New Outreach Ministry: The “Blessing Box”

CFUMC’s newest community outreach ministry is the “Blessing Box”. Similar to the Little Free Library boxes that you may have seen, this box will hold non-perishable food items. Everything in the box is free and all items are donated. Anyone in need can walk up to the box and take out items. At some point this person may be in a better situation and can give back to the box. The sign on the box sums it up: “Take what you need. Bring what you can. Above all be blessed!” The box will be located in our Meditation Garden. This is truly a collaborative effort. We look forward to sharing pictures and acknowledgements in the next Grapevine! Questions? Contact Paula Gibson, coordinator, at paula@clarkesvillefirstumc.org, or Jennifer Boydstun in the Church Office, 706-754-2677 or jennifer@clarkesvillefirstumc.org.

You’re Invited to Meet Bishop Sue on Sunday, March 5th!

Bishop Sue will be in the Gainesville District for the following events:

March 5th at 10:55am: Bishop Sue will be preaching at Gainesville First UMC—this is an open invitation to the District! Bus Transportation not provided.

March 5th from 2:30-5:30pm: All laity are invited to attend an afternoon with Bishop Sue. She will be sharing her story and vision for the North Georgia Conference. Following this event, Clarkesville First UMC laity in attendance will share in a meal together. Location TBD. Bus Transportation available by RSVP.

Both events will be held at:
Gainesville First UMC
2780 Thompson Bridge Road
Gainesville, GA 30506

If you desire to attend, please RSVP by Sunday, February 19th to Jennifer Boydstun in the Church Office.
**Welcome New Members!**

What a blessing it is to welcome new members into our congregation! Bob and Jeanie Cook, picture forthcoming, joined our church on Sunday, December 18th. Bob and Jeanie moved from Atlanta, and now they reside in Clarkesville. Please welcome the Cooks into our church family!

**United Methodist Men:** The United Methodist Men would like to invite you to their annual Valentine Dinner on Tuesday, February 14th, 6:30pm at the HEMC Community Room. You can look forward to a sit-down dinner, featuring pork tenderloin, salad, roasted herb potatoes, french green beans, rolls, and for dessert, strawberry shortcake or chocolate cake and coffee, tea, or water; entertainment; and door prizes. Tickets cost $14 per person, and they are available in the Church Office. Reservation deadline is Thursday, February 9th so sign up today, and save your spot!

Don’t forget to join the UMM weekly on Thursday mornings, 7:30am, at Crossroads Café. This is a great way to start your Thursday!

**Jetsetters:** Jetsetters, our Older Adult Ministry, had a great time at their January gathering, Winterfest! Yvonne Heuszel won the prize for guessing, almost perfectly, the number of “snowballs” in the jar (pictured)! Jetsetters meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Join us in February on Tuesday, February 28th for Bingo Bonanza with lots of fun and prizes! Meat will be provided, but please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

**Sole Mates:** Sole Mates is a ministry dedicated to the walkers and hikers in our congregation. Men, women, and children; power walkers or strollers; all are welcome. Walkers will gather at Pitts Park on Tuesdays at 9:00am. For more information, contact Willene Keel, wwkkeel@gmail.com or 706-691-9212.

Sole Mates hikers will take a winter break. We will resume in March with another exciting adventure into God’s beautiful creation. If weather permits, an impromptu hike may be planned. Don’t miss out! Contact Linda Camp or Jennifer Boydstun, jennifer@clarkesvillefirstumc.org, to add your email address to our notification list.

**Sunday Night Fellowship:** We meet weekly at 6:30pm at different local restaurants. It’s informal fellowship at best. Buy your own meal, sit wherever you’d like, and get to know others in our church family.

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**United Methodist Women:** Our UM Women would like to invite you to visit a UMW Circle and enjoy the fellowship of other women united in mission:

**Kite Stribling:** Meets monthly on the 1st Thursday at 2:00pm (February 2nd at the home of Marcia Martin). Contact: Marcia Martin

**Morning Joy:** Meets monthly on the 2nd Monday at the Connection at 9:30am for socializing; program to begin at 10:00am (February 13th). The circle will install new officers and take a group picture for the new UMW Directory. Contact: Ellen Boyd

**Friends in Faith:** Meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00pm at the Admin Building (February 21st). Contact: Sandy Blake

**Ladies Lunch Bunch:** On Tuesday, February 14th, we will go to a local favorite in Clarkesville... Midtown Grill! We will meet at Midtown Grill at 11:00am. Reserve your place at the table by calling or emailing the office by Monday, February 13th, at noon.
CFUMC kids are learning to serve—the Service Quest Wednesday night children’s program is off to a fantastic start! 26 kids ages 4-10 are participating in one of four classes where they learn a skill and put it to use by making items for the Service Quest Sale, scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th, 5:30-7:30. All proceeds from the sale will go to Food 2 Kids. The children are hoping to raise enough money to provide weekend food for at least one child for an entire year! Service Quest Sale items will include one-of-a-kind dish towels, tool boxes, eco-friendly cleaners, baking mixes in jars, and more. We hope you'll stop by and check out what they've made!

The youth group has an exciting February coming up! We will have a Super Bowl party in the Connection starting at 6:00pm on Sunday, February 5th. The party will go until the game ends, which will likely be around 10:30pm. However, if students need to be picked up before then, that is fine. Parents and students should coordinate in advance, please. Brian asks that the guys bring a small side or dessert and that the girls bring a drink to share. Let’s go Falcons!

The youth are headed to Winterplace, West Virginia February 17-20th for our ski retreat! We are taking an awesome group of students and chaperones to ski and worship together for the weekend. Please keep us in your prayers for safe travel and safe skiing!

Our Youth and Children’s Ministries are grateful for all of our volunteers, but we need more people to serve! Specifically, our children need more Sunday School teachers. If you can help with Sunday school for a few weeks, we would greatly appreciate it! Curriculum is provided. If you are willing, please contact Brian Butcher or Candice Holcomb. No one is “too old,” and the roles and time commitments vary. We welcome anyone who has a desire to serve our precious children and youth!

*Brian Butcher, Director of Youth and Children’s Ministries*
We will be learning about God's love during the month of February. We will be having a valentine card exchange and party on February 14th, Valentine’s Day.

It is never too late in the year to begin preschool. We have openings in all classes. If you are interested or know anyone who is interested, please contact us by email at preschool@clarkesvillefirstumc.org or call Susan Weidner, Preschool Director, at 706-499-1224. Pictured: Ms. Pat Fleming taught the children about the Cherokee Indians (left). The Children enjoyed Pajama Day and a pancake party (right).

Susan Weidner, Director CFUMCP

“Ask the UMC” is new Answer Site

Do you ever have questions about the United Methodist Church? Answers to many church-related questions are available on UMC.org, the denomination’s official website, under the “What We Believe” tab on the FAQ page. There you can find answers to questions regarding United Methodist beliefs, structure, services, and resources.

A new page, “Ask the UMC,” is now available on the FAQ page. It answers questions that are more general in nature, or as Vicki Wallace says, “Topics may be more interesting than the more commonly asked questions.” Wallace is the Director of InfoServ, the information service at United Methodist Communications. Wallace and her team answered questions that go to the UMC.org’s Resources InfoServ page. In 2016 they responded to more than 12,000 queries. The answers to many of the questions they receive are posted in the FAQ questions, but some questions go beyond the typical.

“We wanted to post these questions where they would be available to a broader audience,” Wallace said. “'Ask the UMC’ was set up for that. You will find a diverse set of questions and answers.”

Tim Tanton, executive director of Global Voices, News and Information for United Methodist Communications, said the roll out of the “Ask the UMC” page is in English only, but eventually the page will be tailored for the church’s other official language channels of Spanish, French, and Korean, and possibly more.

“We will look at the questions and answers and do some direct translations,” Tanton said, “but we will also be aware of the cultural sensitivities to the translations. It’s possible that some of the questions we post may be unique to one of the languages other than English.”

Questions currently posted include, “Does the United Methodist Church have a position on Halloween?” “Does the church have an official Bible?” and “Do United Methodists believe in the saints?”

“We expect the ‘Ask the UMC’ site to continue to grow,” Tanton said.
SERVE

We lend a hand in our community!

CommUnity Thrift Store Update:

The last gifts of 2016 were CFUMC Building Fund, $3900; Sharing & Caring, $800; CASA, $300; Habitat for Humanity, $500; Habersham Elementary School Counselors’ assistance funds, $1000 ($150 to each school). Total giving to the community for 2016 was $35,575! That is made possible through many, many volunteer hours, your donations, purchases, and your prayers. Thank you for supporting this ministry!

We welcome Marjorie Waters as our newest board member and look forward to serving with her. We also wish to express our appreciation to the Tuesday crew—Jim and Barbara Hudak, Lynda and Dee Petty, Marjorie Waters, and Jerre and Beverly Harvard—for their commitment to excellence and continuity following the passing of their beloved team leader, Brenda Waters.

Fleece Blanket Ministry: Did you know … Murphy-Harpst Center is a United Methodist Women National Mission Institution? It’s one of four in Georgia. Did you know … they serve the most challenging youth, many of whom are placed there by the state because there is nowhere else they can go to get the care they need? These two questions lead to the most important question that you can ask … How can I send a hug and a prayer to these kids? The answer is as easy as coming to our Fellowship Hall on Monday mornings at 10:00am and tying knots! Jean Hulsey is coordinating our Fleece Blanket Ministry. It’s no-sew, if you can tie a knot you can make a blanket. When a youth comes under the care of Murphy-Harpst, he or she receives a blanket as a comfort piece. Materials are provided. Your loving, helping hands make that blanket possible! Make a note, that’s Monday mornings at 10:00am in our Fellowship Hall.

Food 2 Kids: School has begun again and so has Food 2 Kids! If you haven’t helped with packing food bags yet, come to Ebenezer UMC on Thursday mornings at 9:00am. In February our church will be delivering the bags to the schools. Teams of two are encouraged. Delivery dates are February 3rd, 10th, 16th (Thursday) and 24th. Check the bulletin weekly for available dates—they are going fast! We need 3 teams of two for each date. Contact Jennifer Boydstun, Director of Community Ministries, in the Church Office, 706-754-2677, to sign up for a February delivery date.

Nursing Home Visitation: Join us at the Habersham WEST Nursing Home at 5:15pm monthly on the third Monday night (February 20th) and the Habersham EAST Nursing Home at 5:15pm monthly on the fourth Monday night (February 27th) for singing and fellowship with a sweet group of folks. For more information, please contact Sandy Shell or call the Church Office at 706-754-2677.

Stephen Ministry: Stephen Ministry is grounded in Jesus’ command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring and confidential relationships, those who are hurting receive the love and care they need to support them. Monthly, Stephen Ministers gather with their Stephen Leaders for supervision and continuing education. This month the Stephen Ministers will meet on Monday, February 6th, 6:00pm, in the Connection, room C-16.

For more information or a confidential referral to a Stephen Minister, please call Stephen Ministry Team Leader, Ron Waters, or the Church Office.

Prayer Gatherings

Tuesday Morning Prayer: Join our prayer group on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 - 10:30am, Connection, room C-17. You will be blessed as you pray for others. One hour is not much to give back to God for all He does for us. God bless you!

Skeins of Love Prayer Shawl Ministry: The ladies have been busy knitting and crocheting! They recently provided shawls for another church who has a visitation ministry in the area nursing homes. Many of the items that went to the Joy Center in the Redbird Mission Conference were “handmade & prayed over” hats and scarves. A new project is supplying knit and crocheted scarves to a ministry in White
Liturgists in Worship:
February 5th  Marcia Martin
February 12th  Jim Watson
February 19th  Don McLain
February 26th  Bruce Forbes
Coordinator:  Michael Carroll

Children’s Church 9:00/11:00 Worship:
February 5th  Jennings Family / Youth Group
February 12th  Connie Wilbanks and Jean Hulsey / Edie Bolton
February 19th  Dulcie Ariail / Linda Angel
February 26th  Willene Keel / Paige Spivey
Coordinator:  Kelly Burgess

Acolytes, 11:00 Worship:
February 5th  Canon Brooks
February 12th  Maggie Shelton
February 19th  Madie Wilbanks

February 26th  Sarah Grace
Grady
Coordinator:  Sherrie Fry

Ushers:
8:30  Mark Alley and Garnett Hulsey
11:00  Garry Jansen, Ed Nichols, and Judd Sonafelt

Altar Flowers:
February 5th  Emmaus and Wilbanks
February 12th  Pratt
February 19th  Spivey
February 26th  Anonymous

Evangelism Ministry Visitation:
February 5th  Annaclair and Jim Kiger
February 12th  Gloria and David Agnew

Clarkesville Soup Kitchen

DATES  TEAM CAPTAINS
2nd Tuesday  Connie Wilbanks
3rd Tuesday  Sue Trotman
4th Tuesday  Elizabeth Pratt, Arthur Davis, Brenda Sonafelt
5th Monday  Phil and Peggy Brownrigg
5th Saturday  Hearts of Grace UMW Circle

- To help at the Clarkesville Soup Kitchen, call 706-754-6539 or the Church Office, 706-754-2677.
- To help at the Cornelia Soup Kitchen, call 706-968-9954.

This Month’s Service Volunteers

Flower Calendar for 2017:

If you would like to provide flowers for 8:30/11:00 worship this year, the following dates are still available: March 26th; April 9th; May 21st; June 25th; July 9th, 23rd and 30th; September 24th; October 8th, 15th, and 29th; November 26th; and December 31st. Please call the Church Office, 706-754-2677, to reserve your Sunday. When you sign up for a Sunday, you are responsible for ordering the flowers from your favorite florist, or you may create an arrangement yourself. The Sunday bulletin will list your dedication for the arrangement. Thank you for your part in adding to the beauty of our worship space on Sunday mornings!
5:30pm Dinner

Join us on Wednesdays for warm fellowship over a home-cooked, Southern-style meal prepared by our friends at Chef’s Touch Bistro in Cornelia. Our menu will be posted to our website on a weekly basis, as well as included in the weekly bulletin insert. Meal prices are as follows: Adults, $7; Kids, 12yrs-under, $4. All reservations must be made by Monday at noon by either filling out a pew card on Sunday mornings and dropping it in the offering plate or calling the Church Office. For more information or to make/break a reservation, please contact our Church Office, 706-754-2677 or office@clarkesvillefirstumc.org.

Menu for Wednesday, February 1st:
Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Slaw, Bread and Dessert.

Join us for Wonderful Wednesdays at CFUMC!

6:30pm Discipleship Hour

Nursery and children gather upstairs above the Fellowship Hall in the Children’s Department. Join us for Service Quest, hands-on, interactive workshops including Craftin’ Kids, Kid Concoctions, Kids in the Kitchen, and Construction Kids.

Youth (6th-12th grades) meet in the Connection Ministry Center for games and Bible study.

Music meets in the Music Room for Men’s or Women’s Ensemble (meets on alternating weeks) at 6:30pm and Chancel Choir for Men and Women at 7:30pm.

Adults Join us for Methodism 101, led by Rev. Rick Price, through Wednesday, February 8th. On Wednesday, February 15th, there will be a Honduras Mission Trip Information Meeting.
Scan and Donate!
Online contributions are even more convenient. Now you can use your smart phone scanner app to scan the code and make a donation!

Bridging Generations Update:

Thank you so much for your generous giving towards the Bridging Generations Faith Commitment Campaign!

- Number of pledges received to date: 73
- Amount pledged to date: $423,900.00
- Amount received for new construction: $124,519.38

Pledge cards are available around campus or you can contact the Church Office to inquire about giving. Thank you for joining us as we work together to bridge the generations on our church campus!

Financial Report:

The financial state of the church remains strong. The church paid apportionments in full for 2017 as well as meeting other financial obligations that arose. The only long term debt the church holds concerns the Connection Ministry building. Major improvements were made to the heating and air units at the Connection Ministry building, those funds came out of the Future Facilities account, and new units were purchased at the main church building as well. The funds for the main church building expenditure came out of the general budget.

The church staff did an excellent job remaining within their budgets. Where need arose, even beyond budget constraints, the church moved to meet those needs. Where budget line items were exceeded in some areas, lines items were well below budget in other areas. From a budgetary standpoint the church will carry significant cash reserves into 2017.

The Finance Committee in conjunction with the Future Facilities Committee are moving forward with the financial planning for the potential of a new Fellowship Hall. Our considerations will concern the church’s ability to maintain a healthy budget which serve both the congregation and the ministries of the church while also servicing the additional debt we will incur should we move forward with the project. As we move forward with this project, communication from the Finance Committee will be direct, clear and concise.

I would like to thank you for your gifts and service over the past year. The Finance Committee will continue to use your gifts in a responsible manner. If you have any questions concerning finance please contact me at your convenience.

Your brother in Christ, William J. Spivey, CFUMC Finance Chairman

Souper Bowl Offering: February 5th  Before the Falcons suit up for the Super Bowl, we will have our own Souper Bowl in worship that morning. On February 5th, soup pots will be located at each exit of the Sanctuary and Connection to receive your donations for the Clarkesville and Cornelia Soup Kitchens. We hope it’s a winning day all around, for the Falcons and our local soup kitchens! Thank you for giving generously!

Housing & Homeless Offering: February 26th  As a member of the North Georgia Conference Housing and Homeless Council, I have seen firsthand the positive impact that our special offering gifts are making across the Conference. Over 40 grants were awarded last fall to assist with a variety of needs in rural and urban settings alike. 100% of our Housing and Homeless offering goes back into our communities through these grants. When we give, we help lessen the homelessness and hopelessness of our neighbors. Thank you for giving generously.

Jennifer Boydstun, UM Deaconess, Laity representative for the Gainesville District on the H & H Council

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Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. Philippians 4:6

† Praise! Congratulations to WA and Sue Trotman on the birth of their 10th great-grandchild, Everleigh Grace. Parents are Stockton and Jennifer Trotman.
† Praise! Congratulations to Garnett and Jean Hulsey on the birth of their great grandson, Sawyer Allen, born January 19th. Parents are Dustin and Brittany Allen.
† Praise! Congratulations to Chuck and Elizabeth Pratt on the birth of their great granddaughter, Alexa Tarantino, born to granddaughter Melissa.
† Our condolences to Brian Sutton and family on the death of his wife, Margaret, on January 25th.
† Our condolences to Jack and Kathy Molnar on the death of her mother, Jane Monahan, on January 13th.
† Our condolences to Kimberly Brown and family on the death of her husband, Ed, on January 12th.
† Our condolences to Russ and Pam Spangler on the death of her stepmother, Doris DeVaney.
† Our condolences to Luis and Leslie Sanchez on the death of her mother, Dorothy Wayne, on January 13th.
† Our condolences to Peggy Taylor on the death of her sister-in-law, Ann Hill.
† Our condolences to June Givan on the death of her niece, Wendy.
† Our condolences to Ken and Miriam Iossi on the death of his brother, Herb.
† Our condolences to Garnett and Jean Hulsey on the death of John Burns, their daughter in law’s brother.
† Health Concerns: Michele Sheffield, Howard Burke, Ruth Bailey, Bill Merrick
† Loyce Guthrie is now residing at Magnolia Hills.
† Recovering from surgery: Susan Weidner, Mendy Huff, Etsel Shell, Patsy Hinely, Dulcie Ariail
† Relatives and Friends:
  Alex, grandson-in-law of WA and Sue Trotman, undergoing cancer treatments
  Viola Clack, aunt of Michele Sheffield, special prayers requested
† Our Stephen Ministry caregivers and their care receivers.
† Our CFUMC Preschool ministry
† Missionaries associated with our church family: Jeff & Holly Higgins Robinson in Tanzania (Shari H. Collins), Petrit & Meredith Kemp Lleshi in Albania (Rev. & Mrs. Tony Kemp)
† All men and women of the Armed Forces
† The leadership of our church and our government
† United Methodist Missionaries and Mission Centers we support:
  Nancy Carew—missionary in Liberia
  Rev. Chuck Jack—missionary in Redbird Missionary Conference in Kentucky
  Wallins UMC—small church on a circuit in the Redbird Missionary Conference in Kentucky
  Joy Center—Community Center in the Redbird Missionary Conference in Kentucky

To make an addition or update to the prayer list, please fill out a Prayer Request card in the pew pocket on Sunday morning, email prayer@clarkesvillefirstumc.org, or call the Church Office.

PRAYER REQUESTS
Join us in prayer for our Family of Faith

CFUMC Prayer Ministry meets weekly at 9:30am to pray in one accord as requests are lifted up to the group. Prayers are for persons, church ministries, and activities listed in the prior Sunday bulletin and for those requesting non-published prayers. If you would like to be a regular part of this group, come to the Prayer Room, C-17, in the Connection on Tuesdays.
We share life together in community!

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We don’t want to leave you out! Submit your birthday/anniversary to the Church Office if it is missing from our lists.

If you’d like to request a greeting card on behalf of the church, please contact Katrina Staples, CareMail Coordinator, katrina@clarkesvillefirstumc.org.

CONGRATS!

We would like to offer our congratulations to Michael Van Hooser, who recently scored his 1000th point! Michael is a senior on the basketball team for Tallulah Falls School. The team is currently 19-1 under coach Jim Van Hooser. Congrats, and keep up the good work!

The Mailbox

On behalf of the Camp Evergreen ministry, we'd like to thank you for the amazingly generous donation we received as a result of the Christmas Eve service offering. Know that the donation will be put to good use as we ready the camp for spring retreats and summer camps and as we invite children from our community and beyond to experience God in the great outdoors. The Grady family is so blessed to be part of such a loving and supportive Church Family, and the Camp Evergreen ministry is stronger because of your involvement in it!

Toby and Katie Grady

Dear Church Family, I truly enjoyed your Christmas greeting cards and thank you for your remembrance! Wishing you very special moments that become memories throughout the year ahead.

Peggy Taylor

God blessed Donnie and me in so many ways but none so special as the friendships He blessed us with. You are truly one of those friendships. The reception made possible by the Bereavement Committee was great. Thank you!

Christine Averett

Dear friends, thank you for your generous gift to the United Methodist Children’s Home. We give thanks that our successes are bountiful at The Children’s Home, and we will build on these successes and leverage your generosity to work tirelessly towards our goal of serving 500 children by the year 2020. Your support allows us to do more, every day, for the children, young adults and families that need our help. For that, we give thanks.

The United Methodist Children’s Home

Dear friends in mission, thank you for partnering with the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Through your gift, you are helping provide humanitarian relief when war, conflict, or natural disaster disrupt life to such an extent that communities are unable to recover on their own. Thank you for partnering with us to “Be Hope” to those who desperately need it.

General Board of Global Ministries, UMCOR

On behalf of the Murphy-Harpst Children’s Center, my sincere thanks for your gift to the Murphy Harpst Children’s Home. Because of donors like you, we are able to offer our youth the services they need to rebuild their lives and look forward to their futures.

Murphy-Harpst Children’s Home
January 29
Youth Confirmation Classes begin (10:00am)
*Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
5:30pm Youth Worship Team practice—C
6:00pm 5th Sunday Night Singing—Ebenezer UMC
6:30pm Youth—C

January 30
10:00am Fleece Blanket Ministry—FH

January 31
9:00am Sole Mates—Pitts Park
9:30am Prayer Ministry—C

February 1
**Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule

February 2
7:30am Men’s Breakfast—Crossroads Café
10:00am Skeins of Love Prayer Shawl Ministry—C
2:00pm Kite Stribling UMW Circle

February 3
12:30pm Bridge Club—C

February 5—Communion
“Souper Bowl Sunday”
*Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
6:30pm Youth Super Bowl Party—C

February 6
10:00am Fleece Blanket Ministry—FH
6:00pm Stephen Ministers Meeting—C-16

February 7
9:00am Sole Mates—Pitts Park
9:30am Prayer Ministry—C
6:00pm Trustees—AB

February 8
**Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule

February 9
7:30am Men’s Breakfast—Crossroads Café
10:00am Skeins of Love Prayer Shawl Ministry—C

February 10
12:30pm Bridge Club—C

February 12—Scout Sunday
*Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
5:30pm Youth Worship Team practice—C
6:30pm Youth—C
6:30pm Sunday Night Fellowship—El Jinete

February 13
9:30am Morning Joy UMW Circle—C
10:00am Fleece Blanket Ministry—FH
6:00pm Finance Committee—AB

February 14—Valentine’s Day
9:00am Sole Mates—Pitts Park
9:30am Prayer Ministry—C
11:00am Classic Worship Service—S
11:00am Ladies Lunch Bunch—Midtown Grill
6:30pm United Methodist Men’s Valentine Dinner—HEMC Community Room

February 15
**Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule
6:30pm Honduras Information Meeting

February 16
7:30am Men’s Breakfast—Crossroads Café
10:00am Skeins of Love Prayer Shawl Ministry—C

February 17—Youth depart for Ski Trip in West Virginia
12:30pm Bridge Club—C

February 19
*Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
6:30pm Sunday Night Fellowship—Mishima

February 20—Youth return from Ski Trip in West Virginia
President’s Day
10:00am Fleece Blanket Ministry—FH
5:15pm Habersham West Nursing Home Visitation
7:00pm Church Council—AB

February 21
9:00am Sole Mates—Pitts Park
9:30am Prayer Ministry—C
5:00pm Grapevine deadline
7:00pm Friends in Faith UMW Circle—AB

February 22
**Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule

February 23
7:30am Men’s Breakfast—Crossroads Café
10:00am Skeins of Love Prayer Shawl Ministry—C

February 24
12:30pm Bridge Club—C

February 26—Housing and Homeless Special Offering
*Regular Sunday Morning Schedule
5:30pm Youth Worship Team practice—C
6:30pm Youth—C
6:30pm Sunday Night Fellowship—Chicago’s

February 27
10:00am Fleece Blanket Ministry—FH
5:15pm Habersham East Nursing Home Visitation

February 28
9:00am Sole Mates—Pitts Park
9:30am Prayer Ministry—C
12:00pm Jetsetters Luncheon—FH

March 1—Ash Wednesday
6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service—S

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FH = Fellowship Hall  C = The Connection  S = Sanctuary  AB = Admin. Bldg

Attention! Community use of facilities is not listed on calendar due to space limitations. To minimize scheduling conflicts, please check your proposed date & time with the office’s main calendar before scheduling an event or meeting.
The Pastor’s Report

Thank you for supporting our Bridging Generations efforts. It is exciting to imagine the church having such a large Fellowship Hall that also connects the two main structures on our busy campus. At two recent funeral fellowships the limitations of our current space were quite evident. It was just too crowded for comfort.

Pray for representatives of our church as they go before the Gainesville District Committee on Church Location and Development seeking final approval for this project. After that, we will be sure and have a Church Conference where every member of the church gets to discuss and then vote on the proposal. In the meantime, please ask us any questions that come to your mind.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Brian T. Butler