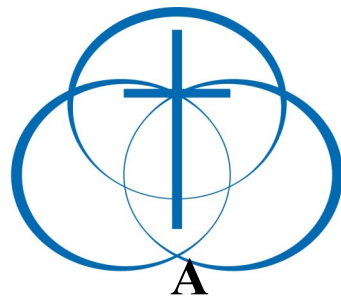


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**GLOBAL**  
METHODIST CHURCH

# White Bluff News April 2024

## Staff

**Rev. Dr. Barry Giddens**  
Senior Pastor

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Music Ministry

**Mike McCann**  
Director of Youth  
Ministry

**Suzanne R. Woodrum**  
Church Organist

**Rick Weeks**  
Audio/Visual Coordinator

**Carolyn Anderson**  
Administrative Assistant

**Malinda Smith**  
Financial Administrator

**Sarah McGalliard**  
Children's Director and  
Nursery Director

**Audrey Tilton**  
Custodian

**Diana Hodges**  
Membership Secretary

Hello White Bluff, I hope all is going well with you!

Holy Week at White Bluff was great! Many thanks to Sue Jackson, Stuart Lewis, Scott Tucker, and Jin Won Park who all gave inspiring messages during the 11:30 am services each day. Thanks to our musicians in worship and those in the kitchen who tirelessly gave of themselves to provide delicious meals.

If you missed the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, May 30, you missed a treat! There were 4,000-5,000 Easter Eggs and a great message about the true meaning of Easter. Thanks to Sarah and the children's volunteers for putting together the day.

On March 31, the Easter message was shared in many wonderful ways in worship! I loved how we emphasized that Christ is risen in the children's sermon and pastoral sermon, followed by a choir cantata that shared the entire story of Easter, culminating in the Hallelujah chorus. A big thank you to Kristen, Cindy, the musicians, the soloists, Rick and the technology booth, and everyone else who made Easter Sunday a great success... not because of what we did, but because He is risen indeed! If you missed it, I encourage you to check out our YouTube Channel @whitebluffmethodist. And by the way, I am pleased to report that every Krispy Kreme was devoured!

WB Women of Faith Sunday is April 7 @ 9:30 am. The women are in charge of the service, and our thoughts and prayers are with them as they lead us in worship.

Confirmation Sunday is April 14 @ 9:30 am. We look forward to our next group of students coming through who have learned the basics of what it means to be a Christian in the Wesleyan tradition. I appreciate Mike McCann and the prayer partners who have worked well to teach our youth about the basics of the Christian faith.

April 21, 2024 is our next town hall meeting at 11 am. Please be sure to save the date and sign up for the meal. We will have worship at 9:30 am, followed by the meal and town hall at 11 am. You will not want to miss it, so please make your reservations and plans now to participate. And, be sure to come ready with your questions! We may not know all of the answers, but we will work as a group to continue to move White Bluff forward for Jesus!

Mother's Day is coming May 12, 2024. Save the date and bring your momma to church! We are grateful for all of our moms and ladies who are like moms.

Pentecost is May 19, 2024, so come to church in your red, orange, and/ or bright yellow! We will celebrate the birthday of the Church.

Trinity Sunday is May 26 and Memorial Day is May 27. May 26 in church, we will seek to honor God- Yahweh, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit AND remember those who have fallen in the line of military service. As I write these words I am reminded yet again that freedom is not free, and we are profoundly appreciative to our United States service members and their families for their sacrifice.

It is an honor to serve in ministry with you. Share Jesus with someone this week. Blessings to all, Barry

Rev. Dr. Barry Giddens  
Senior Pastor  
White Bluff Methodist Church, Savannah, Georgia  
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salvationpoem.com



**Town Hall Meeting  
Meet New Members**

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Horton Hall/Gym

11:00 A.M.

Lunch will be served

Make your reservations now  
by calling the church office  
(912) 925-5924

**COMING SOON!**



**All Daughters Luncheon**

**May 11, 2024**

12:00 Noon

Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$15.00 Adults \$10.00 Children

Come join us as we celebrate  
women of all ages.



White Bluff Methodist Church  
**Vacation Bible School**  
**June 23 thru 27th**  
5:30 P.M.-8:15 P.M.

## Stewardship Report

### Attendance .03/03/2024

9:30 .....152  
 Sunday School.....80  
 Online Views.....90

### Attendance 03/10/2024

9:30 am.....136  
 Sunday School.....69  
 Online Views.....62

### Attendance 03/17/2024

9:30 am.....163  
 Sunday School.....68  
 Online Views.....51

### Attendance 03/24/2024

9:30 am.....190  
 Sunday School.....82  
 Online Views .....77

### Attendance 03/31/2024

#### EASTER

9:30 am.....293  
 Sunday School.....7  
 Online Views .....183



## The Global Mission

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.



**White Bluff  
 Methodist  
 Church**

### WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

- 9:30 A.M.** Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 A.M.** Flourish Kids (Children's Church)
- 10:30 A.M.** Connection Café Coffee & Doughnuts ( Horton Hall)
- 11:00 A.M.** Sunday School Classes



### Sunday School Classes

#### 11:00 A.M.

Covenant	Room	21
Joyful Believers	Room	12
Seekers	Room	6
Wayfarers	Room	4
Young Adults	Room	16
Nursery	Room	9
Flourish Kids (3rd grade thru 5th)	Rm	14
Pre-K thru 2nd grade	Room	10



### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

10:00 A.M.  
 Room 21

Everyone is welcome to join us.



### DEAL THE CARDS

MONDAYS AT 1:00 P.M.

Come play Canasta

April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29  
 Room 21

Bring your own drink and a light snack to share.

### Happy Birthday

Greetings extended to:



**Margaret Legler**  
 on celebrating her 99th birthday on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Leita Stevens**  
 on celebrating her 97th birthday on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Sara Chilton**  
 on celebrating her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday on April 25<sup>th</sup>.



**Pins and Needles Sewing Group**

**April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29**

**9:30 A.M.**

**Room 21**



**April 10, 2024**

**5:30 P.M.**

**Room 20**

**White Bluff Methodist Church**

**Presents**

**FREE CONCERT**

**Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Savannah College of Art and Design  
Premier student vocal ensemble**



**LINE DANCE CLASS**



**April 4, 11, 18, and 25**

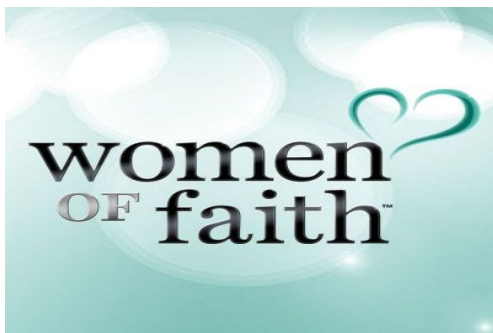
**Time: 10-11 A.M.**

**Where:** White Bluff Methodist Church  
Gym

**Cost:** Free

(a small donation is requested for church utilities)

**Instructor:** Susan Morgan



**Women of Faith Sunday**

**April 7, 2024**

**9:30 A.M.**

**Sanctuary**

**Speaker:** Kathy Burnsed

**Singer:** Huxsie Scott

**Everyone is welcome to join us!**



**Confirmation Sunday**

**April 14, 2024**

**9:30 A.M. Worship Service**

**Communion will be served.**

**Sanctuary**

**Middle School**



## SOCIAL SENIORS

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024**  
**11:30 A.M.**  
**Horton Hall**

Bring a covered dish  
Meat and drink provided

## Overcomers Tuesday Morning Book Study

**April 2024**  
**10:00 A.M.**  
**Room 21**

### “Promised Land - Standing at the Crossroads”. (A DVD series)

Come – join us – let’s journey together, discovering and understanding how God guided his people to a specific place – the Promised Land.

The goal of the series “That the World May Know” is to help us better understand the message of the Bible through studying history and cultural times, and geographical areas. The series is filmed on location in Israel, facilitated by Ray Vander Laan, historian and teacher.

#### Schedule of “Promised Land” episodes:

**April 9<sup>th</sup> – Wet Feet**  
**April 16<sup>th</sup> – First Fruits**  
**April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Confronting Evil**  
**April 30<sup>th</sup> – Iron of Culture**

Questions?? Contact Nancy Leavitt and/or Doug Cobb

## THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Dear White Bluff,

I would like to thank all of those who helped with the Holy Week Lunches. Whether you provided food, helped and serve or cleaned up, it couldn’t have been done without your help.

Blessings,  
Jane Anderson



**We would like to welcome our  
newest members to White Bluff  
Methodist Church**

Shirley Ann Jackson      Profession of Faith  
Jackqueline Jones      Profession of Faith  
Mina Lacanilao      Profession of Faith



**Charlotte Matzen**  
**Born: May 12, 2024**

Parent: Courtney Seagraves and Tyler Matzen  
Grandparents: Dee Dee and Robert Seagraves

## Thank You,! Thank You!

Dear White Bluff Methodist Church,

Thank you for your donation on February 20th, 2024 to Tharros place Inc., a 501© (3) non-profit recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS and registered in the State of Georgia. No goods or services were provided by Tharros Place in return for this contribution.

I appreciate your investment in the work we are doing. Thanks to the help of supporters like you. Tharros Place has opened a residential facility for female survivors of human trafficking, ages 12-17, in 2023. We are also providing support and outreach to survivors who need resources. Tharros means “courage” in Greek, and we strive to create a culture of courage in all the work we do.

Please mark your calendar for Wednesday, March 13th, 2024. We will be holding our Spring Human Trafficking Stakeholder meeting as Savannah Tech’s Eckburg Auditorium from 11:30-1:00 RSVP information can be found on our social media and website.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,  
Julie Wade

# Children's Ministry

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all volunteers and folks who donated items and or helped with our Rise Up with Jesus event. We are grateful for your willingness to give your time, energy, and talents. Your support allows us to continue fulfilling our mission and serve people in our community every year. Here are a few photos from Saturday.

Love and Blessings  
Sarah McGalliard  
Children's Director



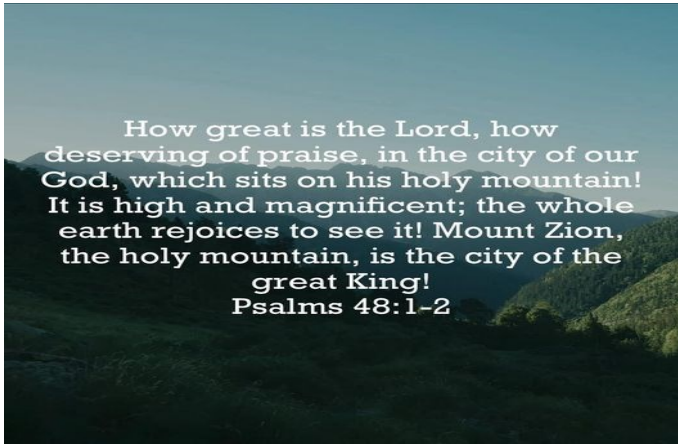


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**Christian love and sympathy are extended to the following families and friends of White Bluff Methodist Church.**

Donald Shealey,(Husband) Cindy Green, Glenn Shealey, and Steven Shealey (Children) on the death of their wife and mother, Joan Shealey, on March 30, 2024.



### Sanctuary Flowers

The 2024 flower chart is posted in the hallway next to the office. The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary in honor of or in memory of your loved ones on Sunday.

The cost is \$30.00 and can be paid with a check made out to White Bluff Methodist Church, marked altar flowers. Either drop the check off at the office or put the check in an envelope in the offering plate.

### Fellowship/Coffee Time Clean-Up

<b>April</b>	Joyful Believers
<b>May</b>	Young Adults
<b>June</b>	Seekers Sunday School Class
<b>July</b>	Covenant
<b>August</b>	Wayfarers
<b>September</b>	Joyful Believers
<b>October</b>	Young Adults
<b>November</b>	Seekers Sunday School Class
<b>December</b>	Wayfarers

All classes are responsible for the entire month.