



# Newsletter

First United Methodist Church 608 South Grandview DeWitt, Arkansas 72042

April 2018



## Lay Speaker Training

Saturday, April 21  
DeWitt FUMC

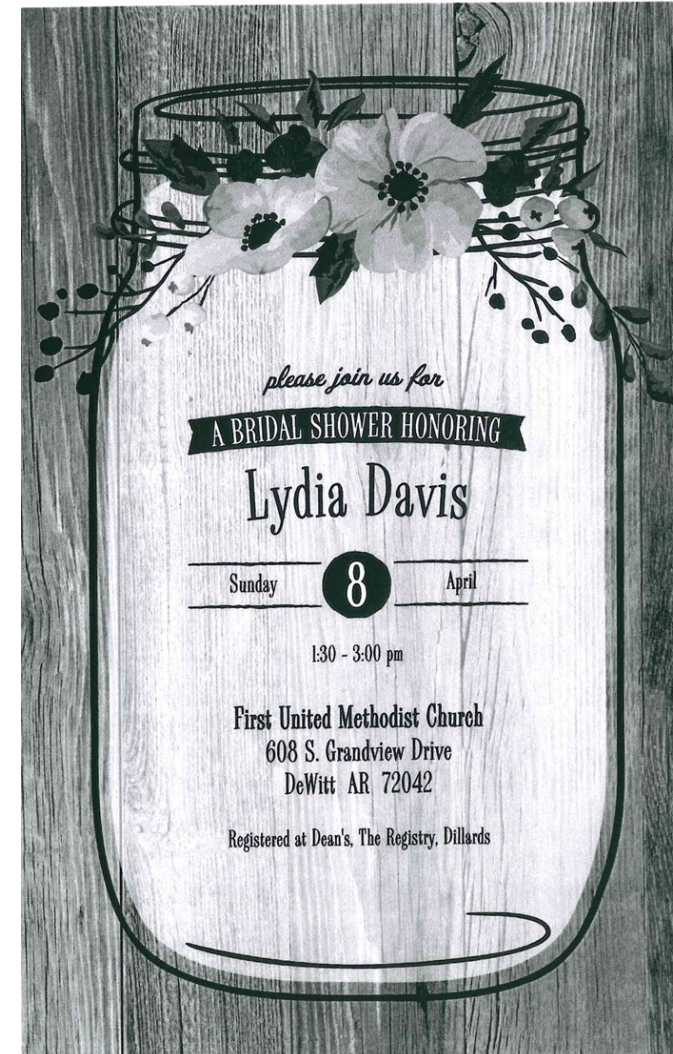
### Classes Offered:

Intro to Lay Servant Ministry  
Discovering Spiritual Gifts  
Leading Worship

### Time:

8:00 am Sign-In  
8:30 - 4:30 Classes  
11:30 am Lunch

For more information, contact the church office at 946-2328.



## 2018 SUMMER SCHEDULE

### FAMILY CAMP

All Ages - \$100/Family  
TBA

### ELEMENTARY CAMP

3rd - 6th Grades - \$432  
June 4-8 • June 17-22\* • July 2-6  
July 9-13 • July 23-27

### JUNIOR HIGH CAMP

7th - 9th Grades - \$438  
June 17-22\* • July 2-6 • July 23-27

### MINI CAMP

1st - 3rd Grades - \$220  
June 4-6 • July 30-Aug 1

### FISHING CAMP

3rd - 7th Grades - \$165  
June 8-10

### MAD CAMP

7th - 9th Grades - \$438  
June 23-29

### DISCOVERY CAMP

1st - 4th Grades - \$335  
June 9-12 • July 30-Aug. 2

### ADVENTURE CAMP

7th - 9th Grades - \$490  
June 25-30

### SENIOR HIGH CAMP

9th - 12 Grades - \$438  
July 16-20

\* Week is Sunday thru Friday

### Social Activity Committee

Heath & Amy Holbert and Vikki West,  
Warren & Gena Jennings, Johnny & Mary Carr

### Our Prayers:

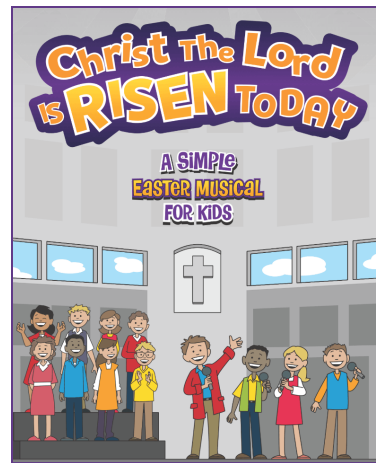
Shane Adams, Dixie Alter, Corita Boyd, Roger & Kathy Counce, Sue Currie, Sam DeBerry, E.K. Dillion, George & Greg Dulin, Bytha Dulin, Elvin Dupslaff, Jr., Janice Ferguson, Clarence & Dottie Gunnell, Cheryl Hornbeck, Wayne House, Paula Keffer, Lakelann Kimbrell, Michael Leyva, Garland Long, Steve Martin, Larry Martineau, Kay Mitchell, Gary Morris, Jeff Moyer, Jo Morgan, Buddy Noble, Carol Ann Nolley, Ken Norwood, Johnny Purdy, Sonya Rieves, Glenn & Barbara Stroh, B. T. Wallace, Jack Williams, Scotty Williams

### Our Presence March 25:

Worship: 108 Sunday School: 39

### Birthdays

Sheila Patterson, Sherry Boyd (1) MJ Hornbeck (2) Lana Martin, Ann Fly (4), Gena Jennings, Hayden Leibrock (9), Glenn Stroh (10), Sarah Essex, Wynn Strain (12), Christina Boyd (14), Scott Bowlin (15), Haley Boyd, Kelly Stroh (18), John Howard Gunnell (20), Judith Thompson (22) Cole Briggs (24), Adalynn Crappel (27) Emily Fisher (28) Lonnie Stoddard (29), Steven Stroh (30)



**Festival Choir will present  
“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”  
during the morning worship service on April 8.**

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers during my recent surgeries and recovery.

The poinsettia, Christmas cards, Valentines and balloon, and get well cards helped to brighten my days. Your thoughtfulness is sincerely appreciated.

In Christ's Love,  
Cheryl Hornbeck

## **Not Just Noise**

A person need not be auditioning for the next season of American Idol or The Voice to start belting out a favorite tune.

Although many people may restrict their singing to the shower or when no one is around to hear them, there are some surprising health benefits of singing frequently and encouraging others to do so as well.

Scientists have said that singing can have a calming but energizing effect on people. Singing can help tame stress but also lift the spirits. Singing is a natural antidepressant. According to information published in Time magazine, singing may release endorphins associated with feelings of pleasure, as well as stimulate the release of oxytocin, a hormone that is found to alleviate anxiety and stress. Prevention magazine notes that choir singers, who often report feeling happy and free of significant anxiety, may notice that their moods improve when they start to sing.

Singing can be considered a form of exercise that works the lungs and other parts of the body that are required to project one's voice. Singing may lead to a stronger diaphragm and stimulation of circulation as a result of the greater amount of oxygen needed to carry a tune.

Singing may help improve mental alertness by delivering more oxygenated blood to the brain. For those with dementia, singing can improve concentration and memory recollection.

Singing with a group can reduce loneliness by bringing together like minded people engaged in the same activity.

Singing can boost confidence, improve mental function, help with immune response and be a form of cardiovascular exercise.

*Courtesy of Metro Creative*

**Trustee Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, April 3 at 5:30 pm  
Church Library**





**CHURCH STAFF**

**Bishop**

*Rev. Gary E. Mueller*

**Southeast District Superintendent**

*Rev. Mark K. Norman*

**Minister**

*Rev. Tony Hill*

**Church Secretary**

*Mrs. Sarah J. Storey*

**Choir Director & Organist**

*Mrs. Marjorie M. Jenkins*

**Pianist**

*Mrs. Debbie M. Briggs*

**Treasurer**

*Mrs. Gena M. Jennings*

**Buildings & Property**

*Mr. Duane Long*

**Webmaster & Photographer**

*Mr. Jimmy Fly*

**Childcare Attendant**

*Ms. Leslie Rone*

**Custodians**

*Ms. Diane Fisher*

*Mr. Will Storey*

**Prayer Requests:**

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**April Fellowship Calendar**

**Sun, April 1:** 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Easter Worship Service  
**Mon, April 2:** 5:30 pm Grief Share-Parlor  
**Tues, April 3:** 3:15 pm Carol Choir rehearsal  
5:30 PM Trustee Committee Meeting  
**Wed, April 4:** 12:00 pm Women's Noon Bible Study  
3:15 pm Festival Choir rehearsal  
5:30 pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Handbell Choir  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
**Sun, April 8:** 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
Festival Choir presents "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"  
1:30 pm Wedding Shower for Lydia Davis  
**Mon, April 9:** 5:30 pm Grief Share-Parlor  
**Tues, April 10:** 3:15 pm Carol Choir rehearsal  
**Wed, April 11:** 12:00 pm Women's Noon Bible Study  
3:15 pm Festival Choir rehearsal  
5:30 pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Handbells

**Mon, April 16:** 5:30 pm Grief Share-Parlor  
**Tues, April 17:** 3:15 pm Carol Choir rehearsal  
**Wed, April 18:** 12:00 pm Women's Noon Study  
3:15 pm Festival Choir rehearsal  
5:30 pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Handbells  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
**Sat, April 21:** 8:00 am Lay Servant Training  
**Sun, April 22:** 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
**Tues, April 23:** 3:15 pm Carol Choir rehearsal  
**Wed, April 25:** 12:00 pm Women's Noon Bible Study  
3:15 pm Festival Choir rehearsal  
5:30 pm Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Handbells  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
**Sun, April 29:** 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
**Mon, April 30:** 5:30 pm Grief Share—Parlor



**Men's Community  
Prayer Breakfast  
Wednesday, April 4  
6:00 AM**

McAdams Road Church  
701 McAdams Road  
DeWitt, Arkansas



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**Our Mission:**

Jesus said, "Go, and make disciples of all nations..."

**Matthew 28: 18-20.**

**Founded 1858**