

# Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church

*The Messenger*

*April 2021*

## **OPPORTUNITIES TO CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK & EASTER**

You're invited to celebrate Holy Week and Easter at THUMC! You'll notice that we've added a 10am worship service on Easter Sunday in order to safely accommodate more people. If you haven't already done so, please call or email the church office to let us know if you and your family plan to attend the 9am, 10am, or 11am service so that we can plan accordingly. (706-673-4022 or [thumc@optilink.us](mailto:thumc@optilink.us)). Please know that we will continue to encourage social distancing. We will also continue to have the chairs spaced out in the Fellowship Hall and every other pew roped off in the Sanctuary. Sunday School Classes will not meet on Easter Sunday.



### **PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Sunday, March 28th  
9am Worship - Fellowship Hall  
11am Worship - Sanctuary

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

#### **SANCTUARY OPEN FOR PRAYER & COMMUNION**

THUMC's Sanctuary will be open from 10am-7pm on Thursday, April 1st if you would like to come by any time during those hours to spend a few minutes in prayer and to receive communion. Maundy Thursday is traditionally the day we remember the Last Supper and how Jesus reminded His disciples of the importance of loving and serving one another. Pre-packaged individual servings of the communion elements will be available. Feel free to take a few with you for family members who cannot come by the church to pray.



### **EASTER EGG HUNT & LUNCH**

***11am, Saturday, April 3rd - Easter Egg Hunt & Lunch***

For safety reasons, after the egg hunt, lunch will take place outside and food will be served in sealed containers. Donations of pre-stuffed eggs, candy, and/or prizes are needed. A container for these items is located underneath the mailboxes outside the choir room. You can drop your donations off on Sunday mornings or Monday through Thursday, 9am-3pm. The deadline for donations is Sunday, March 28th.



### **EASTER SUNDAY**

7:15am Sunrise Service (Griffin Park)  
(\*Breakfast will not be served this year.)  
9am Worship in the Fellowship Hall  
10am Worship in the Sanctuary  
11am Worship in the Sanctuary & FaceBook



## EASTER CROSS

On Easter Sunday, during the 11am service, we will decorate the cross with live & artificial flowers during the first hymn. During the closing hymn, the cross will be carried outside and placed in front of the church where it will stay for a few days.  
You're invited to help out by bringing fresh flowers for the cross.



## OASIS NEWS

Spring is in the air, Covid numbers are down, and people are ready to get back to church. It has been great seeing new faces (new for me anyway since so many people have been online since the pandemic hit) at the church. The OASIS student ministry is looking forward to a more normal rest of the year. We were especially looking forward to getting back to Epworth this summer, but unfortunately, Epworth is housing the workers who are doing the ship salvage off the Georgia coast and isn't taking any groups this summer. When God closes a door, He will always open another. The summer retreat is now going to be June 11-14 at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, FL. My wife and I will be chaperoning along with Jay and Joni, and we are all looking forward to spending some time with our students at the beach. The cost is \$200 and any funds that were given for the 2020 trip will go toward this year's trip. Your students will be bringing home more info this week or you can always get info directly from me.

- Adam

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ONLINE

The Friendship Class is now meeting in person. You can also participate in this class online every Sunday at 10am using the Zoom Website/App.

To participate go to <https://www.Zoom.us> and sign on with this info:  
Meeting ID: 729 7056 5806 / Password: 012815  
Everyone is invited to take part!



## SMALL GROUPS FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

Journey Land (kids PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade) meets in the Glow Kids room upstairs on Sundays at 9:00am

The Friendship Sunday School Class meets at 10:00am

Children's Sunday School Classes (PK-5<sup>th</sup>) are meeting upstairs at 10:00am

Oasis Youth Group (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) are meeting on Wednesdays from 6:15pm-7:30pm in the Oasis House

Beginning April 8<sup>th</sup>, the Open Door Grief Group will meet in person every Thursday at 6:00pm in the Friendship Classroom



## BLESSING BAGS FOR HOSPITAL UPDATE

Recently, volunteers from several area churches came together to share love and gratitude to the workers at Hamilton Medical Center's Covid-19 Unit. "Blessing Bags" (insulated lunchboxes) were filled with all sorts of snacks and goodies topped off with a \$10 Amazon gift card for the 200 people who have been on the front lines this past 12 months trying to keep our community safe and healthy!

A big thank you to the volunteers and donors from Macedonia Baptist Church in Dawnville, Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church, Tunnel Hill First Baptist Church, and Salem Baptist Church in Dalton.





**Please note:** Prayer requests remain on the church's prayer list for four weeks. If a request needs to stay on the list longer than four weeks, please let us know. To add or remove a friend or loved one, please contact the church office at (706) 673-4022 or [thumc@optilink.us](mailto:thumc@optilink.us).  
*Thank you!*

THUMC Family:

Butch Middleton, Ginny Horne, Thomas Blackwell, Alton Shires family (Ginny Horne), Anne Monk, Macoy Griffin family, Barry Henderson family (Gene Anderson), Marilyn Martin, Jane Griffin

THUMC's Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

Extended Friends & Family of THUMC:

Elaine Hankins – friend of Judy Lusk  
Katie Hasty – friend of Tammy Horne  
Wayne Whited – Megan Teems' father  
Jordan Garcia – friend of Liz Dennis  
Keith Locke – friend of Barry Gilley  
Nancy Estes – friend of Janice Helton  
Sue Crist – M. Martin's sister / V. Cleaver's Aunt  
\*Robert – friend of Frank & Carol Dubee  
\*Stuart Allen – friend of Valerie Cleaver  
\*Leigh Hall – friend of Sharon Polk  
\*Vicki Hedrick – Keith Hedrick's sister

(\*Denotes new additions)

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed: \$5,130

Total Giving for January

GENERAL BUDGET: \$19,730  
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$2,157

Total Giving for February

GENERAL BUDGET: \$18,309  
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$865

Total Giving for March thru 3/17

GENERAL BUDGET: \$9,883  
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$360

