, and secondly because **purple** is the colour associated with royalty, and celebrates Christ's resurrection and sovereignty.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Exodus 34:28 Moses was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights without eating bread or drinking water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant—the Ten Commandments.

<sup>2</sup>Math. 6:16 "When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. **17** But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, **18**so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

<sup>3</sup>Christianity

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Are You Kidding Me?

Jesus states that unless you become like a child you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. As I write to you this afternoon, 104 children are working on their colors and basic shapes, engaging in imaginative and cooperative play and learning their ABC's...in español! You can learn a lot from the "least of these" as our teachers, staff and this pastor will testify. In this new series we will discover astonishing insights when we view Jesus' parables and teachings through the eyes of children—insights that we adults often miss.

The Parables of Jesus and children just may change the kind of child God is calling you be.

**"Are You Kidding Me?"**

*el reverendo Santiago*

*Rev Jim*



## Your Staff

**Pastor**

Jim McCollough

**Preschool Director**

Brenda Wallace

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