

## Coming Up at LaFayette First

### Sunday, March 12

- 9:00a Contemporary Worship
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Traditional Worship
- 5:00p Youth

### Monday, March 13

- 6:30p Boy Scouts

### Tuesday, March 14

- 6:00p Girl Scouts

### Wednesday, March 15

- 6:00p Kid Connect
- 6:00p Youth Group
- 6:30p Handbells Choir
- 7:30p Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 16

- 10:00a David Autry's Bible Study

### Friday, March 17

- 8:00p AA

### Sunday, March 19

- 9:00a Contemporary Worship
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Traditional Worship
- 5:00p Youth

## Seniors and Friends

The Seniors and Friends are having an outing this month. Our plan is to see a matinee viewing of the movie *The Shack* and to eat someplace. Times are to be determined. If you are interested let Hanne or Charlie know.

## Attendance Last Week:

Contemporary Service - 52  
Sunday School - 66  
Traditional Worship - 80  
Helping Fund - \$2,033.54

## Budget

Year-To-Date Requirement - \$60,400.50  
Year-to-Date Received - \$53,896.94

## ~Scripture~

### John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

<sup>3</sup>Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."

<sup>4</sup>"How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

<sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. <sup>7</sup>You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

<sup>10</sup>"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. <sup>12</sup>I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

<sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

## Confirmation Classes

- Class #1 - Sunday, Feb. 26th 4:00-5:00pm
- Class #2 - Sunday, Mar. 5th 4:00-5:00pm
- Class #3 - Sunday, Mar. 12th 4:00-5:00pm
- Class #4 - Sunday, Mar. 19th 4:00-5:00pm

These classes are open to those wishing to be confirmed this year.

## Confirmation Retreat

March 24-25  
Cost: \$65.00

Location: Ocoee Retreat Center

Registration Deadline, Wednesday, March 1st

We are partnering with RSUMC, and Pleasant Hill for this retreat.  
Open to all youth 6th-12th Grade if they have attended confirmation classes.

Please contact Ben to sign-up or with any questions.

# The Morning Worship Service of

March 12, 2017



Christ and Nicodemus (from a 16th century German plaque)  
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## NURSERY

A Nursery for preschool children and under is provided for the Sunday school and Worship times. The nursery is located through the door to the left of the pulpit and downstairs in room #5.

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# The Morning Worship Service

March 12, 2017

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING MUSIC Pianist

GREETINGS AND WELCOME

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" 110

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* 881

\*GLORIA PATRI 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*

HYMN "O God, Our Help In Ages Past" 117

CHILDREN'S TIME Ben Jones

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Call to Prayer Congregation

The 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.*

GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

\* Doxology 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

ANTHEM Choir

SERMON Rev. Randall Massengill

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" 452

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Randall Massengill

CHORAL RESPONSE Choir

*\*Indicates "Those who are able, please stand."*

## Memorials

Jeanette Baker  
Randy & Diane Street  
David & Carol Bennett



*The arrangement in the Sanctuary today is to the Glory of God and in memory of Kathy Visage. Given by her children.*

## Easter Egg Hunt

Covered Dish, Petting Zoo, & Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 9th

Following the 11:00am Service

Fellowship  
Dinner



## Monthly Fellowship Dinner

Wednesday, April 5th

5:30 p.m.

Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Broccoli, Orange Salad,  
Blueberry Muffins, Peanut Butter and Jelly Bars

Please make your reservations no later than  
noon, Monday, April 3rd.

~ *Serving* ~  
This Month:

Ushers: Albert Ellis, Billy Mullinax, Breck Partker, Richard Westbrook  
Rev. Randall Massengill, Pastor Charles Heintz, Choir Director

Anne Stansell, Organist

Gwen Gregory, Evella Dana, Pianists

Kevin Smith, Chuck Gregory, video, audio & projection

Ben Jones, Youth & Children Director; BenJones@lafayettefumc.org

To contact Pastor Randall by email: RMassengill@lafayettefumc.org

Pastor Randall's Cell Phone: 706-567-2717

Parsonage Phone Number: 706-639-9238

## Prayer Concerns

New Concerns:

Ongoing Concerns:

Caroline Autry, Jeanette Baker, Diane Bartles, Patrick Bunn, Scott Daniel, John & Melissa Hallman, Starr Hawkins, Kat Heintz, Carolyn Holiman, Jennifer Johnston, David Johnston, Jeremy Johnston, Shawn Lackey, Dwight Lambert, Judy Long, MaryAnn Leake McDaniel, Vernon Moore, Alice Nicholson, Dan Priest, James Snow, Michael Street, Terry Thompson, Megan Wolfe

Nursing Home:

Shut In:

Service Men & Women:

James D. Behrmann, Benji Croom, Meg Dunwoody, Jim Forester, Kylee Forester, Morgan Forester, Sid Forester, Trey Heintz, Brett P. May, James Mitchell, Michael Street, Chris Walka

Names will be left on the prayer list for up to one month. To leave a name on longer, please re-submit prayer request.

If you would like to be added to the email prayer chain, please submit your address to the church office.

Mary Helen Circle

Monday, March 13

11 a.m.

Church Annex

Circle 2

Circle 2 will meet on Tuesday, March 21 at 7 pm at the home of Elaine Womack.

Anne will have dessert and Rachel S. will have the program.

Please bring a book for Phillip and Amber Street's new baby boy to enjoy as he grows up. We will be mailing these to them before he is born.