

CRAWFISH BOIL & YOUTH AUCTION —

Our annual Crawfish Boil and Youth Auction is just around the corner.

We will have tented seating for over 200 people outdoors along with live music (weather permitting). It is our sincerest hope that we increase the attendance of this event and provide a fun, encouraging night, not only for our Church family, but others in the community as well. Please invite your family, co-workers and neighbors! **We need you to R.S.V.P. with one of our youth before or after our worship services.**

Not only do we ask that you join us April 26th, but we also ask for your help with auction items. We graciously ask that **if you have any items or services you would like to offer for our silent or live auction that evening, please contact Jeremy at jeremy@mstreetumc.org.** A very special thanks to Mr. Forrest Roberts, who graciously makes a way for this incredible event each year.

BETH VICKER'S CIRCLE

April 19th at 9:45 AM in the Parlor. All Ladies are invited to join us for refreshments, fellowship and Bible Study.

WESLEY LUNCH

Main Street will be serving lunch to 100-120 college students at the USM Wesley Foundation on Thursday, April 20th at 11:30 AM. The Wesley Foundation, the United Methodist presence at USM, engages students through Bible study, weekly lunches, discipleship groups, worship and much more – forming a college faith community. **If you would like to assist in serving lunch or would like to provide brownies or cookies (must be in the church office by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, April 19th), please contact Aislinn at aislinn@mstreetumc.org or call the church office.**

HAWKINS INCENTIVE PARTY

The Hawkins Incentive Party is taking a field trip! On **Friday, April 28th at 12:30 PM**, the Hawkins Honor Roll students will join us at Main Street in the Fellowship Hall to watch a movie, eat some snacks, and enjoy a break from their studies. We need volunteers to make this happen! As we welcome our students into our space, we need people to help greet, socialize, and serve snacks and drinks. Please make plans to join us! Contact Aislinn at aislinn@mstreetumc.org or call the church office to volunteer.

2017 GRADUATES

If you, a family member or friend is graduating, from Kindergarten through PhD, please let us know! We would like for everyone to be included in our bulletin on Baccalaureate Sunday.

*We Express Christian
Sympathy to...*

the family and friends of
Jack Milton Loflin
who passed on April 5, 2017
Jo Loflin (wife)
Vicki Loflin Johnson (daughter)

&

the family and friends of
Kaye Johnson, of Tupelo, MS,
who passed on April 9, 2017
Sue & Bill Pace (brother)

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed on
Monday, April 17th.

DEAR MAIN STREET FAMILY,
Jeff and I would like to thank you for the wonderful meal, cards, calls, and kind words you haven given us during the recent loss of Jeff's father. We appreciate everything you have done for us. — Charlotte White

APRIL SPECIAL OFFERING Ecuador Mission Partnership

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 Early Sanctuary Worship with Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays
9:00 Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion (The Fellowship)
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Sanctuary Worship with Holy Communion the 1st Sunday

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Please join us! Main Street Preschool is now accepting registration for fall classes. We offer playschool to infants, toddlers and twos. We offer preschool to threes, fours and fives. Our schedule includes hands-on art, cooking, story time, music, hands-on math, science and reading readiness. Enrollment is limited. Please see the church website for online registration or contact our Preschool Director, Betsy Alston, for more information. Betsy can be reached by email at betsy@mstreetumc.org or by calling the church office. Main Street Preschool is a great place to learn and grow!

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Sunday School and Children's Church—This Sunday, the children will learn the Easter Resurrection story in an exciting way and make a special craft with their own handprint that illustrates God's love! We have special gifts for each child in Children's Church! Don't miss it, and invite a friend with children to join us! If you have not seen our new Children's Church Room up close, we invite you to come inside, browse, and see what our children are learning! Praise God for each of you!!

Vacation Bible School—Please mark your calendars! VBS is Monday, June 12th – Thursday, June 15th.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! ...to E.J. and Tina Hoda for the fabulous afternoon of fun at the annual Easter Egg Hunt! The children had a blast and the food and fellowship was incredible! Thank you also to everyone who brought food; it was all fabulous!

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Sunday School—meets at 10:00 AM in Ferguson.

Sunday Night Youth Group—will not meet today, please enjoy time with your family!

Youth Mystery Trip—is May 31st through June 3rd. Registration will close this week.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

I am overwhelmed by the love and support that our United Methodist churches give each year to the Wesley Foundation at Southern Miss. All that was accomplished by supporters at this year's Friends of Wesley Fundraiser and throughout the year is done so that college students might meet Jesus face-to-face and grow deeper in their faith. For this, I am humbled and forever thankful. On behalf of the students that call USM Wesley their home, I would like to say, "Thank You!"

Every year I am blown away by the generosity of our churches in the Hattiesburg District. This year we collected almost \$10,000 to help grow college students to become the young women and men God originally created them to be. God continually amazes me in His goodness and His willingness to provide all the necessary things at just the right time. Thanks again for going above and beyond and for being an answered prayer. Bonhoeffer once said, "Righteous is the man that lives for the next generation." This can be said of you!

Amazed by Him, Patrick Hutto, USM Wesley Director



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