



April Calendar

Fri. Apr. 22nd
 4:00 P.M. Spring Festival Prep
 until 6:30 P.M. Put Cocktail Sauce in Containers
 Someone will be here to receive your Baked a Frozen Goods until 6:30 pm

Sat. Apr. 23rd
 9:00 A.M. Spring Festival - doors open to the public at 10 am

Sun. Apr. 24th
 8:45 A.M. Contemporary Worship Services
 10:00 A.M. Sunday School
 10:55 A.M. Traditional Worship
 12:00 noon Children's Ministry Luncheon
 2:00 P.M. Sager Brown Mission Trip Mtg./Sanctuary
 4:00 P.M. Reading Help Program
 4:00 P.M. Youth Group
 4:30 P.M. Connect Groups

Broadmoor – David and Audrey Otto – 1505 61st Court - 601-917-0150

Collinsville – Scott and Shelby Dickey – 8745 Okatibbee Dam Road - 256-282-4364

Marion – Jeffrey and Sally Rhett – 7940 Kristen Lane – 662-678-3934

Mon. Apr. 25th
 12:00 noon 50 + Potluck Luncheon

Tues. Apr. 26th
 12:30 P.M. Program Staff Meeting/Conference Room
 5:30 P.M. Administrative Council Mtg/Banquet Room

Wed. Apr. 27th
 7:00 P.M. Praise Team
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

ONE SERVICE SUNDAY SCHEDULE BEGINS

Sun. May 1st Confirmation Sunday
 9:30 A.M. Worship Service
 10:45 A.M. Sunday School
 10:45 A.M. Confirmation Reception
 4:00 P.M. Reading Help Program
 4:00 P.M. Church Family Picnic

Tues. May 3rd
 12:00 noon Scarlet Cup/ Devotion/ Brown Bag lunch
 1:15 P.M. Staff/Meeting

Wed. May 4th
 7:00 P.M. Praise Team
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

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.

Starting May 1st we will transition (early) to our **Summer One-Service Schedule** with a flip in times:

9:30 A.M. Worship
10:45 A.M. Sunday School

Confirmation Sunday
May 1st

Church Family Picnic
 (at the church) **May 1st**
 bring a side dish

Sager Brown Mission Trip
 (in Baldwin, LA)
May 30 - June 3

Spring Festival - a freezer is in the gym to receive your baked and frozen goods. We are advertising that there will be a plentiful supply, so please help us out and fill the freezer.

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Lunch Bunch - May 3rd; 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 April:

April 24th Early: Raymond King Late: Kristi Brown
May 1st - One Service James Carson
May 8th - One Service Sandi Pupa

Ushers for May

One Service: Butch Shannon, Raymond King, Jason Payne
David Litton, Mike Crane

Greeters:

	8:45 AM	10:55 AM	
Apr. 24th	Early: Polly Little	Late: Judy Hartzler	
	40th St.	Sanctuary	Downstairs
May 1st	Carolyn Wall	Mary Ann Catlett	Cindy Lang
May 8th	Fayne Walker	Pat Teer	Pam Litton

Communion Celebrants for May 1st, 2016

One Service: Ken & Dixie LaBruyere and
Billy & Teresa Anders

MISSIONS

Prayer Van Ministry – next date - May 18th

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 - meeting May 9th at 6:30 pm; location/details next newsletter

Grace Circle Meeting -

Tuesday, May 10th at 2 pm Home of Martha Hudson

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

Children

**First Sunday Missions 4pm - 6pm:
May 1st - Church Picnic**

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)*

Church Family Picnic - May 1st - 4 pm

Children's Ministry is sponsoring (planning and organizing) our Church Family Picnic here at the church (rear parking lot) as part of their 1st Sunday Mission. Hot dogs will be served. Please bring plenty of your favorite side dish to share.

SPRING FESTIVAL

THIS SATURDAY - April 23 - 10 am - 1 pm
Coordinators: Dianne Shannon & Debbie Young

Shrimp Plates \$9 - Hopefully you have sold your tickets or bought them to give away, at the least, AND if you haven't turned your ticket money in yet, PLEASE call the church to let us know whether or not the tickets are going to be used. It helps us to know how many walk-ins tickets we can sell.

Baked and Frozen Goods Sale - EVERYONE needs to label their donations of Baked and Frozen Goods and be sure to include the ingredients!! Please get your goods to the church to be priced before 6:30 PM Friday or by 9 AM Saturday morning. There is a freezer in the gym to accept your donations.

Volunteers:

Friday - filling the sauce cups starts at 4 PM

Saturday - The **Food Line** has about 10 empty spots needing to be filled. Call Nancy at ext. 123 to put your name on the list or at least let her know you'll be on the premises if needed.

A **Table Hostess** is still needed [make sure the tables are free of debris after someone has eaten, let the kitchen know if the tea container is low, help with the supply of napkins to those eating; essentially just monitoring the table area]

Deliveries - we do have some deliveries to make. We need a couple of drivers to get them done for the times requested.

Proceeds from the Festival will benefit our Relay for Life Team and other missions.

Variety Show and Celebration - May 25th

Details in the planning stages . . .

Ringmasters: Shelby Brown, Janet Barham, Jerry Long, and Sandy Thomas

Participation is encouraged from the young to the old, and those in between, of course. Start planning your contribution/act. Groups encouraged with anything from a soliloquy, or lip sync to your favorite oldie but goodie. Those of you with actual talent are expected to sing or play the guitar or piano.

Following the variety part and celebrating the paying off of the parsonage note, there will be dancing and fun for all ages. Surely there will be line dancing.

For your calendar . . . looking ahead . . .

June 14th - Two for Tuesday Jackson Braves Game

June 29th - Movie Night @ 6 pm in the Gym

July 10 - 14th - Vacation Bible School

July 26th - Administrative Council Meeting

July 27th - Game Night @ 6 pm in the Gym

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT SUPPERS MENUS

(a reservation is required)

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

Apr. 27 - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Green Salad, French Bread, Chocolate Trifle

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

<u>Monthly Financial Report for</u>	<u>March 2016</u>
2016 Budget	517,679.41
Needed each month (Budget/12 months)	43,139.95
Contributions for month	<u>37,559.51</u>
Difference for month	-5,580.44
Budget Balance at end of month	3,625.47
<u>2016 Apportionments Paid</u>	
Conference (Paid 7.23%)	5,000.00
District (Paid 26.03%)	2,217.00
<u>Building Fund</u>	
Note balance	552,774.78
Monthly note payment	6,381.03
Received in March	7,460.00
Building Fund Balance	31,665.28

NOTE: Parsonage Renovation Loan Paid in Full



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April 20, 2016

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

God, Thank you for:

Dear Friends,

I want to remind you to be in prayer for the General Conference of the United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Church's top legislative body, General Conference, will meet at the Oregon Convention Center, the largest convention center in the Pacific Northwest, on May 10-20, 2016.

General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church. General Conference meets once every four years and is made up of an equal number of lay and clergy delegates. The conference can revise church law, as well as adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church-wide programs. Delegates will be attending from all over the world. Please pray for all the delegates to the General Conference and especially the six clergy and six lay delegates from the Mississippi Annual Conference. If you would like more information or desire to listen to the General Conference, you can go to the Connectional Ministry area of the Annual Conference website <http://www.mississippi-umc.org>.

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