



White Bluff News

May 2021

EMBRACE TRANSFORM EQUIP IMPACT

SERMON SERIES:

Sunday, May 2, 2021
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth
"Love in Action"
1 John 3:14-24

Sunday, May 9, 2021
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth
"Remain in Love"
1 John 4:7-21

Sunday, May 16, 2021
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth
"Keeping God's
Commandments"
1 John 5:1-6

Sunday, May 23, 2021
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth
"Eternal Life"
1 John 5:9-13

Staff

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

Rodney Powers
Director of Music
Ministries

Bobby Floyd
Director of Modern
Service and Student
Ministries

Suzanne R. Woodrum
Church Organist

Rick Weeks
Audio/Visual Coordinator

Carolyn Anderson
Administrative Assistant

Malinda Smith
Financial Administrator

Sarah McGalliard
Nursery Director

Audrey Tilton
Custodian

Giving Thanks for our Christian Mothers

I asked on UMW Sunday, "Where would we be without the women of our church?" The church would likely be non-existent. In the same way that I'm thankful for them, as we turn our eyes towards Mother's Day, I'm thankful for our mothers. Without them, where would we be?

While John and Charles Wesley get all of the notoriety in church history for the Methodist movement, it was Suzanna Wesley behind the scenes who made them who they were.

As we celebrate Mother's Day this month, let's remember the huge role they play in our development. Without them, where would we be? Give thanks to God for those women in our life who play that important role.

Let us also be reminded that as a church, we are all here for each other. Remember that in the church we are called to be spiritual parents to all of our children. When our children were baptized we made this promise to them:

*With God's help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.
We will surround these children
with a community of love and forgiveness,
that they may grow in their service to others.
We will pray for them,
that they may be true disciples
who walk in the way that leads to life.*

*We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.
As members together with you
in the body of Christ
and in this congregation
of The United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant
faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the Church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.*

Through baptism, we are part of the family of God. We are called to be fathers and mothers to all. Thanks be to God for these wonderful people that God has put in our lives!

Josh

Stewardship Report

Attendance 04/04/21

9:00 am.....77
11:00 am.....18
Sunday School.....20

Attendance 04/11/2021

9:00 am.....123
11:00 am.....25
Sunday School.....35

Attendance 04/18/2021

9:00 am.....95
11:00 am20
Sunday School.....28
Online views.....147

Attendance 04/25/2021

9:00 am.....119
11:00 am25
Sunday School.....18
Online views.....228



Happy Birthday Greetings extended to:

Ronnie Floyd

On celebrating his
82nd birthday on
May 18th.

Emily Nelson

On celebrating her
82nd birthday on
May 14th.

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.

Director of Modern Worship and Student Ministries

bfloyd@wbumc.org

Hey church family! I hope you're all well. A few things for your updates.

Children's Ministry: I am still in need of support in this area. Soon, you should be finding a form in your bulletins on which you can fill out where you want to volunteer. Please consider giving children's ministry a try. If we are going to provide a place for our kids to go during the 9:30 a.m. service we need more people to supervise! I also need support here to carry over into VBS this summer!

VBS: The current plan is June 21st-June 24 from 5:30-7:30. We will provide dinner and eat together as well as have some fun lessons and activities for our kids! I hope for a grand turnout in this area, so I will need volunteers here too!

Youth Ministry: We will meet every other week right after 11 o'clock service. We are kicking off this month with a game afternoon in our youth room! I hope to see all our youth there. I'll provide pizza and soft drinks.

Modern Service: All is going well! I would love to start recruiting some help for worship in this area. So if you have any friends, neighbors, kids, or love ones who would like to help out with instruments or their voice, let me know! I'd love to chat about it.

I'm thankful of each of you. Stay safe and healthy out there!

Bobby



STAFF PARISH RELATIONS

Hello White Bluff,

As most of you have already heard, Pastor Josh and his wonderful family are leaving White Bluff and going to Porterfield UMC in Albany where Josh was an assistant pastor several years ago. We will really miss Josh, Jade, Cade, Lucas and little Harleigh Belle, who was born here in Savannah in 2019. This is an amazing opportunity for Josh and even though this is a sad time for White Bluff, we all need to congratulate him on this move. Josh has been a wonderful leader and is leaving White Bluff in a great position financially and spiritually. We will celebrate the Duckworth family's time here in Savannah on Sunday June 6th at 12 noon in the gym with a "Tommy Swinford" barbecue meal. We will also be accepting a love offering which can be placed in the offering or given to the church office.

In the Methodist tradition, Barry Giddens will be our new pastor on Father's Day, June 20th. Barry and his wife Erin have 3 boys, Maddux in 5th grade, Paxton in 3rd grade and Lennox in kindergarten. Barry has been in the ministry for about 20 years and is soon to have his Doctorate in Ministry in Church Growth. Erin is an RN and a Radiological Technologist who has taught at the college level. Barry and family will be coming to Savannah in the middle of June, but before then we want you to contact them and welcome them to White Bluff!

Barry's cell: 912-585-7247 and Email: barrygiddens@gmail.com
Erin's cell: 912-585-7266 and Email: eringiddens07@yahoo.com
US Post Office address until June 1st: 505 Payne Pl. Dublin, GA 31021

This is an exciting time for White Bluff as we look forward to welcoming a new pastor and his family into our congregation. Please pray for a smooth transition for Josh and his family as they head to Albany, Barry and his family as they move to Savannah and for our White Bluff staff as they help with this transition.

Sincerely,

Jerome Butler
Staff Parish Relations Committee

JOB OPENING

Part-time Nursery Worker Needed!

Contact : Sarah McGalliard (912) 658-6773 or
call the church office at (912) 925-5924

Offering Envelopes



Giving Envelopes are located in the church office. If you are no longer using your envelopes please contact the church office. (912) 925-5924.

NEW WORSHIP SERVICE TIME

- 9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:30 A.M. Connection Café
(Coffee & Doughnuts-Gym)
- 11:00 A.M. Open Table Modern Worship (Horton Hall)
- 11:00 A.M. Kids' Table (Room 9)
- 11:00 A.M. Sunday School (Sanctuary)

DEAL THE CARDS
MONDAYS AT 1:00 p.m.

Come play Hand and Foot (Canasta),
Hearts, Solitaire, Quiddler, etc.

May 3, 10, 17, and 24th
Room 21

Bring your own drink and a light snack to share.

Game Night

May 7 and 21, 2021
7:00 p.m.
Horton Hall

Soft drinks provided.
Bring a snack to share.




Trustee Meeting
May 11, 2021
6:00 P.M.
Room 21

Honoring Graduates

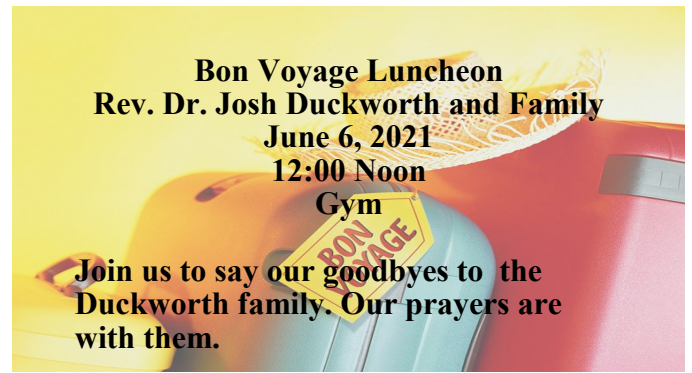
Blake Brown
Felicity Ortiz
Nadia Arteaga
Carron Hampton

Graduates will be recognized on
May 16, 2021
9:30 a.m. Worship Service



Bon Voyage Luncheon
Rev. Dr. Josh Duckworth and Family
June 6, 2021
12:00 Noon
Gym

Join us to say our goodbyes to the
Duckworth family. Our prayers are
with them.



CELEBRATOR'S CONFERENCE

October 11th-14th, Pigeon Forge, TN

If you are interested in going to this conference, please contact Doug Cobb (927-3320) as soon as possible. Registration is now open and accommodations are booking rapidly. Conference fee and lodging will be \$339 per person; plus private transportation and meals.

Main Speakers: Dr. David Jeremiah, Phil Waldrep

Patriotic Evening guests: Mike and Karen Pence

Entertainment every evening-Bill Gaither group, Singers, and Comedian.

White Bluff United
Methodist Church

2021
Church Directory

New Church Directory 2021

Looking for someone to
research companies and
direct this project. If you
would like to take on
this project or help with
it, call the church office
at (912) 925-5924.



Youth Ministry
May 16th and 30th
Every Other Week
12:00 Noon
Horton Hall



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

10:00 A.M.

Room 21

Everyone is welcome to
join us.

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

Carolyn Anderson, on the death of her mother in law, Jacqueline (Jacqui) Anderson, on April 24, 2021.

Jade Duckworth, on the death of her father, Father in law of Rev. Josh Duckworth, Thomas Henry Harrell on April 25, 2021.

Robert Riley, on the death of his wife, Tonya Fitzpatrick-Riley, on April 29, 2021.

Audrey Jones, on the death of her husband, Father of Carter, Britain, and Kristi, Joseph (Joey) Preston Jones, on May 2, 2021.

Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

January	Ampersand/Harmony
February	Journey with Friends
March	Seekers
April	Covenant
May	Wayfarers
June	Ampersand/Harmony
July	Journey with Friends
August	Seekers
September	Covenant
October	Wayfarers
November	Ampersand/Harmony
December	Journey with Friends



United Methodist Women

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS

UMW Board Meeting
 Lydia Barton, Jane Anderson, Martha Adams, Judy Cory, and Lisa McGalliard
 May 9, 2021
 10:30 A.M. Conference Room

Abigail Circle Meeting
 May 20, 2021
 6:00 P.M. Room 21

Sarah Circle Meeting
 May 11, 2021
 9:30 A.M. Fellowship Hall

Eve Circle Meeting
 May 11, 2021
 11:00 A.M. Room 21



**Office Closed
 May 31, 2021
 In observance of
 Memorial Day.**



Please call the church office if you have changed your home address or phone number.



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.