

# The Springs

Where The Thirsty Find Life

March 29, 2023

## Did You Know ?

Currently Poplar Springs Drive United Methodist Day School serves 49 students ranging in ages from 7 weeks to 5 years old. UMDS staff consists of 12 committed ladies striving to provide the best care possible for our students. From celebrating the first steps of our youngest students to the writing and scripture memorizations of our oldest students, we are honored to serve the students and parents of UMDS.

We have 5 different classes for our students: Lambs, Monkeys, Tigers, Bears and Giraffes. Our infants (the Lambs) are cared for by Sandra Hardin and Tricia Hester: Tricia also serves as our cook. Our one year olds (the Monkeys) are cared for by Christin Robbins and Abby Culpepper. Our two year olds (the Tigers) are cared for by Cecelia Dean and Danette Robbins. Our three year olds (the Bears) are cared for by Diane Griffin and Abby Culpepper. Our four year olds (the Giraffes) are cared for by Maegan Green and Brenda Bolden. Other staff members include, Donna Harrison (Teacher Assistant), Bonnie Ethridge (Assistant Director), and Carolyn Boles (Director).

Four full time staff members will celebrate milestones in 2023: Cecelia Dean (19 years), Bonnie Ethridge (15 years), Donna Harrison (14 years), and Diane Griffin (14 years). Their dedication and consistency have significantly made UMDS the outstanding school it is. Thank you, ladies!

A special thank you to the congregation of PSDUMC for your prayers and your support of the Day School. Thank you for allowing us to serve the children and families of Meridian and surrounding communities thru the childcare ministry of UMDS! God Bless You All !

Carolyn Boles, Director

United Methodist Day School



**CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT AND GAMES \*\*\* April 1st - 2 pm - 4 pm  
here at PSDUMC \*\*\* See Ashley Rue for additional details.**

### New Prayer Requests

All those affected by the recent storms in Rolling Fork, Silver City and Amory.

#### Please continue to pray for:

Shirley Dooley, Francois du Plessis, Barbara Walker,  
James & Glenda Smith, Ken LaBruyere, Jesse Mendiola,  
Brenda Huffman, Sharon Stephens, Delaney Heckert,  
Charlotte Chaney, Will Alexander, Marilyn Brewster, Shane Helton,  
Kevin Stiefel, Kati Stenbridge, Adrian Hill, Robert Sanford,  
Brenda Ferry, Rickie Oubre

If you have a prayer request please let the office know.

### April Birthdays

2nd Noah Littleton  
6th Raymond King  
Carolyn Wall  
8th Ron St. John  
11th Vicki Coleman  
Betsy Littleton  
13th Elva Britt  
15th Carrol Barham  
Chris Both  
Aaliya Mendiola  
20th Janet Barham  
22nd Angie Sherrill  
29th Jennifer St. John  
30th Janete Weeks

I would like to thank everyone for the lovely reception marking my 21 years here at PSDUMC. I appreciate each and every one of you. I consider it a privilege to be in ministry beside you and I look forward to many more years to come. Blessings, Lori Berrey

#### Sunday, April 2

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

9:30 A.M. Worship  
10:45 A.M. LifeGroups  
3:00 P.M. Reading Helps  
4:00 P.M. Handbells

#### Saturday, April 8

2:00 P.M. Decorate Easter Cross

#### Sunday, April 9

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

9:30 A.M. Worship  
10:45 A.M. LifeGroups

#### Tuesday, April 4

10:00 A.M. *The Story of God, The Story of Us* Study

#### Monday, April 10

**The Church Offices are closed.**

#### Wednesday, April 5

#### **NO POTLUCK/PRAYER & PRAISE**

5:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 P.M. *The Story of God, The Story of Us* Study  
6:00 P.M. *Jesus' Farewell Message* Video Series

#### Tuesday, April 11

No Bible Study

#### Wednesday, April 12

5:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal  
No Bible Study

#### Thursday, April 6

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

6:00 P.M. Maundy Thursday Service

#### Friday, April 7

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

1:00 P.M. Self guided Stations of the Cross  
Home of Gary & Robin Thompson

### **Wesley House**

#### **April - Peanut Butter**

Your donations can be placed in the sanctuary (Donation Bins) or brought by the office.

# Save the Date – April 29, 2023

for Poplar Springs Drive UMC's Spring Festival/

Annual Missions Fundraiser for **LOCAL MISSIONS** - 10 am – 1 pm

Wesley House - Care Lodge - Loves Kitchen



We will sell Shrimp Plates - a \$12 ticket gets you boiled shrimp (a generous amount),  
a corn on the cob, boiled potatoes, and mushrooms as well as homemade cocktail sauce.

Coordinators Eddie and Nancy Crews need your help . . .

## BEFORE:

- Sign-up to work - Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the gathering place
- Publicity – help us get the word out to the community, take a flyer to businesses you frequent
- Sell tickets – tables will be set up Sunday mornings in March & April with tickets for you to check out
- Baked and Frozen Goods – your donations are pure profit. Start planning what you will donate.  
A freezer will be available to accept frozen goods ahead of the Festival.
- Help make cocktail sauce and/or put the sauce into cups

**DURING:** 1 ½ hours of your time to WORK on the - food line - deliver plates - take pictures - greet our guests  
clean-up in the kitchen during the Festival - check-out - cook

**AFTER:** clean-up is one of the easiest jobs. REALLY! ... tear down tables, clean the last of the pots after  
bagging any left-over shrimp, mop the kitchen on our way out, usually done 2 pm.

## MEMORIALS

### Ashley Browne

Raymond & Carron King  
Bessie Kent  
Neldia White

### Kim Ridinger Jones

Mark & Ginny Adkins  
Raymond & Carron King  
Sandy Thomas  
Bessie Kent  
Butch & Dianne Shannon

### Jean Quave (Bessie Kent's sister)

Sandy Thomas  
Ken & Dixie LaBruyere  
Irby & Cindy Lang

### Judy Lauderdale

Ken & Dixie LaBruyere  
Raymond & Carron King  
Sandy Thomas  
Bessie Kent  
Gary & Robin Thompson  
Grady & Vicki Coleman  
Butch & Dianne Shannon  
Neldia White

## Volunteer Opportunities

### April 2 - Sunday - PALM SUNDAY

Acolytes: Elva Britt & Bessie Kent  
Greeters: Robin Thompson, Nancy Crews  
Scripture Reader: Carrol Barham  
Communion: Eddie Crews, Ginny Adkins, Grady Coleman, Janet Barham  
Sunday Snacks: \_\_\_\_\_

### April 3- Monday

Meals on Wheels Delivery: Dixie LaBruyere & Cindy Lang

### April 9 - Sunday - EASTER SUNDAY

Acolytes: Katie Autry, Lucy & Max Autry  
Greeters: Linda Long, Sandy Thomas  
Scripture Reader: Cathy Ellis  
Sunday Snacks: \_\_\_\_\_

### April 10 - Monday

Meals on Wheels Delivery: Wanda McBrayer & Linda Long

### April 16 - Sunday

Acolytes: Polly Little & Suzanne Grafton  
Greeters: Cindy Lang Luci Wolvers  
Scripture Reader: Cindy Lang  
Sunday Snacks: Dianne Shannon

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**The 2023 Bible Challenge**

March 29	1 Samuel 9 - 12
March 30	1 Samuel 13 - 14
March 31	1 Samuel 15 - 17
April 1	1 Samuel 18 - 20
April 2	1 Samuel 21 - 24
April 3	1 Samuel 25 - 27
April 4	1 Samuel 28 - 31
April 5	2 Samuel 1 - 3
April 6	2 Samuel 4 - 7
April 7	2 Samuel 8 - 12
April 8	2 Samuel 13 - 15
April 9	2 Samuel 16 - 18
April 10	2 Samuel 19 - 21
April 11	2 Samuel 22 - 24

Commit spending time every day in God's word. For those who meditate and journal, here are some reflection questions:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?
2. What does this passage teach us about ourselves?
3. What does this passage teach us about our world?
4. Are there any thoughts, words or phrases that caught your attention ? Why ?

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