

OUR STEWARDSHIP ... March 24, 2019

Church Membership.....288	Budget.....600,000.00
Early Worship.....45	Needed.....138,462.00
Morning Worship.....138	Offering Sunday..... 5,794.00
Contemporary 43	To Date.....121,897.81
Evening Bible Study 35	Under Budget..... (16,564.19)
Sunday School..... 127	

CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Read Your Bible Daily

Wednesday, March 27 Judges 1-3; Luke 4:1-30

- 7:00 a.m. Emmaus Men's Prayer Group
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Music & Activities
- 5:00 p.m. Supper
Children's Supper & Homework Time
- 5:30 p.m. Committee on Finance
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, March 28 Judges 4-6; Luke 4:31-44

- 9:00 a.m. Wesley Study Group
- 10:30 a.m. Backpacks of Hope: Pleasant Ridge MBC

Friday, March 29 Judges 7-8; Luke 5:1-16

Saturday, March 30 Judges 9-10; Luke 5:17-39

Sunday, March 24 Judges 11-12; Luke 6:1-26

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. Bridal Tea: Porter/Gordon
- 5:00 p.m. "A Night to Remember" Fundraiser

April 1 Judges 13-15; Luke 6:27-49

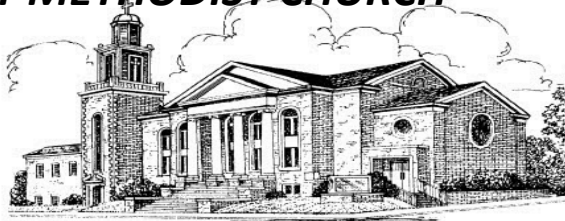
- 2:00 p.m. Methodist Women

Tuesday, April 2 Judges 16-18; Luke 7:1-30

- 10:30 p.m. Backpacks of Hope: Betheden Prayer Group
- 3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

*It is your responsibility to notify the office of schedule changes.
Monday noon is the deadline to get something in the newsletter.*

**Louisville
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**



"The Church in the Heart of the City
With Christ's Mission at Heart"

SERVING SUNDAY, March 31, 2019

Ushers and Greeters: Charles and Gerry Clark(Chmn.), Wade Baskin, Don and Jan Brantley, Richard Caperton, Joe Clark, Brian and Jennifer Collier, Cliff and Ann Hudson, Barbara Kemp, Patrick Morgan, Al Porter, Rob and Melanie Yates

Altar Guild: Bailey Coward & Mike Dowd

Acolytes/Crossbearer:

Lay Reader: Hap Hickman

Children's Time: Charles Bond

Children's Supper: Night to Remember

Youth Supper: Night to Remember

Live broadcast of the Morning Worship can be seen every Sunday on Channel 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Rebroadcast** of this service can be seen every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. on Channel 18 and heard at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday on **WLSM-FM 107.1**. You can watch the **Live streaming** of the 11 a.m. service at **Louisville First Methodist Church** on Facebook.

You can now listen to the delayed broadcast of our **Contemporary Service** each Sunday at 12:00 noon on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.


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WESLEY STUDY GROUP

The Wesley Study Group will meet this Thursday at 9 a.m. in the CLC 205. They meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

BACKPACKS OF HOPE

March is Pudding Cup month for Backpacks of Hope. April will be Fruit Cup month. Please leave your donations in the box in Friendship Hall.

Pleasant Ridge Missionary Baptist Church packs on Thursday, March 28. Betheden Prayer Group will pack on Tuesday, April 2.

BRIDAL TEA

You, the church family, are invited to a bridal tea honoring Olivia Porter and Christopher Gordon on Sunday, March 31, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

TODAY is the DEADLINE to buy your tickets for "A Night to Remember," this Sunday, March 31. We'll begin at 5 p.m. with a delicious meal of Pork Loin, Green Beans and Mashed Potatoes, then a live dessert auction! Afterward there will be entertainment from our church family, a silent auction, and youth auction. Please purchase your ticket for this fun filled night. You will be helping the youth and children pay for their summer camp by participating.

Please let Melanie Yates know if you have anything for our "A Night to Remember" silent auction! If you have a business and would like to donate a gift or service we would love to include this! If you cannot get up with Melanie, just bring your donated item to the YANSY Sunday School Classroom (CLC 205). And if you have a signature dessert, we will be having a live dessert auction during the festivities!

Thanks for making this night a success!!!

METHODIST WOMEN

You are invited to join our Methodist Women in a time of fellowship and Bible study the first Monday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Sunshine Room. The next meeting will be Monday, April 1.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation Classes are meeting Tuesdays from 3:30-4:15 p.m. through April 16. This class is for children 11-13 who want to know more about becoming a Christian and church membership.



FMC T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

The youth are selling FMC T-shirts with our new logo on the front pocket area and *God's Got This* on the back. Sizes youth through adult XL will be \$20 and 2XL-5XL will be \$22. Everyone is encouraged to purchase one, especially those who will be volunteering for the Drive Thru Prayer, and those who work in the kitchen, or other group ministries. Order forms are available at the church. If you are interested in buying one of our new t-shirts and would like it before Easter weekend the order deadline is April 10.

BUTTERFLIES FOR EASTER

It's time to order your butterflies for the Butterfly Release on Easter Sunday, April 21. We've had some difficulty over the last couple of years with our supplier, so we are trying something a little different this year. Instead of raising our caterpillars into butterflies, we will come ready to release! They will come the Friday before Easter, and you can pick them up on Easter Sunday Morning prior to the 11 o'clock Worship Service.

The cost is \$5 per butterfly. We have ordered 200 so when we have sold those, there will be no more. Get your order in early!

If you'd like to have them in honor or in memory of someone, that information must be in the church office no later than April 15.

FIRST SUNDAY

We will have a First Sunday Mission Lunch on Sunday, April 3, immediately following Morning Worship. Details will come later.

A reminder that as we celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month, you have the opportunity to leave a special offering at the communion rail that will go to help support our Good Samaritan Food Pantry Ministry.

DRIVE THRU PRAYER

First Methodist will be having the Drive Thru Prayer Ministry on Good Friday, April 19. We need people to be greeters and hold signs, and people to pray with those who stop for prayer. We need everyone to be in prayer for the volunteers and community that morning, that the love of God might shine into

FROM THE MAILBAG

The family of Gay Edwards would like to thank everyone for the calls, visits, and cards received during her illness. A special thanks to Bro. Mike, Jerry, and Dana and the luncheon committee for their expression of love on her funeral day. God bless each of you.

Peggy Crawford

THOUGHTS ON PRAYER

"You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't know how to pray!' you can be sure you have already begun."

—St. Josemaría Escrivá

"Seek a relationship when you pray, not answers. You won't always find answers, but you will always find Jesus."

—Father Mike Schmitz

"If the lungs of prayer and the Word of God do not nourish the breath of spiritual life, we risk suffocating in the midst of a thousand daily cares. Prayer is the breath of the soul and of life."

—Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI