

Oaklawn United Methodist

These are times that try our souls! We need to pray, worship, and trust God now more than ever.

The video of the death of George Floyd has made me look deep into my heart. All of us have prejudices and biases and yes, racism in our hearts. An easier way to say this is that everyone of us has sins! We may know our sins or be blind to them. It is always easier to project our own faults onto our neighbors. Why do you think it is so hard for us to love our neighbors? Is it because we don't know them? Is it because we do not want to be bothered? Is it because we are so consumed with our lives, our jobs, our families, and our problems we have no time to look outside ourselves?

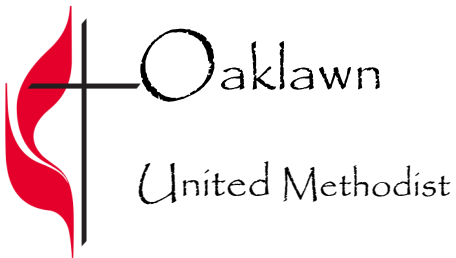
It is counter intuitive, but by looking outside of ourselves we find not only our humanity in others, but often we find forgiveness and healing for ourselves. We all need to be made whole. We all have an emptiness and loneliness in our lives that only God can fill. Yet, sometimes it seems like our prayers never go beyond the ceiling. Saint Teresa an 16th century Carmelite nun in Spain writes that our soul is like a castle with many rooms. How many rooms in your soul have you visited? We all have dark, musty rooms that need to be cleaned and aired out. We also have beautiful, pristine rooms waiting to be discovered. This summer since many of us will not go on vacation, maybe we can try some tourism in our souls!

So turn off the news, open your bibles, spend some time in prayer and if you are able, come to pray and worship with us on Sunday, June 14. We will be outside under the drive thru of the Family Life Center and hold an 8:30 a.m. service and a 10:30 a.m. service. Please wear a mask. If you do not have a mask we have lots of cloth and paper masks. We will greet each other with elbow bumps and air hugs but it will be wonderful to see you all again. We will also have a message posted on Oaklawn United Methodist of Hot Springs group page and website. (<https://www.facebook.com/OaklawnUMC/>) (<https://www.oaklawnmethodist.org/>)

See you Sunday!

Peace,

Russ



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MISSION OF THE MONTH
You may donate to the mission anytime during the month through the church by making your check out to the church and **putting the Mission name on the memo line of your check or envelope.** A 'mission box' is on the table in the church foyer into which you may place your 'above the tithe' offering. The mission we are supporting for the month of **June is Oaklawn Food Pantry.**

During these extraordinary times that we are experiencing, LOVE Lunches have continued to be served every Sunday at Salvation Army. This would not be possible without Oaklawn UMC's assistance! Also, Kroger's continues to donate fresh produce and bakery items weekly, which I pick up and deliver to Salvation Army.

On April 19th, Oaklawn UMC served approximately 111 people; and on May 17th, 145 brown bag lunches were distributed. Permission was granted to distribute shoes, jeans, hygiene packets, along with food, on May 24th. As I have mentioned to many of you, lunches are given to any individual in need, not just the homeless population. Many Hot Springs residents have lost their jobs, and their housing. LOVE Lunches are open to all.

With this pandemic, a limited number of volunteers are permitted in the kitchen, and each volunteer must wear a mask and gloves. Lunches are distributed through a window, and social distancing is practiced.

A BIG thank you goes out to Oaklawn LOVE Lunch Bunch volunteers: Kathy Johnson, Mary Boone, Susan and Doug Hunter, Kathleen Dockery, and Shelly Powell and her crew!

LOVE Lunch Lady,
Laurel Williams



Gene Garland
Happy 85th!



New masks now
available

Billie Reed



Jose Carlos
God's blessing back to
Brazil

Moments at
Oaklawn United
Methodist Church.



Prayer Requests

We pray for active-duty Military, Government Leaders, Police & First Responders, Medical Personnel, and all who are hurting

Members in Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:

Gertrude Ferguson - Garrett Woods, Rm 301
Bonnie Hardin - Atrium, Rm 215
Ann Irby - West Shores, Rm 231
Laura Parker - Garrett Woods, Rm 305
Darryl Cadwallar — Heritage Nursing Home
Irene Meenen — Country Club Village Rm 319
Mamie Lawson — Belvedere Nursing and Rehab
Margie Wolfe — Belvedere Nursing and Rehab
Zola Morphew - Belvedere Nursing and Rehab Rm. 218

Members at Home/Rehabilitation:

Bill Harris, Billie Reed, Judy & Jim Wetherington,
Doris Wenner, Donna Carvin

Friends and Neighbors:

Hunter Ault

Giving Report

Sunday, May 3

Operational Fund Contribution \$4,355.00

Sunday, May 10

Operational Fund Contribution \$2,525.00

Sunday, May 17

Operational Fund Contribution \$2,950.00

Sunday, May 24

Operational Fund Contribution \$1,210.00

Sunday, May 31

Operational Fund Contribution \$3,037.20

Family Life Center gifts\$470.00

Total May Giving\$14,547.20



In Memory of Shirley Russell
To the Family Life Center and
the Food Pantry by Joy Life SS
Class, Sherry Shirley, Lucille
Frayley, and Eugene & Donna
Carvin.

In Memory of Jim Reed to the
Family Life Center by A.J. &
Mary Meredith.

In Memory of John Northern
to the Food Pantry by Eugene &
Donna Carvin.



Oaklawn United Methodist Women is a group that meets for fellowship, Bible study, and service. We are a mission-oriented organization of the church. We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month here at Oaklawn United Methodist Church. Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 10 at 1 p.m. There is an opportunity for everyone. Contact the church office at 501-623-5588 or Sylvia Griffin, President at 501-701-4288.

June 2020 Birthdays

06/01	Brandon Crawford	06/10	Glenna Loudermilk
06/01	Jacquie Garland	06/14	Ann Hines
06/02	Zola Morphew	06/14	Linda Roseberry
06/04	Richard Shaw	06/15	Jessica Conry
06/04	Stephanie Tackett	06/17	Peggy DeWitt
06/05	Patrick Oliver	06/23	Doc Sutton
06/08	Rosie Roseberry	06/26	Larry Joe Selig
06/9	David Ashcroft	06/27	John Allen
06/9	Will Williams	06/28	Lois McMahan

ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Sandi Jordan

06/05/1976

Keith & Nancy Rowland

06/09/1989

Steve & Linda White

06/11/1971

Kent & Sharon Bard

06/18/1988

Glimpses of Oaklawn UMC

Spring 2020

