



March Calendar

HOLY WEEK

Sun. Mar. 20th

PALM SUNDAY

8:45 A.M. Contemporary Worship Services
 10:00 A.M. Sunday School
 10:55 A.M. Traditional Worship
4:00 P.M. Reading Program
 4:00 P.M. Youth Group

Mon. Mar. 21st

12:00 Noon 50 + Potluck Luncheon (change from 4th Monday)
 6:00 P.M. **Boy/Cub Scout Troop 40/Banquet Rm & Gym**

Tues. Mar. 22nd

1:15 P.M. Program Staff Meeting/Conference Room

Wed. Mar. 23rd

5:30 P.M. Church Family Night Supper
6:00 P.M. The Springs study on The Grand Sweep led by
Chuck Meador in the Sanctuary
Bible Journaling in the Banquet Room
Children's Activities & Youth Community Time
 7:00 P.M. Praise Team
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Thurs. Mar. 24th

6:00 P.M. Maundy Thursday Service

Sat. Mar. 26th

10:00 A.M. Easter Egg Hunt/Northeast Park
2:00 P.M. Decorate Outdoor Cross/here at the Church

Sun. Mar. 27th

EASTER SUNDAY

8:45 A.M. Contemporary Worship Services
 10:00 A.M. Sunday School
 10:55 A.M. Traditional Worship
 No Evening Activities

Mon., Mar. 28th

Church Offices are closed

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL OFFERING ENVELOPES

to collect your offering can be found on the altar rail. However you have chosen to recognize this time of fasting and self-denial, please consider monetarily what you can give to go toward the work of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

Please bring your self-denial offering Easter Sunday.

CHANGE – 1st Sunday Mission for April 3rd is NOT going to be decorating pillowcases. Instead we need **as many men, women and children as able** to come to the church that Sunday afternoon to help with Vacation Bible School prep from 4 - 6 pm.

April Birthdays

1st Kat Torrance
 2nd Amelia King
 Noah Littleton
 3rd Wes Samuelson
 4th Bobby Sims
 6th Carolyn Wall
 Raymond King
 7th Kelly Bates
 8th Sherene Broome
 Ron St. John
 11th Tommy King
 Bobby Watson
 Vicki Coleman
 Betsy Littleton
 Sam Wilson
 12th Walt Littleton
 13th Elva Britt
 15th Aaliya Mendiola
 Carrol Barham
 Chris Both
 20th Janet Barham
 22nd Angie Sherrill
 Chance Anderson
 24th Mable Mock
 29th Jennifer St. John
 30th Janete Weeks

Our website is STILL currently under construction, Please be patient while we work things out. If you need information call the church (601) 485-5598 or email us at thesprings@psdumc.org.

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Lunch Bunch - April 5th; noon - 1st Tuesday of each month at noon; we meet at the **Scarlet Cup** for a devotion and a time of sharing joys and prayer concerns. Brown bag your lunch or just come for the fellowship and devotion and maybe a coffee or drink special.

WORSHIP

Scripture Readers for March:

March 20th	Early: Billy Anders	Late: Amy Floyd
March 27th	Early: Amelia King	Late: Debbie Young
April 3rd	Early: Ken LaBruyere	Late: Janet Barham
April 10th	Early: Janete Weeks	Late: Patti Coxwell

Ushers for April

8:45 am - Jeffrey Rhett, Kevin Peterson, Casey Ridinger
10:55 am - Ron Burton, Mike Crane, Jim Autry

Greeters:

	8:45 AM	10:55 AM
Mar. 20th	Early: Janete Weeks	Late: Dixie LaBruyere
Mar. 27th	Early: Janet Barham	Late: Martha Hudson
Apr. 3rd	Early: Cindy Lang	Late: Mary Ann Catlett

Communion Celebrants for April 3, 2016

8:45: Kevin Peterson, Dianne Shannon, Samantha Thames, Jerry Long
10:55: James Carson, Janet Barham, Bobby Sims, Jennifer St. John

MISSIONS

Prayer Van Ministry – next date - April 20th

leaves the PSDrive parking lot at 9:30 am each THIRD Wednesday of a month to drive around Meridian and pray for schools/businesses/people. Meet before for coffee at the Daily Grind at 8:30 if that suits you.

Meals on Wheels – H E L P N E E D E D

Occasionally we need subs to ride along with our regular deliverers. Contact Nancy Crews or Don Wheeler

Health Kits - 20 Monthly Health Kits needed

(for Care Lodge) Drop your donations of completed kits off at the altar any Sunday or in the Staff Work Room; Health Kit listing can be found in the Gathering Place and online. Complete kits are always welcome.

U P D A T E other than a complete kit, all items needed except **NO combs and NO washcloths.**

toothbrushes must be individually wrapped and toothpaste must be in a box. Monetary donations are always welcome.

Care Lodge will also accept **books for children**, used or new, that can be shared within the center and also so a child can take a book with them when they leave.

Take a Meal is an online, easy to use, scheduling calendar to arrange a meal or series of meals for church family members who may need a help for a short time due to a new baby, an illness, a broken bone, etc. **You may add someone to the schedule by contacting the church office.** A Take a Meal link is on the website. **We also have meal items available for distribution at the church for an unexpected need.**

Karissa Both - in mission in the Czech Republic. Follow her ministry at kboth@mobilizingstudents.com or go to her blog at karissaboth.blogspot.com

FELLOWSHIP

The Deborahs (women's ministry group) will meet, with an open invitation to all women on Monday, April 11th at 6:30pm. Place TBA next newsletter. April Mission: Wesley House.

Grace Circle Meeting -

Tuesday, April 12th at 2 pm Home of Ouida Bruce

Youth: Sundays 4:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Confirmation Class:

Please pray for these youth as they explore the process of Confirmation: Dylan Brown - Aaliya Mendiola
Bradon Epting - Ashley Wolver

PSDUMC Youth Girls Night In: April 1st, 5:30 pm - 9:30 pm @ home of Shelby Dickey. Bon Fire, food, possible crafting. We will be discussing some of the issues that surround girls today and offer encouragement to one another.

Children

First Sunday Missions 4pm - 6pm:

April 3rd - VBS Prep (see next page)

May 1st - Church Picnic

The Children's Ministry is asking for donations of Easter Candy and Plastic Easter Eggs. Please leave them in Katie's Office. Thank You!

Even though it's still a few months away we are planning for VBS. Currently we need donations of the following:

Transparency Paper

Christmas Lights

Empty toilet paper rolls

Empty paper towel rolls

Empty Two-Liter soda bottles

(Any of these can be left in Katie's Office or the Church Office)

Extravagant Generosity - The Extravagant Generosity team wants to remind those of you who have not completed a Get Connected Time and Talent brochure it is not too late to get connected and have a voice and presence in the mission and ministry of your church. Brochures are available in the Sanctuary.

SPRING FESTIVAL

April 23 - 10 am - 1 pm

Coordinators: Dianne Shannon & Debbie Young

Shrimp Plates \$9 - Tickets for you to buy or sell will be in the mail soon.

Baked and Frozen Goods Sale [We would like EVERYONE to donate. Label your casseroles and baked goods to include the ingredients]

Volunteers needed - beginning Friday and throughout the day of the Festival - sign up sheets can be found in the walk-way between the buildings

Proceeds from the Festival will benefit our Relay for Life Team and other missions. You can support that effort by buying a

Relay for Life T-shirt

Shirts will be a light gray with purple lettering

A cross on the front left chest with church name

An eagle and scripture on the back



Adult sizes:	Small-XXLarge	\$15
	XXX Large	\$17
Children/Youth	All sizes	\$15

All orders must be turned in with payment no later than Sunday, March 27th.

Checks should be made out to PSDUMC

Sympathy - We want to express our deepest sympathy to Barbara and family on the passing of one of our Beloved Choir members, Bob Walker, on Monday, March 14th. A service to celebrate his life was held today at the church.

An Appeal to Men & Women

UMVIM Ramp Builders need our help. They build several times a week, and any time you could give would be appreciated, even if it would be just one day a week. Contact

Jerry Fox: J1F1O1X@AOL.COM;
(H) 601-737-5325 (C) 601-917-2284

Talent Show and Celebration - May 25th

Join us for a "no cost" Wednesday night supper starting at 5:30 pm.

Ringmasters: Janet Barham, Jerry Long, and Sandy Thomas

Participation is encouraged from the young to the old, and those in between, of course. More details will follow in our next newsletter.

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT SUPPERS MENUS (a reservation is required)

\$6 Adults, \$3 Child's Plate/Menu

- Mar. 23rd** - Taco Soup (w/ cheese, chips), Cornbread, Pineapple Trifle
- Mar. 30th** - Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes/Tomato Gravy, Peas, Roll, White Cake/Caramel Icing
- Apr. 6** - Fried Chicken, Cheese Spaghetti, Green Salad, Roll, Goopy Cake
- Apr. 13** - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Green Salad, French Bread. Cobbler, Chocolate Trifle
- Apr. 20** - Baked Chicken, Squash, Cabbage, Roll, White Cake/Caramel Icing
- Apr. 27** - Lasagna, Cucumber/Tomato Salad, French Bread, Banana Pudding

For our Diabetics: Green beans will be available each week as needed
(Menu subject to change without notice!)

There is not a separate child's menu. A child's portion (half) of the regular menu is \$3.00.

Sign up on the attendance sheet, or email or call Nancy before 3 pm on Monday



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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God, Thank you for:

Choir Director to Director of Music Arts - Ken Clay has faithfully served this congregation as Choir Director for the past four and a half years. He has fulfilled the expectations of his job with dedication. However, over the last several months the Pastor and Staff Parish Relations Committee have determined there is a need to broaden the staff position relating to worship. After much prayer and discernment the new job title is Director of Worship Arts. While this position will include working with the choir it will also encompass the leading of other teams and the coordination and planning of worship with the Pastor, staff, and lay leadership. Ken's full time job with the public school system prevents him from fulfilling this role. Ken's position as Choir Director will end in April. We offer our deepest appreciation to him, and thank God for all that he and his family mean to us.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee, with approval of the Administrative Council, has hired Robbie Hales as the Director of Worship Arts. Robbie will begin serving among us in this new role in May.

Church Custodian - As was announced Last Sunday, Wesley Nason has accepted a great job with a local bakery company. We are grateful for his commitment to serve as Custodian for the last four years. Starting this past Monday, Mark Adkins was hired as church custodian. While Mark is not new to the congregation we certainly welcome him to our church staff.

David Litton, Chair, Staff Parish Relations Committee

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