

God is love and love lives here!



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Sunday, March 3, 2024, Third Sunday in Lent

Mark 2:1-4

When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. 2 So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. 3 Then some people[a]came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. 4 And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay.

My Home or Yours?

Following up on our message this week I had a conversation with a group of people about Jesus' home referred to in the book of Mark. The way the gospel records it, he was at his home. There is significant research that believes he lived with one of the other disciples at this time and the physical house was actually the disciples.

Unfortunately, the other gospels do not give as detailed of an account, so we are left to lean into the writer of Marks's perspective on this matter. All we know is when the paralytic man was let down the roof, He was home; Jesus and the paralytic.

Home is a matter of perspective. The physical place may change but "home is where the heart is" or at least that's what the decorations said at my childhood home. The more accurate description for a disciple would be home is wherever Jesus is. There was a Scribe who approached Jesus in Mathew chapter eight. He proclaimed "Teacher, I will go wherever you go!" Jesus responded, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head"(Vs 20). There is a vast difference between Jesus' home in Mark versus His lack of a home in Mathew 8, but the premise is the same. Home, for us, is wherever Jesus is.

My friend would come to our tiny home in Cairo after church sometimes. He would always fall asleep after being there for only an hour or so. I thought it was rude until one day he woke up and said, "I'm sorry, it feels like I'm at my own home". Home is not the physical location but the comfort of being in a place that's a representation of everything we believe home is. The paralytic man felt at home with Jesus but left and went to his own home where surely his life was changed forever.

The message is that Jesus desires for us to feel at home in his presence, no matter the location. He is not held captive to a location or particular space but wherever his People call home. We may have a need physically or to just sit in his presence and listen. Whether it's my home or yours, there He is in the midst of those who call him Lord.

Keep The Faith,
Pastor Tommy

Gifts Given to the Glory of God

In memory of Warren McDow by Issues and Answers Sunday School Class

It's a Girl!

For those that missed it last week-- Congratulations to Caleb & Brooke! Emersyn Grace was born February 19th at 11:06a weighing in at 6 lbs 3 oz and is 20 inches in length. Proud grandparents are Stevie Bowen, Ginger Bowen and Cliff & Marci McKeever. Betty Bowen is a proud great grandmother! Congratulations, everyone!

Scripture and Sermon:

John 11:28-45
"Miracles:
A Dead Man"



New Concerns

- Cassandra Yazinski
Bill Outz
Thomas & Joy Fleming
J.O. & Lynn Miller
Sue Braun
Susan Howdeshell
Paul Dunn

Continue Prayers for:

- Janet Hester
Liz Ambrus
Mary Lee Carter
Marie Davis
Tommy Odum & Family
Vicky Moore
Kitty Barfield

- Christa Avret
Michael & Jennie Walston
Betty Byrd
Leon Hudson
Mary Prater
Jim & Mary Leary
Virginia Eadie
Bill Reedy
Sarah Mayer
Cary Martin
Mac McNeal
James McNeal
Our Country, Leaders, Military

Finance Report for

February 25

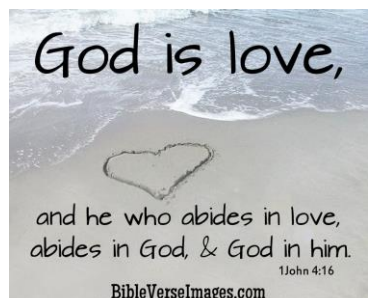
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Worship Attendance

131

Sunday School

46





- ✓ 03-01-24- Church-wide Clean-up Day 8a-until
- ✓ 03-02-24- Church-wide clean-up Day 8a until
- ✓ 03-03-24 **CMC Annual Conference**
- ✓ 03-10-24- **Daylight savings Time Begins**
- ✓ 03-11-24- **Finance Committee Meeting 6p**
- ✓ 03-11-24- **Administrative Council Meeting 630p**
- ✓ 03-24-24 Palm Sunday
- ✓ 03-28-24 Maundy Thursday Service 6p
- ✓ 03-28-24 Prayer Vigil 6:30p til noon Friday
- ✓ 03-29-24 Good Friday Service 12 noon
- ✓ 03-31-24- Easter Sunday



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Caleb McKeever
- 5
Dianne Harrington
- 6
Quin Odum
- Lola Bananto
- Robert Harrington
- 8
Peggy Bowden
- 9
Gloria Nelson

CMC Annual Conference

Please be in prayer for the Georgia Annual Conference and our delegates. The annual conference for Congregational Methodist Church is scheduled for March 3rd at 2:00 at Rock Springs Church in Milner Georgia. This will be a great opportunity to meet other churches within the CMC and begin building connectional relationships within the conference. If you have time to attend this event with us, we would love for you to be a part of this historic opportunity for The Well at Centerville. We will be traveling immediately following Sunday Service and will stop for lunch in Forsyth. We will be taking the church van for anyone who would like to travel together. Our delegates to the Annual Conference this year are Joy Flemming, Nancy Hudson, and Cheri Cox; Pastor Tommy is also a delegate by virtue of his position. Please pray for these individuals as they represent the church in their official capacities. If anyone else would like to attend, you can attend as a visitor of the conference. Please RSVP to LaWanna by Thursday, February 29, if you will be attending. We apologize for the late notice but greatly appreciate your participation.

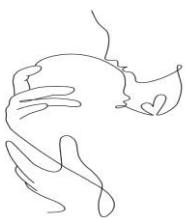
Bible Reading Plan	
Week of March 3 rd :	
Sunday.....	Romans 6
Monday.....	Romans 7
Tuesday.....	Romans 8
Wednesday.....	Romans 9
Thursday.....	Romans 10
Friday.....	Romans 11
Saturday.....	Romans 12

Community Missions

- The next Food Pantry is March 13, 2024 and will begin opening every Wednesday, 10a-1p with a new format and process for recipients... also, volunteering will be on rotation now, so get with Cheri and sign up... come on out and volunteer! You will be blessed. Our Food Pantry Team rocks!
- Our Clothes Closet is open every Tuesday 9a-12 noon... Closet volunteers for 03-05-24 are Cheri Cox, Susan Glidewell, Carolyn Nettles
- We are moving out to the Outreach Center- hopefully, we'd like to begin transferring things on March 18th and get as much done as possible so we won't have that much to do during Holy Week. **We need volunteers!** Marilyn will post a sign-up sheet on the church bulletin for volunteers to help during the week of March 18th – 23rd. The Closet will be closed March 26th.
- Workers are needed in the Clothes Closet Mondays and Tuesdays from 9a-12 noon.

Volunteers Needed, Please!

Come on yall! If you love to hold babies, teach toddlers and children, please let Katie know so she can hug your neck and sign you up. You will be blessed!



Safe Sanctuary and Children's Church Training

Safe Sanctuary training and training on our new Orange curriculum for children's church and toddler nursery will be March 3, right after the Worship Service in the Children's Church room. Safe Sanctuary training will be first, so those not taking Orange training can leave. Please RSVP to Katie at 478-397-5243.

Church-Wide Clean-Up

Mark your calendars for the church wide clean up days **March 1 and 2** at 8a- until each day. Come if you can, stay however long you can, any help is appreciated.

Puzzle Fans!

Your church library has a lot of new puzzles that you may borrow and return OR borrow and not return AND we are very happy to accept your unwanted puzzles, too! We ALWAYS welcome more puzzles to our puzzle table. Also, the Centerville Public Library now has puzzles available to take, trade or drop some off for others on the shelving to the right past the check-out area just beyond the Friends of the Library sale books. (GREAT selection of various genres of sale books is just 50 cents each!

Abundant Life!
A CELEBRATION BENEFITTING WESLEY GLEN

Join us for a fun night of
dinner and dancing
featuring the Grapevine Band and
13WMAZ Chief Meteorologist, Ben Jones!

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024
5 PM
EDGAR H. WILSON CONVENTION CENTER
220 COLISEUM DR
MACON, GA 31217

SCAN TO REGISTER FOR YOUR
FREE TABLE AND BID ON
SILENT AUCTION ITEMS.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.WESLEYGLENMINISTRIES.COM
OR CALL 478-471-3711 EXT 103

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Wesley Glen

Abundant Life Celebration

It's time again for the Abundant Life Celebration benefitting Wesley Glen. Last year the cost was \$50 per person... this year there is no charge, however, a love offering will be appreciated. Everyone had a good time last year! Anyone interested in going, please contact Stevie Bowen at 478-954-5938 or steve.bowen1958@gmail.com.

Easter Hams!

Men at the Well are selling hams for Easter! Cost is \$40. Pick up is Saturday, March 30, 10a-2p. See J.O., Mel, Stevie, Jim or come by the office for your ticket(s). Remember, they freeze well!



Our next Blood Drive will be April 12, 2024, 1p-5p in the Fellowship Hall. Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: The Well at Centerville to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, too!



Are you Looking for a place to serve? To get involved? We have it!

This Week's Schedule:

Sunday- March 3

Ushers

10:30a J.O. Miller, Tony Rozier
Mel Smeltz, Cheri' Cox, Roy Carter
Keith Mobley, Stevie Bowen
Joy Fleming, Sherrie Shell

9:15a Sunday School

10:30a Worship

11:30a **Leaving for Annual Conference**

Greeters

10:30a Joy Fleming, Susan Glidewell

Communion Servers

Cheri Cox, Elaine Shierling
Don & Joyce Hall



Holy Communion

Finance Stewards

J.O. Miller, Gary Rutke, Mel Smeltz



Finance Ministry

Assisting with Children

Sunday- March 3

Nursery- Dawn Wilkins, Laura McKenzie

Children- Katie Odum

Sunday- March 10

Nursery- Linda Blanton, Dawn, Laura

Children- Amber Gamble



Monday- March 4

10:00a Quilters

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous



Tuesday- March 5

9a-12n Open Door Mission Closet

9:15a Movin' n Groovin'

10:00a Partners in Prayer

10:00a Yoga

6:30p Miss Terry's Circle

6:30p Bass Club



Wednesday- March 6

8:00a Men's Fellowship Breakfast

1:00p Life Group I "Under Construction"

6:30p Choir Practice

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous



Thursday- March 7

9:15a Movin' n Groovin'

10:00a Yoga

6:30p Handbells

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous



Friday- March 8

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday- March 9

7:30p . . Narcotics Anonymous



Sunday School at 9:15a

Are you looking to get involved in Sunday School? We have a great line up of classes to explore! Maybe you've been attending Sunday School regularly but see a topic you're interested in – it's okay to move around and try different classes – let's learn and grow together!

Sunday School Class
Seekers
Issues & Answers
New Beginnings
Christian Fellowship
Youth
Pilgrims

Studies
Easter Bible Story
Matthew
Revelation
2 Corinthians
Message of the Empty Tomb
On Hiatus

Teacher
LaWanna Porter
Katie Odum
Nancy Hudson
Don Schall
Eric & Gloria Nelson
Kathy Blanchard

