

Weekly Bible Readings

Meet the challenge to read your entire Bible in one year by spending twelve and a half minutes each day. You can start any time. This week's suggested readings: Sunday, Ill John; Monday, Deuteronomy 29-31; Tuesday, Esther 1-5; Wednesday, Psalm 146-148; Thursday, Song of Solomon 5-6; Friday, Revelation 12-17; Saturday, Acts 25-26.

This Week...

SUNDAY, February 25

8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary, Main Campus)
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Coffee (Fellowship Hall, Main Campus)
10:00 a.m. Discipleship Hour (Both Campuses)
10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University (WD102, West Campus)
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary, Main Campus)
12:15 p.m. Mission Team Meeting (MC101, Main Campus)
6:00 p.m. Remedy Youth Grades 9th-12th (WC112, West Campus)

MONDAY, February 26

2:00 p.m. Adult (Bill's) Bible Study (WD101, West Campus)
6:00 p.m. Church Council (MC101, Main Campus)
6:00 p.m. Remedy Youth Bible Study (WC112, West Campus)

TUESDAY, February 27

8:00-Noon Uniform Closet Open (WD115, West Campus)
9:00-11:30 a.m. Prodissee Pantry Open (9315 Spanish Fort Blvd.)
6:00 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal (WB100, Main Campus)

WEDNESDAY, February 28

5:30 a.m. Men's Group (Fellowship Hall)
9:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study (WD101, West Campus)
3:30 p.m. Bread of Life ChristCare Group (WD101, West Campus)
5:15 p.m. Mid-Week Meal (MC101, Main Campus)
6:00 p.m. "Epic of Eden" Class (WD101, West Campus)
6:00 p.m. Nursery Open, Ages 0-36 Months (WD108, West Campus)
6:00 p.m. Extreme Kids, LOL Kids, Jam Kids (West Campus)
6:00 p.m. Catapult Grades 6th-8th (WC112, West Campus)
6:00 p.m. "Disciple IV" Bible Study (MB105, Main Campus)
6:00 p.m. "Parenting Beyond Your Capacity" Study (WD102)
6:00 p.m. "Namesake" Study, WOW (MA100, Main Campus)
6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (MB100, Main Campus)

THURSDAY, March 1

1:00 p.m. Thirsty Thursday Bible Study (MC100, Main Campus)
7:00 p.m. TLC ChristCare Group (MC100, Main Campus)

Upcoming Events

03/04 Agape Sunday School Class will not be meeting
03/04 Chili Cook-off, 12:00 p.m.
03/04 Confirmation Rehearsal, 3:00 p.m.
03/04 Redbird Missions Informational Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
03/05 Remedy Youth Homework Help, 4:00 p.m.
03/05 Trustees Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
03/06 "The Miracles of Jesus" Lunch Bunch Bible Study, 11:30 a.m.
03/08 Preschool Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
03/10 United Methodist Men's Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.
03/10 Youth Get Together, 6:00 p.m.
03/11 Confirmation Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
03/12 Finance Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Worship. Study. Serve.

CHILDREN

UMCOR...Our Children's Ministry continues to collect supply items for the UMCOR Relief Health Kits. The item we are collecting for **February** is nail clippers. Please bring items to the drop off boxes located in the Narthex of the Sanctuary or to the Kids' area on the West Campus.

YOUTH

SPRING RETREAT...Registration for Spring Retreat, **April 20-22** is open for 9th-12th grade. Girl's registration is full, but you may sign up on the waitlist. Cost is \$50.

ADULT

TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY...will be starting a new six week series on **March 6th**. They will be studying The Miracles of Jesus by Jessica LaGrone. They meet in the youth area of the West Campus at noon to eat lunch together (bring your own lunch) and begin the study at 12:30 p.m. Childcare is provided from 12-2 p.m. Please register on our website by going to Calendar/Events. Please order your own book and read week one before coming to class on the 6th.

NEW WEDNESDAY EVENING SHORT TERM STUDY...will begin on **March 7th**. Led by Rev. Rebecca Rutherford, using the book Five Means of Grace by Elaine A. Heath in addition to your Bible. We will meet on the West Campus in room WD101 and 6:00 p.m. The book is \$7. Please register on our website under Calendar/Events. Childcare is provided.

SING WITH US THIS EASTER...please join us for rehearsals Tuesday and/or Wednesday evenings, beginning March 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir room, MB 100. Music folders maybe picked up at the Welcome Center of the Narthex. For more information, please contact Tripp Morris at 251-327-4682.

FAMILY

CHILI COOK-OFF...Our fourth annual Chili Cook-off is scheduled for Sunday, **March 4**. Begin preparing your special recipe now with your team. Tickets and more information about registering your team will be provided soon.

SANCTUARY RENOVATION PROJECT TIMELINE...The Sanctuary Renovation Project is moving forward! The work is slated to begin in late June and conclude sometime this Fall. But **we need your financial help now to complete the project**. There are *commitment cards* in the pews. You can also give on-line. If you go to www.spanishfortumc.org there is a designated tab that will give you more information. Thank you for your support, prayers and cooperation as the work to enhance our sanctuary is being accomplished.

Welcome...

The Beatitudes

Matthew 5:7



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Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2018 • 8:45 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service

Welcome to Spanish Fort United Methodist Church!
We pray that the Holy Spirit moves through you as it moves through this service of worship.

Prelude

"Hymn Melody"
Sanctuary Bells

Welcome

*Greeting

"To God Be the Glory"

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So love he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Hymn

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" ~ No. 140

Special Music

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" ~ Osman
Sanctuary Bells

Sanctuary Renovation Update

Pastoral Prayer/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.

Prayer Response

"Freely, Freely" ~ No. 389

*Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostles' Creed" ~ No. 881

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.

*Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father" ~ No. 70

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. Amen.

Children's Moment

Following Children's Time, the children ages 3 years (by September 1, 2017) through 2nd grade will be dismissed to the lower level Fellowship Hall, next to the Sanctuary, in MC106. Parents may pick up their children, after the worship service, in MC106.

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ~ Edwards
Sanctuary Choir

*Dedication

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" ~ No. 95

Mission Moment

John and Lisa Hamilton

*Scripture

Matthew 5:7 ~ Pew Bible New Testament Pg. 3

Message

"Blessed Are Those Who Are Merciful"
Rev. Bill Price

*Hymn

"Depth of Mercy" ~ No. 355

*Benediction

Postlude

"At the Cross" ~ Hudson
Wanda Cooper, Organ

***Please stand as you are able.**

The season of Lent calls us to embrace spiritual disciplines such as praying and fasting. Both Pastor Bill and Pastor Rebecca are challenging our congregation to miss a lunch meal during the weeks across Lent and save the money that would have been spent for the meal for missions. Bring the money saved to worship the Sunday after Easter, April 8th. All monies collected will go to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief.)

Sermon Notes:

- If you need to step out of the service with your child, the Mother's Room is available in the Sanctuary foyer.
- Please register your attendance in the binder distributed by the ushers during the announcements.
- If you need assistance during the service, please let one of the ushers know.