

Chapel Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship 10:45 a.m.
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Brian Matthews

Since we are knocking on the doorstep of Holy Week, I want to use my space to advertise our opportunities for fellowship and worship during this most Holy Week of the year. We kick off Holy Week with the celebration of Palm Sunday and the remembrance of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to celebrate Passover. During the 10:45am service our children will help us celebrate by parading through the sanctuary waving palm branches, while we all play the role of the crowd by singing "Hosanna!"

On Thursday of Holy Week we will gather in the fellowship hall at 6pm for our own "last supper." During this service we will eat light snacks, enjoy some good old fellowship, remember Jesus' final gathering with the disciples and celebrate Holy Communion together as Jesus' disciples today.

Good Friday provides a couple opportunities for worship. At noon the entire community is invited to St. Joseph Catholic Church to participate in the Stations of the Cross, sponsored by the Ada Ministerial Fellowship. Then at 7pm we will gather in the sanctuary for a traditional Good Friday service of Remembrance,

Reflection, and Repentance. This will be a very poignant service...I hope you will make every effort to attend.

On Holy Saturday our Children's Department will have it's Easter Egg Hunt at John and Lisa Elliott's house. This will be a great opportunity to invite a family in the community to join you for some fun and games!

Easter Sunday will begin bright and early with a Sunrise service at Ed and Judy Anderson's house. The service will begin with coffee, donuts and singing at 6:45am, and conclude by 7:30am. During both services there will be special music you won't want to miss...and the sermon will end with a visual you will remember for years to come (how's that for a teaser).

Holy Week is shaping up to be an exciting week! I hope you will make every effort to attend all the special services and events, knowing you will be blessed as a result. Take care, and I look forward to seeing you in worship soon!

Jesus is Lord,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Matthews".

Pastor Brian Matthews



ECU WESLEY



ECU Wesley was present at the Student Activity Fair on Tuesday, February 27th, 2018 from 6 pm-8 pm. Britni and Emily met several students at this event.

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The guys of ECU Wesley had a fishing day at Cornerstone Ranch on Saturday, March 10th.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ECU Wesley Weekly FUSION Worship Service: Monday's @ 8 pm (unless there is no classes)
- Co-Ed Bible Study each Tuesday @ 8 pm @ the ECU Wesley
- ECU Wesley Board of Director's Meeting on April 3rd @ 6 pm
- ECU Wesley leads worship and shares our story at Marlow FUMC on April 15th
- ECU Wesley Golf Tournament on June 18th @ 8 am @ Oak Hills Golf & Country Club

Table Hoppers

It's been awhile since our last outing to Ole Red's in Tishomingo, so I'm ready to get out of Dodge! In 1889 "Oklahoma Belle Cunningham" was born in OKC. She married Lawrence Cheever in 1912. In 1927, she began selling flowers from her back yard to help with family finances during the Great Depression. This business became the family trade. In 1938, the family moved into Belle's family home on 23rd and Hudson and opened a flower shop. They purchased a flower display cooler from Chicago while living in the back of the house. The cooler is still in use as a wine cooler. The front part of the café still has the original terrazzo floors. For me, the best item on the menu is the vanilla ice cream ball rolled in pecans roasted with brown sugar and red chili. Oh yeah—and drizzled with chocolate sauce! Yum! I hope you will love Cheever's Café as much as I do! After our lunch, we'll go a few blocks south to tour the Overholser mansion built in 1903. Henry Overholser was known as "the father of Oklahoma City". We will learn about his many contributions to Oklahoma City. (Tour costs \$7.00)

MEET AT THE CHURCH FRIDAY, APRIL 6 AT 9:30 A.M.

TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE FOR THIS TRIP—CALL [580-332-4720](tel:580-332-4720) OR TEXT ME AT [580-399-0705](tel:580-399-0705).

Notes from the



By Leslie and
Clay Carley

It was a bright and breezy afternoon at the park Sunday. We had plenty of food to serve and we were also able to share with the gentlemen at the SOAR House. Sunday's menu included chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and biscuits from KFC (the makings of a perfect Sunday dinner), and desserts from Amber's Sweet Shoppe or other cookies.

Special thanks to our crew and to newcomer Paul who joined in to serve today, as well as the men from the SOAR House. Thanks you also to Bob and Janet who shared shoes and other items for the park. This week, we are asking for everyone to join us in prayer for Allen. He is in Hospice care, battling cancer. We ask for prayers for his mother who is at his side at this time. We are still getting ready for our special sale planned for March 31st at Walmart. We will be selling cakes, cookies, brownies, and other tasty treats for Easter, as well as special Easter Ornaments, (no two alike, all decorated by members of our Sunday Crew). We continue to collect necessities, including shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, combs and brushes. We cannot accept any medicines or mouthwash. Thank you all for your prayers and support, and we hope to see you again next week, for dinner at the park.

CONCERT

The Wayne Jazz Band, under the direction of our own Rozzie Purdy, will present a concert on April 5th in the CLC. The band consists of students in grades 7th-12th. They will be performing many big band favorites, Tuxedo Junction, Woodchoppers Ball, Route 66- Jazz Standards- Summertime, How High the Moon, Ja-Da, and several other tunes arranged for jazz bands. Guest soloist will be Nathaniel Berman, wood wind professor at ECU and Corey Benton, trombone, ECU Music Major. The concert starts at 6:30 pm following an evening of jazz. Sue Bricker will serve delicious assortment of cakes for the reception. The concert is free and open to the public. Bring a friend!

dates
to
Remember

Easter Egg Hunt

March 31st at 2:00 pm
Lisa and John Elliotts Home
(312 N. Hillcrest)

Mosaic

Plans are now made for one of the mosaic classes to be taught by none other than our own Jody Standard who is recognized as an outstanding counselor. She will also have Donna Birdwell as her co-teacher. They will teach on the title "Forgiveness". Please plan to register! Classes begin April 4th.

March 21st

NO CLASSES- spring break

March 28th

Christian Spirituality

Verse by Verse- by Pastor Brian Matthews
(Lindsay Classroom)

Acts 29 (Prayer)

Last Session (Library)

Calligraphy (Fellowship Hall)

April 4th, 10th, 18th, 25th

New Class

Forgiveness- by Jody Standard and Donna Birdwell
(Lindsay Classroom)

Foundation Grants are available in the office.
Please return by April 10th, 2018.

The purpose for the Foundation is exclusively religious, charitable & educational, for the benefit of the First United Methodist Church of Ada, its members, employees, programs & physical properties. The funds available to the Trustees for any Grant comes from the income received from the Foundation Invested Corpus & will be allocated by the board of Trustees on the basis of need.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

We are in need of volunteers for our VIM Medical Mission to Waslala, Nicaragua from June 7th-16th. If you are interested contact Amelda McCortney or Paula Watkins.

*Last Chance
To Get Your
Easter Lilies
Forms In!*



Its time to think about ordering or purchasing a Lily to place on our altar for Easter Sunday! We will have forms in the church office and forms in the bulletin. Deadline for forms will be on March 19th and all Lilies need to be at the church by noon on March 29th. For more information please call the office.

Opportunities of the Week



Church Family Prayer List

**Worship and Event times are the same each week,
unless announced**

Sunday	
8:30 a.m.	Worship (Chapel)
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
3:30 p.m.	Park Ministry (Glenwood Park)
Monday	
5:15 p.m.	Low Impact Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 13 Meeting
7:15 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 13 Meeting (Scout Room)
8:00 p.m.	FUSION Worship (ECU Wesley)
Tuesday	
10:00 a.m.	Talmidim Bible Study (Library)
12:00 a.m.	Prayer in the Sanctuary Prayer Room
3:30 p.m.	Voices of Praise (Choir Room)
Wednesday	
10:00 a.m.	Rebekah Bible Study
Noon	Methodist Men's Bible Study (Library)
1:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Training (Fellowship Classroom)
4:00 p.m.	Awana
5:00 p.m.	Mosaic Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m.	Bible Adventure
6:00 p.m.	Mosaic Classes
6:00 p.m.	Youth Meet-Up (Church)
6:00 p.m.	Chancel Ringers
7:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday	
5:15 p.m.	Low Impact Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
Friday	
7:00 p.m.	Youth Meet- Up (Church)

EVENTS IN

MARCH

WEDNESDAY 28th,	
1:00 pm	Knitting Group (Parlor)
5:15 pm	Low Impact Exercise (CLC)
THURSDAY 29th,	
6:00 pm	Holy Thursday Service (Fellowship Hall)
7:30 pm	District Scout Leaders Meeting (Lindsay Classroom)
FRIDAY 30th,	
12:00 pm	Stations Cross Service (St. Joseph Catholic Church)
7:00 pm	Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)
SATURDAY 31st,	
2:00 pm	Easter Egg Hunt (Lisa and John Elliotts home, 312 N. Hillcrest)

April

SUNDAY 1st,	
MONDAY 2nd,	
TUESDAY 3rd,	
12:00 pm	Church Management Team Meeting (Library)
6:00 pm	ECU Wesley Board Meeting (ECU Wesley Building)
WEDNESDAY 4th,	
8:00 am	Methodist Men's Breakfast (Aldridge Coffee Shop, 200 S. Broadway)
THURSDAY 5th,	
5:00 pm	Local Unit Leadership Team Meeting (Library)
6:00 pm	Stephen Ministry Supervisory Team Meeting (Lindsay Classroom)
6:30 pm	Wayne School Jazz Concert (Sanctuary)
FRIDAY 6th,	
10:00 am	Table Hoppers (Overholser Mansion tour/Cheevers Restaurant)

ATTENDANCE

MARCH 3rd, 2018	
Sunday School	142
Chapel Service	59
Sanctuary Service	150
Total Worship	209
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<b>March 11th, 2018</b>	
Sunday School	141
Chapel Service	55
Sanctuary Service	158
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>213</b>

*Pray* WITHOUT CEASING

**PRAYERS:** Avery Anderson, Peggy Bagley, Janet Bare, Tonya Biggerstaff, Mica Cacy, Feline Campbell, Morris Cane, Marian Craig, Dick Danielson, Scottie Furminsky, John Holt, Kim Holton, Adam Huckeby, Mary James, Bobby Johns, Ray Larsen, Chuck Lindholm, Tim Mummey, Joe Murray, Greg Perry, Amanda Ricker, The Rice Family, Suzanne Simmons, Debbra Smith, Florence Stanich, Darrel Thompson, Buddy Watkins, Dimples Walden, Jefferson Walden

**LONG-TERM PRAYERS:** Bud Blackburn, Wanda Goplen, Holly Hawk, Jennifer Hood, T.J. Johnston, Randy Johnson, Mike Manning, Cindy Minor, Johnny Moss, Glen Ray, Mary Jo Schoepflin, Jimmy Smith, Lindsay Snow, Linda Staples, Doc Stokes, Kathy Wilkin, Karen Williams

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** Stacy Brady, Megan Broderick, Holly Brady Clay, Jenny F., Amanda Jamar Herrin, Amber Keiser, Karry Baker Griese, Megan Leach