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Randall's Chapel United Methodist Church

February 2023

Finding The Good

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. – Romans 8:28

Michelle and I stood in an out of the way corner of the doctor's office and just held one another and wept. We wept for what we had just been told, our Janie Beth would not survive. We wept for ourselves. We wept for our three children who would have to be told in a way that their young minds and hearts could grasp. Mostly we just wept, because we could see nothing good in this storm of our lives. How could we ever find the good in the midst of deep aching sorrow?

How deep is your faith and relationship with God?
Finding a Deeper Love for God

Many of us have experienced similar grief, or tragedy, or loss, or uncertainty. It seems that life is full of the storms of life and the weight that can so overwhelm us. And then we see Scripture declare that "all things work together for the good." I know Michelle and I cried out to God, "how can this be for the good?" How can we find peace in heartache? How can we find hope in the midst of hopelessness? How do we find calm in the storms? How can we find the good?

Michelle once commented that she had come to realize that in every storm, the sun was still shining, it was just hidden by the clouds. As we walked that path of grief, we began to seek God's presence; God's grace; God's strength; God's love. As we did so, an amazing thing began to happen, God's peace that passes all understanding began to invade our lives. God began to show us lives that were being touched by Janie's story. We even conceived our next precious child, who we named Joy. The heartache will still persist, but God's hand continues to comfort and guide. We have found that in this journey, somehow, God has worked even our tragedy into something good. Perhaps not the good we would desire, but still for the good.

So I have had to ask myself how God seems to give some people peace even in heartache and a sense of His good work; and then some others seem to be overwhelmed by the storms of life. That is when I began to realize that the promise of "for the good" is tied to the expectation of our love for God and our depth of faith in His purposes for our lives. We cannot weather those storms and find the good if we just live a surface religion instead of deep abiding love relationship with God. You see, the ones who truly love God and are living according to His purposes will find the good.

This month in worship we are going to be exploring an intimate, deeper love for God. How deep is your faith and relationship with God? Do you truly desire to see Him work all things for the good...then if so, fall ever deeper in love with Him. Commit to walking with Him. When you do so, Then He will bring Joy in the midst of the storms. God will enable you to find the good.

Your Fellow Lover Of God,

Bro. Joey

News and Announcements



- 2-1 Bible Discussion at 6:00
- 2-2 Thursday Moring Bible Study 10:30
- 2-5 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00
- 2-5 Holy Communion
- 2-7 United Methodist Women meet at 10:00
- 2-7 Independent Methodist Informational meeting with Pastor Mike Stenson at 6:00
- 2-8 Bible Discussion at 6:00
- 2-8 Youth meet at 6:00
- 2-9 No Thursday Morning Bible Study
- 2-10 Grief Share meet at 10:00
- 2-12 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00
- 2-12 Leadership Team will meet immediately following Worship

- 2-13 Men's Food & Fellowship at 6:00
- 2-15 Bible Discussion at 6:00
- 2-15 Youth meet at 6:00 p.m.
- 2-16 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30
- 2-19 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00
- 2-21 Randall's Chapel Emmaus group meet at 10:00
- 2-22 Ash Wednesday Service at 6:00 in the Sanctuary
- 2-22 No Bible Discussion or Youth Activities
- 2-23 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30
- 2-24 Grief Share meet at 10:00
- 2-26 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00



The United Methodist Women will meet Tuesday ,February 7th at 10:00 am.



United Methodist Men's Food & Fellowship will meet Monday, February 13th at 6:00 pm.

Leadership Team



Bible Discussion - Come join us on Wednesday Nights at 6:00 p.m. as we get into the Bible and discuss the answers to our questions. It's laid back and you're welcome to join us.

Meet your

For 2023

Please keep the Leadership Team in your prayers as they meet throughout the year. Pray that they will follow God's path for Randall's Chapel.

Rick Olander -- Team Chairman SPRC Janet Mathews -- Nominations

Deanna Hughes -- Finance

Connie Garner -- Finance

David Wendlick -- Nominations

Stephanie Beckner -- Nominations

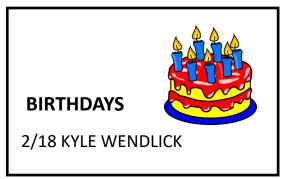
Thomas Lusk -- Trustee

Maria Chrisman -- SPRC/Nominations

Elaine Brookshire -- Finance

Eleanor Allen -- Lay Delegate -

Jeremy Hughes -- Trustee -- (Lay Leader)





Leadership Team Meeting Sunday, February 12th immediately following worship.



There will be no Children's Message during the month of February.

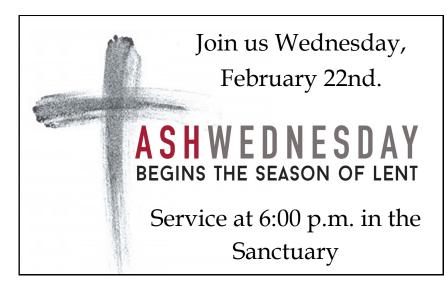




February Greeters

2-5 Janice Chambless
2-12 Jamie & Jack St. John
2-19 Ginger Brewer
2-26 Jim & Pam Barnett

Join us as we meet with Pastor
Mike Stenson from The Harbour
in Meridianville on Tuesday,
February 7th at 6:00 p.m. He will
be speaking on the
Independent Methodist.



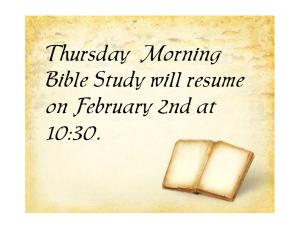
Life Resource Services of Jackson Co.

We are open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

February Collection:

Trash bags (13 gallon size), coffee filters, fresh fruit. Any monetary donations will be appreciated. We can always use volunteers to help. Thank You for your support.





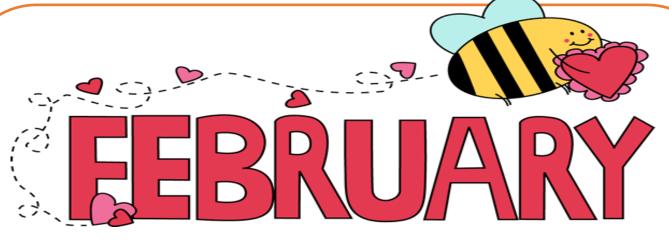
GRIEF SHARE®

Grief Support Group

Theresa Kilgro Peppers has been

leading a great support group for a couple of years here at Randall's Chapel. If you have had the passing of a love one, let me encourage you to check out this ministry and group to find some good support and encouragement. They are meeting every other Friday. If you are interested contact Theresa or the church

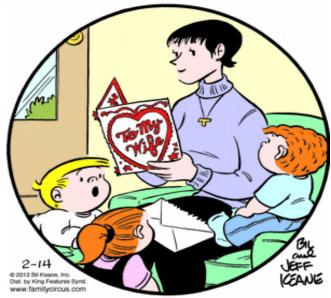
office. Their next meetings will be February 10th and 24th at 10:00.



Sunday	Monday	Tueday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Bible Discussion at 6:00 Youth meet at 6:00	Thursday Morning Bible Study 10:30 a.m.	3	4
5 Sunday School at 9:00 Worship at 10:00 Holy Communion	6	7 United Methodist Women's meeting at 10:00 Pastor Mike Stenson speaking on Independent Methodist at 6:00	Bible Discussion at 6:00 p.m. Youth meet at 6:00	9 No Thursday Morning Bible Study	Grief Share Meeting 10:00 a.m.	11
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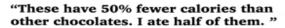
THE FUNNY PAGE





"That's it? I guess Daddy couldn't find any funny ones."

















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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 WORSHIP 10:00

WEDNESDAY

ADULT BIBLE STUDY 6:00PM YOUTH ACTIVITIES 6:00PM

THURSDAY

BIBLE STUDY 10:30 AM