



# The Grapevine

Greetings in the Name of Christ!

It is hard to believe that Spring is upon us, but here we are! We have a very active calendar in the weeks ahead. But before I get into that, I would like to address the called General Conference that took place at the end of February. Delegates from all across the globe gathered in St. Louis to try to come to an agreement on a way forward for our denomination with regards to human sexuality. The conference voted to accept the plan that has been labeled the Traditional Plan. It is the only plan that many view as keeping with the scriptures. They also passed a plan for local churches to disaffiliate with the United Methodist Church that allows for them to keep their property. All of these plans will go before the judicial council of the church in April to determine their constitutionality. There is a town hall meeting at Christ UMC in Mobile on the 10<sup>th</sup>. I will be attending that meeting as well as a closed clergy session the next day. After these meetings take place, I hope to be able to share more with all of you as to the impact we may face.

Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6pm, we will be having a Fat Tuesday pancake supper to celebrate the coming of the Lenten season. Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday and we will have a rather informal ash service at 6pm. In light of Ash Wednesday, we will not have Bible Study. Further there is no choir practice on Tuesday.

On St. Patrick's Day weekend, we will be having a BBQ here at the church. My hope is to have the Boston Butts ready by lunchtime so that we may enjoy them together. If you are interested in purchasing a butt, I will need the money by Ash Wednesday. The price is \$30, and they will be an 8 to 10lb average. The idea is to provide food for the community, so I ask you to be generous in the endeavor.

We are having some really great ministry moments in the life of our church, and I encourage you to get involved. One way to get involved is through your service. Grass cutting season will soon be upon us and if you are able, we need your help. Contact the office for more information.

Let's move forward into spring this year with a new sense of purpose for our community!

Loving Those That God Sends to Us.

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Ted



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PLEASE REMEMBER...

Be sure and order your Boston Butt to be smoked here at WUMC on Saturday, March 16th for our

St. Patrick's Day Community Picnic BBQ.

Buy one to take home and one to share at the picnic. Orders must be in by March 6th. If you would like more information, please call the church office.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Please remember to save these items for donation to the Ronald McDonald House and our local Warrington Elementary School... it really does make a difference!



## CHURCH INFO...

# New Beginnings Thrift Center

As the Season's change, so does our inventory. As our inventory changes prices drop. Too many items to list at discounted prices, some as low as 50 cents. This IS the time to shop as Spring approaches.

If you haven't been in to see us in a while, stop by.

We know you'll find just what your looking for!

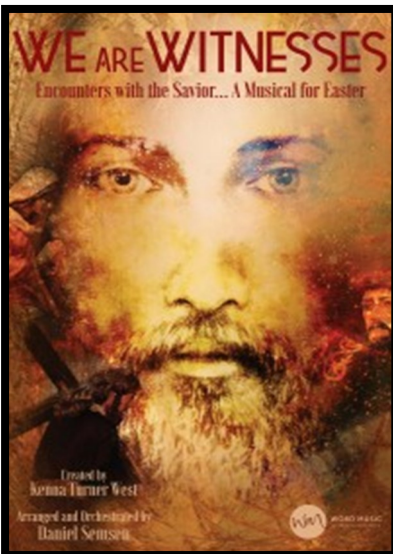
Check us out on Facebook.

*The ladies of the Thrift Shop would like to SHOUT OUT a SPECIAL THANK YOU to Pastor Ted & John Niemeyer. John Niemeyer & David Dennis purchased the locks and Pastor Ted & John installed the locks on the bathrooms and classroom doors in the outside breezeway! Thank you for helping us stay safe!*

### **FRIDAY FREE LUNCH!**

Come by Friday's Noon to 2pm  
and have lunch with us!

**AMERICAN**  
*Lunch*



**WUMC Chancel Choir**  
invites you to join us in preparation of our  
Easter musical. Rehearsals are  
Tuesday evenings  
6:00 pm in the sanctuary.

*Twinette McDonald*  
**Choir Director**



# 2019 UMW CHILI & SOUP COOK-OFF



What a wonderful time we had at our annual chili & soup cook-off! There were so many participants it was hard to choose a favorite.

The winners were

Most votes; John Niemeyer for Loaded Baked Potato Soup

Tie for 2nd place; Sharon Easley for Chicken Surprise Soup & Vince Ragels for Chicken Noodle Soup

Tie for 1st place Chili; Donalyn Hoff for chili & cornbread with Jalapenos & Gloria Hill for White Chicken Chili.

The UMW wants to thank you for all your help.

We had 13 soups & chili's to taste...

A good time was had by all.



## SAVE THE DATES!

**Sunday, March 3rd, Communion Sunday**

**Tuesday, March 5th, 6:00 P.M. Fat Tuesday  
Pancake Supper**

**Wednesday, March 6th, 6:00 P.M. Ash Wednesday Service**

**Saturday, March 9th, 9:30 A.M. United Methodist Women Mtg.**

**Sunday, March 10th, Day Light Savings Time begins. Spring  
forward... set your clocks ahead one hour.**

**Saturday, March 16th, 10:00 A.M. St. Patrick's Day BBQ  
Community Picnic here at WUMC.**

**Sunday, March 17th, Church Council Mtg. following morning  
worship.**



**Tuesday, March 26th, 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Sacred Heart  
Health Screening will be here in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Sunday, March 31st, Birthday Bash Pot Luck Luncheon,  
following morning worship.**

