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LILIES FOR EASTER

Lilies will decorate the Sanctuary on Easter. They are \$10.00 for each name honored or memorialized.

Please complete the order form and place it with a check labeled "Lily" in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. Deadline is Palm Sunday, April 14th.

(PLEASE PRINT)

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Amount enclosed: _____



GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE...

- * Go to our website: www.spanishfortumc.org and select online giving.
- * Scan the QR code with your cell phone app for easy access to our online giving.
- * To set up a regularly scheduled automatic withdrawal from your bank account, contact Jan Webb in the church office, or via email: jan@spanishfortumc.org.



MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT SERVING THE LORD |

- John and Lisa Hamilton; OMS International in Uruguay
- Rob and Amy Ellis; Ethnos360 Missions in Tanzania, Africa
- Ronnie and Nanny Calvert; Quito, Ecuador
- Monica Maxwell; IMB Connecting, in Southern India

COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES | We ask that you begin completing a Meeting/Class/Event Request Form when needing to schedule anything on either campus. The forms are currently available in the church office. A copy of the Guidelines may be picked up as well.



PASTOR'S NOTE

One of the great classic hymns is "We're Marching to Zion!" We are certainly "marching" through this year so quickly. I want to quickly reflect back for a moment as some wonderful events happened in February. One of these was the Winter Retreat for children at Blue Lake. How grateful we are for our staff and faithful volunteers for helping make that such a blessed and meaningful event!

I hope that the Love and Laughter event was meaningful and helped bring some joy and helpful insights to marriage and family life for many in our church family and for those in our greater community. I also want to thank Tim Philpot for being the keynote speaker at our Men's Retreat at Camp Baldwin. Tim is new to our community and we are grateful for his leadership and fostering positive relationships with our Men's ministry.

As we move into March, and the season of Lent, we are looking forward to our Ash Wednesday Service on March 6th. This will be even more meaningful as Youth in our current Confirmation Class will be helping lead the service and imposing ashes. I still vividly recall my first Ash Wednesday service and the placing of ashes on my forehead. I was deeply moved in this powerful symbolic act as a reminder of my mortality and need for repentance. This is a real opportunity to "get real" in our faith journey about facing our mortality and ultimately trusting Christ as our true Savior and Lord. It will be even more special with the participation of our Youth. Hope you will make plans to be there.

Lent is a serious call to prayer and self-denial. We will all be challenged once again to practice these spiritual disciplines as we seek to faithfully follow Christ's teaching and example. Of course, these are practices we should be doing all year, not just at Lent. Ultimately, there is no greater way to live and there is not a higher calling in life. I am grateful to share in this great spiritual journey with the entire community of faith at SFUMC!

Grace and Peace, Bill

Worship & Fellowship

- Regular Schedule
- Traditional Worship - 8:45 AM (Sanctuary, Main Campus)
- Coffee Fellowship - 9:45 AM (Fellowship Hall, Main Campus)
- Contemporary Worship - 11:00 AM (Sanctuary, Main Campus)



March 2019

WORSHIP



PRESCHOOL SUNDAY | On Sunday, March 31 we will be recognizing our Preschool during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We are thankful for the outreach ministry our Preschool provides for the community.

STUDY

Adult



GATHER TOGETHER WOMEN'S LUNCHEON | You are invited to come fellowship with the other women of our congregation. We want to gather together to share stories, a meal and some ideas for the future. Sunday, March 17th at 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Cost for the event is \$5 a ticket. All money will be donated to an existing Spanish Fort United Methodist Church mission project. We will be having soup, salad, fruit and a dessert. Please register at www.spanishfortumc.org or call the church office at 626-1334 to RSVP. Tickets will be paid for at the event. Please make sure to note if you need child care on your registration along with any food allergies (or bring a packed lunch).

Church Information

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. | Friday 8 a.m.-Noon
 251-626-1334 | ministries@spanishfortumc.org
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www.spanishfortumc.org

Children



5:15 p.m.
Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

6:00 p.m.
Agape Hands Puppet
Team Summer Tour
Preview Show



Youth Area
West Campus
See you there!

March 31, 2019

LET'S HAVE LUNCH | One of Mrs. Jennifer's favorite things is lunch time! What better way for her to enjoy lunch than to spend time with your child(ren) at their school! Just complete the "Let's Have Lunch" card on our website or deliver the form to the church office. We will look at the lunch schedule and contact you to confirm the date and time when Mrs. Jennifer can eat with your child. Once confirmed you can take the School portion of the card and turn it into the school so that they are aware that she will be coming to eat on campus with your kiddos! For questions or details, please contact Jennifer Robertson at 251-626-1334 or jrobertson@spanishfortumc.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN | YES! You may register for VBS by using the QR code, calling the church office, 251-626-1334 or visiting the following link: vbspro.events/p/sfumcvbs19.



Youth

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES COMING UP!

- ◆ No Remedy Youth - 03/03/19
- ◆ No Remedy Bible Study - 03/04/09
- ◆ Confirmation Class assisting with Ash Wednesday Service - 03/06/19
- ◆ Remedy Girls & Guys Spring Retreats - 03/08 - 03/10/19
- ◆ Confirmation Retreat - 03/23 and 03/24/19
- ◆ No Remedy Youth - 3/31/19

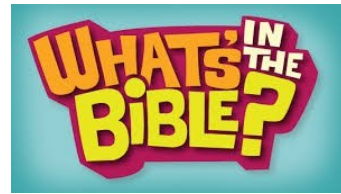
ANNUAL REMEDY GIRLS & GUYS SPRING RETREATS

| This year's Remedy Spring Retreats will be held **March 8th - 10th**. You need to make your reservations early because there are a limited number of spots for both the girls and the guys. The girls will be staying at the Smith's Beach House, while the guys will be at the Mixon's Lake House. For more information, please contact Brittney Liebbe at 251-626-1334 or brittney@spanishfortumc.org.

Adult

BIBLE 101: WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE?

Feel like you can't remember or maybe never learned the basics of the Bible? Come join us on Wednesday nights 6-7:30 p.m. beginning March 13th. This class is for adults who want to gain a better understanding of the Bible and how it all fits together. The study will be held on the West Campus in room WD102. If you have any questions, please call the church office, 251-626-1334 or contact Beth Allen at beth@spanishfortumc.org.



LENTEN STUDY | Join us this year for a 6 week Lenten Study by J.D. Walt called "Listen to Him". The study will be co-led by Pastors Bill Price & Rebecca Rutherford. It will be held on the West Campus in room WD101 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. It will run from March 13th - April 17th. The books are \$10 & can be picked up in the church office.

A NEW SMALL GROUP FOR ADULTS | All adults are invited to join us for a new small group meeting during the Discipleship hour, 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The initial format will be group discussion surrounding scriptural, historical, rational and experiential aspects of our faith. Join us on the main campus in the Lower Reed Building, room MB101, led by Asher Carmichael.

SARAH SHEPPARD CIRCLE | All ladies are invited to join the Sarah Sheppard Circle every 2nd Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. We meet on the Main Campus in the Fellowship Hall. The next scheduled meeting is March 14th, hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

SENIOR MENTORING MEN | Men, you are welcome to join us each Monday on the Main Campus in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. For more information please contact Connie Waggoner at 251-625-1147 or fredgconnie@gmail.com.

Adult

CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES | Please be aware that our usually scheduled committee meetings are changing to the following:

Trustees—Second Monday /month; 6 p.m.; WD102
Finance—Third Monday/month; 6 p.m.; WD102
SPRC—Third Thursday/month; 5:30 p.m.; WD101
Church Council—4th Monday/month; 6 p.m.; WD101

We remain to be flexible because of holidays and unexpected occurrences. We will continue to monitor this new schedule and make adjustments as necessary.

MISSION TRIP TO ECUADOR 2019 | Sign up now for the 2019 Ecuador mission trip! July 13th-20th we will be traveling to Tabacundo, Ecuador where we will be helping to build a new kitchen and dining hall at a local church. We will also be leading a VBS for about 150 children in the community. **Total cost for the trip is \$2,100.** We are planning on some fundraisers to help offset the cost. If you have any questions, contact Rev. Rebecca Rutherford by email at rebecca@spanishfortumc.org or Brittney Liebbe at brittney@spaishfortumc.org.

Spaghetti Fundraiser

March 6, 2019 ~ 5:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
donations appreciated & go to fund mission trips

MISSIONS SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER | Mission teams will be cooking and serving a spaghetti dinner on March 6th before the Ash Wednesday service. The teams will be collecting donations for the meal to go towards the trips. Dinner will be served from 5:00-5:45 p.m. Everyone come enjoy dinner and support our summer mission teams.

Children

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORK DAYS | We will begin our scheduled VBS Workdays Tuesday, March 12 and continue with the following schedule, with the exception of Spring Break Week (April 15-19): Tuesdays and Thursday - 9:00 a.m. until noon and Wednesdays - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Please join us as we prepare to ROAR with Jesus! If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Jennifer Robertson at 251-626-1334 or jrobertson@spanishfortumc.org.



SPRING FORWARD | Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 10th. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour.

**MARCH MID-WEEK DINNER MENU**

03/06	Mission Spaghetti
03/13	Pork Loin
03/20	Chicken & Stuffing Casserole
03/27	Tater Tot Casserole

Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on the Main Campus. Cost: \$5 per Person / \$20 max per family. We love our church family and if you have been affected by the government shutdown, we would like to extend an invitation to join us for a free dinner. Just come into the Fellowship Hall and sign in at the registration table. We hope to see you soon.

YARD SALE

Saturday, April 6th - 7 AM-12 PM
Contact Brittney for more details!



CHURCH-WIDE YARD SALE FOR MISSIONS | If you have gotten caught up in the Tidying Up craze on Netflix, please say "thank you" to your items and then save them for the Church-Wide Yard Sale for Missions. We will be collecting items no earlier than Thursday, April 4th, after 4 p.m. and Friday, April 5th from 2-7 p.m. on the Main Campus, MC101. The Yard Sale is on Saturday, April 6th from 7:00-12:00 p.m. Items **we will not be accepting** are: TVs, electronics, books, or golf clubs. All donated items are tax deductible. Monies collected will go to support the Mission Teams this summer.

NEW MEMBERS

Ryan and Jessica Lowell, joined on February 10, 2019.
Dennis and Pamela Bowden, joined on February 10, 2019.
Deb York, joined on February 10, 2019.
Jeff and Lydia Noble, joined February 10, 2019.
Greg and Brittney Liebbe, joined February 17, 2019.

DEATHS

The ministers and staff extend our sympathy and prayers to the following families:

Barbara Lund and family on the death of her husband, Bruce Lund. Mr. Lund died on January 29, 2019.

Stuart Woods on the death of his father, Tom Woods. Mr. Woods passed away February 21, 2019.

Joy Williams on the death of her sister, Donna Jenise Davis.

CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY | Our new directories have arrived. If you had your photo taken, please stop by the church office to pick up your copy.