

PRAYER NEEDS FOR OUR PEOPLE

OUR MEMBERS

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Matt Conley
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OUR LOVED ONES ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE MILITARY

Imani Blocker, USA
Alex Mullen, USCG
Adam Stewart, USCG



CONGRATULATIONS!

OllieMae Stone, born on November 27, 2023, is the 11th Great-Grandchild for Carl and Mary Adams! Welcome to the Adams Family, little OllieMae!

PLEDGE DRIVE

We are having our annual pledge drive this month. The pledge letter and card have been included in the December Flame. Please prayerfully consider make a pledge to the church for 2024.

Completed pledge cards can be placed in the offering boxes.



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER Wednesday, December 20, 6 PM



Menu:

Breakfast for Supper!!!!

(Please Mark Number Attending and put in offering box.)

_____ Adults (\$ 8) _____ Children 4-12 (\$ 4)

_____ Children 3 & Under (Free)

Name: _____



ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

The Merriam-Webster online dictionary has the 3rd definition for "flexible", as being "characterized by a ready capability to adapt to new, different, or changing requirements." We are asking the ZOOM class to be flexible again this week! ZOOM will be Monday night, Dec. 4, for this week only. Next week, we'll be back to our regular time. The daytime class continues to meet at the regular date and time.

COMPASS FOR HOPE

The Compass for Hope is a ministry started by Michael Garrison in 2018 to help care for the homeless population in downtown Augusta. Every Sunday they set up in the James



Brown Arena parking lot, across from the Master's Table, where they have tables of free care items which will make a homeless person's life a little better. Once a year Burns provides the care items, and this last week we provided 144 of each of these items – soap, a soap box, wash cloths, shampoo, deodorant, lotion, comb and brush set, toothbrush, toothpaste, chapstick, kleenex/tissues, as well as \$5.00 gift cards (fast food), and New Testaments. (Next year we will add socks and knit hats or earmuffs.) Thank you to Carol Echols and the Missions Committee, and to Dee McDaniel for coordinating the ordering of the donations, and to Lori & Nathan Donaldson for once again making the Sunday morning delivery! May our donations add some joy to the lives of others!

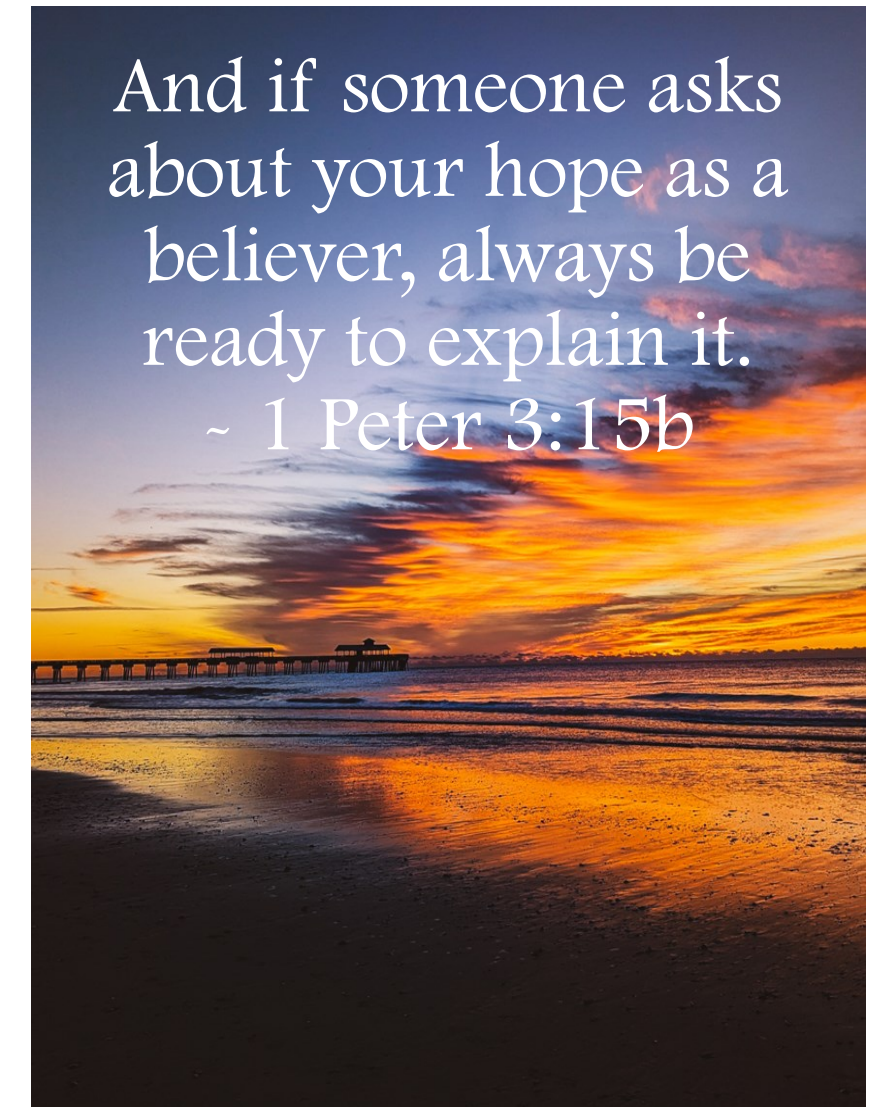
QUOTABLE

“And so let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love, and once we begin to love each other naturally we want to do something.”

— **Mother Teresa** (1910-1997)
Albanian-Indian Catholic nun, founder of the Missionaries of Charity, canonized by the Catholic Church as Saint Teresa of Calcutta



And if someone asks
about your hope as a
believer, always be
ready to explain it.
~ 1 Peter 3:15b



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

HYMNS O Come, O Come, Emmanuel 211 vs. 1, 2, 5, 7

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed 881

Let us unite in this historic confession of the Christian faith.

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day
he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI 71

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

VIDEO CLIP The Gift Of Giving

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

God is good, **All the time!**

ADVENT WREATH WEEK ONE

HYMN I Wonder As I Wander 139 (B)

RESPONSIVE PRAYER From the Book of Common Prayer

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

And grant us your salvation.

Grant that we may all truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified on the earth.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

For only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it
is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And
forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and
the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

PRAYER CHORUS More Love To Thee, O Christ 453 vs. 1

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!

Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee,

More love to thee, more love to thee!

CHORAL ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 3:13-17, NLT

“And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be
ready to explain it.” (1 Peter 3:15b)

MESSAGE What Do You Like About Being A Christian?

VIDEO CLIP This Is Communion

RITUAL OF HOLY COMMUNION 12

HYMN It Came Upon The Midnight Clear 218

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

LITURGIST	Bruce Moore	USHER CAPTAIN	Wayne Allen
SONG LEADER			
PIANIST & CHOIR DIRECTOR	Mike Kelley	SUNDAY COUNTERS	Mark Jackson Janet Ford
NURSERY WORKER	Colleen Browne	AV TECHNICIANS	Thomas & Jordan Donaldson
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Alex Kelley	COMMUNION SERVERS	Mark & Mary Jo Godfrey Joey Hilliard Bruce Moore



It is so nice to have you join us this morning at Burns Memorial UMC! We are glad you are here!

If you have any questions about the service, restrooms, hearing devices, Children's Church, Nursery, children's activity bags or anything else, please ask one of the Ushers.

THIS WEEK AT BURNS

Monday, December 4

Morning Movers 10:30 AM
Zoom Bible Study 6:00 PM

Tuesday, December 5

Morning Movers 10:30 AM
LaTane Kirkley Christmas Party 6:00 PM

Wednesday, December 6

Bible Study 10:00 AM
Morning Movers 11:15 AM

Thursday, December 7

Master's Table 10:30 AM
Morning Movers 10:30 AM

Friday, December 8

Morning Movers 10:30 AM
Preschool Christmas Program 11:00 AM

Saturday, December 9

NA Open Meeting 9:00 AM

Sunday, December 10

Sunday School 9:30AM
Choir Practice 10:20 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM
Fellowship Lunch 12:15 PM
NA Meeting 5:00 PM

TRUSTEES MEETING

The Trustees will have a brief meeting in the Sunday School Classroom following the worship service today. There is a tile issue to resolve.

COMMUNION SERVERS

Traditionally we receive Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month. All church members are welcome to serve communion. If you would like to be added to the list of servers, please contact the Pastor.