

e are three days into a brand New Year. For each of us, this New Year will be filled with opportunities, challenges, joys, trials, struggles, blessings, and changes. None of us knows exactly what lies before us in the days and weeks to come. Relying upon the grace and love of God, we can approach each new day. As Jesus shared with us in Matthew 28:20 "And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." With that scripture in our heart lets step out into the New Year boldly. And remembering the prayer of Saint Patrick

> "Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise,

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me."

May God bless you this New Year.



the Faces of Point Washington



Logan Lawrence has been letting the light of Christ shine through her music to light up the Point Washington Congregation at the 11 o'clock service for the past three

years. Logan and her family, Brantlee, Ramsey (parents); Lawson, Clay & Evelyn (2 sisters & a brother) came to Point Washington about three years ago from Albany Georgia. The whole family immediately engaged in the ministries of the church.

"We came to Point Washington Methodist the first weekend, and I loved it. I wouldn't want to go anywhere else." says Logan. Logan attends and leads worship at the contemporary service in the Family Life Center on Sunday mornings.

With no formal training, Logan developed her own style for singing and leading worship. "After Jennifer Bush (former PWUMC Music Director) left, my dad and I saw this as a way to serve by leading music on Sunday. Soon the congregation began to anticipate Logan's music and her gift began to shape the contremporary service. "I didn't know to be nervous. I absolutely love it." Logan said the experience of sharing her music has helped her grow both musically and spiritually. She attributes that growth to the opportunities the church has given her as God has blessed the congregation with worshipful musicians that support Katie in bringing us a fantastic worship experience.

The sixteen-year-old's commitments to PWUMC does not stop on Sunday mornings. Logan is involved in other ministries, especially the Youth Ministry. "Whenever Paul is doing something, I am there. I have found some of my closest friends in the youth group."

She has attended the Youth Groups small group sessions for two and one half years on Wednesday nights for two and one-half years and goes to Wildside on Sunday nights. She volunteers for Middle School small groups every other Sunday and attends the high school group on alternate

Logan shared that the Youth Group has committed to do a service project once every month. She participates in these ministries that include Habitat for Humanity Kids, Against Hunger, and the annual Elf Ride.

Logan likes that the activities that she's involved in require no lessons; only the encouragement that she has gotten from the church. She makes it clear that she doesn't plan to stop her activities with the church any time soon.

"It has been a joy watching Logan grow as a musician and as a young lady. Her dedication to our church has been immeasurable! Thank you Logan for everything you do for our church and music ministry!" Katie Ott



January Birthdays

- 3- Gloria Bowers
- 8 Suzanne Harman Rachel Strawbridge
- 11 Marri Helen Taylor 12 - Jeannie Miller
- Ruthie Snuder
- 13 Butch Phillips Hugh Marse Leigh Leuze
- Andy Rodgers 15 - Joe Carpenter
- Bo Massey 17 - Yony Derck
- 18 Nancy Norris Bob Storbuck

Ballet

- 20 Mason Weiner Anne Whitten Trapp
- Carly Vihinen 22 - Ian McColm
- 23 Bryan Pritchett
- DL Huey
- 25 Laurie Hood
- 26 Kady Spann Rich Walega
- 29 Joannah Tinghitella
- 31 Lannie Hartley Taylor Hood Monique Smith Angela Reilly

in the FLC

High School Winter Retreat February 17-19

Our 2017 High School Winter Retreat will be in Orlando, February 17-19 where we will attend the Lift Tour and spend a day at Fun Spot America. The Lift Tour is a 2 day discipleship conference with great speakers, musicians, and artists. At Fun Spot we spend the day with unlimited roller coaster, go cart, and thrill rides. Cost for the trip is \$140. Space is limited. Sign up soon by talking to Paul.

January 18th is the day we kick-off all our youth small group activities on Wednesday evenings. If you were part of our groups in the fall be sure to come back. If you are new to all of the Youth activities at PWUMC, this is the place for you. Join in **Small Group Kick-off**

Please Keep in Your Prayers Jess Eberhart

...the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much. (James 5:15-16)



children and will give youa break just when you might need it. Contact Marri Helen at POWASH KIDS starts up again after the break on February 6th. This is a great group to get your child involved with. We meet by age groups Monday through Wednesday

HZAWOP Contact Marri Helen at pwumcchildren@gmail.com to register your child, if they are not already part of the program.

Monday, January 16th bring your children to "Movie with Mar", from 9AM until 3PM. This is a great time of fun for the



The Little Lambs, Mommy & Me group will meet on Tuesday, January 10th & Wednesday January 25th at 10AM in the Stephens Center. This is a great time for younge children and also a great time of fellowship for moms. Plan on joining in on the fun. Contact Lauren Justiss at 334-701-7777 for the details.





Women's Ministries

11:00 Worship - FLC

5:30 - Seaside Basketball practice- FLC

The next United Methodist Women's Meeting is **Tuesday Jan 10th at 9:30 am** in the Sanctuary. All ladies of the church are invited!

We have three bible studies starting in January!

"A Life Changing Journey Into the Heart of God" by Diane Stortz. Contact Terry Crouch at terry.crouch @gmail.com or 850-213-4181.

"The Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer starting Thursday January 12th at 9:00 am in the Stephens Center. Contact Mary Lamb at melamb47@gmail.com.

Ann Henderson is also starting a study starting the week of Jan16th. Call Anne at anneclareon@hotmail.com for details.

Save the date for the third annual Point Washington Women's Ministry Retreat Jan 27 - 28!

Check out the website and bulletin for more information and reservation details.



Wednesday Night Family Dinners Start back January 11th!

January 11th

Stuffed Cabbage Rolls in Sauce, Mashed Potatoes and Spinach Salad.

Kids menu: Chicken fingers, corn dogs, mac & cheese Set up Crew: Janice and Chris Helms, Don Pace

January 18th

Smoked Pork Chops, Cornbread Stuffing, Green Beans, and Garden Salad.

Kids Menu: Chicken Tenders, Corndog nuggets, Tator tots *Set up Crew:* Joe and Cathy Carpenter, Shannon Lewis

January 25th

Chicken and Pasta Alfredo, Mixed Italian Vegetables, Ceasar Salad and Bread Sticks.

Kids Menu: Chicken Nuggets, Corn Dogs, Mac & Cheese Set up Crew: Danny and Patsy Powell, Terry Crouch

If you have not already made your reservations, it's not too late! Go to pwumc.org and click on Wednesday Night Dinners at top of page or call Vicky at the church office.

Thank you to all of our Wednesday night setup crews! Your dedication and servant's hearts are greatly appreciated!





FORKLIFTERS KICKOFF DINNER

Forklifters 2017 - a "supper club" and a great way to meet other fun folks in our church! Join us Thursday January, 5th at 6 PM in the Stephens Center for our Kickoff Dinner! Please RSVP to Ann Hartley, annhartley1@gmail.com if you would still like to be added to the list.

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of November 30, 2016 Year to Date Giving to the General Fund: \$862,262.82 Year to Date Expenses: \$925,788.92

Point Washington UMC Calendar - JANUARY 2017 6:30 Men's Bible 8:00 - UMM monthly Study **Meeting-SC** 10:00 Worship Service 9:30 - Ministry Staff in FLC Retreat at Christianos 1:30 - Piecemakers ONE SERVICE ONLY 6:15 Choir Practice 6:00 - Forklifters -SC HAPPY NEW YEAR! 6:30 - Emmaus Cluster Meeting in Sanctuary 12 10 13 7:30 Worship-Sanctuary 6:30 Men's Bible 10:00 - Caregivers - SC 9:30 Women's 8:45 Worship-Sanctuary 8:30 Stained Glass **Ministry Meeting-**5:30 Wednesday Night Study 10:00 Sunday School 9:00 Women's Group **Sanctuary** Dinner **Bible Study-SC** 11:00 Worship - FLC 6:15 Small Group Bible 5:30 - Seaside Basket-10:00 Little Lambs Studies Play Group - SC 1:30 - Piecemakers ball practice- FLC 6:15 Choir Practice **Kindness Club** 6:00 Vision Committee Meeting- SC 6:00 Mission Committee Meeting - FLC Library 17 19 21 18 **20** 7:30 Worship-Sanctuary 8:30 Stained Glass 8:45 Worship-Sanctuary 7:00 Middle School Group 5:30 Wednesday 6:30 Men's Bible Movie Bible Study -10:00 Sunday School Study Night Dinner 11:00 Worship - FLC **FLC** 9:00 Women's 6:15 Small Group Bible Study- SC **Bible Studies** Youth Kickoff and 5:30 - Seaside Basket-6:00 Bible Study 1:30 - Piecemakers **Open House** ball practice- FLC Cindy Garrard's Home 6:15 Choir Practice 5:30 - Seaside Basket-**Kindness Club** ball practice- FLC 22 23 24 26 27 28 7:30 Worship-Sanctuary 8:30 Stained Glass 10:00 Little Lambs 6:30 Men's Bible 8:45 Worship-Sanctuary Group Play Group - SC Study **WOMENS RETREAT** 10:00 - Caregivers - SC 10:00 Sunday School 5:30 Wednesday 9:00 Women's Sandestin Hilton 11:00 Worship - FLC Bible Study- SC Night Dinner 9:00 - 12:00 pm 6:15 Small Group 1:30 - Piecemakers Bible Studies 5:30-Seaside Basket-10:00 Senior Bowl 6:15 Choir Practice ball practice- FLC **WOMENS RETREAT Kindness Club Day Trip Sandestin Hilton** 5:30 - Seaside Basket-6:00 - 9:00 pm ball practice- FLC 29 30 31 7:30 Worship-Sanctuary 8:45 Worship-Sanctuary 8:30 Stained Glass 9:00 Blood Drive Group 10:00 Sunday School