

PASTOR LESLEY'S REPORT March 27th, 2019

WOW! Time really does march along, doesn't it? I can't believe we are only a few days from April because I'm not too sure what happened to February and March! But I'm sitting here at my desk and the sun is warm streaming through the window and my door is propped open to let that fresh air blow into the study and I'm feeling blessed. Blessed to be here in Pine Bluffs and blessed to be your pastor at Pine Bluffs United Methodist Church! We are moving toward Lent into Holy Week and Easter Sunday with anticipation and hope!

A big event for us occurred last Sunday, March 24th, when we welcomed our missionary from East Angola, Ken Koome, to his second visit to us here at Pine Bluffs. He was here five years ago and repeatedly said he felt like he was coming home. He is so comfortable here and enjoys the worship and fellowship of this Family of Faith! He gave an excellent presentation with power point and narration on his work as the East Angola Conference Financial Officer and with his pet project, the Emmanuel UM church. He has accomplished so much with God's help and with some from us, too. It was rewarding to hear an update from someone who is actually in the field and serving with such faithfulness and love. I look forward to the years ahead when we continue to be blessed by being in ministry with him and I pray that the Lord will keep him safe, nourish and strengthen him, bless him with good health and the vision and determination to persevere in the days, weeks, and months ahead!

APRIL DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

April 12 2:00pm Making Palm Crosses in Fellowship Hall

April 14th PALM SUNDAY

April 18 Maunday Thursday 7:00pm Holy Communion

April 19 Good Friday Tennebrae service 7:00pm

April 21st EASTER SUNDAY

We are enjoying some special monologues thru Lent:

March 17 John "The Disciple whom Jesus Loved" by Tyler Jolly

March 31st "Mary, Mother of Our Lord", by Joleen Marquardt

April 7th Peter, "an arrogant man who becomes a humble disciple", by Bill Cushing

April 14 Mary Magdalene, "a woman of the world who strove to love herself
as Jesus loved her", by Jane Baker

April 18th, Judas, "who failed because he thought he knew best" by ???

Thank you so much for letting me continue to serve as your pastor and keep me in your prayers please—as I know you always do!

Blessings, Pastor Lesley

