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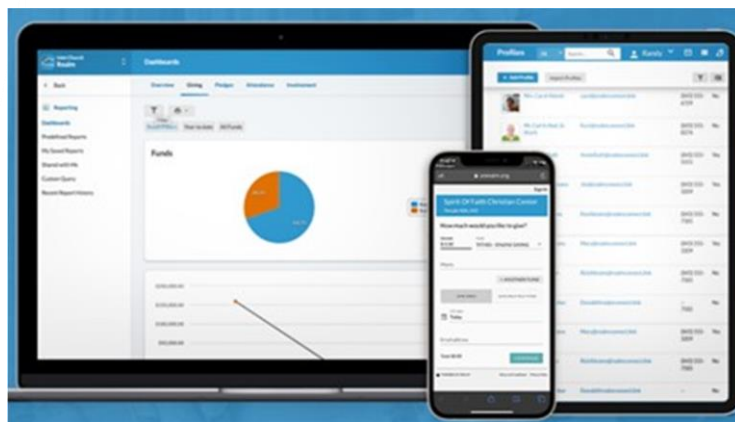
The Good News!

With Pastor Clark Cundiff

Have you ever been lost? Not a great feeling, is it? In Luke 15:4 Jesus tells the story of the shepherd who leaves the ninety-nine sheep to go find the one lost sheep. Jesus is asking each of us to remember what it felt like to be lost and found and be shepherds who search for those who are lost! For us to find people who need a relationship with God (lost sheep) we need to get up and go. We need to act, to leave the comfort of our homes and our churches and enter our neighborhoods, the grocery stores, our workplaces and look for other beloved children of God who will be transformed by our bringing God to them. Yes, we've all been lost, but as a shepherd how many people have you brought to God? Where have you seen someone who would benefit from a supporting and loving church family? Now is the time for action! Now is the time to come alongside people who are on a similar journey and together experience the unconditional love of God. Be shepherds and seek out lost sheep!

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LET'S GET CONNECTED!



We are upgrading our Church Management System to *Realm-Connect* and you have an important role: GET CONNECTED! If you have an email address in our system, you will receive an invite to join Connect! Accept the invite, then go to the APP store on your mobile device and download "Realm Connect". Login using your email address and create a password. You can join groups, sign up for serving opportunities, check your contributions, access the digital directory, and much, much, more!

Contact Wendy Howard for Help!

(wendyraehoward@gmail.com or 757-672-5496

Worship

This week in worship we explore how God calls us to repent from our sin. Join us on Sundays at 9 and 11 am in the Sanctuary or online at Facebook Live & YouTube (Baylake United Methodist Church).



(Taylor Thurmond & Wendy Howard)

We are grateful for our Audio Visual Team who faithfully serves us! We Need Volunteers!

Scripture Luke 19: 27-31

²⁷ He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰ He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

We welcome the Blount family, Courtney & Shafran, to Baylake UMC. They are keeping our church spaces clean and beautiful!



LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our committees and teams continue to minister to those in the Shore Drive area as they meet via Zoom and in-person. Church office hours are Monday-Friday 8:30-12:30.

Council – Our **MISSION** is to “Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World”! We will do this by executing our **VISION** to connect with our community by praying, asking, worshipping, and serving others (PAWS).



A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

On August 20, 2022, the Leadership Council gathered for their annual retreat. A primary focus for the retreat was to affirm the mission and vision of Baylake UMC (as indicted above), coupled with goal setting for the next year. Guiding us through this process was Kay Kotan’s book on “Being the Church in a Post-Pandemic World” which help us to apply this content to our process of vision casting and goal setting. We also learned more about the demographics of our Shore Dr community and related ministry preferences. The Leadership Council has also planned for this years Stewardship Campaign and is working to fill vacant staff positions (Choir Director). For additional information, Jan can be reached at jtaylor225@cox.net.



- That Methodism was a “Movement” within the Church of England started by John Wesley. Today’s United Methodist’s recognize God’s grace throughout our spiritual journey.
- That there are 3 types of grace?
 - *Prevenient Grace* is God at work before we know it. It prepares us to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ.
 - *Justifying Grace* is when our unbelief becomes belief in Jesus Christ.
 - *Sanctify Grace* is our lifelong journey to become more like Jesus.

PRAYER NEEDS

Those grieving the loss of loved ones, Bill Stevenson, Ukraine, Bob DeFord, Melinda Irby, Martha and Bernard Kornegay, Cyndi Pickens, Patty Waller, Brenda Barnes, John Barnes, Mary Mattice’s mother, Sherry Harrington, and neighbor, enemy, friend, family, stranger and church

Send your prayer request to prayerbumc@aol.com.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Join us on October 2nd after the 11am worship service to pack 90 meals for the homeless supported by the Judeo- Christian Outreach Center.



The month of October Community Outreach Spotlight is on our Beach Bag Ministry! We have 55 kids and 30 families that are food insecure that we are supporting! With inflation and rising prices of food, your donations are appreciated!



Mark your calendar for Winter Shelter for the Homeless living in our community – December 26 - Jan 2, 2023! Many volunteers are needed!

Contact Cindy Wilkins for more information (edciwi@yahoo.com)

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