The Inman Informer

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Heaven

Is it important for us to believe in heaven? It is. Because without heaven the Christian faith doesn't make sense, God doesn't make sense, Jesus doesn't make sense, goodness and love don't make sense. Without heaven nothing is resolved. Without heaven all our faith is meaningless lies.

Christianity teaches about a God of justice who values right and good and hates wrong and evil, a God who rewards the just and kind and punishes the unjust and cruel. We can't see this by looking only at the world we live in. The world daily proclaims that there is no justice, that greedy liars are rewarded and nice guys finish last, that the innocent suffer and die for no reason. We each experience how age creeps up on us and causes more and more aches and pains. Life's experiences appear to reject and deny any notion of a God who cares about our suffering.

But because of Jesus, we proclaim a God who loves us and cares about our pains and griefs and sorrows. This God of the Cross only makes sense with the final resolution of heaven when all wrongs will be righted, where the lame shall finally be able to walk, where those who die of tragic accidents or horrible diseases shall be healed, and where those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake shall be blessed, for—as Jesus said—theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Our God of love only makes sense when there is a heaven where "he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more."

You see, without heaven Jesus died on the cross and that was it. There was no resurrection if there is no heaven to which Jesus can ascend, and if there is no heaven there is no place from which Jesus can return. Without heaven we can't address Our Father who art in heaven.

Without heaven, death has the final word. Many people believe that to be the case, but Christians believe something else. Christians believe that God has the final word, not death. And Christians believe that God's final word is life, the promise of heaven. Christians believe that because of Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection, death itself is defeated. Christians proclaim with Paul, "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?"

We believe that God is firmly on his throne in heaven, and heaven is our final and complete hope. We believe that when evil things aren't resolved here on earth, they will be resolved in heaven, because God cannot allow any injustice to be overlooked, God cannot allow any imperfection to exist, God cannot allow anything but peace, justice, goodness and love to reign. Our God is God of heaven and earth. And Christian, you and I are heaven bound. Praise be to God!

Fellowship Groups

Inman has a few small groups that each gather for a meal and fellowship once a month. In March, the times for the group meetings are as follows:

- The 1st Friday Lunch Group will meet March 3rd at 12:00 noon.
- The 1st Monday Dinner Group will meet March 6th at 6:30 p.m. at O'Charley's in Fayetteville. Contact Kay Cox at 770-719-8829 if you would like to join.
- The 3rd Friday Dinner Group will meet March 17th at 7:00 p.m. Location will be announced soon.



Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meals are at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Adults and Teens are \$7.00 and Children ages 3-12 are \$3.00. Please fill out a form found in the pews in the sanctuary or call the church office by Tuesday with your reservation. Please join us for a meal and time of fellowship together, and maybe stay for Choir practice, Children's Activities, or Prayer Group after the meal.



The meal schedule for March is as follows:

3/1	Lasagna	Membership Care
3/8	Pork (kids - chicken nuggets)	Finance
3/15	Meatloaf (kids - hot dogs)	Worship
3/22	Spaghetti & Meatballs	Outreach
3/29	Mexican Fiesta	Trustees





United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men will host and prepare an "Old Fashioned Country Breakfast" on Sunday, April 16 in the Fellowship Hall. All Inman UMC members and visitors are invited to attend. Serving times will be from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.. Please mark you calendars and invite family member and friends to join you for great food and fellowship.



Joy & Sharing

Joy & Sharing will meet Tuesday, March 14th at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, see Gloria Reid. We hope to see you there!

Primetimers

The Primetimers will meet Tuesday, March 28th at 11:30 a.m. The location will be announced in the bulletin. Please join us! If you would like more information about how you can participate, contact Jean McChargue at 770-241-6800.



Life Line Screening will offer their affordable, non-invasive, and painless health screenings at Inman United Methodist Church on April 1, 2017. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, abdominal aortic, hardening of the arteries in the legs, atrial fibrillation or irregular heartbeat, and a bone density screening for men and women.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes all five tests from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle.

Landing Get-Togethers

Each Sunday, following the 8:45 a.m. service and again between Sunday School and the 11:00 a.m. service, a group in our church will sponsor a brief time of hospitality on the stair landing. For a month, the sponsoring group will provide informational materials about the work their group is doing. Please stop by and see how you can get involved with this ministry!

The Outreach Committee has planned for the following groups to host the Landing Get-Togethers for the coming year. If you see a time your group would like to host, please see Joni Janssen or Jim Hanna.

March ASP Volunteers

April Special Needs Program

May Outreach

Iune Vacation Bible School

July UMW and Youth-back-to-school supplies



March Missions Camp Glisson

Our mission for the month of March is Camp Glisson. Camp Glisson is a ministry of the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church that offers Summer Camp and year-round Retreat experiences in the forests surrounding Cane Creek Falls near Dahlonega, Georgia. Since 1925, this place has become holy ground as thousands have had their faith strengthened through God's presence here in creation and Christian community.

In March, our Rail Offering and Noisy Bucket Collection will be given to support Camp Glisson. Please join us in supporting this wonderful ministry.



Our Prayer List

For healing from health concerns

Mike Aiken, brain tumor (Pat Pratt)

Carlos Allen (Gloria Reid's brother)

Wanda Anderick, arthritis, memory (Nancy

Allgood)

Anna Anderson (Angus Anderson)

Liz Beardon (Judy Becco's sister)

Judy Becco

Erika Bishop, eye surgery

Ira Bishop

Charlotte Booth (Martha Kozisek)

DeLois Casebier, kidney disease

Jess Cash, (Kathy Stower's sister)

Lola Childers, health concerns

Sandra Clower, shoulder surgery (March 1)

Joyce Cody (Jean McChargue)

Brad Cook, in rehab in Newnan

Edy Dawkins, surgery (Gloria Reid)

Brenda Durkee (Martha Kozisek)

Cheryl Gibbs, aneurysm (Tommy Peacock)

Ann Grubbs

Junior Hale, stroke

David Hanna

Larry Hanna, heart issues

Nicole Henry, colitis

Ray Hensley

Jean Hilten (Claire Starkey's aunt)

Ed Hicks

Shirley Ingram (Martha Kozisek)

Martha Jackson (Melanie Ballard's aunt)

Robby Johnson (Sharon Prevatt)

Dell Kerr

Joanne King (Ross King's mother)

Kathe Leo (Nancy Allgood's daughter)

Griffin Lunceford

Ashton McCart (Jane St. Amour)

Kasey Norton, surgery (Ross King)

Harriett Parham

Joe Pettit (Jennifer Jackson)

Thelma Shackleford, brain injury

Mason (Kathy Stowers' grandson)

Claire Starkey

Ursala Strickland (Linda DeLisle's mother and

Eve's grandmother)

Dean Turner

Lee Wagner, health issues (Brad Wagner's father)

Jeff Wedge

Rhonda Wheeler (Daughter-in-law of George &

Lyn Wheeler)

Don Whiteside

For healing from cancer

Terri Adams (Virginia Adams' daughter)

Shannan Archer (Arlys Ferrell)

Brandon Brown (Claire Starkey)

Nancy Cox (Cox's sister-in-law)

Walter Delia (Martha Kozisek)

Jim George (Donna Stilwell)

Mary Lee Giddings

Gina Henderliter (Carolyn Kramlich)

Donna Hilton (Claire Starkey)

Gary Hoffman (Linda Price)

J. L. Houze (Charles & Kay Cox)

Dell Howard (Katy Fowler)

Cathy Kimbrell (Nancy Allgood)

Matt Kirkindall

Harry Martin (George & Lynn Wheeler)

Kim Moss (Arlys Ferrell)

Joe Ponzio

H.C. Pratt

Gayle Price (Arlys Ferrell)

Chuck Rager (Cox's friend)

Barbara Redmond (Nancy Allgood)

Gail Ross (Jack Price's sister)

Mike Sams

Katie Schmidt (Brenda Schachle)

Louise Woods (Ann Hembree)

For those mourning the death of these loved ones

Annette Hall

Betty Lamprecht

Roy Stilwell, Sr.

Other Concerns

For the children and youth programs of Inman

Unspoken prayers of the congregation

MARCH, 2017

1 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:30 p.m.Ash Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice 5 Holy Communion Noisy Buckets South Group 6:30 p.m. 1st Monday Dinner Group 7 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Group 12 12:15 p.m. Children/Youth Council 5:00 p.m. Inman Youth Group 13 14 11:30 p.m. Joy & Sharing 1:00 p.m. Membership Care Meeting 7:00 p.m. Membership Care Meeting 7:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting 16 15 5:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal 6:30 p.m. Outreach Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6:30 p.m. Prayer Group	3 12:00 p.m. 1st Friday Lunch	4 11 Daylight Savings Time Begins
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Trustees

Trustees Annual Report for 2016
This past year we were able to accomplish several significant projects.

- Steeple refurbishment and painting: In conjunction with our UMM, this project was completed in May.
- Offices and hallway were totally repainted and repaired in December.
- Classrooms: In conjunction with the Technology Committee, four large screen monitors were installed and tied into the church's Wi-Fi system.
- Parsonage: The railings from the sun room to the outside were replaced.
- Storage Building (behind the parsonage): Shelving was added to facilitate the storage of ASP tools and other church items.
- Griffith Youth house: The deck, picnic table, stairs, and storage shed were repaired and stained in conjunction with our own BSA Troop 73. Quinn Clark used these projects to attain his Eagle Scout rank. These and over twenty other minor projects were completed in 2016. A special thanks to all church members and friends of the church who gave their time and financially to get these items done. We look forward to even more projects in the coming year.



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March Birthdays

Charles Harp	03/03
Brenda Schachle	03/07
Nancy Allgood	03/10
Roland Ivey	03/14

If you see that a birthday is missing, please notify the church office so that we can make the correction in our database.