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MARCH 2019

Dear Family,

During the month of March, we begin our annual pilgrimage with Jesus to the cross. This 40 day journey is also known as Lent. Lent begins on Wednesday, March 6 and concludes on Saturday, April 20 (Holy Saturday--the day before Easter). Sundays are excluded in the season of Lent, because we believe every Sunday is a taste of Easter.

Lent is a time of self-examination—of looking in the mirror to see that we desperately need God and cannot do life by ourselves. This is why the start of Lent is marked by Ash Wednesday—a service where the sign of the cross is placed on our forehead to remember, “We are dust and to dust we shall return.” It is a somber start, but one that is desperately needed. We aren’t God, we are in need of Grace, and yet, God does God’s best work with dust (the stuff we are made of!).

Often times in this season, people will choose to give up something. Usually the list consists of a specific food item, a drink, a designated meal time, a technology item or social media account, etc. People do this to remember Jesus’ time in the wilderness, where he was without food or shelter for 40 days, being tempted by the devil. In the absence of something that is a normal part of our day-to-day routines, we can feel out of sorts. In these times of disorientation, we are invited to remember Jesus and draw closer to Him.

This Lent, I would invite you to consider adding something to whatever you subtract. If you give up a meal, utilize that time to read and search the Scriptures or pray. If you give up a special drink or food item, use the proceeds of the monies you would pay for those items to benefit someone else. If you fast by way of technology, make time for a new relationship.

Lent should be a time that stretches us so we can continue to grow in Grace and live into the cross-shaped love of God in Jesus Christ. May this season be one that leads us toward deeper love of God, neighbor, and self.

Grace & Peace

+ josh

Please send mail and pray for our Homebound

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Memorials and Honorariums

In Memory of Colleen Bodsford

Ed & Shirley Mitchell
JMUMC Sr. Adult SS Class

Jordan Memorial Military

ET3 Bressler, Aaron

271 N. Vineyard Blvd. Apt 206
Honolulu, HI 96817

PFC Trexler, Dylan

CMR 442 Box 1453
APO AE 09067-0015

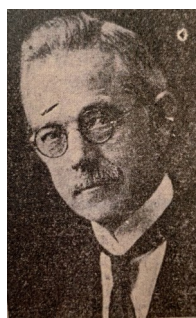
1SG Flint, Richard P.

SSGT Blake-Sheridan, Sydney

HM2 Smith, Quinton

1111 Nance Road
Franklinville, NC 27248

HERITAGE SUNDAY



Members of the United Methodist Church usually celebrate their heritage on the third Sunday in May which is close to the date of May 24. May 24 was the date of John Wesley's Aldersgate experience when his heart "was strangely warmed" and he felt assured of his salvation. On

Heritage Sunday, members honor the church's founders and recommit to the continuing call of God.

On Sunday, March 10 we will observe a Jordan Memorial Heritage Sunday. Henry H. Jordan II, former member of Jordan Memorial and a grandson of the Pastor for whom Jordan Memorial was named will visit our church. Rev. Jordan was the minister when the building in which we now worship was built. His grandson will provide information on Rev. Jordan's ministry and family life during the worship service.

Several members of the Jordan Family will be present on March 10. They will be our guests at a fellowship meal following the worship service. We hope you will plan to attend this special service and remain for the meal.

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UMW INFORMATION

Jordan Memorial United Methodist Women will meet on Sunday, March 3 at 2:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be a celebration of the 150th anniversary of United Methodist Women and its predecessor organizations. We will also receive our Call to Prayer offering. If you have completed a Christmas Shoebox for Armenian children you may bring it to the meeting. We are also collecting personal hygiene items for Food Pantry.

Small Group Opportunities



The **Jordan Youth** will meet at the Kurtz's house on Sunday, March 24th at 5pm.

Habitat for Humanity in Ramseur

Anyone interested in feeding a group of students from the University of Georgia on Thursday, March 14th, please let Pastor Josh know. This group is working on a Habitat for Humanity Project in Ramseur and we want to thank them for their hard work!

Bluegrass Sunday

The Bluegrass Group will meet on Friday, March 1st at 3pm at the church as we prepare for Bluegrass Sunday on March 3.

Monday Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer will continue throughout February on Monday mornings at 8:30am in the Conference Room.

Community Garden Interest Meeting

Anyone interested in being a part of the 2019 Ramseur Community Garden, please join us for a meeting at Jordan Memorial on Thursday, March 7 at 6pm.

Young Adult Small Group

The Young Adult Small Group will meet on Wednesday, March 27th at 6pm at the Kurtz's house.

Jordan Kids

The Jordan Kids will have their monthly children's worship experience on Sunday, March 17 during the 11am worship service. Join us!

Jordan's Closet

Drop-off times for Jordan's Closet are Mondays and Thursdays from 9am-1pm or when the closet is open on Tuesday evenings from 5pm-7pm. Thank you!

AA Group

Jordan Memorial is hosting an open discussion **AA Group** on Monday evenings at 6:30pm at the House on Main Street (1513 Main Street Ramseur). Please be in prayer for this important ministry. If you have questions, contact Joy Collins at 336-622-3839.

Thursdays on Main Street

Thursdays on Main Street is a small group experience that takes place every Thursday evening at 7pm at 1513 Main Street. During this gathering, we share life together, engage the Scriptures, and celebrate Communion as a small group. All are invited!

Knitting and Crochet Group

Like to knit or crochet? Or perhaps you just want to learn? Then come and join us every Friday at 4pm in the Craven Room. All needlework crafts are welcome. Instruction for knitting and crochet will be available.


For more information contact Michelle at sugar-gin312@gmail.com

Tai Chi Chuan

Tai Chi classes are held on Saturday mornings at 9am in the fellowship hall. There will not be any classes on March 2.

Tai Chi class is also held every Tuesday evening at the First Baptist Church (731 Liberty St). Classes are in the fellowship hall from 6:30- 7:30-pm .

In Appreciation / Announcements



A S H
W E D N E S D A Y

North Randolph Missional Network
Ash Wednesday Service + 6:30pm Wednesday, March 6
Central Falls UMC
1436 Pennsylvania Ave.
Asheboro, NC

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FREE
COMMUNITY
MEAL

5:30 pm appetizers
6pm meal

JORDAN MEMORIAL UMC
1511 MAIN STREET
RAMSEUR



What a terrific job the **Boy Scouts** did collecting over 900 cans for the Ramseur Food Pantry. We are so proud of you!



2019 Lenten Worship Series

Troup 508 distributed blankets to Universal Nursing home last week.



Welcome to this world, **Luca Wright Trexler**! Congratulations to grandparents; Pamela Renee Trexler and Mark Trexler! Luca was born Feb 7 and was 7lbs 10oz and 20.5 in long.

Dear Friends,

I want to express my gratitude to you for completing your conference and district apportionment giving. Your portion provides for ministry in your community, in your region and state and throughout the world.

Specifically, the Uwharrie district is able to provide funds for community ministries and outreach efforts because of your gifts. We are able to provide resources to congregations for healthy transitions, conflict transformation and strategic planning for vital ministry. In 2018, 98% of district apportionments were received. We have used 15% of what was received in the district for programming expenses such as the upcoming Laity Celebration and Training, while 85% was returned to churches, missional networks and community ministries in the form of vitality and missional engagement grants.

As your portion joins the portion of other United Methodists, we are able to be a faithful presence in God's world! As your missional strategist and superintendent, I thank you!

Laura H. Auten

**WE ARE ALL
SO BUSY CHASING
THE EXTRAORDINARY
THAT WE FORGET
TO STOP AND
BE GRATEFUL
FOR THE
ORDINARY.**

-Brene Brown

The Parish Nurse

The Parish Nurse is a free program that provides a personal counselor to discuss health concerns and make home/hospital visits as needed.

Ann is our local rep. You can visit with her **on Tuesdays from 5-7pm on the 3rd floor of the church near Jordan's Closet and by appointment.**

Ann provides Free Blood Pressure screening, weight, body fat and body mass index measurements as well as disease and medication counseling. This information is kept confidential.

Looking Ahead

April 14—Palm Sunday
April 14– 21 Holy Week
April 18—Maundy “Holy” Thursday
April 19—Cross Walk @ noon
April 21 –Easter Sunday

Dear Church Family,

You all have helped raise me and support me. This past Sunday, you helped me take my first steps in attending college by raising well over the required amount, to have scholarship money for next year as well. This church truly is a family to me and I'm so grateful for all you have done and all you will do.

With Love,

Ashley Shackelford

OBITUARIES

Colleen Bodsford



Colleen Bodsford, 92, of 2968 Indian Springs Rd., Asheboro, died Thursday, December 13, 2018 at Randolph Hospice House in Asheboro.

Colleen was a native and lifelong resident of Randolph County. She was employed in the textile industry with Separation Service Company in Ramseur. Colleen was a member of Jordan Memorial United Methodist Church in Ramseur and the Red Hat Society. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alfred Franklin Bodsford, son, Alfred Bodsford Jr., parents, Colon and Etta Bonkemeyer Bunting, sisters, Martha Hecking, Ava Holcombe, and Jane O'Connor.

Survivors: daughter, Susan Bodsford Wesley, and husband, Robert, of Winston Salem, son, Michael Bodsford, of Asheboro, sister, Betty Crowell, of Asheboro, brothers, William Hix Bunting, of Asheboro, James R. Bunting, of Texas, four grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Jordan Memorial United Methodist Church, PO Box 848, Ramseur, NC 27316.

James Robert Fox

August 15, 1929 ~ February 17, 2019 (age 89)


James Robert Fox, 89, of Cary, formerly of Asheboro, died Sunday, February 17, 2019 at Randolph Hospice House in Asheboro. James was a native of California, a retired psychologist, and a member of Jordan Memorial United Methodist Church, Ramseur. He was a Captain in the United States Air Force and a member of the Rotary Club.

Survivors: wife, Peggy Gilmore Fox, of Ramseur, daughter, Elisa Sumakeris, of Cary, son, Greg Fox, and wife, Becky, of Clemmons, sister, Vivian Berliner, of San Rafael, CA., grandchildren, Kathryn Sumakeris, Jay Sumakeris, Lucas Sumakeris, all of Cary, Joshua Fox, Jackson Fox, Levi Fox, all of Clemmons, niece, Laurie Berliner, of Fairfax, CA.

Memorials may be made to Jordan Memorial United Methodist Church, PO Box 848, Ramseur, NC 27316 or to Hospice of Randolph County, PO Box 9, Asheboro, NC 27204.



March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Morning Prayer 8am AA Group 6:30pm	5 Jordan Closet 5pm	6 Ash Wednesday 6:30pm	7 Community Garden 6pm Thur on Main St 7pm	8 Knit & Crochet 4pm	9 Tai Chi 9-10:30am
10 Jordan Kids 11am Daylight Saving Time	11 Morning Prayer 8am AA Group 6:30pm	12 Jordan Closet 5pm Community Meal 5:30pm	13	14 Feed Habitat for Humanity Thur on Main St 7pm	15 Knit & Crochet 4pm	16 Tai Chi 9-10:30am
17 	18 Morning Prayer 8am AA Group 6:30pm	19 Jordan Closet 5pm	20 First Day of Spring	21 Thur on Main St 7pm	22 Knit & Crochet 4pm	23 Tai Chi 9-10:30am
24 Youth @ 5pm	25 Morning Prayer 8am AA Group 6:30pm	26 Jordan Closet 5pm	27 Young Adult 6pm	28 Thur on Main St 7pm	29 Knit & Crochet 4pm	30 Tai Chi 9-10:30am
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Ramseur Food Pantry: Biscuit & Muffin Mix, Canned Fruit (reg & Sugar—free).
We will need volunteers April 1-5.

Always a need: sugar, flour, cooking oil, frozen items, personal hygiene items, infant formula (with or without iron) baby food, diapers, empty egg cartons.

March Birthdays

02-Peggy G. Fox
02-Rosemary G. Odom
02-Dan Bressler
03-Denise Lowe
04-Susan Stevenson
05-Colton Embree
05-John Williams
07-Logan Armfield
07-Christy Embree
08-Joanne Luck
09-Beth Embree
09-Priscilla Allen
09-David Harris
10-Mary Cole Pike
10-Kimberly Ragsdale

13-Shirley Mitchell
14-Betty Mace
14-Hal Leonard
15-John Allen
15-Jason Gager
16-Tim Benbow
17-Benjamin Lankford
19-Audrey Gant
24-David Posey
24-Lindsay Armfield
24-Bradley McPherson
24-Fletcher Rains
27-Keth Mace

ACOLYTE

3/3—Avah Culmone
3/10—Jacob Gasey
3/17—Aidan Armfield
3/24—Carson Gasey
3/31—Wesley Kurtz

USHERS: Doug Collins, Bruce Ihme, John Allen

GREETERS: Quint & Rebecca Smith

CUSTODIAN: Doug Collins

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Worship times
Sunday School
9:45am
Worship Service
11am