

MUMC message

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | SEPTEMBER 2020

2020 Prayer

Eternal God, pour your Holy Spirit upon Marion United Methodist Church, the Marion community, and its people. Help us to see where you are leading. Help us to share in your vision for our congregation and community. Help us to be part of the making of disciples. Lead us in being your hands and feet in our community. In the name of Jesus, the holy one of God, we pray. Amen.

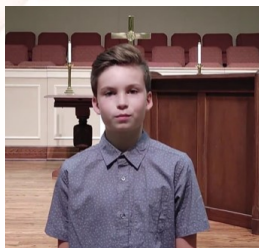
Faithful, Even in 2020

Sunday morning, August 23rd was a proud moment for me as your pastor, for many parents and family members in our congregation, and for our four confirmands. It was on this special day that they officially joined Marion United Methodist Church as professing members and were warmly welcomed by a resounding chorus of car horns and cheers. You read that correctly, car horns and cheers. For our confirmands were received into full professing membership at our 9:00am Drive-In Worship Service. A journey that began back in January, when the world was quite different, ended in August as a new school year began. This year's confirmands were:

Caroline Bernard



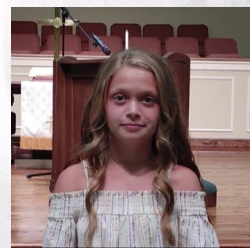
Noah Lacefield



Callan McCollum



Abbigale Simmons



While most of our early classes took place on Wednesday afternoons as part of our "Worship With Friends" (WWF) program, when the pandemic took hold and our distancing began, our confirmands were quick to adapt and began taking their lessons through zoom meetings. They remained faithful and as we finished our last lesson in May, the final details of Confirmation Sunday lingering, I grew enormously proud of them and their commitment. As part of confirmation, each person is asked a series of questions. They include:

- Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?
- Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to reject evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?
- Do you accept Jesus Christ as your savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to all people?
- According to the grace given to you, will you remain a faithful member of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representative in this world?
- As members of this congregation of The United Methodist Church, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness?

Indeed, every time someone professes faith or is baptized here at Marion UMC, we reaffirm our commitment to these questions. Just like our confirmands did at the 10:45am service, we too must answer. Confirmation is a reminder of our continued walk with God and the call to be faithful. Our four confirmands have taken up the mantle of Christ, seeking to follow as a disciple in faith. The question is now upon you, Marion UMC. Will you answer the questions once again? Will you serve Jesus as Lord? Will you share the gospel? Will you trust in God's grace?

Blessings,

Andrew Kjorlaug

Happy Birthday

9/1	Straley Owen	9/19	Mason Fowler Jay W. Hale Austin LaRue Sam Rawls
9/2	Randy Benson Taylor Landry		
9/3	Chris Coopwood Garrison Hardke Vesta McNeely Beverly Moore Richard O'Beirne	9/20	Rita Gilmore Cliff Lafitte Paxton Marotti
9/4	Palmer Archer Micah Archer Hayden Archer Sydney Masengale	9/21	Nancy Ragsdale Callie Wallace
9/5	Trent Hanks Brittany Hanks Tim Parker	9/22	Cissie Stuckey
9/6	Katie Brick LaKeshia Lee Blake Meyer Adam Rawls Jacob Tabor	9/23	Brenda Alexander Jack Avery Katie Entrekin Peyton Fogleman Susan Hale John M. Heath Priscilla Kjorlaug
9/7	Amanda Elliot Scott Fogleman	9/24	John Brenner Fred C. Wesberry III
9/8	Kennedy Arceneaux Nicole Roeder Michelle Schwartz	9/26	Jason Collard
9/9	Gail Fogleman Paula Howerton	9/27	Isabella Hinze Forrest Jones Ben Vaughn
9/10	Eric Doyle Linda Whitmarsh	9/28	Ted Archer Hartley Charlton
9/11	Dustin Bolton	9/29	Brittany Bius Adam Fogleman Jeff Masengale Lisa Stoll Shelby Ward Jeffrey Vaughn
9/13	Thomas Doyle Jennifer Johnston Charlie McNeely		
9/14	Lauren Nash Clay Starkey		
9/15	Jason Collard Will Fogleman		
9/16	Shane Hinze		
9/17	Ford Chafin		
9/18	Addison Schwartz Mollie Owen Sam Owen		

September 2020 Sermon Series:

Re-Reading the Apocalypse: The Book of Revelation

This September we will take up the challenge and encounter the book of Revelation. Throughout the Pandemic and 2020, there have been many questions about Bible Prophecy, the End of the World, and Christ's return. During this series, we will peel back the layers of Revelation and see both our misconceptions, as well as the hope of Almighty God.

September 6: "The Beginning of the End", Rev. 1:1-8

September 13: "The Judgment of Justice", Rev. 16:1-20

September 20: "Churches and Letter", Rev. 2:8-17

September 27: "The Final Reign of God", Rev. 21:9-27

MUMC Youth

Our youth group spent the day cleaning the lot for the 8th Street Mission.



Drive In Worship Service

Those who attended the August 9th Drive-In Worship Service were treated with hearing a portion of our Praise Band, Jerri Crase and Pam Gray.



Memorials for Wilkes D. East

Leslie Price	Mr. and Mrs. Chadd Durrett
Max Tackett	Emily Kyzer
Allenberg Cotton Co.	Emily Schultz and Family
Steve P. Schoettle	David and Tracy Brick
John and Sarah Traugh	Steve and Marcia Sutton
Chuck and Nancy Banks	Mark and Jane Pirani
Mike and Marsha Gibson	Charles and Shannon Williams
Jim and Mary Ann Tyrone	Kim Smith
Melvin and Judy Vzzell	Bruce Williams
Allen and Phyllis Gordon	Butch and Sarah Higginbotham
Greenway Equipment	Jason and Amy Bain
Heartland Wynne Inc.	

Member Spotlight: Jay Salter

How long have you been a member of MUMC?

I have been member for two years now.



Tell us about your family.

Our family consists of myself, my wife Jill , our two year old son Lee and our dog Bo. We have lived in Marion for 7 years.

Tell us about your job.

I am an Insurance Agent with Farm Bureau in Marion and Jill is a 4th grade teacher at HCGC in Marion.

What are your hobbies?

My hobbies are fishing with my son and hanging out with family.

What are you involved in at MUMC?

Jill and I are currently in Sunday School led by David Fogleman. Jill is involved in a women's circle and on the board for the MUMC preschool program.

What is your favorite thing about our church?

My favorite thing about our church is how close everyone is and how welcoming we are to everyone. I can't forget Wednesday night service/dinner.

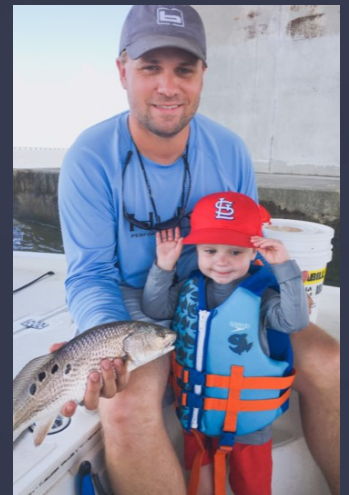
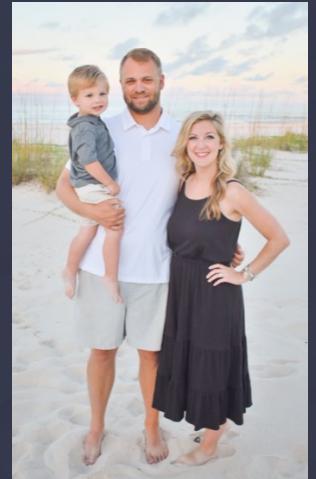
What is your favorite Bible Verse?

Isaiah 40:31

but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

What is your favorite worship song?

Good Good Father



Prayer List

Cheryl Allen
Claire Bacon
Bill Barnett
Brittany Bius
Vince Callahan
Scott Carpenter
Marty Catt
Patsy Catt
Terri Catt
Glen Fenter
Mason Fowler
Leigh Garrett
Brenda Hale-Armstrong
Debbie Hale
Pat Jacobs
Doc Johnston
Leonard Kramer
Wayne Marconi
Roy Miller
Jeff Page
Peppi Pirani
James Sample
Lance Scarborough
Mart Thaxton
Martha Ann Weaver
Jane Williamson
Tim Williamson
All Hospital Personnel, First Responders
Nursing Home Residents & Staff
Teachers, staff, and students
COVID19 pandemic

VISION STATEMENT

*A church on fire for Jesus Christ,
setting the world on fire for
Jesus Christ.*

MISSION STATEMENT

Being disciples; Making disciples.

SUNDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m. Drive-In Worship Service

10:45 a.m. Online Worship Service
YouTube and FB



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