

Pastor's Pen

Dear Friends,



As a female Pastor, it is no surprise that I resonate well with what it means to support and encourage women leaders within the church. It is a great honor to be serving in a denomination that ordains and welcomes women as equals into the full life and ministry of the church. Since serving here as the Associate Pastor of FUMC of Port St. Joe, I have been overwhelmed by a positive and loving congregation that welcomed me with open arms. I have learned so much in these last few years, but the most important thing I have reflected on lately is that the voice I have is worth using and that we all are called to share boldly the love of God and be a light of Christ in the areas we are placed in our lives.

You may not be aware of this, but I have also been serving as Co-Chair of the Commission on the Status and Role of Women (COSROW) of the Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church. Even though we have been living in uncertain times as a denomination, I was invited to serve with other leaders-both clergy and lay-to help advocate for women in the life and leadership of the local church. Since the month of March celebrates International Women's Day globally, our conference through AWF COSROW invites everyone to join us for the annual International Women's Day Celebration via zoom on Wednesday March 8 to celebrate all Clergy and Lay women in the local churches of our conference. The panelists this year includes our wonderful Lay Leader, Carolyn Witten! If you are interest in attending the zoom meeting, contact chelsey@psjumc.org or call the church office.

In Love and Grace,

Rev. Chelsey Brown



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Things

Children's Ministry

Wednesday March 15 there will be no Kids' Life or Little Lambs due to spring break.

Our church wide egg hunt is scheduled for Sunday, April 2 following worship and a picnic lunch. Be on the lookout for boxes in the great hall to donate candy and eggs.

The absolute final deadline to register children (current 3rd-5th graders) for summer camp is March 27. See Laura for paperwork or find it in the fellowship corner of the Great Hall.

Children's Church for children third grade and younger during the sermon time each Sunday.

Children's Sunday School Monument House 11AM-12PM each Sunday after worship.

Little Lambs and Kids Life Wednesdays 5:30-7:00PM at the MLC.

Youth Ministry

March 13-17 Spring Break - No Youth

March 26 Youth Fundraiser Lunch at the Great Hall

March 26 Sunday Funday at Salinas Park

Wednesday Nights 5:30 - 7:30PM STAC HOUSE

Church Service 10:00AM The Great Hall

Sunday School 11:00AM The Monument House

Music Ministry

FUMC PSJ Music Ensembles

Young Singers- Wednesdays 3:15-4PM Great Hall.

Bell Choir- Wednesdays 4-5PM Great Hall.

Chancel Choir- Wednesdays 5PM Ministry Center.

Community Music Organizations & Partnerships

Bay Area Choral Society

- Tuesdays 6-7:30 (8)PM

Trinity Episcopal Church Apalachicola.

Bus leaves Great Hall location by 5:30PM.

Panhandle Players Musical Rehearsals- M, F, 6-8 Great Hall. If you are interested in singing in the chorus for the PHP Spring Musical, please contact director of music, Paul Brown, regarding a rehearsal and performance schedule. 850-247-2164

More Things

Sunday School for All Ages!

*Adult 8:45AM 104 Walkabout Ct Leader: Mike St. John

*Adult 9AM Monument House Leader: Mike Whitfield

*Senior Adult 11AM Great Hall (Pidgeon-Rish Class)

*Youth 11AM Monument House Leader: Lynn Marshall

*Children 11AM Monument House Leader: Laura Barkalow

*Adult 5:00AM Monument House (Marie Jones Class) Leader:

Mazie Stone

Wednesday Activities Young Singers 3:15PM Great Hall. Bell choir 4:00PM GH. Choir 5:00PM Ministry Center. Dinner 5:30PM Great GH. Pastor's Bible Study/Meeting 6:00PM GH. Youth 5:30PM STAC House. Little Lambs/Kid's Life 5:30PM MLC Building. Nurse available in the Great Hall.

Prayer Requests Email info@psjumc.org or contact the church office.

We have Sunday/Wednesday nursery for infants -K4 located behind the Great Hall, next to the kitchen.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00am at the Monument House. Beginners are welcome to join. For more information, contact Kay Kline beachbabecsb@gmail.com or 502-314-4444.

Altar Flowers If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please sign up on the flower calendar by contacting the church office—at least two weeks prior to your flower presentation.

Book Buddies Do you love books? Do you want to share your love of books with others? Book Buddies from First United Methodist Church reads to children each week in the 1st and 3rd Grades at Port St Joe Elementary School. Contact Amy St. John 360-280-1167.

Methodist Men meet first Sunday of each month at 8AM in the Great Hall. Next meeting March 5. All men invited!

Women of Faith (UMW) meet the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM at the Monument House. Next meeting March 7. We encourage all women to join us as we plan this year's mission projects for our community.

Job Opening Two Fish Food Market Food Pantry Assistant Reports to chairperson of the Methodist Caring Ministry. Salary: Part Time/20 hours per week/\$15.00 per hour. Basic Duties: Oversight of pantry during hours open (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday); ordering foods from various vendors; overseeing delivery and pickup of food from various sites; data collection; statistical reports; working with and providing guidance to volunteers working in the pantry; working closely with the CFO regarding expenditures and deposits; participating in meetings, calls with Second Harvest of the Big Bend; other administrative duties as needed in terms of the operation of Two Fish Food Market. To apply, click the link <https://www.indeed.com/q-Food-Pantry-Assistant-l-Port-Saint-Joe-FL-jobs.html>

Important News

Wednesday Night Bible Study Schedule 6PM Great Hall: March 1- Lectio Divina March 8- Praying the Psalms, March 22- Centering Prayer, March 29- The Examine.

Lenten Small Groups is a Six Week Study of the Gospel of Luke through Adam Hamilton's Study, *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws* February 26 through April 2 in Host Homes. Each week the small groups will watch the video sessions connected with each chapter of the book, and assigned facilitators will guide their group's discussion with the help of the Leader's Guide. Sign-up at church, the office, or online. Books are not required.

Small Group Schedule (beginning week of February 26):

*Mondays at 3PM ***This venue is now at full capacity**
Witten House 604 20th Street PSJ

*Mondays at 4PM

Davis House 138 Mainsail Lane Cape San Blas

*Tuesdays at 10AM

St. John House 104 Walkabout Court PSJ

*Tuesdays at 5:30PM Dinner/ 6:00PM Study

Barkalow House 2013 Garrison Avenue PSJ

(Families with kids are welcome! A movie/activity will be provided for the kids)

*Thursdays at 9:30AM ***This venue is now at full capacity**

Johnson House 630 Gulf Aire Drive St. Joe Beach

*Thursdays at 6PM ***This venue is now at full capacity**

Abrams House 315 Beacon Road St. Joe Beach

Men's Bible Study Every Tuesday 7:45-8:30PM in the Great Hall. Study begins March 7. Contact Chuck Moore for more information 912-222-4470.

International Women's Day Celebration March is Women in Leadership month. Alabama West Florida Conference's Commission on the Status and Role of Women (COSROW) is co-chaired by Rev. Chelsey Brown. Pastor Chelsey's committee is hosting their annual event on Wednesday, March 8 1PM EST to celebrate all women in our Conference, both clergy and laity. The panelists this year include our Lay Leader Carolyn Witten. If you are interested in attending by zoom, contact chelsey@psjumc.org.

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 12. Don't forget to "spring forward" one hour.

Spring Break March 13-17. Church offices will be closed.

Bay Area Choral Society (BACS) Spring Concert Friday, March 31 6PM in the Great Hall. Tickets \$10 adults/\$5 students, available in the Ministry Center and from Paul Brown.

Holy Week Volunteers needed to assist with Holy Week (April 3-7) meals: set up, clean up, serve, and meal preparation—soup, sandwiches, dessert. Contact Carolyn Witten to sign up carolynwitten@gmail.com.

Palm Sunday Activities On Sunday, April 2 please join us for our Worship Service at 10AM at Centennial Park (behind Centennial Building). Easter Egg Hunt and fried chicken dinner to follow. Bring a folding chair or blanket.

Holy Week Services April 3-7 12:00PM in the Great Hall with a meal to follow.

March Birthdays

Happy Birthday:

1st- Boyd Bulger

Mark McCagg

2nd-Don Sehlke

3rd-Lynda White

5th- Boyd Kline

Mitzi Bulger

Claire Matney

6th- Linda Freeman

James Chancellor

Caleb Zur Heiden

Karen Marsh

7th- Nancy Nevles

8th- Alyson Gerlach

10th- Beckie Fulcher

Hayden Palmer

JoAnne Buzzett

11th- Jennifer Sherrill

12th- Danny Tankersley

Krichelle McGhee

13th- Anna Hicks

14th- Lynne Whitfield

John McInnis

Vivian Miller

Robert Williams

B.J. Denton

Elizabeth Furstenberg

David Odom

15th Matthew Howell

Sarah Sanborn

18th - Alison Kerigan

20th - Andy Shoaf

Joe Bush

21st - Barry Adkison

Harvey Hennington

Nicole Windolf

Marjorie May

22nd- Ann Barnes

23rd- Diane Furstenberg

25th - Jenny Garth

David Bowman

26th - Lee Miller Ernst

Monica Harris

27th- Jacob Tankersley

29th- Coy Knox

Kevin Sumner

30th- Charlie Cox

March Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary:

1st- Joe and Mary Bush

5th- Kevin & Deborah Tuttle

14th- Skip & Jane Griffies

Celeste Putnam & Peter

Tanzy

20th- Larry & Kathy Wilson

Wes & Heather Jones

21st- Kris & Diane

Furstenberg

30th-Fred & Tamara Flowers

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