

# The Hallelujah

Here's the good news!

August 2022



*Mark your  
calendar*

Vacation Bible School  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Monday-Wednesday  
August 1st - 3rd

Fish Fry  
Friday, August 5

Women in Faith  
Keller Road  
Give away sale  
Sat. Aug. 6th

Back to School  
Youth Pool Party  
Sun. Aug. 7th, 2 pm

Bishop to speak  
in Mobile, 4 pm  
Sun. August 7th  
Dauphin Way UMC

Church Council  
6:00 Monday, August 8.  
Meetings are open to the  
congregation

## DID YOU KNOW:

That our church has an on-line church directory?  
Our on-line directory gives us the ability to keep up-to-date records for our congregation. Phone numbers, email addresses and home addresses change, and unlike a paper directory, we can update those changes right away and make them available to everyone. Every member is invited to download and use the directory. If you would like access to the directory, please follow the directions below.

### Foley UMC Online Church Directory

Copy the link to the online directory below into your browser:

<https://servantkeeper.com/directory/FoleyUMC/login>

Password: Jesus loves me (spaces between each word)

You can save this link as a bookmark or a favorite  
depending on your browser.

If you would prefer a paper copy of the directory,  
please contact the church office at (251)943-4343 or  
[office@foleyumc.org](mailto:office@foleyumc.org).

We we welcome our Hispanic brothers and sisters who are now worshipping in our Spirit Center on Sunday evening, Wednesday evening and holding a Bible study on Friday evening.

Welcome friends, so happy you are back with us!  
¡Bienvenidos amigos, tan felices de que estén de vuelta con nosotros!



## DISCIPLESHIP MC

**Sunday 9:30am - room 114 Spirit Center** - During August our topic is "Violence and our faith". Violence has plagued humankind throughout the ages. How do we as the people of God confront and overcome this menace to the faith? Peace with God and with others is God's ultimate desire for our lives.

**Monday 8:30am** - meets at Lynne and Joe Cabins' home- Each participant writes 1-2 questions per chapter and then we each ask questions to see who can answer. Fun while learning! This month we are in the gospel of John. For more info call 251-975-8336.

**Would you like to start a small group** that studies the Word by concentrating on one verse per week while forming life-long friendships with your study partners? I can help you get started! Contact Peggy Ratcliff for more info 251-975-8336.

### Emmaus Information

You have already been on a walk:

Come to a Emmaus family worship/potluck dinner Saturday August 27 at 5pm. Worship will be in the well, led by Kate, Jenni and communion led by Pastor Bill and Pastor John.

We have a guest speaker who will talk with us about re-starting our community and 4th day.

Email [peggyratcliff@gmail.com](mailto:peggyratcliff@gmail.com) or call/text 251-975-8336 if you plan on attending, if you have questions, and if you would like to help with the planning.

Interested in learning more about Emmaus Walks:

Do you desire a closer relationship with Jesus and become an integral part of your church family? Then come to a meeting to learn more on August 9 at 6pm in room 114 of Spirit Center.

**The Wesley Sunday School class** will be studying the Book of Revelation. Come on and join in, we'd love to have you! We meet at 9:30 in the Spirit Center room 205 (the northwest corner on the second floor.)

Have a question or need more information on this or other classes, contact the church office - 251-943-4393, Pastor Bill, Pastor John or call Peggy Ratcliff – 251-975-8336.

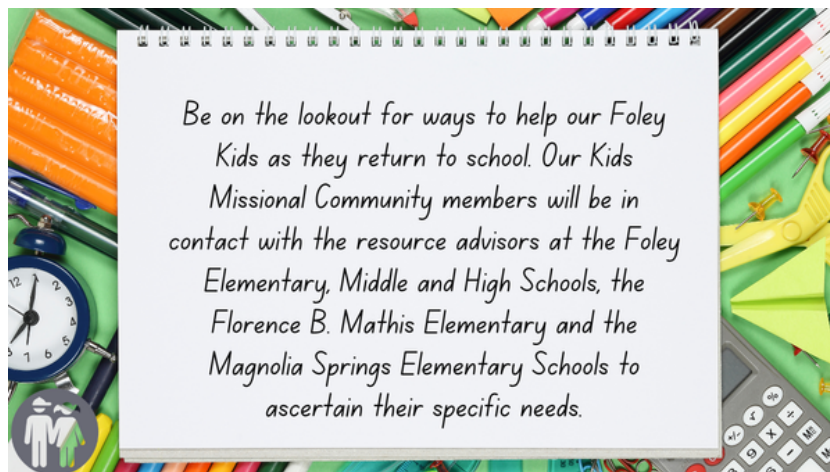




## KIDS MC



We are so excited about hosting Vacation Bible School at our church on August 1st-3rd from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tell your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and neighbors to join us!! All kids ages 5 through 6th grade are encouraged to come and bring a friend! We are planning on having lots of fun and look forward to learning about how we are designed for God's purpose!



Hello friends! We are in the process of planning for Wednesday night's children's activities in hopes of getting cranked back up in the fall. When coming back from Covid last spring, we quickly learned that we need more help with the kids. If you can help this year please call Kate Norris at (251) 550-8624 or email her at [knorris@foleyumc.org](mailto:knorris@foleyumc.org). We appreciate any help you can give and look forward to hearing from you.



## TABLE MC

In July, Warren Averett, an accounting firm here in Foley, donated to our Blessings Box as part of their “giving back” to the community.

The Table group has placed a food donation cart in the 9:30 and 11am services which will be there each Sunday. Feeding the hungry in Baldwin county is our continuous mission.



Please remember to bring your non-perishable goods, and staples such as rice and beans, Mac n cheese, oatmeal and peanut butter and jelly (these are just suggestions) and place them in the cart on your way into church! The need is great, bless a hungry family!



## REAL LIFE NEEDS MC

We are only 3 weeks from hosting **Family Promise** for the 3rd time this year. Our dates are August 14 to 21, and I will need 14 volunteers to act as hosts and sleepers and 7 families or groups of folks to prepare meals. If you have not done this before, please consider this opportunity to serve those less fortunate with your time and a meal. Call me if you have any questions or to get on the schedule. Ann Johnson, 530-635-4530.



Join us every Sunday at 9:30  
for KidsQuest and bring a friend or a neighbor!

The connection between love and God's character, shown through God's big story.

We were created in God's image. God sent Jesus to show us the best way to be human. But God knew we'd need help. That's why God sent us the Holy Spirit. With the power of the Spirit, we can produce fruit that points others to Jesus. Every month, kids discover something about God's character and how they can reflect or respond to that character because they are created in God's image.

### WEEK ONE

#### BIBLE STORY

Greatest Commandment  
Matthew 22:34-40

#### BOTTOM LINE

Love God by loving others

### WEEK TWO

#### BIBLE STORY

Creation  
Genesis 1-2

#### BOTTOM LINE

God made us to take care of each other

### WEEK THREE

#### BIBLE STORY

The Fall  
Genesis 3

#### BOTTOM LINE

God loves us no matter what

### WEEK FOUR

#### BIBLE STORY

God Chooses Abram  
Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-6

#### BOTTOM LINE

God has a plan to show love to the world

KidsQuest needs volunteers for Sunday mornings! Can you help out on Sunday mornings? If you can give one or two Sunday mornings a month, or if you can serve on a rotating basis in our Sunday morning kids ministry, please contact Debbie Wiist at [debwiist@gmail.com](mailto:debwiist@gmail.com). You will be blessed!



## COUNCIL UPDATES

The church council met on July 11th and took care of some outstanding business. This month we approved a contract to have our facility sprinkler system and other fire safety items inspected as required on a regular basis. VSC Fire and Security will be doing this for us. Also approved was the addition of new fascia and gutters to the front of the building. This item was on a list of needs compiled by council members using input from Bob, Kate, and several others. We will be looking to complete other things on the list as the budget allows. Sheila Stone-Schoen, acting as our attorney, has researched the ownership of the alley behind the church and reports that the city is responsible for the upkeep. She will be pursuing this as we try to get the alley paved without a cost to the church. We are very grateful for her time and research to help resolve this matter. Our next meeting will be August 11 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Edith Brooks  
Jenni Simonson  
JaNay Dawson  
Howard Dawson  
Drennen Williams  
Donna Tindall  
Darryl Bunch  
Debbie Phillips  
Renee Nelson  
Marion Bethea

Vicki Miller  
Sylvia Howland  
Barbara Sechrest  
Linda Williford  
Susanna Donald  
Marion Bethea  
Lori Hagle  
Melanie Brown  
Ruthie Teagle  
Ruth Hensen

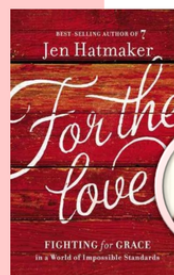
Maria Flanagan  
Chris Sharp  
Cassie Jepsen  
Gail Parris  
T. J. Brooks  
Melissa Nagy  
Margie Kennedy  
Barbara Beam  
Patrick Siano  
Brandon Geeslin

## BILL'S BOOK SUGGESTIONS

"I still hold my understandings loosely. Faith isn't certainty, I know that now. If I were certain, I wouldn't need faith."



"...when the exhaustive exegesis of God's Word doesn't create people **transformed into the image of Jesus**, we have missed the forest for the trees."



If it's not true for the single Christian mom in Haiti, then it's not true

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

08/01 Donna Tindall	08/10 Ryan O'Neal	08/23 Ruth Ann Bultinck
08/01 MaryKatherine Messick	08/11 Paulette Reeves	08/23 Darrel Edmonson
08/01 Carolyn Anderson	08/12 Jerel Devor	08/23 Tina Auchenpaugh
08/02 Taylor Lane	08/14 Mary Rosenblath	08/23 David Maskel
08/03 Bob Kelley	08/15 George Fly	08/26 Charmaine Peterman
08/04 Connie Bradsher	08/15 Kent Gibson	08/27 John Cole
08/04 Vikki Miller	08/18 William Borchardt	08/27 Susan Morrison
08/05 Sharon Sprowls	08/18 Sandra Johnson	08/27 Tommy Halstead
08/06 Sandi Stewart	08/18 Louis Vildibill	08/27 Mary Allyn Kelley
08/08 Patsy Dyer	08/20 Beth Turner	08/28 Chris Korhonen
08/08 Beatrice Henning	08/22 David Mullins	08/28 Cory Yaeger
08/08 Jerry Gooch	08/23 Pat Box	08/31 Fuji Ring
08/09 Dan Barberi	08/23 Payton Buchanan	

## NEW MEMBERS

These new members joined our family in June.  
Be sure to bid them welcome when you next see them.

David and Marilyn Maskel





# Foley United Methodist Church

Reaching Up. Reaching In. Reaching Out.

915 N. Pine Street  
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VBS August First - Third  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Well / Spirit Center

