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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES Sunday Study Classes—9 a.m. Worship—10 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Brad Zimanek

June is the beginning of hurricane season. There is an insert inside for a Disaster Supply Kit checklist from FloridaDisaster.org to help prepare yourself.

# athers Are Wonderful People

Fathers are wonderful people Too little understood, And we do not sing their praises As often as we should...

For, somehow, Father seems to be The man who pays the bills, While Mother binds up little hurts And nurses all our ills...

And Father struggles daily To live up to 'his image' As protector and provider And 'hero of the scrimmage'...

And perhaps that is the reason We sometimes get the notion, That Fathers are not subject To the thing we call emotion,

But if you look inside Dad's heart, Where no one else can see You'll find he's sentimental And as 'soft' as he can be...

But he's so busy every day In the grueling race of life, He leaves the sentimental stuff To his partner and his wife...

But Fathers are just wonderful In a million different ways, And they merit loving compliments And accolades of praise,

For the only reason Dad aspires To fortune and success Is to make the family proud of him And to bring them happiness...

And like Our Heavenly Father, He's a guardian and a guide, Someone that we can count on To be always on our side.

Helen Steiner Rice

Happy Father's Day June 18

Come out for a great summertime event to see this exceptional series about Jesus' life. Every Wednesday evening June 7—July 26 @ 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a

time for discussion after each show. The first show will kick off with popcorn!



This summer on Saturdays, June 10, July 8 and August 12, everyone is invited for a FREE Community Pancake Breakfast gathering in our Fellowship Hall.

Breakfast will be at 8-9 a.m. and all church members, the community, friends, neighbors and quests are invited!



# ANNUAL CONFERENCE W

The Alabama-West Florida Conference-United Methodist Church's 2023 Annual Conference session is Sunday, June 11-Wednesday, June 14 at the Mitchell Center on the campus of the University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

This year's theme is, "When They Prayed" from Acts 4:31 with each day having a []] specific focus of how Biblical characters prayed.



# **METHODIST MEN**

At our May monthly meeting the attendees conducted a SWOT analysis for the men's programs: strengths and what is going well, weaknesses and how can improve, opportunities to support the mission of Gulfview UMC, and threats that would hinder us. There was ample participation and discussion; more attention will be given these in future meetings.

We encourage all the men to participate in our Thursday times in the Fellowship Hall: the fellowship, the breakfast, praying together, and growing in our faith as Pastor Brad leads a Bible study are all quite meaningful.

On June 26 at 6 p.m. Dr. Walt Anderson, Senior Vice President of the NFL and former Referee #66, will be our quest speaker. Walt is the older brother of Brenda. <u>Men and women are invited to</u> <u>attend</u>.

Looking ahead, on July 24 at 6 p.m., Zachary Hatfield, Ministry Coordinator, and Paul Ellis, who is a senior ministry staff person of the Project Hope Recovery Center, will be our speakers. It will be worthwhile to learn about their ministry of rescuing lives from addiction and giving hope to those in crisis. ~ Submitted by Lane Rees

# BAPTISM

# **U** WOMEN IN FAITH The UWF had 4 ladies attend the App

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The UWF had 4 ladies attend the April Emmaus Walk. Jo Ann Stone, Janet Cox, Brenda Wingate, and Gayle Mead were the ladies that attended this amazing weekend. There is another Emmaus Walk scheduled for October 19 - 22. See UWF President Kathy Hardy if you would like to attend.

Our UWF Meeting, held in the church Fellowship Hall on Monday, May 8 at 1 p.m. featured Juddy Stephenson explaining the S.H.A.P.E. program that differentiates between church work and kingdom work. The S.H.A.P.E. class scheduled for June 4 has been postponed at this time.

During Teacher Appreciation Week, our UWF, represented by Faye Cook and Brenda Wingate, honored the faculty and staff at West Bay Elementary with a breakfast from Chick-fil-A on May 3. A big thank you goes to Thresia Weber who was instrumental in setting up the event.

On two Sundays: June 4 and June 11, the UWF will have a table in the Fellowship Hall after the service if you would like to make a donation in honor or memory of Father's Day. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be designated for Blue Lake Summer Camp Scholarships.

The next meeting of the UWF will be held June 12 at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Kellie Stevenson will provide refreshments at our meeting and those attending are requested to bring two items that can be used in our Village houses outside. All ladies are welcome—come and join us. We would love to have you. This will be a planning meeting for hosting a Father's Day Dinner on Wednesday, June 21 at 6 p.m. which all are invited.

~ Submitted by Mary Kennedy

A special afternoon for our Gulfview family on May 14, 2023! Four people reaffirmed their baptism in the Gulf witnessed by a group of our church family. Congratulations and blessings to Jennifer Williams, Pastor Brad and Jill Zimanek and Steve Berkebile.

# FROM THE ALABAMA WEST FLORIDA SPECIAL SESSION

The UMC established a process for disaffiliation in 2019 in response to concerns about the possibility of changes to the Book of Discipline regarding same sex marriage and the ordination of gay clergy. The Alabama West Florida Conference held a special session to vote on requests by member churches to disaffiliate after following the process outlined in Paragraph 2553 of the Book of Discipline. This process included:

- 1. an intentional time of prayer, learning and discernment over several months.
- 2. a vote of approval for disaffiliation by at least a 2/3 majority of the church members present at an inperson congregational meeting.
- 3. paying in full all financial responsibilities regarding the retirement funds for the churches' current and past clergy plus two years of apportionments.

At the Special Session, 193 churches out of 511 asked to disaffiliate. Nine of these had membership over 1000 at the end of 2022; Covenant UMC, Crosspoint UMC, Destin UMC, Gulf Shores UMC, Lynn Haven UMC, Opelika FUMC, Prattville FUMC, Saint James UMC and Trinity UMC, Opelika. Of the remainder, 42% had membership under 50, 40% had membership between 50 and 300, and 12% had membership between 300 and 1000.

The average in-person attendance of these churches was 42% of total membership with about 65% reporting less than 50 persons per week. Although 40% of church members attended weekly, only 29% were present on average for the vote to disaffiliate.

The time frame for this special process ends as of December 31, 2023 and it does not appear that it will be extended. The next meeting of the General Conference of the United Methodist Church will be held April 23 - May 3, 2024 at which time the Book of Discipline can be amended by vote of the attendees of the remaining UMC churches around the world.

This article is condensed from the official Media Information provided by the Alabama West Florida Conference, the full text of which may be found on their website.

~ Submitted by Jo Ann Stone, Council Chair

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# A YOUNGER CROWD

On Wednesday, May 3, the Deane Bozeman Choir came to Gulfview on a field trip with Marvin Miller, Gulfview's Music Director (also a teacher at Bozeman).

We were blessed by their performance and thank them all for coming. The students were treated to pizza and lots of other food for lunch. They were middle to high school age students. Picture on right is David and Lara Weeks with grandson, Landon, student in the choir.





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# WATCH SERVICES

If you would like to watch Sunday's Worship Service live or at a later time, here is the easiest way. Go online to our website: **gulfviewatthebeach.org**. To go directly to Gulfview's video page for Facebook, Vimeo or Youtube, click on your choice:



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# June 2023 Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> 8:30a Men's Bible Study, Breakfast, & Prayer in Fellowship Hall	2 Church Office Closed	3
4 HOLY COMMUNION 9a Sunday Classes 9:30a Summer Choir 10a Worship Service 11a Refreshments UPPER ROOMS OPEN HOUSE	<b>5</b> 1p Seaside Stitchers Room 200	6 6p Resolution for Men-Room 102	7 6p The Chosen Season 3 Fellowship Hall	<b>8</b> 8:30a Men's Bible Study, Breakfast, & Prayer in Fellowship Hall	<b>9</b> Church Office Closed	10 8a Gulfview's Community Breakfast Fellowship Hall
<b>11</b> 9a Sunday Classes 9:30a Summer Choir 10a Worship Service 11a Refreshments in Fellowship Hall	12 1p UWF Meeting Fellowship Hall	<b>13</b> 6p Resolution for Men-Room 102	14 6p The Chosen Season 3 Fellowship Hall	<b>15</b> 8:30a Men's Bible Study, Breakfast, & Prayer in Fellowship Hall	<b>16</b> Church Office Closed	17 6:45a Community Breakfast First UMC Panama City
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<b>18</b> 9a Sunday Class 9:30a Summer Choir 10a Worship Service 11a Refreshments in Fellowship Hall Happy Father's Day!	19 1p Seaside Stitchers Room 200	20 6p Resolution for Men-Room 102	21 5p Faith, Food, Fellowship Dinner 6p The Chosen Season 3 Fellowship Hall	<b>22</b> 8:30a Men's Bible Study, Breakfast, & Prayer in Fellowship Hall	23 Church Office Closed	24
25 9a Sunday Classes 9:30a Summer Choir 10a Worship Service 11a Refreshments in Fellowship Hall	26 1p Seaside Stitchers Room 200 6p UMM Meeting Fellowship Hall <u>Men &amp; Ladies</u>	27 6p Resolution for Men-Room 102	28 6p The Chosen Season 3 Fellowship Hall	<b>29</b> 8:30a Men's Bible Study, Breakfast, & Prayer in Fellowship Hall	<b>30</b> Church Office Closed	

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# BIRTHDAYS ANNAERSAR

- 1 Becky Martin
- 4 Ken Gregory
- 7 Harri Brax
- 9 Jimmy Stone
- 13 Bob Hoffman
- 18 Pat Brooks
- 19 Martha Cone
- 20 Elaine Dawson Rev. Pat Hornsby
- 22 Lara Weeks Marilyn Rice Tiny Bridges
- 23 Lane Rees
- 25 Ric Brigman
- 26 Kline Jeffcoat
- 27 Carol Mollenhour

- 4 Becky & Ricky Martin
- 5 Jimmy & Jo Ann Stone
- 11 Marcus & Tari Sale
- 14 Greg & Wendy Newman
- 15 Malcolm & Brenda Ameter
- 23 Jerry & Jessica Smith
- 27 Buster & Debbie Timmons

There's an opportune time to do things, a right time for everything on the earth:

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (MSG)

# Cash Flow Summary — April 2023

\$22,197.45

\$31,561.23

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May's *The Breeze* Newsletter had a spot with title, "Wall Mural" and asked what "Stepping Out in Faith", Philippians 2:3-4 and Matthew 28:19-20 have in common? . . . Stay tuned!

Well, here it is! David Hansel, local artist, came and painted this beautiful wall mural. Every time you walk out of the Sanctuary you can see the scriptures describing our beliefs as a church and walk out "Stepping Out in Faith".







### **Gina Lynn Hodson** January 22, 1998 ~ May 16, 2023 (age 25)

Gina Hodson went to be with the Lord on May 16, 2023.

She is survived by her Husband, Blaine Harrison; Parents, Tom and Mary Lou Hodson; Mother-in-law Denise Harrison; Aunt Gina Whaley; Uncle Bob Caler (Clara); Aunt Lynn Drowns (Bob); many loving cousins, and her church family from Gulfview UMC.

Gina was loved by all who knew her. Her sweet personality, kind spirit, artistic talents, athletic abilities, love of learning, and love of animals are just to mention a few of her attributes. She is now being held in the arms of Jesus.



# **Vi Brannon** 08/12/1929 ~ May 21, 2023 (age 93)

Violet "Vi" Flanders Brannon, of Panama City, FL passed away on Sunday, May 21, 2023. She was born on August 12, 1929 in Calhoun County, FL to R.L. and Etta Belle Herndon Flanders. She had been a resident of Panama City since she was 12 years old, moving here from Blountstown, Florida. She worked as a Deputy Property Appraiser for the Property Appraisers Office. Vi was a member of Gulfview United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Pascal "Pete" Brannon Jr.; her parents; her brothers, J.R. Flanders and Ernest Flanders; and a very special sister-in-law, Myrtle "Sis" Brannon Lewis. She is survived by her son, Wesley Brannon (Diane); daughter, Karen Ramsey; four grand-children; six great grandchildren; and loving nephews and nieces, Tom Flanders (Lou), Mertice Flanders, Sherry Olson (Ronnie) and Olivia Martin (Tom).

Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 25, 2023 at 2 p.m. in the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John Woodrow officiating. Interment will follow in the Evergreen Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday from 1 to 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, those desiring can make a contribution to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, PO Box 22324, New York, NY 10087 in memory of Vi Brannon.