



# The Flame

First United Methodist Church, Paragould, Arkansas

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## NEW DISCIPLE CLASS

### New Disciple Class

If you are a visitor to First United Methodist Church, and you would like to know more about United Methodism, or our church, or to become a member of First United Methodist Church, we invite you to a New Disciple class beginning on Sunday, February 21 at 10:00. The New Disciple class will meet in the basement, in the first class on the right after you descend the stairs. Hope to see you there!

### Soup & Sermon Series

The Ministerial Alliance will again be sponsoring the Soup & Sermon Series during Lent. A Sermon will begin at noon followed by a soup lunch at the following churches:

- February 18 - Griffin Memorial UMC  
Rev Chris Beebe preaching
- February 25 - St. Mary's Catholic  
Rev Michael Sutton preaching
- March 4 - First United Methodist  
Father Mike Sinkler preaching
- March 11 - Shiloh United Methodist  
Rev Shawn Strouss preaching
- March 18 - All Saint's Episcopal  
Rev Troy Mackey preaching
- March 25 - First Baptist  
Rev John Snyder preaching

Make plans to attend as we prepare for Holy Week.

### When God's People Pray

This bible study will be offered church-wide during the Lenten season and begins the week of February 21. Let's get our church focused on prayer! This will be the only study going on in the church during Lent. Please contact Tricia if you are interested in taking this study. Books will be \$11 each.

## Children's News

Tricia Weaver, Christian Education/Children's Director

### Rotation Sunday School

Thanks to everyone that is graciously helping in "Man Beside the Pool". A teacher is still needed for Arts & Crafts for "Lost and Found" which will run from February 21—March 21. To volunteer to teach, please contact Mrs. Tricia at the church, or sign the list on the bulletin board on the first floor hall.

### Children's Council

There will be a Children's Council meeting on Monday, February 22, at 6:00 pm in the Pairs and Spares classroom on the second floor. The agenda will be Easter and setting a date for VBS. Nursery will be provided.

### Wonderful Wednesday

Looking ahead: Wonderful Wednesday will not meet on March 24 because of Spring Break.

**Thanks** to everyone who contributed the 194 cans of food and \$231 that was distributed to the local food banks!



## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

(Service begins at 7:00 pm each evening)

- Monday, March 29  
Pruett's Chapel UMC  
Rev. Lynn McClure
- Tuesday, March 30  
Shiloh UMC  
Rev. Ed Harris
- Wednesday, March 31  
Griffin Memorial UMC  
Rev. Larry Hughes
- Thursday, April 1  
Campground UMC  
Rev. Bob Hager
- Friday, April 2  
First UMC  
Tenebrae Service

## Youth News

Jeff Weaver, Youth Minister

### Tony Melendez & "Toe Jam"

The concert has been rescheduled for this Sunday, February 21. We will leave at 12:45 pm from the church parking lot. Bring money to eat afterwards. There will be no youth this night because of the day trip.



## Calendar

### Sunday, February 21

8:00 am Early Service  
 \*9:00 am Contemporary Service  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 \*11:00 am Traditional Service  
 12:45 pm UMY to Tony Melendez  
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service  
 5:30 pm ABCD Group

### Monday, February 22

6:00 pm Children's Council  
 6:00 pm Drama practice  
 6:00 pm Scouts—Court of Honor

### Tuesday, February 23

6:00 pm Scouts Blue & Gold Banquet

### Wednesday, February 24

6:00 pm Men's Bible Study  
 9:00 am When God's People Pray  
 3:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday  
 5:00 pm Family Dinner  
 5:15 pm Radical Ringers  
 6:00 pm When God's People Pray  
 6:00 pm ABCD Group  
 \*6:30 pm Chancel Choir  
 7:30 pm Praise Team

### Thursday, February 25

9:00 am Prayer Ministry  
 10:15 am ABCD Group  
 Noon—Soup & Sermon @ St. Mary's  
 7:00 pm Hispanic

### Saturday, February 27

6:00 am BPW Breakfast

### Sunday, February 28

8:00 am Early Service  
 \*9:00 am Contemporary Service  
 10:00 am Sunday School  
 \*11:00 am Traditional Service  
 1:00 pm Hispanic Service  
 5:00 pm UMY / Mercy Refined  
 5:30 pm ABCD Group

\*Nursery Provided



Thanks with love and appreciation for all your expressions of kindness in Sissy's illness and death.

Emmy

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

404 West Main Street

### Ministers—Every Church Member

Bishop—Charles N Crutchfield  
 District Superintendent—Kurt Boggan  
 Pastor—Tom Letchworth  
 Director of Fine Arts Ministries—Celeste Letchworth  
 Minister of Music—Danny Davis  
 Children's Music Director—Leigh Jackson  
 Pastor to Youth and their families—Jeff Weaver  
 Children/Christian Education Director—Tricia Weaver  
 Church Administrator—Denise Chipman  
 Custodian—Iona Stone  
 Custodian—Jerry & Carla Young  
 Organist—Bernard Raley

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[www.fumcparagould.org](http://www.fumcparagould.org)

[www.arumc.org](http://www.arumc.org) (Arkansas Conference)

## Volunteers

### NURSERY

Feb. 21 Janice Wilcox (9-10)  
 Crete Rhodes (10-12)  
 Feb. 28: Elizabeth Sheldon (9-10)  
 Jamie McIlvoy (9-10)  
 Donna Jones (10-12)

### ACOLYTES

Feb. 21: Lauren Garrison, Holly Blair Benson, Anna Clara May  
 Feb. 28: Jenna Rawls, Hannah Risker, Kirby Weaver

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

February 21: Angela Newby  
 February 28: Stan, Carol & Cameron Phillips

### BLUE JEAN USHERS

Feb 21: Mike, Tracy, Travis & Payton Finch  
 Feb 28: Erik & Kerry Eliason, Dale & Caroline Schenk

### Mugging Ministry

Feb 21: Johnny Baldwin  
 Feb 28: Greg Starling

**Silver & Gold** will not meet during February and March so you can attend the Soup & Sermon series sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance.



**Sunday mornings the youth have coffee and donuts in the welcome center prior to the worship service. Tips are appreciated to help with the cost.**

## Memorials

### In Memory of

**Monra Riggs** by The Shedd Children, Ann Cathey Gregg, Brent & family, Debbie DaVault, Alvin & Carolyn Samuel, Helen Dover, Mary E Herget, Yuba Williams

**Daveda Misenhimer** by Jim L. Wilbourn, Yuba Williams

**Freada Williams** by Ann Cathey Gregg

### In Honor of

**Tom & Celeste** by Joe & Jennifer Schreit

**Family Dinner**— Don't forget to sign up for dinner on February 24.



## MISSING

From the kitchen:

- ✓ A 5 gallon soup pot
- ✓ Tall clear glass vase

If you are missing a dish that was left at the church, check the storage closet.

The following are missing from the Beth Moore studies

- ✓ 2 DVD's from *Jesus The One and Only*
- ✓ The full set of DVD's from *Stepping Up*
- ✓ 1 DVD from *Beloved Disciple*

If you find them, please return to the church office. Thanks!

We are also missing keys to the vans. Please look to see if you have any and return to the office. Thanks!

## Prayers / Presence / Gifts

Weekly Budget Needs 13,460.56  
 Weekly Contributions 8,417.58

YTD Contributions 72,383.75  
 YTD Budget 94,223.92  
 2010 Budget 699,494.00

## Attendance

	Feb 14	Last Year
8:00	30	29
9:00	211	168
11:00	119	160
<b>Total</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>356</b>

## Hospital

### Prayer Requests

SPC Andrew Goodwin  
 Spc Jeremiah MacDonald 875th  
 Johnny Townsley Bette Brewer  
 Randy Boyd Jerry Yates  
 Sara MacDonald Kristi Millard  
 Bill Burnett Jackson Shepherd  
 Jordan Davidson Berneice Howard  
 Don Hudson Janese Hyde  
 Tommy Shirley Candi Crosno  
 Nichole Babcock Keith Bean  
 Keith Willis Ronnie Reeves  
 Joan Rattton Joyce Vallentine  
 Martha Crump Gretta Jernigan  
 Gayle Eden Mary Stark  
 Lori Thompson Jane McKenzie  
 Brian Noland April Smith  
 Claude Martin Noah Crowe  
 Keith Griffith Yuba Williams  
 Ryan Hobson Kenyon Huggins  
 Melissa Becton Mary Carr  
 Tyler Smith James Rashke  
 Alice Jones Tim McCarty  
 Maleta Scudder Marti Refkin  
 Anna Bass Glenda Kaminer  
 Karen Stanczek Cline Stan Weatherford  
 Roella Williams Melvin Crabtree  
 Alesia Kjorlaug Royce Williams

*Please inform the church office if a name can be removed from this list. Thank you*

**Sympathy** is extended to Alan & Mary Beth Walter on the death of Mary Beth's grandfather, W.T. Blankenship, Sr.