Galt UMC This Week

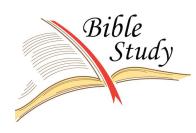


Galt UMC is a warm welcoming family who worship, pray, learn, and love one another by serving our community so that everyone can encounter the Risen Lord and experience transformation through God's Grace.



April 25, 2022

Let's Talk – A Word from Pastor Mary mjzmaaga@yahoo.com 530-417-6584



I am obsessed with the Bible! As many of you know, I came to Christ through reading Scripture while seeking "Ben Hur" in the pages. Mine is not a conventional conversion story, to say the least! But because I read and researched our Holy Bible for 14 years before ever going into a Church, the people I met in the pages of Scripture have formed my faith and discipleship more than any living Christian. Maybe this is why people tell me that they love my Bible studies, that they feel like they are THERE. I

am so excited that I finally get to lead an in-person Bible Study with all of you! I would love if you would make Wednesday evenings a part of your Church routine, in addition to Sunday mornings. From 5:30-6:30 every Wednesday night, starting on May 18, we will study JOHN'S GOSPEL. This is the Gospel that includes water being changed into wine, the woman at the well, and most of the Lord's "I am" proclamations. You are sure to get something out of any class you attend. And that's one of the great things about this Bible Study – come when you can! If you miss one on occasion, you are sure to get caught back up. Also, no homework! Though I bet you will be thinking about the things I teach. AND you don't need to have any background in Scripture to come and get something out of our time together. Plan to come at 5 with a sack supper for fellowship.

Happy Easter, Pastor Mary



In person at 10:00am; Online at <u>galtumc.org</u>

May 1 Part One of THOSE HEART-WARMING METHODISTS!

May is Methodist month this year at Galt UMC! We will take a journey into the foundation of our uniquely Methodist expression of Christianity: OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS. May 1st will be a celebration of Holy Communion and Pastor Mary's sermon that Sunday will answer the question: why do Methodists have an "open" communion table when many other denominations of Christians do not? Sermon: "Open Hearts – The Three Graces" Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-10





Many thanks to Madeline Powell and her team of helpers who organized our first potluck in two years! And thank you to all who brought such yummy things to eat.

Thank you to Earl Arrants, Faye Gaines, Mona Stratton, Jackie Parker, Colleen Hurley, and Debra Herburger for coming to the Galt City Council meeting to support David Herburger and Pastor Mary in speaking at public comment about our community project. Bob Balliet, the Chair of the Galt Commission on Aging also spoke supportively of our project. We were effective in sharing our enthusiasm for improving our community by providing affordable housing for veterans and seniors, and building a free-standing Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center. Keep praying!

NEW Bible Studies

Two new Bible Studies will be offered by Pastor Mary starting in mid-May.

JOHN'S GOSPEL will be on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:30 in person in the Galt UMC Social Hall starting May 18. Please come at 5 with a sack supper for a time of fellowship or arrive at 5:30 for the class. All levels of Bible students are warmly invited, from folks who know next to nothing to those who know a lot. Bring any translation of the Bible and come with an open heart and open mind. No need to worry if you have to miss an occasional class – you are sure to get something out of any class you attend.

PAUL'S JOURNEYS AND LETTERS will be on Sunday afternoons over ZOOM from 4-5pm starting May 15. This is a continuation of Pastor Mary's FB Live Bible Study, but she will be giving a synopsis of the journey thus far, so this is a good time to join.



United Women in Faith group (previously named UMW) met in the chilly park area of Three Palms Mobile Home Community in Galt Saturday, April 23rd. The theme of this month's lesson was appreciating and caring for God's earth. Psalm #103 was read and discussed. Eight members attended, and old and new business was discussed and reports were made. The UWiF group will select one book from a long list of subjects including Nurturing for Communities, Spiritual Growth, Leadership, Education for Mission, and Social Action to be read and discussed together as a group in the future.

The general assembly for UWiF will be held in Orlando, Florida on May 22, 2022 and will be attended by Rosie Kumar, Sabrina Curlee, Abigail Curlee, and Pat McReynolds.

Joy Boxes filled with gifts for men will be assembled at our meeting in July 2022.

Our next meeting will be June 18, 2022 in a warmer place. The meeting closed with a prayer.

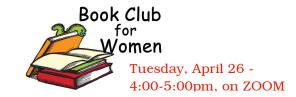
Thank you: Madeline Powell

Time Off for Pastor Mary

Next week Pastor Mary will take Thursday AND Friday off, instead of just Friday as usual. Then Pastor Mary will take her third week of vacation from May 2 – May 9, with Pastor Norm Mowery covering for preaching on May 8 and for pastoral emergencies while Pastor Mary is away. In case of emergency, Pastor Norm's number is 831-238-2656.

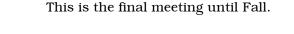








Tuesday, April 26, 8am-10am: Dennis Yoder and Pastor Mary will be recording Online Worship



Sign seen on the door of a home in Portland, OR



Tuesday, April 26, 1:00pm: In Social Hall.

We are too broke to buy anything, We know who we are voting for, We have found Jesus, Unless you are selling thin mints, Please go away."

"NO SOLICITING



Tuesday, April 26, 6:30pm Building Coordination Committee

Sign at a South Carolina service station: "Pray at the pump."



Wednesday, April 27, 8-10:00am: Set up for food distribution. Thursday, April 28, 8-10:00: Food Distribution. Extra help always welcome. "Laughter is the corrective force which prevents us from becoming cranks." - -Henri Bergson



Saturday, April 30, 10:00am: In person, church office

SPEED BUMP

by Dave Coverly



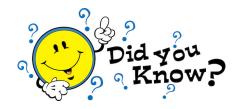
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Welcome to Worship

Sunday, May 1: Worship with Holy Communion at 10am, Refreshments to follow



Monday, May 2 – Monday, May 9: Pastor Mary on vacation – she will be back in the Church Office on Tuesday, May 10



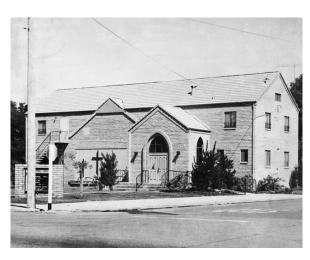
(Continued from last week)

The first services were held in the fellowship hall on Easter Sunday 1970. Fifty-two years ago! Time really flies!

In 1978, neighbor Marshall Angrave offered to donate the funds for building our present-day sanctuary with its beautiful stained-glass windows. The church voted to expand the Narthex and church offices (now Sunshine Food Pantry storage) to what we have today. The sanctuary was dedicated December 16, 1979.

(To be continued next week)

- - Mona Stratton Church Council Chair







Notice from another church:

"The peacekeeping meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict."

May



- 1 Ike Luginbill
- 1 Ken Lee
- 2 Koshmick Kumar
- 4 Leesa Klotz
- 4 Jackie Parker
- 6 Margaret Luginbill
- 7 Inez Munoz
- 10 Saira Kumar
- 18 Joann Dale
- 20 Stacie Mitchell
- 22 Cameron Kumar
- 23 Colleen Hurley
- 29 Dan Mitchell
- 30 Emilia Kleist



- 5 Hyo & Jung Chu
- 6 Monte & Jean Nelson
- 13 Jimmy & Faye Gaines
- 20 Walt & Sue Buckmaster
- 23 William & Tanya Diego
- 29 Ike & Margaret Luginbill



Does your church fill up its chancel area with lilies on Easter? And what do lilies and Easter have in common? Chuck seeks to answer that question.

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April 10: 62 Online, In-person: 44



May 1

John & Cindy Borgerding May 8

Sharon Drake Rosie Kumar