



Ferris Heights

United Methodist Church, Waxahachie TX

In God's name . . . Build, Belong, Serve. It's Our Legacy!

April 2023

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Office Hours

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Monday-Thursday

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Sunday School & Worship

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Pastor's Column

As we enter into April, we are quickly approaching one of the most significant weeks in the Christian calendar: The Holy Week. This is a time when we remember and reflect on the most sacred events leading up to Jesus' suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection, and it culminates in the celebration of Easter Sunday.

During Holy Week, we walk with Jesus through His triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, His last supper with His disciples on Maundy Thursday, His arrest, trial, and death on Good Friday, and His resurrection on Easter Sunday. Each of these events is crucial to our faith and understanding of God's unconditional love for us.

To help us delve deeper into these themes and to prepare our hearts for Easter, I encourage you to join us for our upcoming events during the Holy Week. I am especially excited to watch the Living Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, dramatizing Leonardo da Vinci's famous painting of the Last Supper combined with live stories from the twelve disciples. It begins with the crockpot dinner and ends with Holy Communion. We offer a prayer vigil on Good Friday for you to meditate and reflect on the meaning of the crucifixion of Jesus. Then, we will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday with breakfast, worship service, and an egg hunt.

Following Easter, you will be invited to join us for a sermon series, called *Easter Christians*. In this series, we will explore six themes that we are called to practice as Easter Christians: *Life over death, Community over Isolation, Fun over Drudgery, Bold over mild, Now rather than later, and Frontier over fortress*. In particular, I believe that this series will help us to better understand and appreciate the significance of Holy Week and Easter. By focusing on the themes, we will be better equipped to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and to share the good news of His love with others.

May God bless you richly during this holy season, and may the hope of Easter fill your hearts with joy and peace, for HE IS RISEN!

Your Pastor, Rev. John Han

HOLY WEEK



April 2: **Palm/Passion Sunday**
Worship, 10:00 a.m.

April 3: **Living Lord's Supper Rehearsal, 6:00 p.m.**

April 6: **Maundy Thursday**
Crockpot Dinner / Living Lord's Supper Play
6:00 p.m., Crockpot Dinner, hosted by Ferris Heights UMC Member Care team.
The Play will be after Crockpot Dinner.

April 7: **Good Friday Prayer Vigil, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**
Sign up for a time to pray in the Sanctuary.

April 9: **Easter Sunday**
9:00 a.m. **Youth Bake Sale**
(Benefits the youth in mission)
9:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
10:00 a.m. **Worship Celebration**
(Bring flowers for the living cross.)
11:00 a.m. **Easter Egg Hunt**
No Sunday School this day

Living Lord's Supper



You are invited to see the Living Lord's Supper at Ferris Heights UMC.

Watch the story unfold before your eyes as you see Jesus and his disciples share in the Last Supper. Marvel at the stories that are shared by the Disciples. Hear what becomes of their well being and life after Christ's Death.

The Play-*Living Lord's Supper* will be Thursday, April 6, 6:00p.m. We will have a crockpot dinner before the play, hosted by Ferris Heights Member Care Team.

Please RSVP to the church office
ASAP, 972-937-2344

Youth Bake Sale

The Youth are having their Bake Sale this Easter Sunday, April 9, to support the Mission Trip with U.M. Army, June 18-24 this year.



Sermon Series

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| 4/2/2023 | Psalm 22:1-8 <i>Christ in the Psalms: The One Who Was Forsaken</i> |
| 4/9/2023 | John 20:11-18 <i>I Have Seen the Lord!</i> |
| 4/16/2023 | John 11:17-27 <i>Easter Christians: Life over Death</i> |
| 4/23/2023 | Acts 2:42-47 <i>Easter Christians: Community over Isolation</i> |
| 4/30/2023 | Psalm 118:15-25 <i>Easter Christians: Joy over Drudgery</i> |

United Women in Faith



The UWF will meet on April 17, 6:30 p.m. We encourage all ladies in the church to join us.



Bring your children & Grandchildren

Prayer Vigil

We will have a Prayer Vigil on Friday, April 7, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. There is a sign up sheet in each foyer, for times you can come and pray. You can also come anytime to pray during the day. Please be mindful of those around you. Thank you to the Intercessory Prayer Team for hosting this Prayer Vigil.



Easter Breakfast



Easter morning we will have a churchwide Easter Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. On the menu is: breakfast casseroles, fruit, donuts & pastries, coffee and orange juice. If you would like to sign up to bring a dish, see Sherry or Billy Wright. Please have your dish here by 8:45 a.m.

Sunday Leaders

Worship Leaders:

April 2 Karen Lawton
 April 9 Nancy Cannada
 April 16 Ruth Shugart
 April 23 Open
 April 30 Open

Children's Time:

Karen Lawton
 Ruth Shugart
 Shannon Goretska
 Dianna Robertson
 Ruth or Karen

Worship leaders are needed for future months. Worship Leaders will lead the congregation in the Call to Worship, Hymn singing, & reading of the Scripture for the day. Sign up by writing your name on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the stairs or by contacting Lay Leader, Ruth Shugart.

Lock up schedule in 2023:

April: Sherry Wright, May: Karen Lawton

June: Carolyn Jenkins, July: Ann Moir

Your Are Invited to a Baby Shower for Ryan & Jennifer Taylor



Ryan & Jennifer Taylor are having a Boy in May of this year. How exciting! His name will be Luke Wayne Taylor. Ferris Heights UMC would like to shower the Taylor family with gifts for baby Luke, on Sunday April 16, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Big sister, Landry is excited for the arrival of her little brother!



You Are Invited to the Wedding of Kaylee Nelson and George Lawton III

Kaylee Nelson & George Lawton III request the honor of your presence at their wedding. April 29, 2:00 p.m., Ferris Heights UMC Sanctuary. Reception to follow.

5th Sunday Potluck Lunch

April 30 will be the 5th Sunday in April. We will have a Potluck Lunch this day after worship service. Bring your favorite dish.



1924 Baldwin Piano in Wesley Hall



Does anyone know who donated or bought the baby grand piano in Wesley Hall? If you know anything about it, could you please speak to Ann Moir or the church office? Thank you so much.

April Birthdays

Gary Fox 01
 Blayne Wilson 01
 McClain Lynch 04
 Trent Stapleton 08
 Dawn Davis 09
 Tommy Johnston Jr. 11
 Gerald Kelsey 12
 Olivia Sell 11
 Trenton Brown 15
 Kristi Colvin 16
 Shari Mutulo 20
 George Lawton 21
 Dianna Robertson 23
 Marco Machuca 25
 Ruth Shugart 25
 Emmie Green 28



May Birthdays

Christian Daughtry 01
 Felix Reina 03
 Chelsea Daughtry 05
 Wendy Sanders 06
 Lisa Lasater 09
 Denise Campbell 10
 Charla Kitchens 16
 Cashlee Fox 21
 Katelynn Loveless 23
 Billy Wright 25

March 2023

YTD AVG Worship Attendance

| | Oct. 22 | Nov. 22 | Dec. 22 | Jan. 23 | Feb 23 | Mar. 23 |
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| In Person | 57 | 57 | 57 | 55 | 56 | 55 |
| Online | 57 | 59 | 58 | 56 | 59 | 59 |

YTD Connectional Giving Paid 2/10th

Income \$12,322
 Expense \$17,196

Monthly FHUMC Activities:

Cut out and place on your fridge

Sunday Youth, 11:00 a.m.
 Monday Quilting 10:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Quilting 10:00 a.m.
 Choir, 6:00 p.m.

Calendar

April 2 Palm Sunday, 10:00 a.m. worship. Choir Special.
 April 3 Rehearsal Living Lord's Supper, 6:00 p.m.
 April 5 Choir practice, 6:00 p.m.
 April 6 Crockpot Potluck Supper & Living Lord's Supper 6:00 p.m.
 April 7 Good Friday Prayer Vigil, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 April 9 Easter Sunday:
 Youth Baked Goodies Fundraiser
 Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service—*Bring Flowers for the Living Cross.*
 Easter Egg Hunt after worship service.
 April 10 Easter Holiday—the church office will be closed.
 April 16 Baby Shower for the Taylor's.
 April 29 George Lawton III and Kaylee Nelson wedding, 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, a reception follows in Wesley Hall. All church is invited.



Youth to see Move: Jesus Revolution



Trustee & Board Member *Mike James* (L) prepares for the lift to enter the sanctuary. *John Mark Goretzka* (in R Photo) operating the lift and changing light bulbs in the Sanctuary March 2023. THANK YOU!



Ferris Heights UMC Quilters in March 2023: *Mary Canada, Janice James, Ruth Shugart, Betty Campbell & Rev. Helen Brock*

Surprise Birthday Celebration before Sunday School Class, March 12, for *Kathryn Harriman and Betty Campbell*

