

## PASTOR'S NOTE

October brings our Stewardship Emphasis. We will be spotlighting different ministry areas each Sunday leading up to our Commitment Sunday on October 23th. Here is the focus for each Sunday:

### October 2 | Focus on Discipleship

Pat Shubird and Cari LeMaitre

### October 9 | Focus on Youth

Zack McCraw

### October 16 | Focus on Children

Kellie Isbell and Mandy Reeves

### October 23 | Focus on Missions & Commitment Sunday

Gay Desotell

Each year we set aside this time to focus on giving to God. But this year more than our monetary giving. It incorporates the whole realm of our lives. Our time, our talents and our treasures. So often we tend to compartmentalize our Christian lives by what we might do on Sunday or Wednesday with our worship, study and service experiences. But stewardship involves our total person. After all, the greatest commandment is that we love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. That includes every part of our personhood! This is a holistic and greater understanding of stewardship.

You will be receiving a Commitment Card prior to October 23rd that has a listing of numerous ways you can engage in worship, study and service opportunities. We hope you will take time to prayerfully consider commitments you will make and bring your card to the worship service you attend on October 23rd.

Each of us have been uniquely gifted by God to build up the church so that we can more greatly fulfill the mission of Jesus in our world. It is hoped that as we spotlight these ministries you can clearly see part of how your giving makes a difference in changing lives, including our own. God be praised! Together, let us bring our best gifts to God!

Blessings, Pastor Bill

## WORSHIP

# STEWARDSHIP



*prayers, presence, gifts, service*

**STEWARDSHIP MONTH** | Begins October 2 | 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. | Main Campus | Sanctuary | Join us this month as we focus on prayers, presence, gifts, service, and commitment.

In addition, we have sent letters, information on ways to serve, and commitment cards so be on the lookout for those! **Please check your junk/spam boxes for any emails from notifications@onrealmmail.org and mark them as a safe sender so you will get communications from the church!** If you have any questions or have not received these items, please contact the church office at 251-626-1334.



**Open Prayer**  
**Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.**  
**Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Main Campus ~ Sanctuary**

[www.spanishfortumc.org/info](http://www.spanishfortumc.org/info)

**OPEN PRAYER** | Ongoing | Main Campus | Sanctuary  
You may come to pray in the Sanctuary during this very informal time for the church and its leadership, especially our own church. You can come pray and leave as you desire. For more information, please call the church office at 251-626-1334.

## WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Regular Schedule

Traditional Worship - 8:45 AM (Sanctuary, Main Campus)

Discipleship Hour - 10:00 AM (In Person & Zoom)

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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## CHILDREN & YOUTH

**KIDZ UNIVERSITY** | Ongoing | 6:30 p.m. | Wednesdays | West Campus | Children's Area | Pre K - 5th grade children are welcome to participate in age level programs that study God's word through the stories in the Bible, play games, make crafts, learn worship songs, and grow in fellowship with one another and in relationship to Christ. If you have any question, email [children@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:children@spanishfortumc.org).

**CATAPULT** | Ongoing | 6:30 p.m. | Wednesdays | West Campus | Youth Area | Grades 6-8 are welcome to join us for fun and fellowship. If you have questions, email [youth@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:youth@spanishfortumc.org).

**REMEDY YOUTH** | Ongoing | 6:00 p.m. | Sundays | West Campus | WC112 | Remedy (9-12th grades) | This is a time to gather for fellowship that is about being inspired by who God is and striving to grow in our desire to follow Him fully. If you have questions, email [youth@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:youth@spanishfortumc.org).



**CHILDREN SINGING IN WORSHIP** | October 16 | 8:45 a.m. | Main Campus | Sanctuary | Our children will be singing during the 8:45 a.m. worship service on October 16th. You do not want to miss this. It is not too late to have your children join. They practice on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. They will also be singing on December 18th. For details, contact the church office or email [bonnie@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:bonnie@spanishfortumc.org).

## STUDY

**WOW BIBLE STUDY (WOMEN OF THE WORD)** Ongoing | Wednesdays | 6:30 p.m. | West Campus | WD102, Office Area | We are a faith based study for women of all ages. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 251-626-1331.

**THIRSTY THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY** | Ongoing | Thursdays | 1:00 p.m. | Main Campus | MC100, Parlor | Join this group of ladies as they study and explore God's Word a little deeper by using a Topic Study Guide Book. For more details contact the office, 251-626-1334 or Cari LeMaitre at [carissal@bellsouth.net](mailto:carissal@bellsouth.net).

**WEDNESDAY AM BIBLE STUDY** | Ongoing | Wednesdays | 9:00 a.m. | West Campus | WD101, Office Area | Join this group of eager Bible studiers as they gather each week to study various books each semester. For more information, please contact the church office at 251-626-1334 or email Gail Yance at [kathouse@att.net](mailto:kathouse@att.net).

**BREAD OF LIFE CHRISTCARE GROUP** | Ongoing | Wednesdays | 4:00 p.m. | West Campus | WD105 | This group meets weekly for Bible study and exploring ways to be missional servants for Christ. For more information, please contact the church office.

**SARAH SHEPPARD CIRCLE** | October 13 | 10:00 a.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall | Join this group of ladies of the United Methodist Women's organization of service, each second Thursday of the month. You will enjoy a time of sharing, hearing from occasional speakers, Bible study and missional focus. For more details, please contact Debbie Wallace at [mwwal@bellsouth.net](mailto:mwwal@bellsouth.net).



## SERVE



**MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT SERVING THE LORD** | John and Lisa Hamilton; OMS International (Uruguay) | Ronnie and Nanny Calvert (Quito, Ecuador) | Monica Maxwell; IMB Connecting (Southern India) | The Ellis Family (US Currently)

## COMMUNITY

# PRIME *Timers* senior adult ministries

**PRIME TIMERS GAME DAY** | October 12 (2nd Wednesdays) | 3:00 p.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall | We had so much fun at our first Game Day, we are going to have them monthly now for games and fellowship. For more details, please email Asher Carmichael at [accarmic985@aol.com](mailto:accarmic985@aol.com) or call the church office at 251-626-1334.

**PRIME TIMERS (55+) FELLOWSHIP HOUR** | October 6 | 10:00 a.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall | This is an informal opportunity to meet and chat. For more information, call the church office.

**PRIME TIMERS LAKE GUNTERSVILLE TRIP** | November 10 | Lake Guntersville State Park | We are planning a two night stay at Lake Guntersville State Park Lodge. The deadline has passed for our special room block rates, but you can still register on your own by calling 256-571-5440. Online reservations may also be made at [alapark.com](http://alapark.com). After making reservations please call Christi in the church office to let her know that you have made your reservations so we know you are coming! You may provide your own transportation and/or carpool with others. For more details and to check bus availability, please call Sandra Carmichael at 251-751-3928.

**PRIME TIMERS BLUE ANGELS TRIP** | October 19 | 8:15 a.m. | Pensacola | Prime Timers will depart the Sanctuary parking lot at 8:15 a.m. to Pensacola and

board the Pensacola Bay City Ferry to watch the Blue Angels practice their routine. After, we will eat lunch. The group deadline has passed, but you can still register yourselves at <https://bit.ly/SFUMCBAPC>. For more information, please contact Sandra or Asher Carmichael at [acarmic985@aol.com](mailto:acarmic985@aol.com).



**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** | Ongoing | 9:45 a.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall | Join us for coffee between services. If you or your class would like to help out with this weekly event, please contact the church office at 251-626-1334.

**SOLO SENIOR MEN** | Mondays | 10:00 a.m. | Back Patio of the Spanish Fort Municipal Building | You are invited to join this group of men for a time of fellowship. For questions, please call the office at 251-626-1334.

**UMM MEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP** | October 8 (2nd Saturdays) | 8:00 a.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall | Men of the church please join us as we enjoy an outstanding breakfast with a healthy mix of fellowship, prayer, and the Word of God. We would love to see you then and bring someone with you. For more details about this meeting or the United Methodist Men, contact Ken Coale at [gk.coale@gmail.com](mailto:gk.coale@gmail.com).

**SFUMC VETERANS SERVICE MINISTRY** | October 19 (3rd Wednesdays) | 6:00 p.m. Main Campus | MC100, Parlor | Join us for a gathering of all veterans for support, information, connections, and growth. For more details, contact the church office.



**13TH ANNUAL PRODISSEE PANTRY TURKEY TROT** | October 22 | 7:30 a.m. | Daphne City Hall | Funds raised during this family friendly event will go towards this year's holiday meals for families in need in Baldwin County. For more information contact Neal Beasley,

Program Manager at 251-626-1720. You can also register here: <https://bit.ly/SFUMCTT>.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS** | Going on Now - Wednesdays | 5:30 p.m. | Main Campus | MC101, Fellowship Hall. Make plans to join us for Wednesday night supper and fellowship. Following the meal everyone will be dismissed to attend their Wednesday night classes. Main courses will be published in the weekly bulletin calendar. Please make reservations by calling the church office, 251-626-1334 or emailing [ministries@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:ministries@spanishfortumc.org) **by the Sunday prior to the Wednesday Night Supper**. Donations are greatly appreciated! We look forward to seeing you there!



**PLEASE NOTE:** The uniform closet will not be open during the month of October for its regularly scheduled day & time. If there are urgent needs, please call the church office at 251-626-1334.



**FALL FESTIVAL |**

October 30 | 12:00 p.m. | Main Campus | Front Parking Lot Join us for a great time as we celebrate the fall season with a Fall

Festival! Enjoy lunch, music, candy, inflatables, and fellowship! If you would like to donate candy, please bring it to the church office during regular business hours. For more information please contact Kellie Isbell at 251-753-8650 or email [children@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:children@spanishfortumc.org).

**ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE |**

November 20 | 2:00 p.m. | First United Methodist Church, Bay Minette, AL | Our Annual Charge Conference will combine business with worship and service. Worship will include communion and discussion of the third simple rule of Stay In Love With God. Our service will be bringing an item for the Baldwin Family Village. You may bring one of the following new items: bath mat, bath towel, wash cloths, paper towels, laundry detergent, dish towels, bath soap, shampoo, conditioner, twin/full bedding sets, hand towels, toilet paper, tissues, dish washer soap, or dish cloths.



**CHARGE CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP** | In an effort to connect with our church members, please contact the church office if you have the current mailing address for any individuals listed below:

- Caroline Carithers | Allen Cox | Gina Cox | John Cox
- Kimberly Cox | Luke Cox | Nathan Cox | Savannah Cox
- Scarlett Cox | Wil Cox | George Fred Dance | Lisa Dance |
- Matthew Dance | Thomas Dance | Brian Michael Davis |
- Kendyl Davis | Melanie Davis | Michael Anthony Davis |
- Preston Davis | Julie Feenker | Kelvin Hamil | Natalie Hamil |
- Chas Harris | Nan Harris | Kevin Owens | Kimberly Owens |
- Eddie Pearson | Linda Pearson | Chris Riley | Judy Riley |
- Brian Smith | Darrell Sudduth | Kathy Sudduth | Taylor Sudduth |
- Wesley Sudduth | Genie Tirey | Willard Tirey |
- Tammy Ulmer | John Underwood | Joyce Underwood |
- David Watkins | Michelle Watkins | Grace Allison Watson
- Kim Watson | Norman Taylor Watson | Ashley West

**NEW MEMBERS |**

Justin & Kelee Patterson

**BAPTISMS |**

Will, Wes, & Walt Patterson, parents Justin & Kelee Patterson  
Emma Michelle Gray, parents Steven & Amanda Gray

**DEATHS |** Our condolences and prayers are extended to:

Leigh White and family on the death of her father, Mr. Louis Hurley. Mr. Hurley passed away on September 23, 2022.

**COMGIN SOON!** | James Study, 10/19; Poinsettia Orders Begin, 11/06; All Saints Sunday, 11/06; Parents Night Out, 11/12; Handbells Play in Worship, 12/04; ESCS Concert, 12/05; Sanctuary Choir at Westminster, 12/06; Christmas Cantata, 12/11; A Night in Bethlehem, 12/17; Children Sing in Worship, 12/18; Christmas Caroling & Cookies, 12/18



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### GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE |

- Give ONLINE on our website at [www.spanishfortumc.org/giving](http://www.spanishfortumc.org/giving)
- Scan the QR code with your cell phone/app
- Text SFUMCGIVE to 73256 and follow the link
- Log into the Realm Connect app on your phone
- Set up a regularly scheduled automatic withdrawal from your bank account, contact Faye in the church office or at [faye@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:faye@spanishfortumc.org).
- Mail check designated as offering to 6530 Spanish Fort Blvd., Suite D, Spanish Fort, AL 36527
- Drop in mail slot by the church office front door.



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