

OUR STEWARDSHIP ... March 22, 2020

Church Membership.....306	Budget.....550,000.00
Morning Worship.....	Needed..... 126,923.00
Early Worship	Offering Sunday.... 6,326.36
<u>Contemporary Worship</u>	To Date.....113,225.31
Morning Worship Total ...	Under Budget..... (13,697.69)
Sunday School.....	
Bible Study.....	

CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Read Your Bible Daily

Wednesday, March 25 Joshua 19-21; Luke 2:25-52
12:00 noon Pray for our Church

Thursday, March 26 Joshua 22-24; Luke 3

Friday, March 27 Judges 1-3; Luke 4:1-30

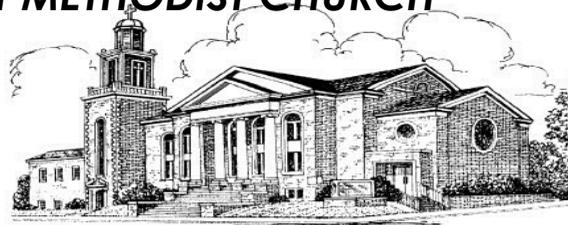
Saturday, March 28 Judges 4-6; Luke 4:31-44

Sunday, March 29 Judges 7-8; Luke 5:1-16
8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship on Facebook
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship on Facebook/MaxxSouth
5:00 p.m. Children's *Trackers of Truth* on Zoom

Monday, March 30 Judges 9-10; Luke 5:17-39

Tuesday, March 31 Judges 11-12; Luke 6:1-26

Louisville
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH



“The Church in the Heart of the City
With Christ’s Mission at Heart”

Broadcast services ONLY until further notice!

Live broadcast of the Morning Worship can be seen every Sunday on Channel 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Rebroadcast** of this service can be seen every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. on Channel 18 and heard at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

You can listen to the delayed broadcast of the previous Sunday's **Contemporary Service** each Sunday at 12:00 noon on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

You can watch the **Live streaming** of the 11 a.m. service at **Louisville First Methodist Church** on Facebook.

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Remind: Text @lfmcfam2 to 81010

*It is your responsibility to notify the office of schedule changes.
Monday noon is the deadline to get something in the newsletter.*



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

P.O. Box 523
Louisville, Mississippi 39339

Rev. Mike Childs, Senior Pastor
Rev. Newlie Long, Associate
Pastor & Youth
Mr. Jerry Nance, Minister of Music

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WHAT THE DEVIL INTENDED FOR HARM

GOD IS USING FOR GOOD!

We know sitting at home watching worship service on your TV or device was very different for many of you. The 200 plus people that normally gather at one of our 3 services enjoy the fellowship with our faith family as much as they enjoy the music and message. This virus forced most churches to make the difficult decision to suspend meeting in person and finding ways to broadcast normal services. Although I hope this is a short term season in our lives of not meeting in person I was blown away by our reach through our streams. As of writing this message between our two services we had close to 300 people that were "tuned in" and have had over 2,200 views of our services on our Facebook page. Maybe, just maybe, by forcing isolation, God has also forced us out of our comfort zones, out into our neighborhoods, and more people have been exposed to the truth of the Gospel.

I want to encourage you to like and share our worship services on social media. People near and far need the Good News of Jesus during this season of uncertainty.

– Bro. Newlie

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the wonderful food you provided for my family. Thank you most of all for your thoughts and prayers now and in the days ahead!

In His Hands,

Barbara Kemp

SCHEDULE

In compliance with the President and our Governor's instructions, we will not have any Wednesday night activities until further notices due to Coronavirus safety concerns. Neither will we have Sunday services in the church building.

Instead, we will have both the **Contemporary Worship** at 8:45 a.m. and the **Morning Worship** at 11 a.m. Live-streamed on our **Facebook** page: Louisville First Methodist Church. (You can watch either at a later time as they remain on the Facebook page.

The 11 o'clock is also broadcast live on MaxxSouth Channel 18 (if you have a box) or Channel 18.1 (if yours is plugged directly into your TV.) You can call John Clark if you need help with it – John's #662-803-0097

You can listen to the both services rebroadcast on WLSM 107. (See back of Midweek for times.)

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Mellie Thomas has set up a Zoom account for the Sunday night Children's Ministry. She will be meeting with the kids at 5 p.m. Sunday evenings to continue the **Trackers of Truth** study. This past Sunday night went very well. To have your child join in, contact Mellie Thomas at 662-736-6362

We're sending a **Family Talk** devotion based on Bro. Mike's sermon by email & *Remind*. Use this Monday-Thursday devotional guide with your kids. (If you need printed copies, let us know and we'll get them for you.)

Bro. Newlie will do **Wednesday night youth study** through Zoom and some devotions through the week the same way.

Take your "social isolation" a time to ramp up your **personal Bible Study and Prayer time**.

If you have ways you plan to stay connected with your church family during this time, please let us know.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We encourage you to mail in your contributions to the church at FMC, P. O. Box 523, or bring them by the office any weekday morning morning.

We are working on setting up a way to give online by credit/debit card.

OFFICE HOURS

For the time being, the **church office** will be opened from 8 a.m. until noon.

Meantime, if you need us for anything don't hesitate to call us! These are our phone numbers:

Mike Childs 662-542-1862

Newlie Long 662-803-9421

Debra Childs 662-308-1740

Jerry Nance 662-705-1636

Please be patient, be safe and don't take unnecessary risks. We are living in very unique circumstances. Continue to pray and don't forget that our God is faithful.

METHODIST WOMEN

Our Methodist Women will not meet until further notice. Pray for one another and stay safe.

"Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God'" (Isaiah 35:4, NRSV). Whatever our fears and anxieties, Lord, may we find peace in your presence.