



**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

in the Sanctuary...

8:30 a.m. The BRIDGE SERVICE

10:45 a.m. TRADITIONAL SERVICE

In Celebration Hall. . .

11:00 a.m. CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**      9:30 Children & Adults



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San Angelo, TX  
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***THE MESSENGER***

**MAY 2021**

**Join us in praising  
our risen Savior!**

**8:30 and 10:45 Bridge  
and Traditional  
Services in the  
Sanctuary  
11:00 Contemporary  
Service in Celebration  
Hall.  
Sunday Schools 9:30**

**Services are livestreamed  
on our website:  
[www.firstmethodist.net/  
sundaystreaming](http://www.firstmethodist.net/sundaystreaming)**



***Pastor Scott***





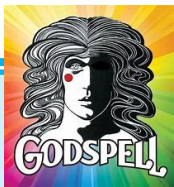
**SUNDAY SERMON SERIES FOR  
CONTEMPORARY 11TH HOUR SERVICE**

- May 2 Communion “He is the true Vine”** John 15:1-8
- May 9 “He is our friend”** John 15:9-17
- May 16 Senior Recognition—Ascension Sunday**  
“He is going to the Father” Luke 24:44-53
- May 23 Pentecost “He is the Spirit”** Acts 2:1-21
- May 30 “At the intersection of Faith and Culture”**  
Matt. 17:14-20

**Pastor Kristie Crisp**

[kcrisp@riotx.org](mailto:kcrisp@riotx.org)





## WHY DO WE DO GODSPELL?

By Virginia Eschman

***This article is a continuing tribute written by Virginia to honor GODSPELL and its many years of service and song on behalf of the youth at FirstChurch. Its outstanding leadership, parental, church clergy and member support, and ministry to youth and church membership throughout the United States has offered all of us a rich historical and musical blessing. GODSPELL is retiring this year. Their final performance will be at the RIVERSTAGE JUNE 6.***

**Fund Raising** – Each tour participant pays much of their own way. FUMC has been very generous in helping the youth earn money to pay for tour. The youth have sold meat, sold flowers at Christmas and in the spring, washed cars, put on 'Spirit Renewed' shows with FUMC members paying for tables, held silent auctions of items they have made and probably lots of other things. Thank you for your support!

**Scripture** – In addition to learning the parables, each tour participant has to recite scripture to retrieve any of their items turned in to 'lost and found' (Tony) on tour. Considering that most of the script is scripture, it's amazing how much scripture disappears from your brain when you're trying to get that item back.

**Leadership** – Each youth takes on more roles the more years they go on tour. These roles go from being 'piggies' as 7<sup>th</sup> graders to singing solos and duets and telling stories as they get older. They go from cleaning the bus to being on the Sound Team or the Hospitality Team in later years. They also take on leadership roles helping to teach the younger cast members the songs, choreography and stories.

**Missions** – 'Godspell' tour is considered a mission tour. An offering is taken during the song 'All Good Gifts' which is given to some mission that the current cast members agree to. For many years this offering was sent to the 'Container Church' in Oranienburg, Germany to support the early growth of that church which was one of our main sponsors to the Berlin area. Participants visited Travis Park UMC in San Antonio one year to observe and participate in one of their missions by feeding the homeless. After year 15, the youth took a break from tour for one year and went on a mission trip to Colorado.

**Creativity** – 'Godspell' is different every year at FUMC. Each cast puts their own 'flavor' into the stories. One of my favorites is the year that the 'piggies' were 'kitties.' Tony really lets them be flexible in how they change things from years past.

**Talent** – We have had many talented youth involved in 'Godspell' over the past 25 years. Some of the boys played an instrument and only wanted to be in the band. That was not an option. They all ended up with some part in a story and really did a great job with their newly acquired acting skills. We have had several cast members in the band playing instruments including drums, guitar, mandolin, flute, recorder, horn, tuba, cello, violin, and keyboard. We've also had several ballerinas perform and some of the girls doing sign language. Of course, there are all the solos, duets, choruses, choreography, and stories. Each cast member over the years has shown their own talents in their own way.

**History** – There is always some sort of historical aspect to tour. Our youth have been everywhere from NASA Space Camp to the Capitol, Lincoln Memorial and Smithsonian in Washington D. C. to Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp and a salt mine in Germany to the Air Force Academy. One year Brian May gave us a history lesson about the King Ranch as we were driving through the King Ranch.

**TO BE CONTINUED – JUNE**

TEXAS DENTAL ASSOCIATION


 SMILES  
FOUNDATION

By Lesa Parry, RN

## Texas Mission of Mercy: San Angelo

June 4-5, 2021


 TEXAS  
MISSION  
OF MERCY

Texas Mission of Mercy is a mobile dental clinic that provides FREE care to those in need. All patients must attend a prescreening prior to the event. The services include basic, pain-relieving and preventative procedures such as dental fillings and extractions. **This event will NOT include hygiene, root canals and dentures.\***

All patients must be prescreened prior to the event.

For prescreen appointments or information,

please contact Lesa Parry at 325-215-4835 or sign up at:

<https://bit.ly/sanangeloprescreen>

**PRESCREEN DATE: MAY 21** (appointments set from 8-4)

**EVENT DATE: JUNE 4-5** (Prescreened patients ONLY)

This event is organized in part by Lesa Parry, Wesley Nurse, RN with Methodist Healthcare Ministries of South Texas, Inc.

**\*Please note TMOM will be requiring masks and following CDC guidelines for COVID-19.**


 TEXAS  
MISSION  
OF MERCY

**This** free dental clinic will be held at First UMC on **Friday, June 4 and Saturday, June 5**. This event (called "TMOM" for short) was held at the church in 2018 and served 500+ patients and was supported by hundreds of volunteers. It was an incredible event that we were excited to host again in 2020, until the pandemic hit and the event was postponed. It is now rescheduled for June 2021, but will look very different with all of the new safety protocols.

Cases of Bottled Water (regular and small size needed)  
Bottled Tea (Sweet/Unsweet)  
Bottled Sports Drinks (Gatorade, Powerade)

**Volunteers:** If you would like to volunteer this year, please sign up here: [www.tdasmiles.org](http://www.tdasmiles.org) and click on *San Angelo Event*. If you're specifically interested in volunteering with **Hospitality**, please contact Sherrie Walker in the Church Office. Volunteers will be needed in shifts Thursday, Friday and Saturday to help with food and drinks in the main kitchen.

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T.M.O.M. CAN USE YOUR HELP!



If you have a **medical/dental background** and are interested in volunteering, please let Lesa Parry know in the Church Office. *You are needed!*



**Appointments:** If you or someone you know needs dental care, regardless of insurance status, please contact Lesa Parry in the Church Office. She can answer questions and make pre-screening appointments.

**Food Donations:** It takes a lot to feed all of the volunteers, patients and dentists. One way you can help is to supply drinks. If you're able, please consider donating the following items now through the end of May. They can be dropped off in the Church Office anytime marked "T.M.O.M.". Call ahead if help is needed unloading. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

12- or 24- packs of Soda



Building Handicap Ramps  
*Texas Ramps Project Partnership*

First UMC continues to work alongside the Texas Ramps Project to provide ramps, free of charge, for local homes in need. Each month on the third Saturday, a team gathers to build a ramp. Some of the ramp modules are prepared in advance, which saves time the day of the build. There's a small group that prepares those during the week. Another facet to this project is the interviewing of the residents and the design process of the ramp. The people who do that are called Surveyors. Volunteers are needed for all three of these efforts: building ramps, building modules in advance, and being a Surveyor. If any of these interest you or you want to learn more, please contact Pastor Dale or Sherrie Walker in the Church Office.



### For the Love of Kids CPS/FUMC Partnership News

The partnership between Child Protective Services (CPS) and First UMC continues to evolve. Meeting the dinner needs of children under CPS care has been our primary focus, and our team has responded well to that need. However, the focus is changing now due to a home becoming available for these kids in a neighboring town.

The kids have been housed primarily at the CPS office and meals were dropped off there each night. This home is a huge blessing, as it has a yard and is close to a park – much more suitable for children than a downtown office. However, the distance means we will not be providing nightly dinners right now.

The team provided supplies to help stock the home, and the church is providing some of the groceries each week. Unfortunately the home is only available temporarily. What is desperately needed is a long-term home situation in San Angelo. *Please pray for this to happen*, or if you know someone with a vacant home that might be interested in talking with CPS about that, please let us know.

Finally, if you feel led to contribute financially to this ministry, your money will be used to purchase groceries and to assist with any special requests for these kids. Please send donations to the church marked *CPS Care Portal*. FMI contact Sherrie Walker in the Church Office.

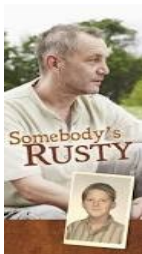


First Fridays @  
Soup Kitchen  
Serve Date: MAY 7



*First Family & Friends* volunteer to cook and serve every first Friday of the month at the Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (301 W. 18th) between 9-2. If you would like to help in some way on MAY 7 please contact Beth McCrea ([edgemama@hotmail.com](mailto:edgemama@hotmail.com)) or the Church Office.

**Next month's date is: Friday, JUNE 4**



### Somebody's Rusty

By Candis Hicks



Items can be left in the office



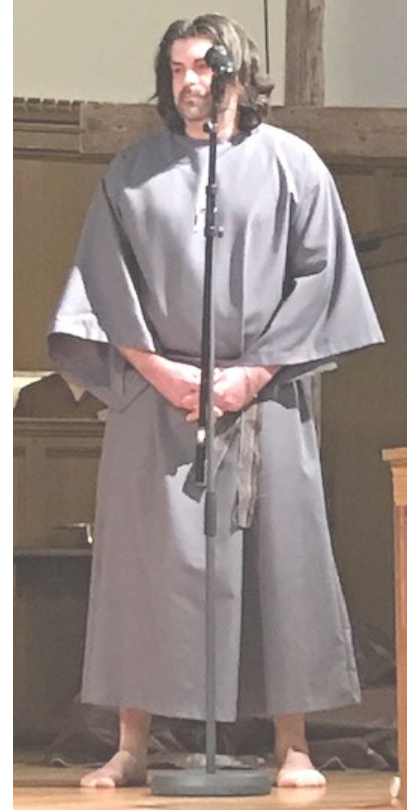
**Services on Good Friday emphasized Christ's betrayal and trial. With the help of youth, members and clergy gave us a dramatic and touching portrayal of this day we identify as Good Friday. We know Sunday is coming but the story still touches us!**

Narrated by David Pedersen, Peter-Mark Noworatzky, Pilate-Rev. Dale Weise, Person (with the stones)-Avery Hubbard, Soldiers-Lilianna Lytle, Laynee Porche and Avery Abbott, Servant Girls-Sariah Noworatzky and Meagan Shelburne-Hunnicutt, Observer-KeLani Lee,, False Witnesses-Laurel Bradford and Paulette Schell, High Priest-Tim Malloy.



Judas-Adam Chappell,  
Jesus-Tim Hunnicutt

Organist-Jane Smith  
Soloist-Patti Wetzel  
Accompanist-Dr. Pamela Lee  
Soloist-Laurel Bradford







Classes are meeting at 9:30 on Sunday mornings and many are offering online participation options also. Please contact Sherrie Walker: [sherrie@firstmethodist.net](mailto:sherrie@firstmethodist.net) in the Church Office if you would like more information about a class or would like to connect with one of our classes online. Information is also available on the church website [www.firstmethodist.net](http://www.firstmethodist.net).

**Classes meeting live and via Zoom:**

Cheers, Journey, Harmony  
**Classes meeting live only:**  
 Fellowship/Bayith (meeting together in Bayith Rm.), Seekers, STER, Union.

**Morning Glories**

This group is currently studying the *Women of the Bible* and focuses on one woman each week. Class members sign up to lead the weekly sessions, which continue through May. The class meets live in the Cheers classroom and via Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 10am. Study books are available in the church office for \$11.50 each. Ok to join anytime.

**Wednesday Night Friends Study Group**

—Join this group of ladies (guys are welcome too!) !

The women’s study group started “*His Mighty Strength: Walk Daily in the Same Power that Raised Jesus from the Dead*” by Randy Frazee on April 14. The study is led by various class members and meets weekly in the church Gym at 6pm. Books are \$12.50 and available in the Church Office. Ok to join anytime.



Meetings are held on the **first Wednesday** of the month. **We plan to meet MAY 5.**

FMI contact Cathy Hubbard 658-5375

**Fitness Witness is Back**

This exercise group is meeting on Wednesdays at 5:15pm in the Gym. Work-outs are low-impact and can be adjusted for all stages. Bring your water and a towel or mat. This group is open to anyone interested. FMI please contact the instructor, Stephanie James, or the Church Office.

**Summer GriefShare Session**



If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, please consider learning more about GriefShare at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org). This is a wonderful course led by caring, experienced Facilitators.

Several local churches coordinate to offer the course throughout the year. **The next session will be held at First UMC on Mondays, June 7 – August 30 at 5:30 in the Journey Classroom (3<sup>rd</sup> floor).** Workbooks are

\$15. All other materials are provided. FMI or to register, please call the Church Office at (325) 655-8981.

*Baptisms in Triplicate!*

Sunday, March 30, 2021 @ the 10:45 Service, these 3 Cousins and grandsons of Howard & Fay Coleman were baptized. Following the tradition of how their 3 sister/cousins were baptized together, this event was precious to behold!



Tennyson Baxter  
Parents: Grant & Bekah Baxter  
Sister: Lucille Baxter



Houston Lane Coleman  
Parents: Luke & Elizabeth Coleman  
Sister: Carson Coleman

Baptism of William  
"Trae" Slaughter  
Parents: Will & Lara Slaughter  
Sister: Julia Slaughter



*Proverbs 22:6*  
*Teach your children to choose the right path, and when they are older, they will remain up on it.*



Humphrey the camel would like to remind everyone- Volunteers and participants are needed for vbs, June 28-30. [vbspro.events/p/fumcsanangelo](https://vbspro.events/p/fumcsanangelo)



**Sanctuary Choir has resumed! Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00pm in Heritage Hall. Please call the Church Office if you would like to be part of this great ministry!**

**COKESBURY will resume on Thursday, May 6 at 2:00 pm! Grey headed ladies and gentlemen (over 55) are urged to join this joyfully singing group!**



**Rev. Scott Bradford**  
Senior Pastor



**Rev. Kristie Crisp**  
Associate Pastor



**Rev. Dale Weise**  
Associate Pastor



**Rev. Nathaniel Hankins**  
Associate Pastor

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United Methodist Church San  
Angelo or go to [firstmethodist.net/sundaystreaming](http://firstmethodist.net/sundaystreaming); or  
tune into radio KWFR 101.9THE  
FIRE

Childcare available during all services. Children are always welcome in worship. Worship activity bags are inside the sanctuary front and back doors and on the stage in Celebration Hall. Hearing Assistance Devices are available in the narthex.

FirstPlace Café & Info Desk—The open area next to Celebration Hall is our home to coffee and donuts, connections with our members and guests, and information about our ministries. The Info Desk is located in the main area near the entrance to the Education wing off of Beauregard Street.

Holy Communion We celebrate Communion in all services on the first Sunday of each month. We believe this is the Lord’s Table, and all are invited to participate in this Sacrament. In Homes—We will take communion to the homebound. 655-8981 to schedule

**OTHER SERVICES FOR WORSHIP AND FAITH DEVELOPMENT**

Sunday School... (Most are Zooming now: Call Office FMI) Classes for adults, young couples, youth, children and infants/toddlers are held every Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. Brochures are available throughout the church to point you in the direction you wish to attend or check online: [firstmethodist.net](http://firstmethodist.net), or call 655-8981 for more information.

Special Seasons and Events....

Morning Glories, a women’s prayer and study group, meet every Tuesday morning at 10:00 am in the Journey Sunday School Classroom. Studies are led by various members and include mission projects, prayers and active discussions. An annual retreat highlights this group’s devoted study and communion. Other study groups are held throughout the year. Our online site will list those courses that are available: [firstmethodist.net](http://firstmethodist.net) or you can call the office at 655-8981 for more information.

SUNDAY Traditional SERMON SERIES		
May 2	Influential Women	Esther 4:9-17
May 9	Influential Women	Esther 4:9-17
May 16	Predictive Text	Thess. 4:16-18
May 23	Church & Community	1Peter 4:8-11
May 30	At the Intersection of Faith & Culture	Matt. 17:14-20



**Scriptures for MAY**



*Senior Sunday*

**MAY 2**  
Fifth Sunday  
Of Easter

Acts 8:26-40  
Ps 22:25-31  
1 John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8



**MAY 9**  
Sixth Sunday  
Of Easter

Acts 10:44-48  
Ps 98  
1 John 5:1-6  
John 15:9-17

**MAY 16**  
Seventh Sunday  
Of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26  
Ps 1  
1 John 5:9-13  
John 17:6-19

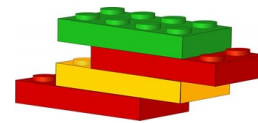
**MAY 23**  
Day of  
Pentecost



Acts 2:1-21  
Ps 104:24-34, 35b  
Rom 8:22-27  
John 15:26-27,  
16:4b-15

**MAY 30**  
Trinity Sunday

Isa 6:1-8  
Ps 29  
Rom 8:12-17  
John 3:1-17



May, 2021



### Vacation Bible School 2021

June 28-30

Two sessions:

A.M. 8:30 -11:00 Light morning snack

P.M. 5:30-8:00 Light evening meal

Opening in Celebration Hall

Activity in GYM

FUMC

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[vpsproevents/p/fumcsanangelo](https://vpsproevents/p/fumcsanangelo)



### Mother's Day May 9th



Laurel Bradford  
Director Children's Faith & Formation  
Ministries

[laurel@firstmethodist.net](mailto:laurel@firstmethodist.net)

### Children's Sunday School

Teaching with Toys,  
18 Lego Book  
Bible Lessons  
May-Aug.

September- December  
Taste the Bread,  
Touch the Water  
Teaching Children  
the Sacraments

### Nursery Staff Needed

The First United Methodist Church of San Angelo is looking for mature Christian minded adults to work in the church nursery. Must enjoy working with children. Must be 18 years old or older.

Hourly pay is \$10.00 an hour. Must be willing to go through a background check and get Safe Gathered. Applicants need to be available to work Sunday mornings until noon and other church scheduled activities when needed.

For more information contact Laurel Bradford, Director of Children's Faith & Formation Ministries at (325) 655-8981 or email : [laurel@firstmethodist.net](mailto:laurel@firstmethodist.net).





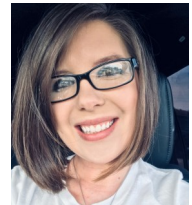
Oh my! What a busy month April has been! We started the month off with performing **The Last Living Supper** on Maundy Thursday. I was so incredibly proud of each and every one of our youth that evening; they did an amazing job retelling the stories of each of the disciples. We then had the pleasure of having the Union Class join us Easter morning. We all enjoyed this so much that we have decided that the Union Class will join our Youth Sunday School every first Sunday of the month. As far as our Sunday School lessons go, we have been working through a series called *Living the Resurrection*. We began this series on the Second Sunday of Easter and will continue it through mid-May.

We also have fun stuff planned for May! One of those things is our Senior Sunday. We will be honoring our high school graduates with a very special service on May 16th at the 8:30 and 11:00 service. If you have a graduating senior that you would like to have honored on that day, I ask you to please fill out the form under the news section of the church's website.

I am looking forward to what May will bring!

Chelsea Lytle  
Director of Youth Faith Formation  
First United Methodist Church of San Angelo

Chelsea Lytle –  
Youth director



99 pieces to fit! BUT it is a 100 piece puzzle! Learning about the Parable of the Lost Sheep!



HEALTH CONCERNS



<b>Betty Andrews</b>	<b>Health Concerns</b>
<b>Ginger Duncan</b>	<b>Recovering from Fall</b>
<b>Marci Baker</b>	<b>Recovering from Fall</b>
<b>Martha Yarbrow</b>	<b>Health Concerns</b>
<b>Mary Witt</b>	<b>Health Concerns</b>
<b>Rev. Judy Swarts (Menard) &amp; Family</b>	<b>Car Accident</b>
<b>Robert Revelez (brother Juanita Downey)</b>	<b>Health Concerns</b>
<b>Tim Hall</b>	<b>Health Concerns</b>

CANCER



R.R.	Jerry Tindel
Barry Kleypas	JoAnn Motl
Bill Humble	Joe3 Sheldon
Bitsy (Durham) Kirby	Kevin Halfmann
Bonnie Kennedy	Kim Hunter
Briana McCall	Kinsley Baker
Carol Smith	Linda Rogers
Caryl Guisinger	Liz Hernandez
Connie Weems	Melissa James
Darlene Speck	Michaela Rigsby
Dawn Jackson	Nicole Kleinsmith
Ethan Miller	Raul Najera
Fay Coleman	Richard Watts
Fred Buck	Ron Hoelle
Fred Gudmundson	Rosura Gonzales
Jason Bailey	Roy Shannon
Jay Moore	Sheryl Bragg
Jeff Peters	Shirley Kennedy
Jeff Ward	Susan Armstrong
Jennifer Cooper	Vernon Fritze
	Wendy Slaughter

Ours Serving in Military

**Tyler Barden USAF**  
**Jason Bird USN**  
**Daryl Bradford Tx NG**  
**Chris Cavaness USAF**  
**Ryan Gandy USAF**  
**Savanah Gideon USA**  
**Johnny Goldthrite USA**  
**Randall Tye Graham USA**  
**Mica Greenwood USN**  
**Zane Jarvis USAF**  
**Matt Kuehhas USN**  
**Weston McIntire USCG**  
**Josh Mort USAF**  
**Danielle Pozun USAF**  
**Joshua Rodriguez USAF**  
**Cody Smith USA**  
**Ryan Tallant USA**

Honor or memorialize someone by placing flowers on the Chancel. Contact Dori Wegner at [dori@swcia.com](mailto:dori@swcia.com) or 254-718-6189.



Goodbyes are only for those who love with their eyes. Because for those who love with heart and soul there is no such thing as separation.

Rumi

**APRIL MEMORIALS**

<b>IN MEMORY OF</b>	<b>GIVEN BY</b>	<b>FUND</b>
Audrey Ehrlich	Freddy & Penny Moore Carol Santry	Kids Eat Free Kids Eat Free
Richard & Joy Evans	Tomas & Rosaura Gonzales Shirley Wheiles (Monahans Class of '53) Carolyn Fannon	Mature Adults Mature Adults Mature Adults
Margaret Tarter	Chip & Stephanie Sayers	Children's Ministry
Cynthia Deaton	Birdie Pool	Kids Eat Free

There are (3) three easy and convenient ways to give. You can set up a one-time payment or recurring payments:

1. **ON-LINE** thru the Church Website:  
*First United Methodist.net/Giving*
2. **SMARTPHONE** thru *GivePlus Mobile app*:
  - A. Download the free GivePlus app from the App Store or Google Play.
  - B. Find our Church by ZIP code or by searching for our Church Name
  - C. Donate!
3. **AUTO-DRAFT** using your Bank account:
  - A. Complete and sign the back of your Pledge Card, attach a voided check and return to the church office.

*To set up recurring payments using your Credit Card, please contact the Business Office.*

*If you have questions or need help, you may contact Juanita in the Business Office or email her at [Juanita@firstmethodist.net](mailto:Juanita@firstmethodist.net)*

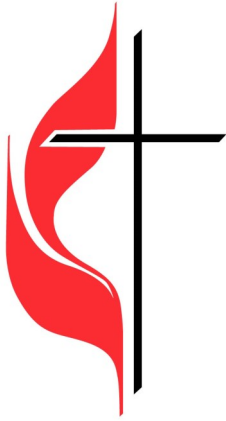
**FUTURE IMPORTANT CHURCH BUSINESS MEETINGS**

**Council Meetings—2021—5:30**

May 17    July 19    September 20    November 1

If you are interested in the ZOOM presentation, contact the office for the ID # to access

**If you or someone you know needs help or could use food, please don't hesitate to contact the church office: 655-8981. There are a lot of resources available to help.**



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## *Worship Schedule...*

**MAY 2021**



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*The mission of this Church is  
to make disciples of Jesus  
Christ for the transformation  
of the world... " So, help us  
God!*

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