

MESSENGER

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February 2 through April 12



Funds will be collected during this period for all the annual mission offerings received at TMBC. Each family is asked to commit to give

\$20 per week for 10 weeks (\$200) to missions.

Mission offering envelopes have been distributed with the monthly contribution envelopes.

Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 26, 6:30 pm, Sanctuary

Join with our TMBC family as we begin the season of Lent with a service reflecting on our deep need for the grace and redeeming work of Jesus Christ in our lives, as individuals and as a church.



Senior Adult
Valentine Banquet
Sunday, February16
5:00 pm
Reserve Your Spot Now.
Sign Up on the Bulletin Board.

The Lord's Supper in Worship

Sunday, February 23, 10:55 am, Sanctuary

Our church remembers and gives thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for us and for all people as we gather at the Table of the Lord during morning worship.

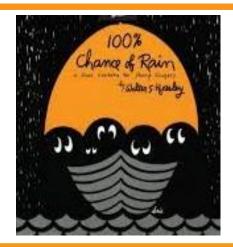


Music Makers and Young Musicians (Grades one through five choirs) are preparing for

100% Chance of Rain!

It is not too late for additional children to join the spring musical preparation. Rehearsals are held each Wednesday at 6:00 pm (followed by Mission Kids at 6:45) and on select Sunday afternoons at 3:00 pm. All children grades one through five are welcome! The musical will be presented in morning worship on Sunday, April 26.

And don't forget: Music Friends (Preschoolers through Kindergarten) also meet each Wednesday at 6:00.



Why Multigenerational Worship?

Many churches have chosen to offer worship gatherings specifically for different generations, including separate opportunities for children, teenagers, young adults, etc. You have probably noticed that here in our church we welcome all generations to worship together. We do offer extended care for preschoolers, but even they are in the worship gathering with us for a portion of the service. And we offer a bimonthly opportunity for grades one through six that the church has labeled "Junior Church," but those children, too, remain in the service for a portion of the service. Why have we chosen this approach to worship? There are many reasons, but here are three of the most significant:

The church's worship gathering is the focal point in the week for the *whole* church to praise God together, to pray together, to give thanks together, to hear God's Word together, and to be more fully formed as Christ's church on mission together. It follows, then, that we *all* should be in attendance and offer ourselves in active participation.

Children and teenagers should see and hear their parents worshiping God as a part of the church. As parents, we want to help our children to learn how to discern wisely among all of the options available to them in life. Surely we want them to come to prioritize their faith and their full participation in the life of the church. Seeing parents consistently, faithfully, and actively participating in the worship life of the church from Sunday to Sunday helps instill in children a sense that this time of giving to and receiving from God is of the highest priority.

The church's worship gathering ought to be a reflection of all of Christ's church, including people of all ages and walks of life. It is good that we worship with people who bring differences in appearance, culture, politics, and socioeconomic status because it reminds us of a critical truth: we are all equal at the foot of the cross of Jesus. It is not our transient disagreements that make the difference, it is our unity as the Body of Christ and our shared belief that it is only by faith and God's grace that we are welcomed into God's family, which is manifested on earth as the church.

May all of us covenant together to follow the teaching of scripture that we should be intentional about gathering with our whole church family regularly and faithfully in 2020! (See Hebrews 10:19-25.)

Soli Deo gloria,

Andy Roby



Relay for Life Coffee Shop Fundraiser

February 2 and 9, 9:15—9:50 am, Outside Fellowship Hall

Coffee and Hot Chocolate- \$2.00 Baked Goods—\$1.00

Contact Sharon Halsey or Mandy Messerli for more information or to provide baked goods for the sale.

February Deacons of the Week



Dale Newton
January 26—February 1
252-412-0011



John Gainey February 2-8 252-917-0515



Jamie Bullock February 9-15 252-561-5993



Susan Snellings February 16-22 540-645-2255



John Sugg February 23-29 252-560-0764

MEMORIAL MATTERS!

Thirty-Year Anniversary Reception for Fran Wilson





Facility Use Policy

TMBC Facility Request Forms are available in the rack outside the office. Please complete the form and return to the church office to insure your space is available.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

EACH FRIDAY BEGINNING JANUARY 25

9:30-11:30 AM

TMBC CONFERENCE ROOM

STUDY ON PSALMS

CONTACT SUSAN SNELLINGS OR MARCIA PLEASANTS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

In Our Prayers

A new prayer list begins the first of each month. Call the church office if you would like to add or remove someone from the list.

Gerstle Dendy (Larry Dendy's mother)
Tyler Lumley

Alan Myers (Nancy Goodwin's nephew) Emily Beasley (Sandra Styron's niece) Adell Prescott

Susan Haynie Hill (Dot Haynie's daughter) Cheri Staten

John Burton (Scott Godefroy's cousin)

Nat Brackenhoff

Norma Pelleu

Damien Moore

(Coral Whichard's cousin's grandson)

Jane McRoy (Kennith Whichard's sister)
Barbara Hardy

Thomas Brickhouse (Sandra and John Gainey's brother-in-law)

Homebound/Shut-Ins

Beverly Dickens
Doris Evans
Norman Little
Doris Pappendick
(Jimmy Bryant's mother-in-law)
Pauline White

2020 Church Directories Are Available in the Church Office.

Extended Session Volunteers

February 2—Marcia Pleasants and Pattie Allen

February 9—Vickie Carden and volunteer needed

February 16—Two volunteers needed

February 23—Luisa Haynes and volunteer needed

Contact Abbi Mullens for more information.

Where We Stand as December 31, 2019

What We Needed What We Gave What We Spent Designated Giving (Outside the Budget) \$-\$100,000 \$200,000 \$300,000 \$400,000 \$500,000 \$600,000 \$700,000

January Attendance

	Sunday School	Worship
January 5	142	142
January 12	161	170
January 19	140	142
January 26	141	157



Wednesday
February 5, 5:30 pm
Fellowship Meal

Homemade Lasagna, Salad Bread and Dessert

Cost: \$6.00/Adult, \$3.00/Children (3-12)
Call the church office to sign up by noon on February 4.
Reservations are required.



Coming Up in February

	February 2		10/20 Missions Offering Begins	
	February 9	2:30 pm	Called Church Conference	
	February 10	5:30 pm	Property and Grounds Team Meeting	
3	February 16	10:55 am	Worship with Baptism	
9		1:30 pm	Church Ministry Council	
4		5:00 pm	Senior Adult Valentine Banquet	
Ē	February 23	10:55 am	Worship with Communion	
June !	February 26	6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service	
	*Each Wednesday	10:00 am	Knitting with Nat	
	Lacir Weariesday	6:00 pm	Wednesday Night Activities	
	*Each Thursday	12:30 pm	Sanctuary Prayer Café	
		7:00 pm	Line Dancing	