



# White Bluff News

## March 2021

EMBRACE TRANSFORM EQUIP IMPACT

### SERMON SERIES:

**Sunday, March 7, 2021**  
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth  
“Serving Jesus”  
John 4:5-42

**Sunday, March 14, 2021**  
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth  
“Seeing Jesus”  
2nd Corinthians 5:16-21

**Sunday, March 21, 2021**  
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth  
“The Tears of Jesus”  
John 11:1-44

**Sunday, March 28, 2021**  
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth  
“Descending Jesus”  
Philippians 2:5-11

### Staff

**Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth**  
Senior Pastor

**Rodney Powers**  
Director of Music  
Ministries

**Bobby Floyd**  
Director of Modern  
Service and Student  
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**Audrey Tilton**  
Custodian

### The Cross As the Way

This Lenten season I've spent a good bit of time reflecting on the cross. We've done that in our book study, *Savior: What the Bible Says About the Cross*. I'm also reading Fleming Rutledge's great book, *The Crucifixion*, over Lent. I highly recommend her work to you, but especially this book. She discusses meanings of the crucifixion of Jesus that's often neglected in our death/suffering-avoidance world. One quote that I've been reflecting on speaks to what the cross means for us today:

“The resurrection...does not cancel out the contradiction and shame of the cross in this present life; rather, the resurrection ratifies the cross as the way “until he comes.”

“The way until he comes.” The cross isn't just an act by Jesus for our salvation-It's also a way of life for us in this world until Christ returns. That's why Jesus tells us that in order to be his disciples, we must take up our own crosses. Should it surprise us then that the life of the Christian can often be at odds with the world? Friends, this should never surprise us. The way of the cross is often a contradiction with earthly powers. That's one of the reasons that Jesus was crucified. As Paul told the church in Corinth and now the church in America, “the preaching of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to those who are being saved it is the power of God.” 1 Cor. 1:18

“If anyone wants to follow me, you must deny yourselves and take up your cross.”

Are you ready to follow Jesus? The cross is the way.

Josh

## Stewardship Report

### Attendance 02/07/21

9:00 am.....60  
11:00 am.....15  
Sunday School.....8  
Online views.....179

### Attendance 02/14/2021

9:00 am.....44  
11:00 am.....20  
Sunday School.....12  
Online views.....219

Ash Wednesday.....33  
Online views.....70

### Attendance 02/21/2021

9:00 am.....89  
11:00 am.....19  
Sunday School.....22  
Online views.....127

### Attendance 12/28/2020

9:00 am.....105  
11:00 am.....20  
Sunday School.....20  
Online views.....143

## Director of Modern Worship and Student Ministries

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Greetings Church Family! A few updates for you all...

1. Youth Ministry-Our youth room is ready to be furnished! This is the last step before we will be able to begin meeting there regularly. I aim to have this step completed ASAP. So be on the lookout for an update about that so you can tell your grandkids, kids, and whoever else about our meetings.
2. Children's Ministry- Our Kid's Table meet at 11 o'clock. We have kicked off our new curriculum this month. The kids seem to be responding well to it and we should be incredibly grateful to those who have been serving in this area of our community. With that being said, we could always use more volunteers here. So if you have a heart for kids come talk to me (Bobby) and we will find at least one Sunday a month where you can jump in!
3. The Open Table-We were happy to be back this month and excited to continue our growth while we reach as many people as possible for the Kingdom of God.

Grace and peace,

Bobby



**Happy Birthday**  
Greetings extended to:

**Margarete Freese**  
On celebrating her  
94th birthday on  
March 8th.

**Bill Briggs**  
On celebrating his  
91st birthday on  
March 17th.

**Joan Herbster**  
On celebrating her  
92nd birthday on  
March 26th.



### You Are Loved Traveling Prayer Sign

Be on the lookout for these signs in our neighborhoods. You are thought of and loved.

The sign being placed on your yard means you have been prayed for by another church member! Instructions are on the back of the sign.

If you have questions, please contact:  
Jane Anderson (912) 659-1728.

### EASTER FLOWER ORDER

Place flowers in the Sanctuary for Easter in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone special.

Azaleas \$15.00  
Hydrangeas \$15.00  
Kalanchoe \$12.50  
Lilies \$12.50

Please complete a order form located in the Narthex.

**Order Deadline is March 12, 2021.**



**Trustee Meeting**  
**March 9, 2021**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
Horton Hall

### Abigail Circle Meeting

March 18, 2021  
6:00 P.M.  
Room 21

### WBUMC Mission Statement

The White Bluff United Methodist Church is called by God to **EMBRACE** their salvation in Christ, to be **TRANSFORMED** into His likeness, to be **EQUIPPED** to serve in ministry, as we **IMPACT** the world.

**CHURCH COUNCIL  
LEADERSHIP  
RETREAT**

**Saturday, March 6, 2021  
10:00 AM til 12 noon  
Horton Hall**



**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL  
CLASSES  
MEET TOGETHER IN THE  
SANCTUARY EVERY SUNDAY.**

**Contemporary Singles meets  
in Room 12**

**Wayfarer Class meets in Room 4**

**Immediately following the  
9:00 am Worship Service.**



**Daylight Savings Time**

Set your clocks ahead one hour  
before going to bed on

**Saturday, March 13, 2021**

Don't forget to change the batteries in  
your smoke detectors.

**Game Night**

**March 19, 2021  
7:00 p.m.  
Horton Hall**

**Everyone is welcome  
to join us.**

**Hisbro Gaming**  
www.hisbro.com

**Holy Week Services**

**March 29 through April 2, 2021**  
Daily Services at 12:15pm in the Horton Hall.  
You are welcome to bring your lunch.

**April 1, 2021**  
Maundy Thursday: Service at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

**April 2, 2021**  
Good Friday: Stations of the Cross beginning at 6pm.  
This will be a meditative prayer walk where we follow  
Jesus's footsteps to the cross.



**WHITE BLUFF UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
EGGSTRAVAGANZA EASTER EGG HUNT**

**APRIL 4, 2021 12 NOON**  
**AGES 1-12**  
**Courtyard**

**Following the 11:00 am  
Modern Worship Service**

**We need individually wrapped prefilled eggs.  
Donations accepted thru April 2, 2021.**



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**Christian love and sympathy are extended to the following families and friends of White Bluff United Methodist Church.**

Pamela Saunders and Paula Bunkley,  
on the death of their mother, Fryn Hendrix Clark,  
on February 9, 2021.



**Rebecca Catherine Bradley**

Graduated from Georgia Southern University  
in December of 2020 with a Bachelor of  
Science Degree in Nursing.

She has accepted a position as a Registered  
Nurse in the Emergency Room at St. Joseph's  
Hospital in Savannah.



**Special Gifts**

**Gifts were given to White Bluff United Methodist Church in memory of:**

**Nancy Blackwell**

Suzanne Woodrum

**Fryn Clark**

Barbara Hefner  
Suzanne Woodrum

**Eunice Cook**

Elizabeth Williamson  
Alan Williamson  
Suzanne Woodrum

**Matt Hearn**

Suzanne Woodrum



**FLOWER CHART**

The 2021 flower chart is posted in the hallway next to the kitchen. The cost is \$25.00 and can be paid with a check made out to White Bluff United Methodist Church.

Either drop the check off at the office or put the check in an envelope in the offering plate.