



The Journal

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FROM THE HOUSE OF FAUST

“They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, elders and teachers of the law came together.” (They questioned Jesus and heard the testimony of others against Him). “Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, “Are you not going to answer? What is this testimony that these men are bringing against you?” But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?” “I am’ said Jesus.”

We will begin the season of Lent on Wednesday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. with the observance of our traditional Ash Wednesday service of worship. The season of Lent focuses our attention on the Cross of Christ and its implications for our Christian life. As part of that focus, I want to emphasize one very important point which we discover in the above quoted passage of scripture. Notice, that when Jesus was asked about the testimony of what others were saying HE HAD DONE, Jesus chose not to reply. But, when the chief priest asked Him directly WHO HE WAS, Jesus responded, and in so doing clearly identified Himself as the Son of God!

It was “who He was” that Jesus knew mattered for eternity. Our eternal destiny is linked to HIS BEING and not to HIS DOING. And that is a remarkable thing considering the miraculous things Jesus did in His ministry on earth. The wonderful work of the Cross is efficacious only because of WHO HE WAS/IS!!! He is the Son of God, the Messiah, the Christ, and that is why His death “takes away the sins of the world”. We hope you will “celebrate Jesus” with us in worship each Sunday morning during the season of Lent.

Pastor Dan

FEBRUARY GREETERS

*February 5 - Peggy McNeary &
Sally Burke*

February 12 - The Sherry Austin Family

*February 19 - Becky Story &
Rebel Dugan*

February 26 - The Tripp Logan Family

*(If you can't greet on your Sunday, please
call Annette Robertson at 683-0742 or
683-4917)*

COMMUNION AT THE MANOR

We will serve Holy Communion at the Charleston Manor on Wed., February 8 at 9:30 a.m. You are invited to come and share in the service.

LENTEN STUDY

Pastor Dan will be offering a Sunday afternoon **LENTEN STUDY** beginning on Sunday, February 26th and each Sunday afternoon in March. We will meet in the sanctuary overflow area and the study will run from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. We will be studying some of the Devotional Classics from our history and making application to our own lives. He hopes you will plan now to be with us! Each study is independent of the other, so you are welcome to attend one or all of the studies as your schedule permits. Pastor Dan believes that you will find this “intentional faith development” exercise a boost to your “growing in Christ likeness”!

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Pastor Dan will conduct the **CONFIRMATION CLASS** training this year during the Sunday School hour (10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) for eight weeks during the months of February and March. All those 6th grade or older are welcome to attend (including any adults who are interested), and you are encouraged to call the church office to register so that material may be ordered.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

VALENTINE CARE PACKAGES, for college students, will be packed & mailed next week. Please bring your donations of Valentine items & snacks to the church office as soon as possible. The students love the snacks, but they also appreciate the school supplies, inspirational notes & bookmarks. We could also use some money to help pay for the boxes & postage. Thank you!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Last February members of the Worship Committee meet in the prayer room from 9:00 until 9:20 a.m. for the purpose of lifting up in prayer all parts of the worship service. They are still doing so and hope that any church member who is interested will choose a Sunday or two and join these “prayer warriors”. There will be a sheet available that has suggested areas of prayer to help you get started. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet posted on the church office door. Thank you!

THANK YOU!!!

Dear UMC Church Family,

Thank you for the finals care package! It is always nice to have snacks and goodies while studying for all the finals coming up. Thanks for thinking about me. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Love,
Chelsea Stallings

Dear Church Family,

Thanks so much for the Wal-Mart gift card and the goody package. I'm always excited to see what surprises are inside. It's so nice that you think of your college students and support us during our studies. Finals week is always stressful, but the support I receive from you makes it a little easier.

Thanks again. I love you all.

Love,
Caroline Nace

Dear UMC Church Family,

If we only had more people in the world like you all! The blankets, clothes, diapers, etc. will most definitely go to good use. Thank you for the kindness.

Miss. Co. Health Dept. (Tiny Touch Program)

Dear Members of the Charleston Methodist Church,

On behalf of myself as well as my department, we would like to thank you for the delicious cake you sent us. Being appreciated for our work is very gratifying. However, it is our pleasure and with great pride that we serve the community and fantastic people much as yourselves.

Sincerely,
Sheriff Keith Moore

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer shawl. The colors in it are gorgeous and I know a lot of work went into making it.

Thanks for thinking of us. Your prayers are appreciated.

Pete & Helen Bingham

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Lyndsey Keener
- 2 - Becky Tinsley
- 4 - Matthew Austin
- 5 - John Moxley, Perry Harper, Phyllis Halliday, Samantha Stack & Zach Fraley
- 6 - Dearthmont Goodin
- 7 - Emily McClain
- 8 - David Moxley & James Naile
- 9 - Mary Hough, Missy Ward Knight & Ryan Logan
- 11 - Jayne Ann Milling & Paula Waggener
- 12 - David McDowell & Robert DeField
- 13 - Bruce DeField, Eleanor Moxley, John Story & Roger Jespersen
- 14 - Marian Moxley, Nicole Pike & Lillie Suggs
- 16 - Monroe Black, Gary McClain & Jonah Logan
- 17 - Kathy Schonleben
- 18 - Chris Starr, Hampton French & Vergil Eaton
- 19 - Shelby Story
- 21 - Cade Coon, Kim French, Bennett Logan & Amelia Logan
- 22 - John Burke
- 23 - Frances Brewer, Jane Ellis Griggs & Leon Land
- 24 - Daniel White
- 25 - Gabe Fitzgerald
- 27 - Lyla Latham, Sandie Harper & Charles Alexander
- 28 - Joe Pickard
- 29 - John Malugen

MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

AT 7:30 A.M.

IN THE

FAMILY LIFE CENTER.

BRING A FRIEND OR TWO!

