

# Messenger

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*Joint Worship Service*  
*Sunday, April 9, 2023*  
*10:00 A.M.*

*Please join us as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ in worship  
and special music presented by the Chancel Choir.*

*There will be NO Sunday School  
or evening activities.*

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, APRIL 9

10:00 a.m. Joint Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

### TUESDAY, APRIL 11

6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

5:15 p.m. W.O.W. Children's Ministry

6:00 p.m. Bro. Lauren's Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Snack Supper

6:00 p.m. Youth

### SATURDAY, APRIL 15

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 10. Bert Fennell
- 12. Davis Gary  
Jason Smith
- 13. Mailey Melton  
Daniel Pender
- 15. Ardis Russell



John Sharp Howie has been our lead Usher for the past twenty four years. He has been so faithful to serve our church in this capacity and we appreciate the time that he has given to help keep our services running smoothly!



During the past week, Phil and Sharon Nichols have been distributing needed items and financial contributions to the tornado victims in Rolling Fork and Silver City. At the present time, monetary contributions will be most helpful. If you would like to help, please make your check to FUMC and mark it for the Disaster Fund.



*Irma Newell Hart*

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes



Our Lenten services this week were such a blessing. We want to thank those who planned the services, the visiting clergy, and the musicians.

Many thanks to those who prepared and served our Lenten lunches: Phil & Sharon Nichols, Owen & Mary Lou Richards, Reece & Diane Vaughan, Janet Adams, Christy Ivers, Edwin and Linda McDonald, Lois Russell, Linda Ketchum, and Margaret Woods. It was wonderful to be able to sit and enjoy a meal and fellowship together.



## Hiskidz and Bible in Life

This Sunday is Easter, and we will not be having Sunday School. We will have a joint worship service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School will return next week and our lesson will be on the Ascension.

### W.O.W. Wednesday

W.O.W. Wednesday meets this week and begins a new series. Our new study will be The Ten Commandments.

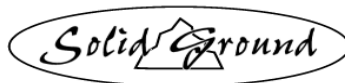


"The Ten Commandments" are the heart of the Old Testament and are the core expression of God's rules for his people. Christians have always looked to the commandments as simple directions for life and worship as the basis of right living. In this series, children will learn that God's rules show us our need for Christ and how we can express his love in how we live. The Ten Commandments are good rules that God gave to Moses for all people to follow, including you and me! These rules help us to have good relationships with God and people. For the last few weeks, we have focused on the Commandments directed on God and our respect towards Him. Next week we will talk about the Commandments that tell us how to treat others. We will begin with **Commandment 5 - Obey Authority**.

### Children's Egg Hunts



Thank you to all who supported and participated in children's egg hunts on Palm Sunday. The children had a fun day of finding eggs, playing outside and winning prizes. A special thank you to Owen and Mary Lou Richards allowing the egg hunt to be at their place.



### Youth Sunday School

There will be **NO** Sunday School this week due to Easter Sunday. We will have a joint worship service at 10:00 a.m. Next week we will meet back in the Sunday School room as usual.

# Youth Bible Study and Small Group

We will **NOT** meet this Sunday night due to Easter weekend.  
Wednesday Night Youth Group will resume for the next several of weeks for the remainder of the school year.

## D-NOW

Disciple Now was last weekend, and what a wonderful experience our youth, as well as the other youth in the community had. Our theme was about the dark times we live in and face in our world today. However, we have a Light in Jesus. We were reminded that God is in all things, and He will never leave us. We must ask Him to guide us, and we must trust Him.



## Sunday, April 9, 2023

Greeters  
Scripture  
Sermon

Linda & Edwin McDonald  
Luke 24:1-12  
“He Is Risen!”

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### APRIL

- 9. *Easter Sunday***
- 10. Rejoicing in salvation
- 11. The Lord laughs
- 12. Serving a Holy God
- 13. Great power and grace
- 14. Joyful unity
- 15. For the whole world

- John 20:1-18***
- Isaiah 25:6-9
- Psalm 2:1-12
- Joshua 24:15-22
- Acts 4:32-25
- Psalm 133
- 1 John 1:1-2:2