



Holy Covenant UMC Newsletter

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Blood Drive



**Sunday, March 6
9 am to 1 pm
in the Covenant Center**
Please consider making a donation to Carter Blood
Care. Save a life!

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Message from Pastor Carol



Holy Week: Letting Go of Fear

Holy Week is an opportunity to experience the story of Jesus' last week of humanity leading to his emergence as the risen Christ. It is an exercise of reflective meditation on the power of fear in our world and our individual lives. The question to ponder is, "How do I participate in fear?" The answer(s) may awaken you to the power of sin in your life. (Remember, "sin" is anything you allow to block you from the love of God.) Where fear resides, love cannot flourish.

We live in a world that is still fraught with fear, religious and political elitism, adulterated power, divisive allegiances, preventable wars, violence, and death. If our message drawn from the resurrection is that love wins and fear loses, we, as disciples of Christ, need to be aware of our tendency to fall into fear and determine our approaches to hold onto the gifts of Christ - hope, peace, joy and love. Then we will be ready to help others do the same.

Blessings,
Pastor Carol

Children's Ministry



Children's Sunday School

Sundays at 9:45 am

K-2nd is in Room 202
3rd-5th is in Room 206
Preschool is in the
Nursery, Room 101



Sunday School Teachers Needed!

Contact Bill Mauldin
bmauldin@hcumc.org

Youth Ministry



Stock Sales

This summer the youth of Holy Covenant UMC will have an opportunity to go on a choir tour, a mission trip, and to church camp at Camp Bridgeport. These experiences can be powerful and formational in the lives of these young people. We are inviting you our church

Baptisms



Ozzie Ray Allen
Baptized February 14, 2016



Sofia Loren Sanchez
Baptized February 14, 2016

family, to make an investment in their lives and in the world they create as they learn about, share, and live out the teachings of Jesus. We will have a table set up before and after worship March 6 and March 13 to hand out and collect forms and checks. We have included a link to the form if you would like to print one out and mail it in with your investment. At the end of the summer we will have a reception to share with you the many blessings you enabled with your investment. Thank you for your support and prayers. Blessings.

[Stock Sale form](#)



**Alexiah Lillyanna Contreras
Baptized February 21, 2016**

Adult Ministry



2 New Classes

Beginning Sunday, April 3, Adult Education will offer two new classes. Bill Mauldin will lead *The 5 Love Languages* in Room 211 at 4:00 pm and Jason Redick will lead *Beginner Spanish* at 4:00 pm in Room 213.

Music Ministry

L.I.F.T.



**Thursday, March 10
at 6:30 pm**

We will have our monthly LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together) meeting on Thursday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Susan Blassingame's home. Go to

www.hcumc.org for more information.

Bring a snack or covered dish to share. We will enjoy food, fellowship and a short devotional. If you do not have time to prepare a dish, please join us anyway - we want you with us! Come join us for this time of fellowship!

Life Line Screening

**Friday, March 11
9 am to 5 pm**

Life Line Screening, a leading





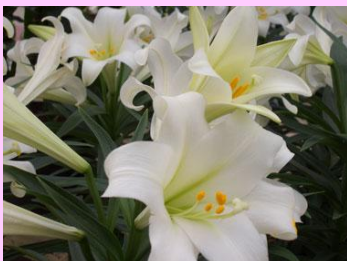
**Children's Chimes
1:30 - 2:00 pm
for the month of April**

Children in grades 1-5 will have the opportunity to learn to play chimes and play in the Spring Ring Concert. Rehearsals will be in Room 206 following Children's Choir every Sunday in April. The Spring Concert will be Sunday, April 24 at 4:00 pm. Please contact Debbie Chapman dchapman@hcumc.org if your child is interested.



Director needed for Cherub Choir (ages 3-5 yrs) to meet on Sundays during CKY 12:45 to 1:30 pm (or 1:15 if desired).

Easter Lilies



\$12 Each
Help beautify our sanctuary this Easter Sunday and purchase a

provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, painless health screenings on Friday, March 11. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; Atrial fibrillation or irregular heartbeat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for all 5 screenings for \$149.

Pre-registration is required. Call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

Parents' Night Out



**Friday, March 18
from 6:00 to 9:00 pm
Covenant Center**

Ages Infant - 5th Grade. Reservations are required by noon on Wednesday, March 16th!

Reserve a place for your child

at www.hcumc.org. You may drop off and pick up children anytime during the designated hours. **\$6 per child; \$15 max per same family**

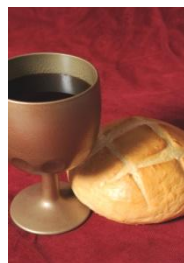
Palm to Passion Family Event

**Sunday, March 20
12:30 pm in the Covenant Center**

There will be a hot dog lunch following the 11:00 worship service. We will have fellowship and games that take us from Palm Sunday through the Passion of Christ. Join us!



Maundy Thursday Worship



**March 24 at 7 pm
in the Sanctuary**
Worship including Holy Communion.

lily in honor or memory of a loved one. Order forms are in the Narthex.

Sunday Worship Schedule

**8:30 and 11:00 am
Worship Services**

**9:45 am
Sunday School for all
ages**

Staff

Rev. Carol Sparks
Senior Pastor

Rev. Debbie Chapman
Associate Pastor
of Music and Worship

Bill Mauldin
Director of Family
Ministries

Jason Redick
Community Justice
Minister

Beth McClure
ECDP Director

Christine Perry
Bookkeeper

Elise Webb Odell
Administrative Assistant

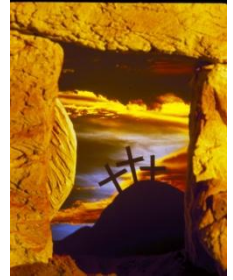
In Our Thoughts and Prayers

The Bowes family; Dan Kasten; Kathy Amos; Gina Woestehoff; Pearl Lopez; Julie Feltner; Lois Eaton; Janet Butler; Stephen Davis; Kay Dowell; Nancy Cardenas; Mary Jane Van Horne; Michele Perkins; Stephanie Brown; Randy Sutherland; Kelly

Good Friday Worship

**March 25 at 7 pm
in the Sanctuary**

Worship featuring the Wesleyan Choir singing *Requiem*, Op 48 by Gabriel Faure.



Prayer Vigil



**Holy Saturday, March 26
7 am to 7 pm**

in the Chapel, Room 208

You are invited to come and go at any time during this vigil.

Easter Sunrise Worship

**Sunday, March 27
6:30 am in the Sanctuary**

Worship led by youth. We will gather in the sanctuary and process to the cross on the east lawn. Followed by a Potluck Breakfast in the Covenant Center.



Easter Services of Resurrection



**Sunday, March 28
8:30 and 11:00 am**

Celebrate our risen Lord with your friends and neighbors! Invite someone with no church home to worship with us.

Join with us as we praise God together!

Ellis; James and Rosa Gunn; Alicia Tyndall; Augustus Richardson; Jem Ellis; Carmelita Robinson; LaVonia Pritchard; Wayne

Pritchard; Peggy Yull; Tom Yull; Bonnie Feltner; Lola Herndon; John Bator; Stephanie Flangin; Cara Woods Hinton; Fahimeh Dooroodochi; Teedy Lichon; Ira Schoonhoven; Mike Young; Hans Becker; Tommy Day; Cherie Arruda; and Destiny Gonzales.

Our loved ones in the military

Tyler Ackerman, Hunter Blue, Max Blue, C.J. Davidson, Zach Glass, David Hunt, Jake Oliver, and Ashton Rudolf.

Craft Fair Looking for Volunteers

**Annual Craft Fair
April 23, 2016**

- Volunteers needed for planning
- Volunteers needed for set up on 4/22
- Donations needed for Café and Bake Sale
- Volunteers needed to work the day of the fair
- Volunteers needed for clean at 4:00 on 4/23



Please contact Ginger Rathbun at sewsomuch@sewsomuch.com to learn how you can join in on the fun!



Carrollton West Pet Hospital

www.CarrolltonWestPet.com

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Lynda VanAntwerp, DVM
Leigh-Anne Morris, DVM
Anna Osofsky, DVM
Diplomate, ABVP, certified in Avian Practice
Ashley Braniff Champagne, DVM
Jon Paa, DVM

Piano Lessons at Holy Covenant!



Jonathan Kaan is teaching piano lessons at Holy Covenant. You can contact Jonathan at jkaan@dcccd.edu or at 972-505-1833 for more information.

Jonathan graduated with honors from Baylor University with a Masters Degree in Piano Pedagogy and Performance.



We are welcoming and open to all people; black or white, yellow or brown, you are welcome here; rich or poor, young or old, you are welcome here, gay or straight, citizen or sojourner, you are welcome here.