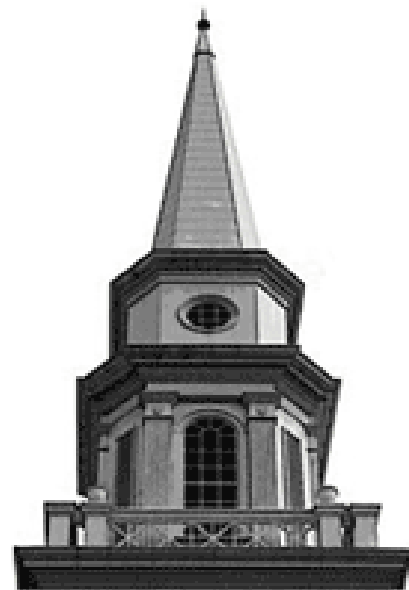


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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Discipleship Training.....5:00 p.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Family Night Supper.....4:45 p.m.
 Handbells.....5:00 p.m.
 Mission Organizations.....5:30 p.m.
 Children's Choir.....6:15 p.m.
 Youth Choir.....6:00 p.m.
 Prayer Meeting.....6:00 p.m.
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.



Dr. Bryant Barnes
 Pastor

Rev. Tom Thurman
 Senior Adults

Rev. Shannon Willis
 Youth

Jennifer Baker
 Preschool/Children

Rev. O.J. Seals
 Education/Activities

Rev. Hugh Plunkett
 Music

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Letter from our Pastor

A DISCIPLE'S DECLARATIONS

WE'RE IN!!! The first Sunday in our renovated sanctuary was wonderful. There were a few snags, but "all in all" things went well. We have several weeks before we have planned a **Dedication Service on April 22**, therefore, we have time to work out any problems.

We were delighted to see each of you in worship, and we felt that many were eager to see and share in the first worship service. I pray that you will be just as 'eager' to share in worship every week. You will find your place and fill your place each week. Also, I pray that we will invite others to join us in worship. The worship of God is never intended to be kept to one's self. See you this Sunday.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS kicked off this past Sunday, and I hope you have kept up with your prayer guide for the week. Our country has gone through significant change through the last few decades. The words "minority" and "majority" have flip flopped, and diversity in races, ethnicities, and language groups has become the norm. You will see a variety of missionaries who now serve across our continent, and they may look different, but the good news of Jesus Christ remains the constant need for all people. Pray for those who share the gospel across our nation in these days, and let's prepare to support them in the coming weeks.

THE LENTEN SERIES will continue next week (Wednesday, **March 14**), and **OJ Seals** will bring the devotion from John 17. Lunch is \$1.50, so join us at noon for inspiration and fellowship.

CHILDREN'S DAY IS APPROACHING, and we hope that you will bring the needed items for their work. They will be preparing the gifts for "helpers" around our city on Children's Day (**March 18**) following the morning worship service.

WE REJOICE with the decision by **Ruth Horton** to 'return' to her home church by statement. She has come back to Columbia, and many of you know her and remember her. I hope you will help her to be included as a member of our faith family.

DON'T FORGET to lose an hour of sleep this Saturday.



I was so good to be back in the sanctuary this past Sunday. We had some glitches that we will correct in the coming days but overall, things went well. Thank you for all who made our moving back possible!!!

Sanctuary Choir – Awesome job on “Our God Is God”!!! We will sing this Sunday morning. The **orchestra** will not play this Sunday.

Tenebrae and Easter are coming up in the next few weeks. We are preparing for these services with new music as well as our traditional times and music.

Great job, **Children’s Choir**, in singing with the **Sanctuary Choir** this past Sunday!! I look forward to hearing from you again!

Youth Choir - Thank you again for providing special music for our Sunday night services! This really means so much to those who don’t get to hear you sing on Wednesday nights!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

March 12

Bethany Plunkett Thomas Watts

March 13

Dr. Danye Long

March 14

Pete Robbins Gina Thompson
Peyton Rowell

March 15

Lisa Jones

March 17

Mary Herrington

March 18

Jimmy Bourne



Family Night Supper
Wednesday, March 14
Spaghetti, Green Beans, Texas
Toast, Salad Bar, Dessert & Tea

announcements

Sunday, March 11
Deacons Meeting at 8:00 a.m.
Stewardship Committee Meeting at
4:30 p.m. in the conference room

Monday, March 12
Men’s Prayer Time at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 13
B.A.L.L. Club Trip to Jackson

Wednesday, March 14
Lent Service at noon
Business Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 15
Crafts4Christ from 9:00 a.m.
until noon

Renovation Prayer Committee
scripture for the week.

*“But will God indeed live on earth? Even
heaven, the highest heaven, cannot contain
You, much less this temple I have built.”*
1 Kings 8:27

Discipleship Training

Sundays at 5:00 p.m.

Studies being offered:

Religious Liberty
“How the Gospel Shapes our First Freedom”
Led by: Greg Ellzey

Hebrews...Video-by Lisa Harper
“The Nearness of King Jesus”
Led by: Ellen Hawkins

Children’s Ministry Day
March 18th

We will be making snack packs for the police, firemen and teachers. If you can help us, please donate granola bars, candy bars, hard candy, gum, peanut butter nabs, pens, sticky notes and grading pens (red). You may drop off your donations in the church office. Thank you for your help.

Missionaries will be arriving on Sunday, March 11, to stay in our missionary home. They are Mark & Genny Lindsey. They have four children Aivia (10), Mary Ellen & Stephen (Twins-7) and Samuel (18 months). Introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

PRESS ON!


*“The joy of the wicked has been brief and
the happiness of the godless has
lasted only a moment.”*
Job 20:5

*We welcome the coming of the Lindseys as
they live at 425 Ford Street.*

*Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board for
the Jackson trip, Tuesday, March 13. We
will visit the museum of Mississippi History
and Civil Rights Museum. The bus will
depart at 7:30 a.m.*

*This is a good time to visit in the interest of
Christ and His church...“Lord, lay some
soul upon my heart, and love that soul
through me; and may I bravely do my part,
to win that soul for Thee.”*

March 4 Report



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| Preschool..... | 21 |
| Children..... | 20 |
| Youth..... | 38 |
| Adults..... | 207 |
| Visitors..... | 16 |
| Total..... | 302 |

Tithes & Offerings

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| Week Ending 3/4/18 | |
| Budget Required..... | 26,233.25 |
| Budget Receipts..... | 30,609.05 |
| Total Receipts..... | 50,622.13 |
| Year to Date: | |
| Budget Required..... | 236,099.25 |
| Budget Receipts..... | 223,152.44 |
| Total Receipts..... | 360,425.93 |
| Building Fund | |
| Commitments to Date..... | 1,110,694.00 |
| Receipts to Date..... | 562,231.00 |
| Annie Armstrong..... | 205.00 |



Crafts4Christ

Thursday, March 15
9:00 a.m. until noon

Brotherhood/WMU will meet this month on Tuesday, March 20, at 6:00 p.m.
Everyone is welcome!