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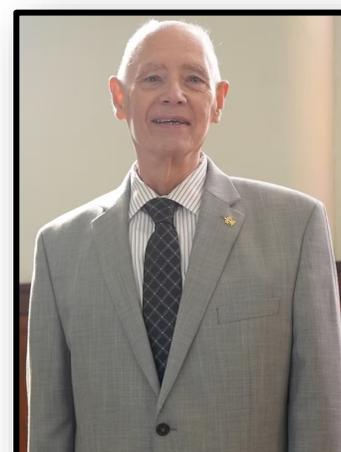
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# ***First Methodist Church Of Enterprise, AL***

## **Our Vision**

*To transform the world with  
the good news of Jesus  
Christ.*

## **Our Mission Statement**

*Our mission is to help people  
become disciples who know  
God, grow as Christ followers,  
and go live on mission.*

## **RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS**

February Total Budget Expenses	\$ 59,366
February Budget Received	\$ 51,222
<b>February Budget Shortage</b>	<b>\$ 8,144</b>

February Capital Improvement Expenses	\$ 0
February Capital Improvement Received	\$ 1,190
<b>February Capital Improvement Overage</b>	<b>\$ 1,190</b>

<b>February Ministry Plan Shortage</b>	<b>\$ 6,954</b>
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*(Unaudited as of February 24, 2025)*

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## **SIGN UP FOR FMCE PEW NEWS & MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

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# Lenten Lunches

Nourish your mind, body, and spirit with weekly devotions.

Lunches available for purchase - \$5

Wednesdays at Noon in the Fellowship Hall



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Feb. 25  
**Rev. Ryan Martin**

Lead Pastor  
Bonifay First United  
Methodist Church



March 4  
**Rev. Dr. Ben Bowden**

Senior Pastor  
First Baptist Church  
Enterprise



March 11  
**Rev. Willie White, Jr.**

Senior Pastor  
John's Chapel African  
Methodist Episcopal Church



March 18  
**Rev. Dr. Karl Stegall**

Stegall Seminary  
Scholarship Foundation



March 25  
**Rev. John Ed Mathison**

Mathison Leadership  
Ministries



April 1  
**Rev. Dr. Amy Young**

Family Ministries Pastor  
First Methodist Church



## Get your “Guide to the Season” Lent 2026

Pick one up at various locations around the FMCE campus or go to the FMCE website at [www.fmce.church](http://www.fmce.church), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the graphic for a digital copy.



Our monthly Mercy Fund collection during Communion is coming up this Sunday. Following the long month of January, we encountered many needs in February, when we were unable to support as many requests and needs of those in the community. People in our area are facing many hardships and urgent needs. It isn't only our church assisting these folks, but through the Mercy Fund, we can partner with others, such as Family Services and The Christian Mission, to help those in need in the community. Please pray concerning how you can support the Mercy Fund this Sunday.

Here are some heartfelt words from Rod Caldwell regarding our church's ministry and why the Mercy Fund is so crucial to our work...

"We have an extremely close relationship with The First Methodist Church here in Enterprise, Alabama. Family Services of Coffee County works hand in hand with them. We have seen the work they do firsthand. I can't count the times that they have been more than a blessing to our clients. Personally, they were there during the loss of my God-grandson. I can never thank them enough. I ask today that if you are looking for an organization to donate to, please send your monetary donations to The First Methodist Church of Enterprise, Alabama. It will go to people who are really in need without any Judgement!!! Thanks again for considering this great Church."

We shared the love this Valentine's Day by delivering 14 gift bags to our homebound and care-facility members, while another 13 received heartfelt cards in the mail. Thank you for your incredible generosity in making these reminders of God's love possible!

The FMCE Care & Concerns Team

THANK YOU !!



On February 6th, Coffee County Habitat for Humanity had its annual Father-Daughter Dance in the FMCE Fellowship Hall. This is our only annual fundraiser. There were 115 fathers and daughters. Thank you to our church for its support of this event for the past 25 years. We are forever grateful!

A special thank you to the Habitat bakers for supplying the delicious cookies. (More than 20 bakers participated in this event, with 12 being from our church.) Also, a big thank you to Chico Smith, FMCE Maintenance, and Amanda Snellgrove and Whitney Mills, FMCE Housekeeping, for their help as well.

Sincerely,  
Tammy Sheldon  
CCHFH VP

# Our Journey to Easter

## Lenten Lunches & Communion

February 25 - April 1

Wednesdays @ Noon ~ Fellowship Hall

Lunch - \$5

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“BLESSED”

## A Holy Week Journey Through the Beatitudes

Musical presentation by the

FMCE Easter Choir

Maundy Thursday, April 2 ~ 6:00pm ~ Sanctuary

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## Easter Sunday Worship Services

April 5 ~ 10:30am @

Jimmy Baker Center for the Arts

Enterprise State Community College, 600 Plaza Drive, Enterprise

# Spring

*forward*

# MARCH 8TH





Be the First Friendly Face!  
Join the Greeter, Host,  
and Usher Team!

Do you love meeting new people, making everyone  
feel connected and going outside of your circle?

Then this ministry is for YOU!

Our Greeters, Hosts, and Ushers play a huge role in  
creating an exciting, welcoming worship experience.  
Your warmth and energy can make all the difference –  
especially for first-time guests.

## Volunteer Interest & Training Meeting Sunday, March 1

Contemporary Service Team: 10 - 11 AM Brunch Provided

Traditional Service Team: 12:15 - 1:15 PM Lunch Provided

Youth Building Main Hall

**Reserve your Spot by sending an email to [hospitality@fmce.church](mailto:hospitality@fmce.church)**

### *Memorials*

Frank McHenry  
Life Journey Sunday School Class

### *Honorariums*

Dr. Beverly Jordan  
Dr. Daniel Whitaker  
Medical Center Enterprise

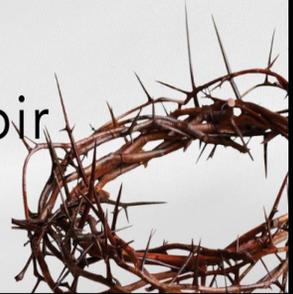


*Mourning Thursday*

# BLESSED

A Journey Through the Beatitudes  
Presented by the FMCE Chancel Choir

April 2nd 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary



JOIN US FOR

# Easter

10:30 AM AT THE BAKER CENTER

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH ENTERPRISE

HE LIVES

HE LIVES



BE · OUR  
GUEST  
WED NIGHT  
DINNER

5:00-6:00 PM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

03/04-TACO BOWLS; CORN RIBLETS,  
TRES LECHES CAKE

03/11-GRILL DADDIES-HAMBURGERS, FRIES,  
BAKED BEANS, APPLE COBBLER

03/18-BRUNSWICK STEW, POTATO BAR,  
CORNBREAD

DESSERTS BY HEAVENLY HEIFER

03/25-SPRING BREAK

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# Mahjong Classes and Open Play with Ashley Charlton

## Mondays In March - Morning and Evening

Register on Church Center or visit  
[fmce.church/](http://fmce.church/)

Email questions to:  
[hospitality@fmce.church](mailto:hospitality@fmce.church)



# Living Intentionally

## A Word from Pastor Matt

It's another month and another newsletter article. You may wonder why we do these articles and the newsletter every month. The answer is very simple: so you can be encouraged and informed. I hope and pray you utilize this well to align your personal calendar with the church's calendar of events, and I pray the words written in our articles are both informative and encouraging to you all.

In Proverbs 28:19, it says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." Our vision at FMCE is to transform the world with the good news of Jesus Christ. We went even deeper into this vision about how we accomplish the vision: Know, Grow, Go. What we know and learn affects what we take with us as we grow and go on missions together. To know the Gospel, to own the mission, to know the Scriptures, to know Christ, to know our doctrine, and to know who we are as followers of Christ is one of the most important parts of our faith.

In Army Aviation, students spend countless hours in the classroom before entering a simulator and even more hours in the simulator before they ever touch the real controls of an aircraft. Could you imagine the risk of taking a green student who has only played an Xbox and letting them loose in an Apache worth millions of dollars? They must have mastered the controls, buttons, warning signs, the plan, the reason for their responsibility, and every intricate part of the aircraft. In our faith, it is crucial that we know and continue to grow in our faith for the very same reason.

We have been entrusted with the message of the Gospel. This entrustment is not to be taken lightly. How we grow is also important. As a young child, I remember having a garden. My Dad would spend countless hours in the garden through the planting season. I always wondered why he checked it every day. One day, he called me out with him to pick the "suckers" of the corn stalks. He told me they would take nutrients from the main stalk, which would later affect the development of the ears by depleting the nutrients. He then handed me a garden hoe to remove the weeds throughout the garden for the same reason. Just because something is growing doesn't mean it is growing well or in the best environment. Our mission at FMCE involves growing in the right things, the right ways, and the best environment for our faith.

Lastly, how we go is very important. Where are we to go? In what manner are we to go? What do we do when we go? This all involves the first part of our mission...to know. We are to go to the ends of the earth and the local grocery store with the same intention to transform the world with the good news of Jesus Christ. We must intentionally live out Acts 1:8 and Matthew 28:16-20. Don't forget the mission and vision of our church, friends. We are a people called with a purpose. We must live it intentionally.

In Christ,

**Pastor Matt**

## MARCH ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER SCHEDULE

March 1:	Acolytes:	Havana Lett & Elizabeth Dillard
	Crucifer:	Mary Kathryn Marshall
March 8:	Acolytes:	Claira Stuart & Walt Stuart
	Crucifer:	Hadrian Lett
March 15:	Acolytes:	Harley Schlieger & Zander Schlieger
	Crucifer:	Mary Kathryn Marshall
March 22:	Acolytes:	Zander Schlieger & Walt Stuart
	Crucifer:	Harley Schlieger
March 29:	Acolyte:	Havana Lett
	Crucifer:	Hadrian Lett



# Pastor Billy's Notes

Amazing Grace  
John Newton (1725-1807)  
Verses 1-4

*And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times... you will abound in every good work.*  
~2 Corinthians 9:8~

Calling himself a "wretch" who was lost and blind, John Newton recalled leaving school at the age of 11 to begin life as a rough, debauched seaman.

Eventually he engaged in the despicable practice of capturing natives from West Africa to be sold as slaves to markets around the world. But one day the grace of God put fear into the heart of this wicked slave trader through a fierce storm. Greatly alarmed and fearful of a shipwreck, Newton began to read *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas A. Kempis. God used this book to lead him to a genuine conversion and a dramatic change in his way of life. Feeling a definite call to study for the ministry, Newton was encouraged and greatly influenced by John and Charles Wesley and George Whitefield. At the age of 39, John Newton became an ordained minister of the Anglican church at the little village of Olney, near Cambridge, England. To add further impact to his powerful preaching, Newton introduced simple heart-felt hymns rather than the usual psalms in his services. When enough hymns could not be found, Newton began to write his own, often assisted by his close friend William Cowper. In 1779 their combined efforts produced the famous Olney Hymns hymnal. "Amazing Grace" was from that collection.

Until the time of his death at the age of 82, John Newton never ceased to marvel at the grace of God that transformed him so completely. Shortly before his death he is quoted as proclaiming with a loud voice during a message, "My memory is nearly gone, but I remember two things: That I am a great sinner and that Christ is a great Savior!" What amazing grace!

Like John Newton, we too are great sinners and Christ is still a great Savior. I hope during this Lenten and Easter season, we each will search our hearts and find that Amazing Grace is available to all!

*Sing"cerely,*

Pastor Billy

## FMCE 2026 Graduating Seniors Scholarships at FMCE

For many years, First Methodist Church of Enterprise has awarded scholarships to participating FMCE members who are graduating seniors and are pursuing higher education degrees. These are:

**The Huey-Adcock Scholarship** is awarded to the applicant with the highest score on the Scholarship Committee's criteria.

**The Baugh Scholarship** is awarded to an applicant who will be in a church-related profession.

**The McInnis Family Service Scholarship** is awarded to an applicant who is active at FMCE and displays a willingness to serve others, their church, and the community.

**The General Scholarships** are awarded by the Scholarship Committee. Gifts primarily fund General Scholarships in the form of designated contributions, honorariums, and memorials. The Endowment Committee has also contributed to General Scholarships awarded in the past.

**Enterprise Celebrate Recovery Scholarship** is awarded for participation in Celebrate Recovery. FMCE church membership is not required.

Applications for FMCE scholarships are available in the church office and must be submitted to the Church Office on or before April 15, 2025.

Each March, our culture fills with green decorations, shamrocks, and celebrations. But behind St. Patrick's Day is the story of a missionary whose life reflects the themes of Lent and challenges the Church to live on mission.

Patrick was born in Roman Britain in the late fourth century. As a teenager, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and taken to Ireland as a slave. For six years, he worked as a shepherd, isolated and far from home. It was in that wilderness season that his faith deepened. In his writings, Patrick described praying multiple times a day and through the night. Through his suffering, God grew in him a life of dependence and devotion. Eventually, Patrick escaped and returned home. Years later, after training for ministry, he felt God calling him back to Ireland as a gospel witness to the very people who enslaved him. He returned as a bishop and missionary, preaching Christ Jesus to his former captors. His life was marked by forgiveness, courage, perseverance, and singular focus on making Christ known among the Irish.



Patrick's story mirrors the rhythms of Lent: prayer, repentance, fasting, and renewed surrender to and reliance on Jesus. In hardship, he learned to pray. In freedom, he chose obedience. In uncertainty, he trusted God's call. Lent reminds us that spiritual disciplines are not religious routines; they're training for faithfulness. They shape our hearts and equip us as we follow Jesus wherever He sends us.

Patrick is often associated with using the shamrock to illustrate the Trinity. Whether or not every detail of that story is verifiable, it captures something true about his ministry: he used everyday opportunities and items to communicate eternal truth. Not waiting for perfect conditions, he lived intentionally and faithfully wherever God placed him. That is the connection for us. Lent isn't all about what we give up; it's about what God builds within us. When we fast, we learn that Jesus is what truly satisfies us. When we repent, we are freed from distractions that dull our witness. When we pray, our hearts beat with God's compassion for the lost and admit our dependence on Him.

For most of us, living on mission does not mean crossing an ocean; it means crossing the street, the office hallway, the classroom, or the dinner table. It means forgiving when wronged, speaking truth with gentleness and love, and choosing obedience over comfort.

During this Season of Lent, identify one person in your life who does not follow Jesus. Commit to praying for them daily. Ask God for an opportunity to share your faith story or invite them to join you at a worship service or Bible study. Consider pairing your fasting with generosity by using what you would have spent to bless someone in need. Let your repentance produce compassion, and your worship overflow into witness. Lent prepares us for Easter's celebration of the resurrection. But it also prepares us to live as resurrection people who are sent into the world with courage, humility, and hope. Like Patrick, may we allow seasons of prayer and surrender to empower and encourage us as we carry the light of Jesus wherever He leads.



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### **FMCE Students**

Sunday Morning Small Group 10:00 AM  
*The Gospel Project*

Sunday Student Worship 5:00 Open Gym 5:30 Dinner & Bible Study  
*The Letter to the Church in Rome*

Wednesday Night MDWK 5:30-7:00 PM  
*Viewing the World According to God's Word*

Thursday Morning AWAKEN 6:30 AM at The Daily Bread

### **Young Adults**

The Young Adults Small Group, led by JoDee Norwood, meets on Sunday mornings at 10 in the Library.

# KID MIN NEWS

## SAVE THE DATES

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> Tween Small Group  
4:00 YBMH (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade)

March 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Confirmation  
4:00 YBMH Student Room

March 28th Resilient Child Discipleship  
Training 9:00-3:00 FH

## WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Sundays, our small groups are going through the same Gospel Project curriculum as our students and adults. Sundays during Kids Worship, our lesson covers the same scripture Matt is using. We cover the same topics as our adults in a kid-friendly way. Wednesday nights, we are learning about worldview that Amy is writing for the kids and students to use. Our kids discuss some important topics, and we don't shy away from the hard questions. If you would ever like to join us, please contact Milesa.

## KID SPOTLIGHT

### Mary Helen Tarbox



Mary Helen is 2 years old and a Chick-fil-A fan. She loves purple and playing with playdoh and paw patrol. Mary Helen likes going to Weevil Play, the park and the playground. She is always excited to be at church and runs across the fellowship hall to greet her friends, usually in her amazing pink rain boots. Her favorite Bible story is Zacchaeus.

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST MONTH





# Mom's Day Out & Stepping Stones Preschool

“Children are a gift from the Lord.”  
Psalm 127 : 3

Tammy Ezzell, Director  
mdo@fmce.church ~ 334-393-2536

## March 2026

**March** is upon us and the end of the school year will be here before we know it! Don't forget to register your children (2months—rising 3rd graders) for MDO Summer Camp (June 22nd--July 16th) and for the 2026-2027 school year (2 months-5 years) as well. Be sure to get your child's registration form to the MDO/SSP office while there's still room.

This month the students will be learning about the diamond shape and the shamrock. The colors will be Purple and green and reviewing the letters S, T and U.

March 2nd-6th we will be celebrating Dr. Seuss with lots of fun activities. Please let Ms. Tammy know if you would like to come read to one of our classes, or bring a special snack for your child's class one day next week. There are so many cute and fun Dr. Seuss themed snacks you could provide. Pinterest is always a great place to find cute snack ideas.

We will have Green Eggs and Ham for children to try on Tuesday, March 7th.

Remember that daylight savings time begins on Sunday March 8th and we "spring ahead" one hour. We have lots of fun activities planned for the coming weeks, so don't be late!

Mom's Day Out and Stepping Stones Preschool are always looking for substitute teachers. If you are interested in helping and would like to earn a little extra spending money, contact Tammy in the MDO/SSP office.



**Bible Theme:** "Jesus lives in our hearts."

**Bible Verse:** "He is not here, for He has risen!  
Matthew 28:6

**Bible Stories:** Jesus Appears to His Followers  
Jesus Tells the Easter Story  
The Last Meal  
The Miracle of Easter

**Dr. Seuss Week**  
March 2nd-6th

**Cat in the Hat Monday**  
Wear stripes and/or your favorite hat!

**Character Tuesday**  
"Green Eggs and Ham"  
Dress as your favorite Dr. Seuss Character, your favorite book character, or wear green!

**Wacky Wednesday** wear different colors or mismatched clothes!

**Fun Socks Thursday**  
Wear your Craziest Socks!

**Pajama Friday**  
Wear your favorite pajamas!

**March 9**—Teacher Workday—  
MDO/SSP is closed..

**March 17th**— St. Patrick's Day  
(wear green)

**March 23rd-27th**- Spring Break  
MDO/SSP is closed

**Remember to wear GREEN on St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday, March 17th!**

From several decades of research, we have learned a lot about how children learn to read and write. This research tells us that to become skilled and confident readers over time, young children need lots of opportunities to:

- Build spoken language by talking and listening
- Learn about print and books
- Learn about the sounds of spoken language (this is called phonological awareness)
- Learn about the letters of the alphabet
- Listen to books read aloud

**Reading aloud** to children has been called the single most important activity for building the knowledge required for success in reading. Reading aloud, with children participating actively, helps children learn new words, learn more about the world, learn about written language, and see the connection between words that are spoken and words that are written.

(From "A Child Becomes a Reader")



# You're Invited:

## Be Part of Our Growing Hospitality Ministries

Something beautiful is happening at First Methodist Church Enterprise—and there is a place for you in it.

Hospitality is one of the clearest ways we show the love of Christ. A warm welcome, a thoughtfully prepared meal, or a well-prepared space can turn an ordinary moment into a meaningful connection. As our church family grows, so do the opportunities to serve, and we would love for you to prayerfully consider joining one of our expanding hospitality ministries.

If you enjoy meeting people and helping others feel comfortable, the **Greeter and Host Ministry** offers a joyful way to serve. Your smile and friendly presence may be exactly what someone needs when they walk through the doors for the first time.

For those who appreciate creating a smooth and welcoming worship environment, the **Usher Team** provides a meaningful opportunity to serve with purpose and care.

Love working with food and fellowship? The **Method-Dish Team** helps bring our Wednesday Night Dinners to life. Whether you serve on the **1st/3rd Wednesdays** or **2nd/4th Wednesdays**, your time and care help create tables where community grows and relationships deepen.

Prefer to work behind the scenes? The **In Prep Team** plays a vital role by preparing in-house meals ahead of time. With no fixed meeting schedule, this flexible team is perfect for those who want to help when they are able while still making a powerful impact.

Our newly formed **Mary Martha Team**—These faithful servants support receptions, special gatherings, and fellowship events throughout the church year. Their attention to detail—preparing spaces, managing supplies, and restoring rooms afterward—helps every event reflect care and excellence.

This is the truth: you do not have to do everything—you just have to take one step. Even serving once a month can help someone feel welcomed, connected, and at home.

**Our church has a plethora of opportunities to get plugged into the areas of hospitality,** and new ministry opportunities are opening right now. There is room for your gifts, your time, and your heart.

If you feel even a small nudge to serve, we encourage you to respond. Email [hospitality@fmce.church](mailto:hospitality@fmce.church) to learn more or to join the team. Together, we can continue building a culture where every person who enters First Methodist Church Enterprise experiences genuine, Christ-centered welcome.

In His Service,

*Deborah Owens / Hospitality Coordinator*



# S.T.A.R.S.

A reminder to all STARS, and anyone who would like to enjoy some food and fellowship, inspiration, and fun! The March STARS meeting will take place on March 2nd at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Chicken is provided. We request that you bring a side dish and/or dessert. Our own Deborah Owens, FMCE Hospitality Coordinator, will present our program.

Add it to your calendar! Come, and bring a friend! Spread the word to your Sunday School class, neighbors, and friends! One more thing! I need your help in spreading the word about this ministry and fellowship time. Talk it up in your Sunday School class and Small Groups. Invite your friends from the community. I look forward to seeing you at **STARS**. Thank you.

-Pastor Gary  
FMCE Pastor Emeritus



at First Methodist Church Enterprise  
Where Your Loved Ones Are Loved

I cannot emphasize enough how much I truly appreciate all our Respite Ministry volunteers for their dedication and hard work. They "go the extra mile" in so many ways to see that those under our care are welcomed, loved, entertained, well fed, and kept busy with music, laughter, art and games. February has been a busy month! We had Abraham Lincoln for Presidents Day (see photo below - a prize to guess who is behind the beard). We welcomed Celeste Page, who gave a devotional and talked about Black History Month, featuring the story of her uncle, Dr. Edward Ross, one of the most prominent black physicians in the history of our country and the first black cardiac surgeon in the United States.

The theme for Thursday, February 26, was Orchestra/Music. We had the honor of hosting three talented young musicians from the area who performed a variety of music on their stringed instruments: Hannah Mitchell, violin; Ruth Anne Mitchell, viola; and Silas Mitchell, cello. On March 12, we are hosting a concert by Roy Hoobler, organist, for some of our friends from the nursing home, who will join our Respite friends and volunteers to enjoy the music.

We are blessed with wonderful, dedicated volunteers and we hope to build up the program with more participants. Please join us in our efforts to get the word out that we have a few slots open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 am - 2 pm for caregivers to have some time to themselves. We will care for their loved one with mild to moderate dementia. The cost is \$40/day, but we will offer scholarships as needed. Thank you!

Jean Johnson, Director  
FMCE Respite Ministry 334-406-7964



# ENTERPRISE CELEBRATE RECOVERY

## Who Do You Say I Am?

That's the question Jesus asked His disciples in the Gospels. Asking profound questions was one of His superpowers. It was searching. And it still echoes to us today: *Who do you say Jesus is?*

At **Celebrate Recovery**, that question matters deeply. Because how we answer it shapes how we face our hurts, hang-ups, and habits.

Too often, when people hear the word *recovery*, they picture "those people" struggling with addictions. But recovery is for anyone who needs Jesus to step into broken places. It's for the parents carrying the ache of a wayward child. For the one wrestling with anxiety, anger, control, depression, or people-pleasing. For the person walking through grief. For the people who come to support someone else in their journey. For the one who appears to "have it all together" yet feels exhausted inside. And for some, CR is a lifeline bringing them to, and sometimes back to, a saving-faith.

Recovery is simply the process of turning our lives and our wills over to the care of God — and allowing Him to transform us from the inside out. After all, Jesus described Himself as the Good Shepherd who leaves the ninety-nine to go after the one. He is still in the business of *recover-ing* what is lost.

**Celebrate Recovery** is for all of us. It's where honesty meets grace. Where victories are celebrated. Where weakness becomes the doorway to strength. Where we stop pretending and begin truly experiencing God's mercy and freedom.

This month, we invite you to join us as we grow together:

### March Lineup

- **March 3 – Chip Night!**

Come celebrate the victories! Victory shared is multiplied.

- **March 10 – TURN Lesson**

We dive into Lesson 5: TURN, focusing on committing our lives and our wills to the care of God.

- **March 17 – Special Guest Testimony (CR Member from Harvest Church)**

Wear green (so you don't get pinched!) and join us for a powerful testimony about overcoming co-dependency and experiencing Jesus' transforming love. It'll be better than your favorite Hallmark movie.

- **March 24 – ACTION Lesson**

Lesson 6: ACTION leads us deeper into living holy lives and pleasing God as an act of worship.

- **March 31 – Special Service**

We'll close the month with a meaningful service highlighting our Savior's sacrifice for us and the hope we have because of Him.

Join us every Tuesday at **5:45 p.m.** for a meal, worship, teaching, and fellowship.

You don't have to hit rock bottom to experience freedom. You must simply answer the question: *Who do you say He is?* And then take one step toward Him.

There is hope. There is healing. There is room for you.

If I can answer any questions or be of any further assistance, you can always reach out to me confidentially at 334.475.6361 or [CelebrateRecovery@fmce.church](mailto:CelebrateRecovery@fmce.church).

Yours in Christ,  
Heather Ormsby



# PRAYER LIST

Please include the following in your daily prayers. If you know someone who should be included on this list, please feel free to call the Church Office at 334-347-3467, or email [secretary@fmce.church](mailto:secretary@fmce.church) to add your request. If you see someone on this list who needs to be removed, we would appreciate that information as well. Please pray earnestly for these and others you have upon your hearts.

Our church family; Unspoken concerns; The United States of America and all our leaders; Our United States Military; First Responders; Victims & families of natural disasters; Area City & County Schools; Jake Archie, Herbert & Joyce Barr; Bennie & Geraldine Beckham; Starla Bryars; Tamera Campbell; Craig Cody; Kevin Cohee; Tammy Ezzell; Thomas Gleason; Gene Gullo; Jean Hartley; Judy Holmes; Anne Haughwout; Carl & Earlene Jackson; Jane Jesson; Peggy Jeter; Betty Johnson; Caro & Jack Kaiser; Travis, Jennifer & Baby Michael Konrath; Joann McCormack; Janet, Eric & Beth McHenry; Gene & Katie Marcum; Billy & Laurielee Mixson; Bonnie Morgan; Jordan Morrow; Dorothy Munns; Deborah Owens; Shirley Paramore; Kathryn Peacock; Gail Powell; Judy Rairigh; Joan & Steve Ray; Mary Rollins; Denver Sasser; Dottie Schwartz; Sis Sherling; Reggie Sorrells; Debbie Tarbox; Derek Tucker; Liam Tucker; Lynda Tucker; Sarah Williams; Pat Williams; Nancy Williford; Cynthia Young; Marci Young.



## March

- 1 – Steve Rutland
- 2 – None
- 3 – Mary Harlin Charlton-Culpepper
- 4 – Mary Kathryn Marshall
- 5 – None
- 6 – Jackson Swartz
- 7 – Mike Krajnik, Michael Ward
- 8 – Sheila Warren
- 9 – None
- 10 – Matt Schlieger
- 11 – None
- 12 – Sidney Wade
- 13 – Rita Beckwith, Andy Gammill
- 14 – Dorothy Munns
- 15 – **Pastor Billy Luttrell**, Ivy Warren
- 16 – Ed Foy, Tammy Sheldon, Marci Young
- 17 – Jonathan Bryars
- 18 – None
- 19 – None
- 20 – Regina Harper, Allie Hines
- 21 – Justin Murphy, Nicolas Sharp
- 22 – None
- 23 – Sarah Dial, Boyd Lyons, Nicholas Viands
- 24 – None
- 25 – Shannon Beall, Sr., Mark Goodson
- 26 – Caroline Cotter, Scot McArthur
- 27 – None
- 28 – Bob Carroll, Lynis Cox
- 29 – Scott Charlton, Trey Simmons
- 30 – Mary Sue Cain, Nancy Williford
- 31 – Kyleigh Seay

## April

- 1 – Pat Lacey, Steve Rutland
- 2 – None
- 3 – Mary Harlin Charlton-Culpepper
- 4 – Mary Kathryn Marshall
- 5 – None



# MARCH



## Word Search

Find the words listed. Words may appear forward, backward, up, down or diagonal. Words may overlap and cross each other. When you have found a word, be sure to circle it and cross it off the list.

R N O I L K C I R T A P T S R C  
 K W N S G N I V A S X S L E M R  
 Y B U T T E R F L Y E A W R F O  
 Q D T K G N R X T N M O T H G C  
 N J N G R E E N E B L H N N D U  
 N O N I N X R L K F N G I A X S  
 B Y S E W R X P S L P R F H T L  
 M F W A M T E V A D P F K C R X  
 X A T O E D R T B S O K C R E O  
 L I O H T S J A S D M I O A B N  
 H L R Y K K W N I A K T R M I I  
 B L C I K P H L X N E E M Y R U  
 D J K H S C T H G I L Y A D T Q  
 V Z D F I H U C M Q P Z H V H E  
 P D G W M C H L E N I H S N U S  
 X T U L I P K B H A T C H I N G

- BASKET
- BLOOM
- BUTTERFLY
- CHICK
- CROCUS
- DAFFODIL
- DAYLIGHT
- EASTER
- EQUINOX
- FLOWER
- GREEN
- HATCHING
- IRISH
- KITE
- LAMB
- LION
- LUCKY
- MARCH
- NEST
- RAIN
- REBIRTH
- RENEWAL



- ST. PATRICK
- SUNSHINE
- TULIP
- WINDY



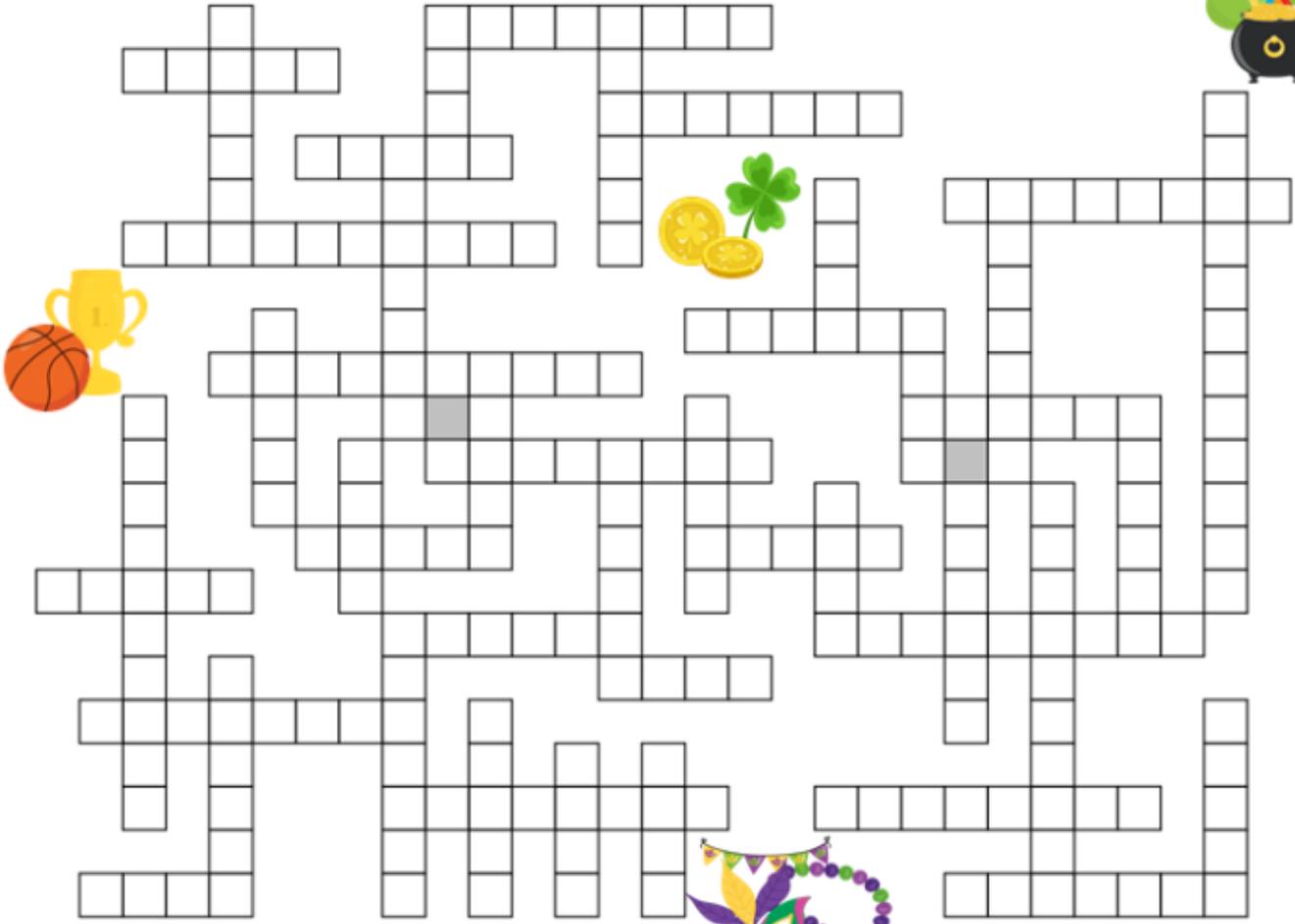
- SAVINGS
- SEASON
- SHAMROCK
- SPRING



# March Crossword Puzzle



Write the words in the correct place on the grid based on the number of letters. Spaces included in answers.



**4 letters**

- rain
- Nome
- NCAA
- lamb
- thaw
- buds
- gold
- luck
- lion

**5 letters**

- beads

- March
- chick
- masks
- muddy
- coins
- hatch
- green
- third
- break

**6 letters**

- clover
- parade



- blooms
- spring
- jester
- crocus
- musher
- vernal
- sprout

**7 letters**

- Patrick
- dogsled
- Ireland
- equinox



**rainbow**

**8 letters**

- raincoat
- Iditarod
- daylight
- shamrock
- galoshes
- festival

**9 letters**

- Anchorage

**10 letters**

- basketball
- leprechaun
- thirty-one
- Mardi Gras

**12 letters**

- championship

