

## The Calendar is filling up

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We are about to begin all of our Lenten and Easter preparations. Again, I want to thank you for all that you are doing in and through this ministry. There are numerous responsibilities in the next few months and I do appreciate your willingness to do what it takes to get this all accomplished. Here is a rundown of this spring season and a bit beyond:

Great Night is moving forward and we will present this wonderful evening on Sunday, February 12. We should all be in place at Mattie Kelley by 4:00. Great Night will begin at 6:00 and we are expecting another great crowd as we worship together.

Our Spring Musical is "Through the Torn Curtain" and is set for Sunday, April 2. We will preview our musical on Wednesday, February 15 and begin the focused work on this on Wednesday, March 1. This will be a great time to invite guests as well as those who would consider joining us for the musical. We are including communion as a part of our presentation and I believe this will make a great time of

# Church Happenings

Youth Choir Fundraiser Sub Sandwich Sale 2-5-17

Youth Ministry
Valentine Dinner
2-10-17

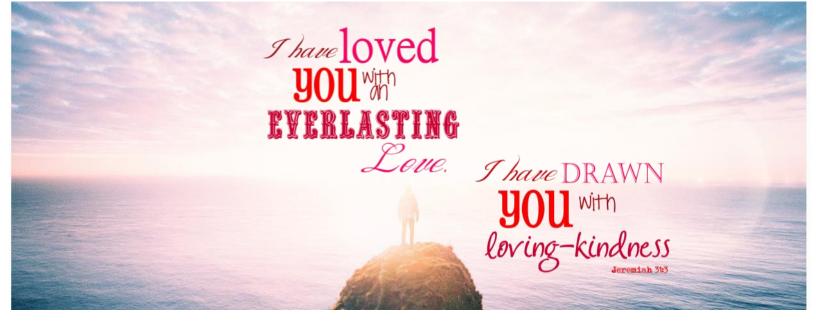
Great Night of Methodist Singing 2-12-17

Friendship Club Lunch 2-14-17

UMM Pancake Breakfast 2-18-17

Church Council Meeting 2-20-17

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worship for this Lenten season.

Speaking of March 1; this is Ash Wednesday. Pastor Philip has asked us to participate in the 6:00 service. We will present an anthem and help lead the service. Once we have shared this time, we will go to the music suite to rehearse our musical as well as look at the anthems upcoming.

Easter Day is April 16. We will celebrate by singing at the 8:00 and 11:00 services. Remember, this is the one time in the year that we need you in the loft for the entirety of both services. Our orchestra will be with us and as is our custom, we will conclude these services by singing Handel's "Hallelujah."

There are several other items that need to be on your calendar. Look at the Upcoming Dates of Interest for a listing.

Continued blessings to you and your families as we serve our Lord together!

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow! ~Brad





### Love One Another

Marcia WrightReynolds - President

### 1John

<sup>4</sup> My loved ones, *I warn you*: do not trust every spirit. Instead, examine them carefully to determine if they come from God, because the *corrupt* world is filled with *the voices* of many false prophets.

<sup>7</sup>My loved ones, let us devote ourselves to loving one another. Love comes straight from God, and everyone who loves is born of God and truly knows God. <sup>8</sup> Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

Above are two passages from 1 John. Both spoke to me about our current world climate and especially, in light of Valentine's Day, remind us of the need to love one another as Christ loves us. Have a beautiful February, and as always, I'm looking forward to 'Great Night'! See you there!

Love to my choir family, Marcia



one another.

As I have loved JOU,

so you must love one another.

~lohn 13:34

### February Anthem Schedule

**February 5** "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"

February 12 "Sing Your Song through Me"

February 19 "Jesus Saves"

**February 26** "We Are the Church"

### Upcoming Dates of Interest

February 1 Great Night rehearsal FWB First UMC, 7:00 pm

**February 8** Great Night rehearsal Crosspoint in Niceville, 7:00 pm

February 12 Great Night of Methodist Singing, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, 6:00 pm

March 1 Ash Wednesday service at 6:00 pm

Through the Torn Curtain rehearsals begin, 7:00 pm

**April 2** Lenten Musical – 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 services

April 9 Holy Week

April 13 Maundy Thursday, 7:00 pm
April 14 Good Friday service at 7:00 pm

**April 15** Easter Fest at 10:00 am

Break Free, Holy Saturday, 6:00 pm

**April 16** Easter Sunday

April 21/22 Youth Choir Dinner Theater

May 7 Children's Choirs Musical, 6:00 pm

May 11 Worship Ministries Banquet

June 5-9 Vacation Bible School

June 9-18 Youth Choir Mission Tour (Commissioning Concert is Wednesday, June 7)

**July 2** God and Country Celebration

## "Through the Torn Curtin"

February 15 Preview

March 1 Rehearsals begin

**April 2** Performance night—Invite everyone!

# Happy Birthday!

2/6 Jimmy Given 2/17 Lelia Trippe

2/7 Angie Jordan 2/18 Susan Daugard

2/7 George Crews 2/29 Susie Flood

2/15 Sara Michaelson