

THE WHITFIELD



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For Members and Friends of Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church
April 30-May 6, 2017

April 30, 2017: 5th Sunday and Confirmation Sunday

Dear Whitfield Family,

Hello to my brothers and sisters in Christ. On Easter Sunday, we enjoyed a wonderful day of worship as we celebrated Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. Last Sunday was a blessed day of worship, as well. Thank you to Patty Macready for sharing the message; I have heard many positive comments about the services.

This Sunday will be a meaningful day of celebratory worship, as well. We will follow our regular 5th Sunday schedule of Sunday school at 9:00 and one combined worship service at 10:00. During our Confirmation Sunday worship service, Emma Duffee, Gracie Edwards and Sarah Blackwell will profess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord of their lives and commit to serve Him faithfully within and beyond Whitfield. They will be confirmed as members of The United Methodist Church as a whole and the local congregation of Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church. Additionally, members of our Whitfield family will reaffirm our commitment to Christ and His Church. Furthermore, we will affirm our ongoing commitment to Emma, Gracie, Sarah and entire family of faith as we work together to fulfill our ongoing mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Please make every effort to take part in this sacred service and bring others with you.

Following the worship service, we will continue to celebrate Emma, Gracie and Sarah as we gather for a covered dish fellowship luncheon in the Sheppard Center. In addition to our Whitfield family, our confirmands will be surrounded by extended family members and friends. Since we know guests will be present for the worship service and meal, please bring extra food to share so there will be plenty for everyone to enjoy. Thank you. I look forward to worshipping God and celebrating with you! To God be all glory, honor and praise!

In Him,

Carolyn

“For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.”
Psalm 100:5

“The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.” Psalm 126:3

Weekly Focused Corporate Prayer: Please pray for God to bless, guide and use Emma, Gracie and Sarah in mighty ways for His glory and kingdom work, during their years at Whitfield and throughout their lives.



5th Sunday Luncheon
April 30, 2017
 After 10:00 a.m.
 Confirmation Service

Wednesday Night Dinner
May 3

MENU: Poppy Seed Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Pineapple Casserole, Roll & Dessert.

PROGRAM: Sara Dubose, Storyteller

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

APRIL 30, 2017

10:00 a.m. (one service)

SARAH BLACKWELL

EMMA DUFFEE

GRACIE EDWARDS

There will be a basket available for congratulation cards. We will also enjoy a 5th Sunday Fellowship Lunch after this special service.



Mark Your Calendar:

Sunday, 4/30 - Confirmation Sunday, 10:00 AM (Lunch follows)

Wed, 5/3 - Sara Dubose, Storyteller

Wed., 5/10 - Zara Grace Centennial Celebration

Wed., 5/17 - The Kempters!! (Sanctuary)

Sunday, 5/21 - Spaghetti Fundraiser following 10:30 service

Zara Grace's
Centennial Celebration!!

Wednesday, May 10 @ 6:15 PM



Our beloved Zara Grace will turn 100 on May 1. Come help her celebrate this milestone during our Wednesday Night Supper & Program on May 10. Zara (and a big birthday cake) will be the main attraction, as we share stories and travel down memory lane with this special lady. We will have a card basket available for your special notes of congratulations and encouragement.

Please make reservations to join us for our Fellowship Supper at 5:30 PM, **by Monday, May 8, at Noon.**

Blue Lake Camp Fundraiser!!

May 21, 11:30-ish

Make plans to join us for a delicious Spaghetti Luncheon to benefit our Blue Lake Camp Scholarship Fund. We have 6 kids registered for camp (3 for Worship Arts and 3 for Crossroads). We are always grateful for our church family assisting with the cost of camp. You'll get to enjoy a great meal, fellowship, and some funny camp stories. All donations accepted and appreciated.

Thank you,

Patty and our Blue Lake Campers

A+ Council Meeting

The A+ Council Meeting has been **re-scheduled** to meet on **Wednesday, May 3, 4:00 p.m.**, in the Davis Martin classroom.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar for April 30 are offered to the Glory of God and in honor of Zara Grace's 100th birthday by Jim & Carolyn Vice.

Attendance April 23, 2017

Sunday School 64 Morning Worship 95

WEEKLY SCHEDULED EVENTS	OPEN DOORS USA
Sunday, April 30 - 5 th Sunday	Open Doors USA is a nonprofit organization focused on serving persecuted Christians through bible & gospel development, women and children advancement and Christian community restoration.
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Choir Practice	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
UMYF	5:00 p.m.
Monday, May 1	Re: opendoorsusa.org
Walking Group (M-F)	7:15 a.m.
Tuesday, May 2	There is a donation jar location in the foyer of the Sheppard Center. The change will be collected quarterly and counted in the church office, deposit made and contribution sent to Open Doors on behalf of Whitfield UMC.
Prayer Group	7:15 a.m.
Wednesday, May 3	This will allow our church - members, youth , children and guest to provide for the needs of persecuted Christians. For more information, please contact TJ Whitehead.
Prayer Group	2:30 p.m.
A+ Council Meeting (Davis Martin)	4:00 p.m.
PoP Prayer Group	4:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Supper	5:30 p.m.
Program	6:15 p.m.
Children's Activities	6:15 p.m.
Youth Engage	6:15 p.m.
Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 4	Psalm 121:5, 7-8
No Events Currently Scheduled	⁵ The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.
Friday, May 5	⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
Sew n Sews	10:00 a.m.
Saturday, May 6	⁸ The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.
No Events Currently Scheduled	

You Are In Our Prayers!!

Whitfield Members

Vivian Rogers, Kirk Wood, Peggy Brown, Martha Parker, Henrietta Cusick, Alma Reynolds, Jo Moody, Peter Brambir, Joan Rodgers, John Woodson, Dottie Suber, Charlotte Brambir, Mildred Jones, Betty Fuller, Bill Fischer, Kay Littlepage, Brownie Brown, Lib Cain, Tom Burns, Caryll Carrick, Elmer Stelk, Eloise Parsons, Jim Solomon, Edna Kohn, Helon Haack, Susan Richardson, Telsie Davis, Betty Woodson, Louise Forrester, Ashton Mashburn, Thursa Brown, Betty Bradsher, Jay Byrd

Home Bound Members (in-town)

Nealie Pruitt, Emmett Turner, Teresa Chavers, Rubye Solomon, Margaret Deacy, Wayne Read, Delores Dodson, Mitzi Warren, Libby Richardson, Lois Payne

Home Bound Members (out of town)

Elaine McBride, Martha Payne, Juanita Pritchett, Katie Hopper, Blenda Lushington

Friends of Whitfield

Wayne Russell, Verna Stevens, Bill Miller, Jeff Varner, Sharon Brugh, *Margaret Ann Batley*, Emma Hope Shaw, *Joy Lushington, Doug Estes, Kate Lindsey*, Myrtle Knight, Mona Pirsig, Mary Ellen Millis, Paul Lanier, Myles Wright, Ashley Dunwoody, Beverly Cornwell, Jean Cantey, Mac Macready, Darlene Fox, JoAnne Westery, Wayne Merritt, Bailey Casteel, Molly Nelson Brantley, Susannah Jones Cleveland, Jack Behm, Philip Landry, Aaron Turner

Peace for the nations and protection for all those who live and serve in harm's way.

Note: Please submit any names you would like added to the church via telephone (281-2467) or e-mail (whitumc@bellsouth.net) All names submitted are kept on the prayer list for **four weeks** unless otherwise notified. *Those names in Italics are in need of long term prayers.*

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Church Office Hours:

8:15-12:30 and 1:30-4:15, M-Th

8:15-12:30 p.m. Friday

Sunday Services: 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

Worship Assistants - April 30 (5th Sunday)

Ushers: (10:00) Youth

Counters: Curtis Ingram,

Jeannie Anderson

Van Driver: Ron Capel

Soundboard: (10:00) Jimmy Lee

Readers: (10:00) Earl Heath

Children's Worship: None this week