

# First United Methodist Church Goliad, Texas

March 2021



This Spring, we'll offer a Confirmation Class for youth (Grades 6-12) who want to explore their faith. We will have six sessions meeting on

every other Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 pm beginning March 10.

At the end of our sessions, participants will have the opportunity to stand before the church to profess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and to become full members of our church. Confirmation Sunday will be on May 30!

If you have a youth in your life that would like to participate in Confirmation, contact Pastor Missy to get them registered!

**Class Dates: March 10 & 24; April 7 & 21; May 5 & 19**  
**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY: MAY 30**

## Loving God & Loving Neighbor: Our Commitment to Health and Safety

Now that the COVID vaccinations have rolled out and some in our community have received either one or two doses of the vaccine, it's tempting to let our guard down and to not be as diligent in following the CDC's recommendations. However, now is not the time. We still have too many suffering from this terrible disease. As followers of Christ, it's our duty to care for the least of these; it's our call to love our neighbors as ourselves; it's our responsibility to help carry the burdens of others. Therefore, our community of faith is committed to:

- Properly wearing a mask with our noses and mouths covered during our gatherings
- Maintaining social distancing and staying 6 feet apart from those we don't share a home with
- Practicing good hygiene by regularly washing our hands or using hand sanitizer
- Staying home when we don't feel well or know we have been exposed to someone with the virus
- Offering online ways to connect with one another and engage in worship for those who are unable to attend in-person

***Friends, as Paul teaches in the letter to the Galatians, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." (Galatians 6:9)***

## Join us Online

We continue to offer our worship service online during this season of COVID.

**Find our services on our:**

**Facebook page**  
**YouTube Channel**  
**Website**

## February Attendance

	Sunday School	Worship
01/31	16	44
02/07	17	38
02/14	(Cancelled due to ice)	
02/21	22	52

## Ways to Give to First UMC Goliad

Mail: POB 1223, Goliad, TX 77963

Paypal: [www.fumcgoliad.org](http://www.fumcgoliad.org)





# THIS IS US:

## God's Covenant People

### LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES

During Lent, our worship series will be *"This is Us: God's Covenant People."* The main title comes from NBC's television series whose tagline is: "Everyone has a family. And every family has a story." And isn't this true for us as the family of God as well! Each week, the we will take us on a journey through the various covenants God made with God's people and the evolution of this relationship. As we walk this road to learn our history, may it shape who we understand ourselves to be and where we go into our days ahead.

**March 7: God's Covenant with Abraham (Genesis 17:1-7, 17-18)**

**March 14: God's Covenant with the Israelites (Exodus 20:1-17)**

**March 21: God's Promise of the New Covenant (Jeremiah 31:31-34)**

**March 28: Palm Sunday: The Path Toward the New Covenant (Mark 11:1-11)**

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER

**March 28 - Palm Sunday Worship at 10:30am**

**April 2 - Good Friday Worship at 7:00pm**

**April 4 - Easter Sunday Worship—8:30am and 10:30am**

(Please let us know which Easter service you will plan to attend by signing up [here.](#))

### COMMUNITY SUNRISE SERVICE

The Goliad Ministerial Alliance will host an Easter Sunrise Service at the Goliad State Park Amphitheater near the Presidio La Bahia.

Time 7:15 AM

Masks will not be required; participate at your own discretion.

# THANK YOU!

## First United Methodist Church's 2021 Collection

raised:

# 180 food items

Thanks to your efforts this year, more dollars have been raised, more lives have been changed and the nation has seen the impact of people working together to help those in need. Thank you for working to transform the time around the Super Bowl into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.



February 7, 2021

**Alison Reese**  
Executive Director  
Souper Bowl of Caring

## Extra Special Livestock Show

The Goliad County Fair will have a new event this year: the "Extra Special Livestock Show." A local youth, Harley Jarzombek, has organized this opportunity that will allow Goliad students with special needs to show a lamb, goat or a rabbit on March 19 at 11:30am at the fairgrounds. FUMC is a proud sponsor along with many other local businesses, and we encourage you to attend to cheer these students on and celebrate Harley's efforts to bring even more joy to the fair experience!

## Berclair Spring Cleaning Donations

Throughout the spring, we'll be collecting cleaning supplies for the Berclair community. Donations can be dropped off in the BASIC classroom.

# UMCOR SUNDAY

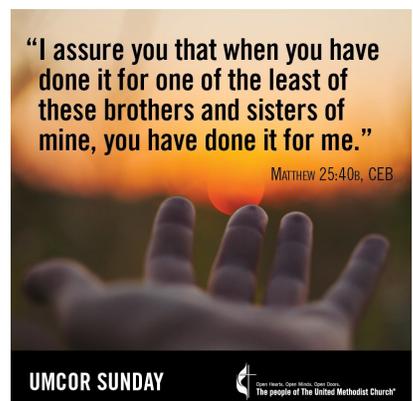
## RAIL OFFERING (March 7)

UMCOR SUNDAY is one of six special offerings in The United Methodist Church that supports ministries shared by all churches in the denomination. Our Rail Offering will support this special ministry which responds to people suffering from the effects of war, civil unrest, hurricanes, wildfires, famines or floods. We ask you to give generously.

**"I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me."**

MATTHEW 25:40b, CEB

## March 7



Dear Congregation,

How Texans can apply for FEMA Assistance due to damage/loss from the winter storm.

“Earl Armstrong, a FEMA spokesperson, said that eligible Texans should file their insurance claim first then shortly after apply for disaster assistance. Eventually, FEMA will require proof of occupancy or ownership, identification and an insurance determination letter to move forward, but folks can still apply for assistance before that determination letter comes in. People should also photograph any damages they see.

Texans interested in receiving disaster assistance must apply through [disasterassistance.gov](https://disasterassistance.gov) and should have the following information readily available: Social Security number, insurance details, a description of any storm-related damage and losses, financial details like total annual household income before taxes and contact information. You can read more about what you need in order to apply [here](#).

Those without internet access can call FEMA toll free at 1-800-621-3362 to apply for assistance or check application status. People who are deaf, hard of hearing or who use a Text Telephone can call 800-462-7585. You can also visit a FEMA Disaster Recovery Center in person by looking for the nearest location [here](#).

Texas Tribune. Retrieved from: <https://www.texastribune.org/2021/02/22/texas-winter-storm-FEMA-federal-assistance-apply/>. 23 February 2021

Currently there has not been any information about D-SNAP being made available for those that do not currently have SNAP benefits for food. I will send an update when I here if this will be available.

**Newest information is being released through Victoria OEM and Victoria County Public Health Department (winter storm relief and CoVid-19 Vaccine)**

- Sign up by liking their Facebook page
- To receive the most recent updates, sign up for alerts through the Swift 911 Emergency Notification System. Text the word ADD to 361-433-4554 for further information.

**Upcoming events:**

March 11 at 8:00 am - FUMC Victoria Free Clinic

Contact Elizabeth at 972-768-5138 for an appointment.

March 23 at 10:00 am - Health Ministry Team Meeting (In-person or Virtual)

In the FLC at FUMC Goliad: 134 W Pearl St

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://meetings.ringcentral.com/j/1482660533?pwd=YINyVTZERnlwZml3bFlmNVF6bXAwQT09>

Password: 021424

Meeting ID: 148 266 0533

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**If you need any of the Wesley Nurse services or would like to visit about the services I am able to provide, please 972-768-5138 (cell).**

**Your Wesley Nurse,**

**Elizabeth Wilson BSN, RN-BC**

# 2021 Committees

Your Lay Leadership Team met to finalize our committees for this year and the Church Council voted to approve our nominations. We are streamlining our groups in an effort to prepare to shift to a one-board accountable leadership model that will make us more agile for ministry in the future. Below is a list of our servant leaders for the remainder of 2021.

**Church Council:** Matt Bochat (chair), Lynda Breeding (secretary), Danielle Wilson, Allison Koeppen, Forrest Koeppen, Hal Davis (lay leader), Bridget Davis, Terry Foley, Lee Grimsinger, Erika Bochat, Mark Hancock, Robin Barnhill, Missy Jenson

**Finance Committee:** Lee Grimsinger (chair), Terry Foley (treasurer), Michelle Schulze (financial secretary), Hal Davis, Matt Bochat, Erika Bochat, Mark Hancock, Missy Jenson

**Pastor-Parish Relations Committee:** Erika Bochat (chair), Hal Davis, Gary Cowley, Andrea Gibbud, Cathy Lott, Vance Schulte

**Trustee Committee:** Mark Hancock (chair), Elizabeth Wilson, Kevin Grohman, Forrest Koeppen, Fred Naranjo, Freeman Lott, Lynda Breeding (secretary), Coy Blaschke

**Lay Leadership:** Missy Jenson, Hal Davis, J'Nell Grohman, Lynda Breeding, Jimmy Schulze, Alicia Cowley

**Congregational Care & Growth:** Robin Barnhill (chair), Bridget Davis, Lori Homeyer, Marci Blaschke, Brooke Grimsinger, Hal Davis, Erika Bochat, Matt Bochat

**Outreach & Witness Ministry:** Hal Davis (chair), Judy Schulte, Vance Schulte, Alicia Cowley, Dickie Hurta, Dee Jean Hurta, Jimmy Schulze, Elizabeth Wilson

**Health Committee:** Elizabeth Wilson (Wesley Nurse), Cathy Lott, Robin Alaniz, Allison Koeppen, Emika Moya, Erika Bochat