



The Messenger

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This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost. Pentecost is the day the Church was born. Fifty days after Jesus' resurrection God sent His Spirit to dwell within the hearts of believers. This fulfilled the promise of Jesus. In John 14 Jesus said, *"If you love me, obey my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you."* God has come to us in the power and work of the Holy Spirit. Throughout John 14 and 16 Jesus highlights the future work of the Holy Spirit. He will convict us of sin and God's righteousness. He will lead us into all truth. He will remind us of all Jesus taught us. He will bring comfort and peace. Join us Sunday, June 8th as we celebrate God's Spirit dwelling in us!

-Ben

Announcements & Events



In an effort to promote safety and well being in the congregation, we have installed two AED's (defibrillators) @ the main campus. They are located in the lobby (just outside the sanctuary) and in the Christian Life Center (on the east wall).



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Scan the code below to get connected to First Methodist Church Long Beach. You can sign up to get text messages and emails regarding upcoming events and newsletters. You can also access the main campus and The Well websites, as well as much more. If you have any questions contact the church office @ 228-863-9619.



Youth Calendar

JUNE:

- 1ST - YOUTH @5 - BRING A SHIRT TO TIE DYE - HUMAN FOOSBALL (AND MORE) - WEAR CLOTHES THAT CAN GET MESSY
- 4TH - NO HEART & SOUL
- 8TH - VBS VOLUNTEER DINNER @5 IN CLC
- 11TH - NO HEART & SOUL
- 15TH - NO YOUTH -HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
- 18TH - NO HEART AND SOUL
- 22ND- 26TH - VBS @5:30
- 29TH - YOUTH & PARENT MEETING ABOUT M28 @5

M28 JULY 7-11

VBS set up times June 17-21:
Tues. 3-6, Wed 5-7 (pizza provided),
Thur 3-6, Fri 9-12, and Sat 9-until



The SPRC is happy to announce that starting on June 8th, Emily Barlow will be joining the staff to assist in the everyday needs and works to push forward the mission of this church, making disciples of Christ.

Emily received her bachelor's degree from Georgetown College in Georgetown, KY and received her Masters of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary. Emily brings a great amount of experience in the ministry field and most importantly has a heart for Christ and this church.

Women's Ministries



The **First Methodist Women** will be dining out at Patio 44 in Gulfport at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 16th. Please RSVP by June 11th to Suzanne Simmons @ 228-263-2274. All Women of the church are invited!



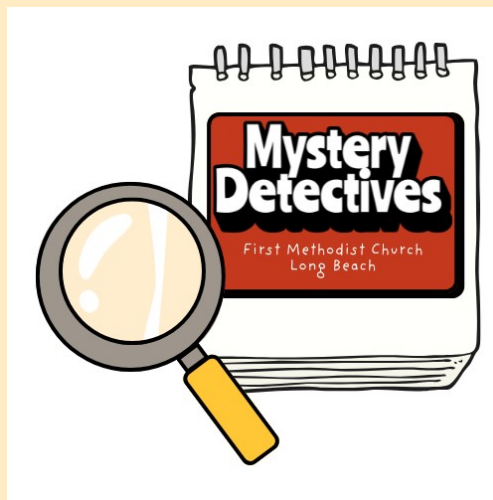
Blood Drive

The church will host a Blood Drive on Tuesday, July 15th from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. If you would like to donate blood you can schedule an appointment @ redcross.org. We are also in need of volunteers to work the blood drive and check-in potential donors. If you would like to volunteer to help with blood drive, please contact Lori Cripple @ 228-324-3622 or the church office @ 228-863-9619.



O.A.K.S. Luncheon

The O.A.K.S. Luncheon will be on Wednesday, June 25th at 11:30 a.m. in the Christian Life Center. All are invited and please bring your favorite dish to share.



Summer is fast approaching which means it's time to volunteer for Vacation Bible School! VBS will be the week of June 22nd-26th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Our volunteer dinner will be Sunday, June 8th. We are so excited about this year's theme: Mystery Detectives! Our kids will be discovering truths about who Jesus is and who we are to him! It's going to be such a fantastic week!

Please use the links to sign up to volunteer or register your kids. You can also find the forms in the lobby of both campuses starting this Sunday.

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If you have any questions, please contact Lori Cripple at (228)324-3622.

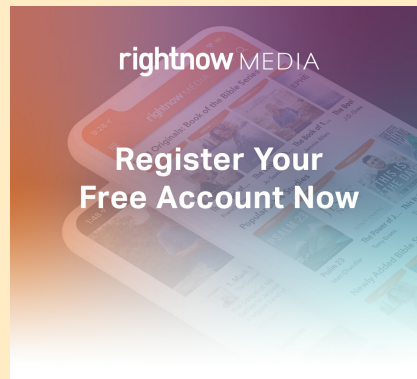
If you would like to help decorate for VBS the schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, June 17th 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 18th 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 19th 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Friday, June 20th 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Saturday, June 21st 9:00 a.m. until.....



2025 YTD Budget
Receipts +LIG: \$158,547

2025 YTD Budgeted
Expenses: \$ 133,111



I'm excited to share that our church now has unlimited access to **RightNow Media**—the world's largest streaming library of video Bible study resources (it's been called the "**Netflix of video Bible studies**"). This extensive library has **more than 20,000 videos** from leaders like Francis Chan, Jennie Allen, Matt Chandler, Dr. Tony Evans, and many more. These Bible study videos can be used as part of a group study or for personal devotions, and many series include **free discussion guides and handouts**.



To get started, simply use the scan code above and create your free

account, and start browsing more than 20,000 inspiring videos. We pray that RightNow Media will be a blessing to you and your family!



Upcoming Sermons

June 8th

“The Mystery of Flaming Tongues of Fire”
Acts 2:1-13

June 15th

The Mystery of the Violent Storm
Jonah 1:1-17



PC Havens, Kayne Troutman, Debbie Knight, Janis Slade, Shorty Haulk, Marie Ward, Sherry Alley, Andrew Beets, Adeline Humphrys, Dorothy Tingo, Lynn Jordan Beck, Cory Miller, Spencer Humphrey, Louise Travis, Candy Claeys, Dawn McGinn, John Bull, Joyce St. John, Harry Brax, Pete Seyfarth, Charles & Lisa Oliver, Imogene Hoffman, Pam Buell, Johnny Kersnac, Linda Robison, Ricky Bullock, Tyna Youngblood, Mark Ernst,

Gary Smith, Jerry Bowlin, Joanne Jenkins, John Miller, Jay Reagan, Genia Humphrey, John McCardle, Emily Romano, Cindy Tredway, Steve Burton, Pam Serrato, Ryan Serrato, David Serrato, David Berry, Leiland Humphrey, Kathy Hogan, Mildred Dilley, Rose Draime, Jesse Draime, Maddy Devlin, Patricia Badeaux, Linda Bass, Bob Bullard, Anne Ladner, Paul Hicks, Jim Collins, Nan Nabor, Kendra Reed, Glenda Hull, Rosalie Allely, Teresa Burton, Nancy Ruff, Steve Wood, Natalie Schmidt, and Leo LaCour.

*If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the church office at 863-9619 or by email to firstmclb@gmail.com.



We wish to express our Christian love and sympathy to Richard Burton and family at the death of his wife, Teresa Burton.

We wish to express our Christian love and sympathy to Robert & Karen Andersen and family at the death of Robert's father, Robert Andersen, Sr.



A donation was given in memory of Teresa Burton by John Blake.

A donation was given in memory of Mary Bice by John Blake.



The 2025 Altar Flower calendar is in the lobby @ the main campus. If you would like to sign up to place the flowers in the sanctuary call the church office @ 228-863-9619 or firstmclb@gmail.com

There are several open dates on the Flower calendar for the Sanctuary:

June 1 & June 29

July 13 & July 27

August 24 & August 31

September 7 & September 14

October 12 & October 26

December 14

Calendar

Sunday, June 8th

8:30 a.m. Sanctuary & Online Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday school/Discipleship groups @ both campuses

11:00 a.m. The Well Worship at USM & Online

5:00 p.m. VBS Volunteer Dinner in the CLC

Monday, June 9th

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes in the CLC

Tuesday, June 10th

9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Side by Side rm.

Wednesday, June 11th

10:00 a.m. Respite Ministry in the Side by Side rm.

6:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Group in Moore Hall

6:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Squad in Seekers Class

7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice in Youth Hall

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice in Choir room

Thursday, June 12th

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes in the CLC

4:00 p.m. Prayer Group in the Bride's Parlor

Saturday, June 14th

11:00 a.m. Depart Church for serving @ 19th Street Park Gulfport

Sunday, June 15th

8:30 a.m. Sanctuary & Online Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday school/Discipleship groups @ both campuses

11:00 a.m. The Well Worship at USM & Online

Monday, June 16th

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes in the CLC

6:00 p.m. Methodist Women Dining out @ Patio 44

Tuesday, June 17th

9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study in the Side-By-Side room

Wednesday, June 18th

10:00 a.m. Side by Side Ministry - Respite room

6:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Squad in Seekers Class

6:00 p.m. Men's Discipleship Group in Moore Hall

7:00 p.m. Well Band Practice in Youth Hall

Thursday, June 19th

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes in the CLC

4:00 p.m. Prayer Group in the Bridal Parlor

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Our Mission

Make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision

To be a church that makes disciples that Live Like Jesus, Love Like Jesus,
and Serve Like Jesus.

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