# Methodist Church Awaleeving June 2023

There was a story I read many years ago at my grandparents' house that has been stuck in my mind ever since. I wanted to share this with you this month and the meaning I think it holds for each and every one of us today.

There was a pilot that became tired of his long trips back and forth to the airport, so he decided to equip his plane with pontoons so he could take off and land in the lake behind his home. On his first flight after the upgrades he and his wife were flying back and in his normal routine he started to descend to the airport runway. His wife screamed "What are you doing? You cannot land here, you do not have wheels!" He pulled up just in time and headed to the lake. After they had landed, the husband breathed the biggest sigh of relief and told his wife, "Now that is about the dumbest thing I have ever done." He then turned, opened the door, stepped out and fell into the lake.

The reality is that we all make mistakes, some bigger than others, but it is something we all have in common. Another reality is God's ability to forgive our mistakes, that is good news, right? Knowing that God is able to help us overcome our mistakes and then willing to forgive them when we fail, makes us want to live a life of FAITH. God should be first in our lives and if he is not, if we put things in his place like our own wants and needs, he will forgive us, but it messes up his plans. On June 11th and 18th, we will look at putting God First in our lives when it comes to our words and our deeds. I hope you will join me for a new series as we look at how both point to God.

Till The Nets are Full,

Pastor Brian



The next scheduled meeting is July 12, 2023.

#### **FINANCIAL NEWS: April 2023**

2023 Church Income Budget	\$ 323,203.00
2023 Church Expenses Budget	\$ 322,545.60
Received Income YTD - 2023	\$ 128,274.01
Expenses YTD - 2023	98,624.22
Differences (+/-)	\$ 29,649.79
Total Income received 3/2023	\$ 27,124.53
Total Expenses spent 3/2023	\$ 17,871.06
Differences (+/-)	\$ 9,253.47
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THE FLOORS ARE BEING REDONE AND SOME PAINTING UPDATED IN MCDONOUGH HALL DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE. NO BUILDING USE WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THIS TIME. THANK YOU!



Non-Budgeted Gifts Received	
Christian Care Center	\$ 100.00
Feed My Sheep	\$ 10.00
Hospitality	\$ 21.00
Easter Lilies	\$ 270.00
Pumpkin Patch	\$ 100.00
Small Repair Projects	\$ 200.00
Van Winkles	\$ 357.00
Total	\$ 849.42
<u>Memorials</u>	
Undesignated	\$ 26,006.00
Total	\$ 26,006.00

**Gifts** 

5/14 — \$ 4408.85

5,463.85

11,878.98

5/7 — \$

5/21 — \$



## JUNE MINISTRY FOCUS THREADS OF HOPE

Threads of Hope (formerly Casa Threads) is our ministry focus for June. This is a wonderful group of volunteers making a difference in the world. It began 5 years ago with the special purpose of making bags for abused children, but God has grown them to serve over 12 groups including Casa, crime victims assistance programs, Harvest House, Hope Crisis Center, 3 nursing homes, 2 hospice groups, CPS and Baptist Hospital Cancer Center. As you can see, they are quite busy and need our help. Please prayerfully consider giving a monetary gift or join them on Fridays from 10 AM - Noon in Cravens. If you have any questions, please contact Jan Wilson at 409-656-7155.



#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Saturday, July 29th, 10 AM - 12 PM McDonough Hall

More information to come.

Sign up sheets available now to get involved!

### Community Call to Prayer

Every Wednesday beginning May 3,2023 6-7 PM, The Chapel

We will gather together to pray for restoration, renewal, revival and whatever God lays on our hearts. Everyone in the community and our church family is invited. This is not a service or program, but a time to unite and pour out our hearts to our Heavenly Father. All are welcome and you may come and go as your schedule allows. We are still looking for volunteers to serve. For more information please contact Lee Sheppard at leezebshepp@yahoo.com.



## Send Us Your Photos

As we work on the website daily, we want to be able to put pictures on it with all of our members! Having current pictures on our website is also an outreach tool to our community. We would love to include photos from any time you attend a church related activity or service. It is our goal to keep the website as current as possible.

If you are on Facebook, please do not forget to check in to the church page and say you are here when you are in worship or at an event. This will keep the page at the top of listings for our area when people look up "churches near me" or look us up directly.

Please send your photos to pastor@silsbeemc.com



No prior bell experience needed!

Practice Wednesday evenings at 7PM

Always room for more ding dongs!

Call the office for more information!



## THREADS OF HOPE Every Friday 10AM - 12 PM

Providing handmade and sewn items to local charities.

Join us and use your sewing skills or learn new skills to help make a difference in our community!

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
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