

Announcements for: Sunday, Jan. 13th through Saturday, Jan. 19th



Today

SWEL (Single Ladies Enjoying Lunch) Single women or those who attend church alone are invited to join the SWEL ladies at Pogo's Kitchen today at 12:30PM. RSVP to Marilyn Perkins at 904-849-7545.

The Bloodmobile is on Campus Today If you are able, please consider giving the lifesaving gift of blood between 8:00AM – Noon.

This Week

Watoto Children's Choir from Uganda Performing at Memorial Saturday! You won't want to miss this special concert, January 19th at 5:00PM in Maxwell Hall! The Watoto Children's Choir travels the world, sharing a message of hope for Africa's orphans and widows. Each child in the Choir has suffered the loss of one or both parents and now lives in a Watoto village. The experience of travelling helps the children develop confidence and broaden their worldview. Other than going to Africa, what better way to learn about all the good work God is doing through Watoto than by meeting the children and hearing their stories?

Another Offering of the POV Experience at Memorial We've had many requests for another offering of the special workshop "POV: Point of View". Memorial is offering another opportunity for you to experience this workshop, this January 20th from 9:30AM- 3:30PM in the Multipurpose Room. This one-day workshop makes space for engaging difficult conversations through the lens of empathy, context, and mission. POV is a space where you can bring your thoughts, questions, and emotions without the fear of being judged or coerced. RSVP is required, please contact the church office.

Living Our Calling

Advent at Memorial was full of opportunities for worshiping together and welcoming newcomers. Each of our Sunday services, special services, and Christmas Eve Worship services saw a record rise in attendance. Over 1090 people worshiped at Memorial on Christmas Eve, including 132 first-time visitors! We premiered a new style of unplugged worship at 9:00PM on Christmas Eve and 171 people attended! Our overflow worship in the Multipurpose Room during the 7:30PM service was very well-received! The room was beautifully decorated, and the youth supplied welcome and refreshments. We received many compliments on our live-feed worship in the overflow room! The high attendance continued into the New Year! Even during a time when people were still on holiday, the attendance rise continued. Memorial saw 564 at worship on the first Sunday of the year, January 6th! Our congregation opened our spaces in new ways, offered hospitality to new people, and changed our own Christmas Eve traditions to invite new friends with us to worship! ***Thank you, Memorial! There is so much to celebrate and to be thankful for!***

Mark Your Calendars

TODAY – Bloodmobile on Campus

Jan. 19th – Watoto Children's Choir Performance, 5:00PM, Maxwell Hall

Jan. 20th – POV Experience, 9:30AM- 3:00PM in the Multipurpose Room

Jan. 27th - Confirmation for Adults & Youth Begin

Jan. 27th - Financial Peace University Begins

Jan. 27th - Disciple's Path Class Begins, 12:15PM

Feb. 8th – First "Love to Stay" Date Night Study, 6:00PM, in the Multipurpose Room

Please Note: There is no M&M's dinner in January.

Announcements & Events

Confirmation for Youth and Adults Beginning This Month Confirmation is a time to explore your faith and confirm, or re-confirm, yourself as a follower of Jesus. Classes review core beliefs of Christians and focus on the history of Methodists. Memorial offers two parallel classes. One for youth (6th grade and older) and one for adults. Both classes will begin on January 27th at 3:30PM. There will be an informational meeting on January 20th at 12:15PM in the Multipurpose Room. Contact Pastor Drew or Pastor Carrie with questions. To register go to: mumconline.com/connect.

Financial Peace University Sarah Baldwin leads a study of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University beginning January 27th at 5:00PM in Room 305. This 9-week course is faith-based and will help you take control of your money, plan for the future, and transform your life. The sessions walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, and much more. Contact Pastor Drew for information!

Disciple's Path Class Beginning January 27th This six-week class, facilitated by Pastor Drew, looks at the history of Christianity, the beliefs of the United Methodist Church, and how we live out our faith through prayer, Scripture, giving, and service. Disciple's Path is offered three times a year and is required for those interested in joining Memorial as members. Classes are 12:15PM in the Multipurpose Room and facilitated by Pastor Drew. Please contact him to sign up or for more information.

Love to Stay: Date Night Study for Married Couples Pastor Drew is leading a three-session study based on the book *Love to Stay* by Adam Hamilton. Each session will be a date night with catered dinner and childcare. The study is based on Scripture and extensive survey data focusing on how to grow closer in faith and building a marriage that lasts. The sessions will be at 6:00PM on February 8th, 16th, and March 8th and each cost \$20 per couple. Contact Pastor Drew or the church office for more information or to register.

Northern Ireland Trip Informational Meeting This June, Pastor Charlie will be hosting a professional tour of Northern Ireland highlighting history, peace, and reconciliation. The trip is being offered by EO Tours and is open to members of the congregation. Come to a meeting January 27th at 12:15PM in Room 301 to learn more! Contact Marilyn Perkins with questions at 904-849-7545.

Do You Use Automatic, Electronic Payments If you changed the amount of your pledge when you turned in your 2019 pledge card, and utilize an automatic giving option (like GivePlus or through your bank), please remember to make sure the amount is changed for your 2019 giving. Contact our Financial Secretary by calling the church office or emailing MUMC.Finance@mumconline.com with questions.