

Robinson Springs

United Methodist Church

Linking Others to Christ Through Service, Love and Growth



The 2019 Annual Conference for Alabama West Florida is completed. As a pastor in the Conference, I am confident and trusting in the leaders who have been entrusted to represent AWFC in the upcoming years – especially going into General Conference 2020. Beyond the important business, decisions and votes which are dealt with during Annual Conference – there is the most important aspect to this time and it is “holy conferencing”. According to our Wesleyan tradition, conferencing is a means of grace – a time of gathering for worship, fellowship and planning the work of ministry in our various local places and abroad – but even more, it is a time to share God’s grace. Much of what we did at Frazer Memorial Church was holy conferencing. It was beautiful.

In the fellowship of Annual Conference also comes the opportunities to see old friends and make new friends. As I was blessed to catch up with many people whom I do not see often enough – I remembered how so many in that place have impacted who I am as a follower of Jesus Christ, as a daughter of the King, and as a pastor leading the flock of this local church. Praise God that He has put these influences in my life! I invite you to look around you – who has influenced your life? Who has poured into your cup – giving you wisdom, guidance, encouragement, mercy, love?! AND, look around you – to see who God is calling you to nurture in the faith – who?

Then, after you look – give many thanks for the people who have lavished you with these influences – and give thanks to God for putting someone else in front of you so you may return that which you have received. That my dear friends, is holy conferencing in our little corner of the world!

Love & Blessings to You,
Janet Krantz, Pastor

“Say What?!” – A little comic relief found in other Church Bulletin Bloopers – i.e. grammar matters:

“A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.”

“The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.”



Ushers

Billy Dolbare, Mike McGriff

Lay Readers

June 2 - Michael Gay
June 9 - Natalie Strange
June 16 - Pat Jenkins
June 23 - Helen Ide
June 30 - Brenda Koenig

Offertory Counters

June 2 - Dan Power
June 9 - Dan Dismukes, Joyce Fisher
June 16 - Don Wallace, McGriffs
June 23 - Dianne Newton
June 30 - Volunteer Needed

Acolytes

June 2 - Christopher Johnson, Cayden Massey
June 9 - Addison Longcrier
June 16 - Logan Jeanette
June 23 - Della Strange
June 30 - Volunteer Needed

Nursery

June 2 - Volunteer Needed
June 9 - Stephanie McGuire, Amber Gay
June 16 - Peggy Ashcraft
June 23 - Amanda Johnson
June 30 - Volunteer Needed

**ROBINSON SPRINGS UMC
 ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD & SUB-COMMITTEES
 January 1, 2019**

Kristen Buchner
 Rob Buchner
 Amara Crouse
 Billy Dolbare
 Amber Gay
 Michael Gay
 Brenda Koenig
 Janet Krantz, Pastor

DJ Massey
 Melissa Massey
 Richard Morris
 Sue Morris
 Stephanie McGuire
 Dan Power
 Natalie Strange
 Danny Bamberg

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SPRC* - Stephanie McGuire (Chair), Sue Morris, Melissa Massey
Finance - Dan Power (Chair), Michael Gay, Danny Bamberg
Trustees - Rob Buchner (Chair), Billy Dolbare, DJ Massey
N.O.W. ** - Natalie Strange (Chair), Amber Gay, Kristin Buchner, Brenda Koenig (Worship Planning)
Treasurer - Richard Morris
Nominations and Leadership - Janet Krantz (Chair), Kristin Buchner
Youth Representative - Amara Crouse
**SPRC = Staff Parrish Relations Committee*
***N.O.W. = Nurture, Outreach, Worship*

N.O.W.

Nurture

We're "walking in the word" each Thursday morning at 8:30 am at the Millbrook Village Green (Main Street). We begin with a 3 minute devotional and prayer, then we walk. We are a group of people who love to encourage and hold each other accountable. You decide how far, how fast, how long you will walk - come join us want you? Let Pastor Janet know if you want to be included on the message board for this!

Next Prayer Walk: On Monday, June 24, join us to pray and walk through our church. ALL are invited to come - men, women, all ages - we will continue this faithful step each month on the **4th Monday**. Come!

They're still going strong! Our *Flourish* Women's Bible Study Monday group gathers from 9:30 am to 11:00 am – Sue Morris is leading an encore study from Priscilla Shirer, "Armor of God" – i.e. "*it was so good the first time, let's do it again!*". Plan join us on Monday mornings for a time of *flourishing* in God's word.

Our adult Sunday School class meeting in Fellowship Hall continues their study on Sunday, at 9:00 – 9:45 am. The topic this session is from Lee Stroebel's "Making Your Own Case for Christ" – a guide and challenge to help us frame out our personal witness of Christ to share with others. Additionally a group meets on the third floor and they are studying the old testament.

Wednesday evening Bible study:

Wednesday evening Bible Study will be led by Pastor Janet - we will take a journey into the Gospel of Mark - plan to join us and keep your spiritual growth prospering even in the summer months!

Looking for a good book to read? Or, would you like to delve into a new Bible study? Thanks to Ashley Erickson, we have newly organized materials available to anyone in our church to use. Books, Bibles, and reference materials are on the bookshelf in Charlene's office. Then, our DVD collections and Bible study materials are on the bookshelf in the Adult SS classroom (3rd floor). Please just leave your name, date and what you are using on the sign out log. Read, study, grow – and ENJOY!

Outreach

W.E.L.C.O.M.E. - . . . this month's drive is personal hygiene items (full size bar soap, shampoo etc..) Of course, financial contributions are always encouraged (checks made payable to "RSUMC", & noted for W.E.L.C.O.M.E.) – just bring your donations to the blue tubs in the sanctuary.

We are so blessed to host the Piecemakers Quilting groups (Tues. & Thurs) – if you haven't met these lovely ladies, I encourage you to stop by RSUMC during their quilting times, they are a joy! We consider it a blessing to host these wonderful art guilds – the creative spirit running through our building is inspiring. They are faithful in expressing their appreciation for this church in providing space for them. So it is for their generous financial gifts to our church and to the Loaves & Fishes Ministry that we also give thanks to the Piecemakers Quilters! We love you Ladies.

Our RSUMC Community Lawn Team is kicking back into action. This is our awesome service project of reaching out into our community to help someone who is unable to cut their grass - Our Lawn Team meets on Tuesday **at 6:00 pm** at church – equipped with tools and ready to go! Work will end at 7:00 pm – come join us please! We get the job done, have fun, and spread some love back into our community! See Billy Dolbare, Team Captain, for more info.

Loaves & Fishes Ministry

Jesus continues to bless and multiply the loving actions of his disciples at Robinson Springs and throughout our community! We are now helping 27 seniors who are food insecure. Thanks to those of you who have volunteered your time helping to prepare and distribute these meals.

Here's the Team:

Joyce Fisher (c #256-509-4977)

Donna Pate

Martha Troxell

Bob & Jean Derise

Pastor Janet (c #334-590-1028)

Here are some **practical ways** you can support this very important ministry at RSUMC.

1. Let Joyce Fisher know that you would like to help distribute food on a Monday between 9 a.m. and noon. We only need two people each Monday.
2. Prepare and package some meals at home. Soup and cornbread is always a great meal.
3. If you don't want to cook (and not everyone does!) buy some gallon sized can vegetables, or ground beef, or chicken that can be frozen and used for soups and casseroles. We have the freezer space!
4. Contribute money that can and will be used to purchase food for preparation and containers. Be sure and mark your donations for Loaves and Fishes.
5. Pray! If you know anyone in need of this help, contact Pastor Janet at 334-590-1028.

Worship

We are looking for ushers (men and women)! If you can help serve, please see Billy Dolbare.

We are also in need of volunteers for music and choir, please call Andy Krantz to let him know how you can serve at 334-580-9564.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

VBS is coming to Robinson Springs on Saturday, July 13th!! Tell your family, friends & neighbors to reserve that day for their children, ages 4K through rising 5th graders, to come enjoy the fun! Also, we will need the "troops" of RSUMC to come and support this community outreach by providing your time & talents & gifts. Please keep this ministry in your prayers as we reach out to those in our community! Below is a list of items needed. See Natalie or Melissa for more info.

We need a minimum of 20 adult/youth volunteers:

- 2-3 Registration/dismissal leaders
 - 3-5 Bible lesson leaders (don't be scared - they are flip-chart-style lessons)
 - 3-5 Games/crafts leaders
 - 3-4 Group leaders
 - 3-4 Meal prep team
- (Because of the layout of the day, one person could have two duties.)

We are asking for food donations:

- Cookies
- HUGS barrel juice drinks
- Water
- Ham slices
- American Cheese slices
- Individual bags of chips
- Strawberries
- Apples
- Grapes
- White bread or flatbread

MISSION WORK

The children have been focusing on serving others over the last several weeks. They participated in the beginnings of the reorganization of the annex. If you have an idea for the children to help with maintenance of the church property, i.e, weeding, planting, cleaning, etc, please let Natalie know - especially tasks that can be handled on Wednesday nights. I want to reinforce the message of showing Jesus' love through service to others.

Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him. Psalms 127:3

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VENTURE

VENTURE is the name – *discipleship* is their “aim”! The definition of “venture” is “to take the risk of . . . brave the dangers of . . . ; to take the risk of sending . . . “ Students in grades 6th through 12th are invited to become part of this Jesus “venture” at Robinson Springs.

Confirmation Class is taking place now during the Sunday School time each week. Throughout the course of the school year we are learning what it is to believe in Jesus Christ and to live out our discipleship within the Methodist Church and at this church of Robinson Springs. Any youth (6th through 12th grade) who has not already been confirmed in the church should plan to come – oh, and, we’re having fun while we learn.

Speaking of fun, the guys (along with chaperones) will have a one day Confirmation Retreat on **Friday, August 2** at Red Mountain Park. We’ll have some outdoor adventure (aka gliding through the trees on zip lines), hiking, picnicking, group bonding, lessons and reflection. Please continue to support these fine young men with your prayers!

Keep on the lookout for a fundraiser coming in July – this fun time will be led by Danny & Tre Bamberg – so, watch for **Saturday, July 20** and we’ll let you know how you can help, plus enjoy a treat!

Keep all of the youth and children in your prayers throughout the summer that they will enjoy rest and recreation during the break from school!

Happy Birthday

Ken (PK) Johnson, June 3
Brenda Koenig, June 6
Mike McGriff, June 9
Michael Gay, June 11
Michael Crouse, June 14
Gloria Wallace, June 18

Dale Duck, June 26
Pat Jenkins, June 26
Kristin Buchner, June 27
Leigh Salter, June 27
Dianne Newton, June 28

Happy Anniversary

Wesley & Kim Woodard, June 5
John & Susan Chain, June 6
Mark & Stephanie McGuire, June 21
Tammy & Ken Johnson, June 28

Sunday

Sunday School9:00 am - 9:45 am
Worship10:00 am - 11:00 am

Monday

Church Office9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Loaves & Fishes9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Women's Bible Study9:30 am - 11:00 am

Tuesday

Church Officeplease contact church office for hours
Piecemakers9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wednesday

Church Office9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Prayer Gathering4:30 pm
Communion Service5:15 pm
Fellowship Supper5:30 pm
Bible Study6:00 pm
Children's Activities6:00 pm
Venture Youth Bible Study6:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal7:00 pm

Thursday

Church Office9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Friday

Office Closed

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