

As most of you are aware, there are many differing views in the United Methodist Church. In both the General and Annual conferences there will be discussion on how we as a church are to move forward. These are difficult decisions that already have caused division, hurt feelings, and anger. Let us be a people that will speak our differences in a manner that has love for each other. Pray that love, respect and grace will prevail in all of the conversations.

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# CONNECTIONS

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## First United Methodist Church


### Ordination, Annual Conference, General Conference

1. On March 22 the Board of Ordained Ministry met and approved me for ordination. This has been a very long process, but a very rewarding one. I want to thank all of you who have prepared me, prayed for me, and helped by reading papers and letting me know what they thought. It is a great honor to be moving forward in the goal that God has called me to as being an ordained itinerant elder. I would also like to take this space to thank Autumn, Lois Marie, and Mac for their prayers, support, and putting up with me as I worked this process.

2. The dates for Annual Conference (the meeting of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference) has been set. August 13-14 in Lubbock the clergy and lay delegates from each church will gather to discuss and make decisions for the upcoming year for our conference. This is an important time each and every year. Please begin praying now that the delegates will have wisdom and discernment during this conference.

3. General Conference is the meeting of the Global United Methodist Church. Clergy and Lay Delegates gather to discuss and decide issues related to the entire church. This is the only body allowed to make changes to our Book of Discipline. This conference meets every four years. They were supposed to meet last year, but due to Covid-19 they postponed to this year. Now they have postponed again due to travel issues and other related Covid-19 difficulties. Begin praying for these delegates. Whenever the General Conference meets, they will be making decisions that will affect our entire denomination. Pray that they have wisdom and discernment. That the Holy Spirit will be present in their gathering.

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For God  
so loved the world,  
that he gave  
his only son,  
that whoever  
believes in *him*  
should not perish  
but have *eternal life*.

Joh 3:16

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### Weekly Activities

#### Mondays

9:00 am Staff Meeting

2:00 pm Knitting

#### Tuesdays

3:30 pm Line Dancing

#### Wednesdays

9:00 am Mother's Day Out

3:30 pm Benevolence & HOPE Ministry

6:30 pm King's Kids/Youth/Adult Bible Study (Online Only)

#### Thursdays

12:00 pm Lions Club

#### Fridays

9:00 am Mother's Day Out

#### Sundays

8:30 Bells of Praise Practice

9:00 am Donuts and Coffee

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

For I  
know  
that my  
*Redeemer*  
lives.

Job 19:25



By  
his  
wounds  
we are  
*healed.*

Isaiah 53:5, NIV



### Budget Details

2021 Budget	\$591,553.59
Weekly Needs	\$11,376.03

### Weekly Donations

February 28	\$ 10,645
March 7	\$ 10,730
March 14	\$ 3,367
March 21	\$10,869

*If you have any questions about the finances of the church, please contact a finance committee member.*

### Weekly Attendance

03/07/21	107
03/14/21	94
03/21/21	145

If you have information for the newsletter, please email them to [pampafumc@gmail.com](mailto:pampafumc@gmail.com) the Monday before the newsletter is printed. Next newsletter will go out in the mail Wednesday, April 7th. So articles are due April 5th.

Thank you, Virginia

## Holy Week Schedule

March 28 (Palm Sunday)—Children wave palms

Choir Cantata

Confirmation Class

Monday, March 29

12:00—Sack lunch and devotionals in Gathering Sp

Tuesday, March 30

12:00—Sack lunch and devotionals in Gathering Sp

Wednesday, March 31

12:00—Sack lunch and devotionals in Gathering Sp

6:00 pm—Easter egg hunt and hotdogs

Thursday, April 1

12:00—Sack lunch and devotionals in Gathering Sp

6:30 pm—Maundy Thursday Service in Sanctuary

Friday, April 2

12:00—Sack lunch and devotionals in Gathering Sp

Easter Sunday, April 4

Confirmations and Baptisms

# Prayer Request

Auwen, Xander  
Benyshek, Barbara  
Bustamante, Dora  
Cantrell, Mary  
Clark, John & Peggy  
Dyson, Betty  
Hamm, Gary  
Haynes, Madison  
Heckman, Rodney  
Heckman, Teresa  
Hite, Ramona  
Hulse, Orin  
Hunard, Shirley  
Jones, Jean  
Lacey, Tommy  
Landry, Rivest  
Lane, Susanne  
Leal, Sonny  
Lively, Janice  
Lively, Jennifer  
Logue, Jake

Miller, Joe & Dorothy  
Peterson, Zander  
Richardson, Berdena &  
James  
Riley, Judy  
Rutledge, Cheri  
Rutledge, Kylar  
Shelton, Alexis  
Silva, Isaac  
Stowers, Dick & Dot  
Sweet, Ed  
Taylor, Shannon  
Terry, Pat  
Tripplehorn, Kelly  
West, Dale  
Wood, Suzanne  
Yarborough, Linda

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