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PASTOR'S NOTE

We are blessed to welcome our Worship Arts Director, Bonnie Hariel to our staff! Please read her introduction and extend to her a warm welcome!

Blessings,

Bill

Hello!

I am delighted to be the new Worship Arts Director at Spanish Fort United Methodist Church. What a joy to be given the opportunity to work with such an amazing staff and congregation! In the coming months, I hope to get to know each of you personally. We ALL have a gift to bring. What is yours?

As your Worship Arts Director, I will be working with all ages to bring our church a variety of music and worship opportunities. I am currently in the process of developing an adult Handbell Choir. If you may be interested in being a part of this group, please let me know.

A little about my family: My husband, Matt Hariel is Vice President of Finance and Operations for the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce. Matt and I met while attending the University of South Alabama. We live in the Belforest area of Daphne and have 3 children: twins Parker and Brandon (age 6) and Johnathan (age 3). The twins are nonverbal with autism and are enrolled in the Project Reach Program at Daphne East Elementary School. Johnathan attends Eastern Shore Montessori School.

So...*WHY* do we worship? According to author/speaker LaMar Boschman, there are seven key reasons:

1. We worship God because of who He is.
2. We worship God because of what He has done for us.
3. We worship God because He commands us to.
4. We worship God to bless and honor Him.



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5. We worship God because we love Him.
6. We worship God because of what He is doing on the earth.
7. We worship God so that we might draw near to Him.

It is my prayer that we, the members of Spanish Fort United Methodist Church, may find joy in worshipping our great God together. "My heart is confident in You, O God; my heart is confident. No wonder I can sing Your praises!" Psalm 57:7 (NLT)

To God be the glory!

Bonnie Hariel

WORSHIP

OUR LENTEN CHALLENGE | Please continue to be in prayer as we engage in repentance, prayer, fasting and sacrificial giving during this Lenten season. As we Listen to Him, pray for guidance in how God would have you respond to the challenge of doing what we can in



supporting "Disaster Response". We will bring our offerings collected through our Lenten Challenge to ask God's blessings over them on Easter morning!

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 Faye Childers in the church office, or via email: faye@spanishfortumc.org.



Join us for Holy Week

Community Easter Celebration | April 7 | 4:00-7:00 PM
 Palm Sunday Service | April 14 | 8:45 & 11:00 AM
 Holy Week Service | April 18 | 6:30 PM

Easter Sunrise Service | April 21 | 6:30 AM
 Easter Breakfast | April 21 | 7:15 AM
 Easter Traditional Services | April 21 | 8:15 & 9:30 AM
 Easter Contemporary Service | April 21 | 11:00 AM

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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)

Church Information

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. | Friday 8 a.m.-Noon
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STUDY

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.



IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES COMING UP! |

- ⇒ No Remedy Youth, April 7
- ⇒ Remedy Youth, April 14, 6:00 p.m.
- ⇒ No Remedy Youth Bible Study, April 15
- ⇒ No Catapult, April 17
- ⇒ No Remedy Youth, April 21

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 April 11th, hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



SOLO SENIOR MEN'S FELLOWSHIP | 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.

SERVE

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.

ADDITIONAL WAY OF ASSISTING WITH VBS | If you have always wanted to help with VBS but may not have the time or physical capabilities to do so, here is your chance! Simply follow this link, or scan this QR code, take a look at the following items, sign up for the item(s) you feel you can purchase. We have also made an Amazon Wish List where you can purchase specific items and they will ship directly to the church.

Click on the link, <https://amzn.to/2CiCDM4>, and it will take you directly to the list. There will be boxes on both campuses to collect these items. If you would like to order items and have them shipped directly to the church, simply send to SFUMC Attn: Jennifer Robertson, 6530 Spanish Fort Blvd, Suite D, Spanish Fort AL 36527.



We truly thank you in advance for your help. VBS is a very large outreach, and each of you are a vital part to making this a success.

PANAMA CITY SUMMER MISSION TEAM MEETING | For those planning to participate in the Panama City Mission Trip, please plan to meet Thursday, April 4 at 6:00 p.m. on the West Campus, WD101.

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

MISSION TRIP TO ECUADOR 2019 | Our 2019 Ecuador mission trip is quickly approaching! 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. If you would like to assist in covering traveling expenses, please write "Ecuador 2019" on your check made payable to SFUMC. If you have any questions, contact Rev. Rebecca Rutherford by email at rebecca@spanishfortumc.org or Brittney Liebke at brittney@spanishfortumc.org.

HANDBELL REHEARSAL | If you have the ability to read music and have been searching where to serve through music, maybe you need to join the Handbell Choir. We are rehearsing every Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. in the Upper Reed building on the Main Campus, MB100. For more information, please contact Bonnie Hariel at bonnie@spanishfortumc.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORK DAYS | We continue with our scheduled VBS Workdays: Tuesdays and Thursday - 9:00 a.m. until noon and Wednesdays - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. with the exception of Spring Break Week (April 15-19). 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.

COMMUNITY



COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES | We ask that you remember to complete 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.

APRIL MID-WEEK DINNER MENU |



- 04/03 - Chicken & Stuffing Casserole
- 04/10 - Salisbury Steak
- 04/17 - No Mid-Week Meal
- 04/24 - Fried Chicken

Dinner begins at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on the Main Campus.
 Cost: \$5 per Person / \$20 max per family.

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 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. **Items we will not be accepting are:** TVs, books, electronics, or golf clubs. All donated items are tax deductible. Money collected will go to support the Mission Teams this summer.

RECEPTION FOR JAN WEBB | After the many years of serving our church, Jan Webb will be retiring April 12, 2019 from her position as Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor. Jan is looking forward to her next journey in life, and all God has planned for her and her family. Everyone is invited to celebrate with her during a reception immediately after the 8:45 a.m. worship service, April 7th in the Fellowship Hall on the Main Campus.

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.

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In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

