

JOYS & CONCERNS

You can place your prayer requests in the offering plate, call/email office or communicate them through the prayer section of the web page. When a person rotates off the list, they will be put back on upon request

EXPRESSIONS OF PRAISE

Spirits move in Easter Services
Those who have received the COVID Vaccine
First quarter support to Faith Promise Mission Partners sent
Jackie Flowers – home after 57 days on Ventilator

Those who invite persons to worship.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Death

Everett Washburn (Sandra Honey's uncle)
Johnnie Snider (Sarah Hodge brother-in-law)
Glen Springer (Joyce Wiseman's son)

Health

Sandra Price – recovering from surgery
Daniel Todd - injuries
Ruth Dawsey- health
Sarah Anne Maples – Keller – pneumonia
Celeste Stanley - health
Katie Allen – cracked ribs
Joe Sandlin – recovering from stints
Lucy Heidorn – rehab – Cypress Cove
Pete Yoakum – (Gina Guess's father) health
Tayler Phillips – procedure for spina bifida for her baby
Kerry Hale – recovered from COVID but still on ventilator.
Billy Carpenter- health
James Daniel – health
Anne Deegan – back problems
Gregory Motes – home recovering
Helen Wright – health
Betty Manns - vascular disease
Jonell Simms – Heart monitor
Jane Cole – Heart
Laura Beth Gardner (teacher with Daye Winsett) cancer
Brenda Morrison- health
Sandra Conway -rehab
Alton Parris- health
Ashlee Gann – recovering- ACL surgery
Joyce Stewart – stroke - rehab
Dianne Flannagan (Kristin Flannagan's aunt) – heart
Barry Emmons - back problems
Stanley Bond- eye
Earlene Hamilton – recovering knee
Kayla Davis – treatment
Jimmy & JoAnn Fry – health
Randall Michaels - health

Tim Mauldin-COVID
Reba Spain - health
Morgan Odom - Leukemia
David Horton – recovering
Jean Tanner - health
Kathy Polk – treatment for cancer
Brenda Elmore - health
Pam Danley – health
Betty O'Steen –health
Terry Williams (retired mission partner) Parkinson
Edith Ann Barber – health
Scott Haswell - health
Carolyn Daniel- Back
Unspoken- surgery
Unspoken – procedure
Unspoken – Kidney issue
Unspoken – treatment/health

Other

Family members with COVID
Those who have lost their job
Those closed in Care Facilities
Care Facilities as they begin to open
Care givers
Foster parents & foster children

MINISTRIES & WORLD NEEDS

Local Church

Children's Team planning for summer
Youth Team planning for summer
Child Enrichment Center – need some substitute staff

Outreach

Faith Promise Giving
Social Media evangelism – share post from the church and staff with friends.
Invite friends to join you online for worship.
Wheelchair Ramp Team
Faith Promise Mission Partners
Wesley Foundation – UNA

Nation & World

Farmers dealing with flooding of fields.
Recovering from March Storms
Wisdom for National response to boarder crisis
President Biden and National Government
The delivery of the COVID Vaccine
Health Care Workers
School administrators, teachers, students
Protections of Police Officers and Military
Unity & Wisdom in our Government
Direction for the United Methodist Church



Sunday

8:30am Sunday School
9:45am Kidz Worship
11:00am Sunday School

Wednesday

6:00 pm
Fun, Faith & Fellowship



Cross Training Student Ministries

Sunday

8:30 & 11:00am
Sunday School

Wednesday

6:00 pm Youth
Wednesday Worship



Shoals Emmaus Cluster

Tuesday, April 20
6:00pm
Tuscumbia First UMC
In-person and online

Budget Update

General Fund	
Weekly Need	\$15,780.00
April 4 Giving	\$16,257.43
YTD Needs	\$220,927.00
YTD Giving	\$223,512.46
Building Fund	
April 4 Giving	\$3,544.60
Year to Date	\$16,434.14
Faith Promise Mission Fund	
April 4 Giving	\$4,824.10
Year to Date	\$39,386.36

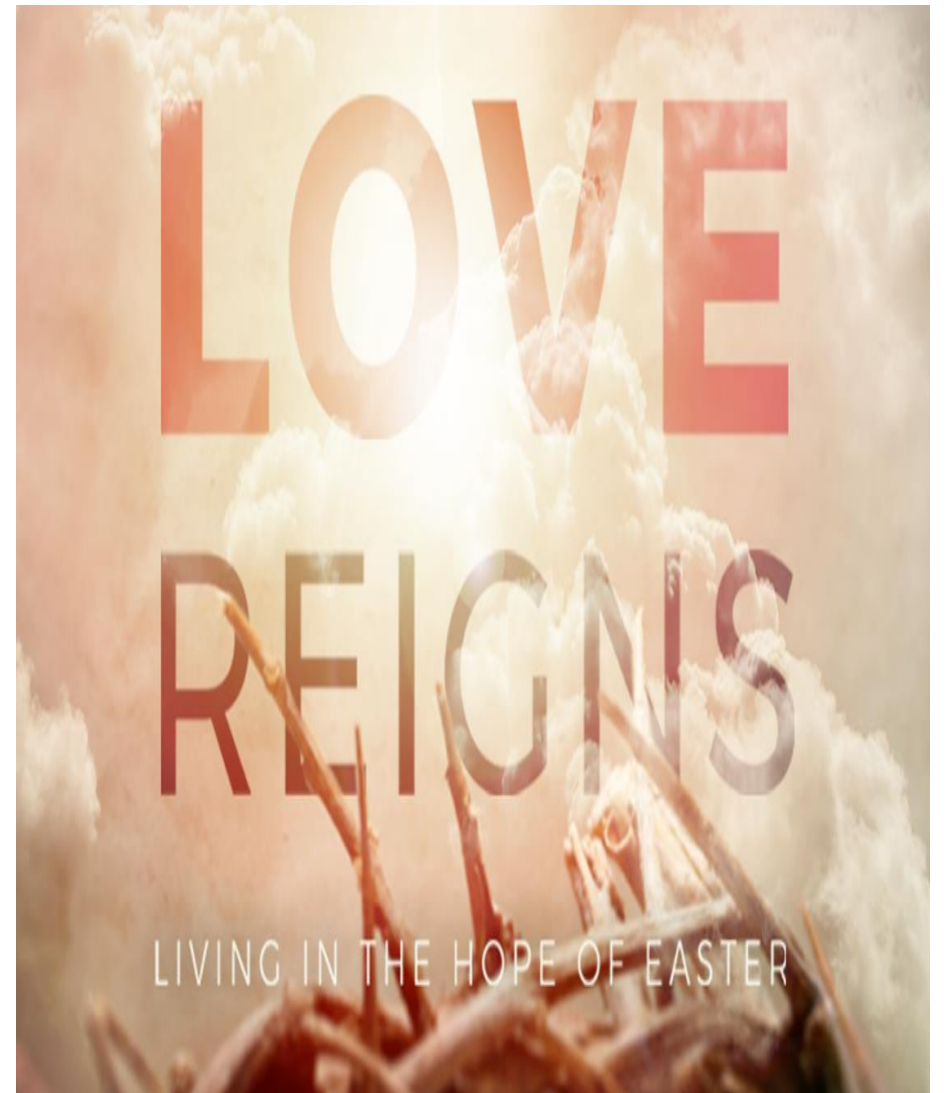
Attendance Update

April 4, 2021	
Early Worship	56
Contemporary Worship	157
Traditional Worship	80
Shepherd's Table	12
Morning Worship Total	305
Online Streaming	214

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Sunday, April 11, 2021

Ministers: All Believers	Pastors: The Rev. Dr. Rudy Guess, Senior Pastor The Rev. Chad Kennington, Associate & Youth Pastor
Ministry Directors: Chad Talley; Director of Children & Families Grace Kennington; Director of Worship Kevin Cook, Praise Team Ministry	Administrators: Katie Allen, CEC Director Lynda Bottcher, Food Service Courtney Woodman, Secretary

MESSAGE OUTLINE

“LOVE REIGNS – Over Our Past”

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

❖ In Christ, we can experience an out with the _____, in with the new _____.

➤ The Key is ‘ _____.’

“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation...” (2 Corinthians 5:17a; NRSV)

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and eat with you, and you will eat with me.” (Revelation 3:20; NCV)

“He has forgiven you all your sins: he has utterly wiped out the written evidence of broken commandments which always hung over our heads, and has completely annulled it by nailing it to the cross.” (Colossians 2:14; Phillips)

“...in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.” (2 Corinthians 5:19; NRSV)

➤ Christ _____ the past and makes us a _____.

“The old life is gone; a new life has begun!” (2 Corinthians 5:17b; NLT)

“He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.” (Psalm 103:12; NLT)

➤ This New life is a _____ of God’s love.

“And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ.” (2 Corinthians 5:18a; NLT)

❖ When we allow God’s Love to Reign in our lives, He makes us _____ of His reigning love to others.

“All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation;...” (2 Corinthians 5:18; NRSV)

“For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people’s sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.” (2 Corinthians 5:19; NLT)

“So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, ‘Come back to God!’” (2 Corinthians 5:20; NLT)

Here are two important _____ about being Christ’s Ambassador.

- People want to _____ what God has done in our life.
- People want to _____ what Christ means to you.

❖ When God’s Love Reigns in us, our sin is replaced by God’s _____.

“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Corinthians 5:21; NRSV)

Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, thank you for paying the debt for my sin in full. Come into my life and wipe away my guilt and shame. In faith in Your salvation I declare ‘Good-bye guilt, good-bye fear, good riddance! Hello, Lord!’ Give me grace to live as a new creation and make me a bold witness to others. In fact, Lord, lead me this week to someone with whom I can share what You have done in me. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

11:00 Service 2nd Sunday of Easter Color: White

“ENTER TO WORSHIP – PRAISE WITH JOY – DEPART TO SERVE”

Worship through Adoration

Prelude

Welcome

*Hymn #370 “Victory in Jesus”

*I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.*

Refrain:

*O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood*

*I heard about His healing, of His cleansing power revealing
How He made the lame to walk again, and caused the blind to see
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory [Refrain]*

*I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory [Refrain]*

*Affirmation of Faith, #881 “The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Worship through Prayer

Time of Meditation, Prayer, and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Worship through Stewardship

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Worship through Proclamation

*Hymn #362 “Nothing but the Blood”

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

Refrain:

*O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow
No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*For my pardon this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus
For my cleansing this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus
[Refrain]*

*Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus
[Refrain]*

*This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus
[Refrain]*

Message: “Love Reigns – Over Our Past” Rudy Guess
2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Worship through Commitment

*Hymn #304 “Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

*Easter people, raise your voices
Sounds of heaven in earth should ring
Christ has brought us heaven’s choices
Heavenly music, let it ring:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Easter people, let us sing*

*Fear of death can no more stop us
From our pressing here below
For our Lord empowered us to
Triumph over every foe
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go*

*Every day to us is Easter
With its resurrection song
When in trouble move the faster
To our God who rights the wrong
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs*

*Benediction