**The Lamplighter**

Newsletter of the

United Methodist Church

November 2019

Dale’s Doodles

“A Lesson from Jesus”

In our modern high tech age, communication seems to be a top priority. We have so many ways by which we can stay in contact with each other. Landline phones, cell phones, push to talk service, the ability to text, chat, voice mail, email, video mail, Facebook, Twitter, etc. It seems everyone needs to feel connected with someone else. We use these services often, so we will know what is going on in the lives of friends, family, and even in our business world. It has come to the point we cannot get away from each other no matter how much we try. We try so hard to stay in touch.

Our communication and relationship with God should be our number one priority. I wonder if we could send a text to God, would we? Or if we could email Him, would we take the time? We do not need technology to stay connected with God. There is a way that will always be available to every one of us - Prayer! The words pray, prayer, and praying are used 300 times in the Old and New Testaments.

The Apostle Paul said to “Pray without Ceasing.” One of the greatest evangelists of the Church tells us to pray always, so it must be important. The best thing for us in our prayer life is that we do not have to do anything special or have a specific gadget.

I know we are a praying church, and we have many members who are prayer warriors. We have been blessed to have so many prayers answered. For every need there is prayer, and for every prayer, there is an answer. If it were not so, the Bible would not have so many references about us staying connected with God!

1 Thessalonians 5:17 “Pray Without Ceasing”

Shalom,

*Rev. Dale D. Wright*

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**Kiwanis Christmas Food Baskets**

It’s that time of year again, and the Kiwanis Club has begun to plan year of helping our community in their time of need. Your donations will help in providing food to our needy, and we greatly appreciate your support.

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**Remember in Prayer**

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<td>Ella Bell</td>
<td>(Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)</td>
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<td>Mary Galloway</td>
<td>(195 Deer Ridge Dr., #A5, Dayton, 37321)</td>
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<td>Jeannette Long</td>
<td>(SC Care &amp; Rehab, #201, 331 Hinch St.)</td>
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<td>Fred Mullins</td>
<td>(Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)</td>
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<td>Kathleen Reece</td>
<td>(SC Care &amp; Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)</td>
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<td>Imogene Robbins</td>
<td>(1417 N. Mack Smith Rd., #248, Chatt., TN 37412)</td>
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Jim Hartley
(SCUMC’s insurance agent)

Sue Smith
(friend of Pat Douglas)

Roger Hindsdale
(Margo’s husband)

Cindy Wheat
(Josh Wheat’s mother)

Doyle & Doug Horton
(friends of Bill Ruffner)

Mary Frances Goodson
(friend of Bennie & Susan Arp)

Wayne Gunter
(friend of Ken & Barbara Rose)

James & Alda Roberts
(Connie Roberts’ friends)

Barbara Reed
(friend of Jerry & Rayna Henley)

Ryan Ingram
(friend of Daryl Watson)

Michael Fazio
(Richard Cole’s cousin)

Kathy Morse
(daughter of Walt & Linda Morse)

Nick Daughtrey
(Bill Ruffner’s friend)

John Sharpe
(Bill Ruffner’s friend)

Demi Shaver
(friend of Pat Douglas)

Clara Gossett
(friend of John Conroy)

Smokey & Sherri Wyrick
(friends of Connie Roberts)

Randy Gass
(friend of Cindy Hill)

Kenneth Larson
(Bob Larson’s brother)

Grace Lamprecht
(Bill Ruffner’s niece)

Alicia McNelley
(friend of the Bowmans & Henleys)

Linda Swanson
(Laureta Cash’s sister)

Mary Heimel
(Tom Heimel’s mother)

Lillian Shaffer
(Kathy Heimel’s mother)

Dominic Ciero
(grandson of Cindy Hill and nephew of Jerrie Patton)

Kennedy and Lincoln Ladd
(friends of Peggy Bowman)

The Family of Don Uhler
(Dan Uhler’s twin brother)

The Family of Lynne Agee
(wife of Tim Agee)

The Family of L. C. Varner
(father of Alan Varner)

Due to the lack of space, names listed over two-three months must be removed in order to add new requests for prayer. Thank you.
## November 2019

### Calendar of Events

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**Daylight Saving Time Ends**

11/3 First Sunday First Dollar

9:00 Worship Service

5:00 Cantata Pract. Sanctuary

6:00 Bible Study

8-9 p.m. AA-FH

11/10 First Sunday First Dollar

9:00 The Spring Worship Service

5:00 Cantata Pract.

6:00 Bible Study

8-9 p.m. AA-FH

11/17 First Sunday First Dollar

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8-9 p.m. AA-FH

11/24 First Sunday First Dollar

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8-9 p.m. AA-FH

### Happy Thanksgiving!

**Bible Study**

11/1 10:00 TLC

6:00 UMW

11/8 10:00 TLC

6:00 Bible Study

KidSpring

Charge Conference

Vine Grove UMC

Evensville

Choir Rehearsal

11/15 8:30 TLC

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

3:00-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

11/22 8:30 MDO

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

4:30-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

11/29 8:30 MDO

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

4:30-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

12/6 8:30 MDO

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

4:30-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

12/13 8:30 TLC

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

3:00-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

12/20 8:30 TLC

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

3:00-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

12/27 8:30 TLC

10:00 Bible Study

4:30 KidSpring

3:00-6:30 Youth, FLC

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

1/3 8:30 TLC

10:00 Bible Study

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1/10 8:30 TLC

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### Appendix

- **Bible Study**
- **UMW**
- **MDO**
- **TLC**
- **FLC**
- **Joy Ministry Trip**
- **Conference, District, and Church Offices Closed**
### Monthly Report

**Giving & Money Disbursed**

**SEPTEMBER 2019**

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<th>INCOME</th>
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<td><strong>TOTAL INCOME/GROSS PROFIT</strong></td>
<td>31,704.41</td>
<td>295,906.01</td>
<td>436,510.00</td>
<td>67.8%</td>
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**EXPENSES**

| Salaries & Benefits | 16,353.84 | 162,427.98 | 252,692.00 | 64.3% |
| Property Maintenance | 18,816.03 | 57,051.40 | 68,500.00 | 83.3% |
| Office Administration | 567.86 | 4,943.16 | 10,400.00 | 47.5% |
| Nurture and Music | -2,088.86 | 3,581.92 | 7,700.00 | 46.5% |
| Witness | 50.00 | 516.00 | 1,700.00 | 30.4% |
| Outreach - Missions | 105.00 | 705.00 | 1,900.00 | 37.1% |
| Conference/District | 2,744.44 | 31,195.21 | 46,598.00 | 66.9% |
| Church Support | 452.74 | 5,362.24 | 8,110.00 | 66.1% |
| Children’s Ministries | 2,210.56 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 51.9% |
| Adult Ministries | 255.06 | 393.09 | 1,600.00 | 24.6% |
| Youth Ministries | 3,112.84 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 51.9% |
| MDO Expenses | 2,989.02 | 21,355.51 | 25,310.00 | 84.4% |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES** | 40,245.13 | 292,854.91 | 436,510.00 | 67.1% |

**NET INCOME**

-8,540.72 3,051.10

**FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS**

| General Budget | 5,065.00 | 3,384.00 | 9,334.00 | 5,890.00 | 4,168.75 |
| MDO | 3,240.00 | | | | 420.00 |
| Memorial | 500.00 | 3,151.00 | 777.00 | 207.02 | 745.00 |
| **TOTAL** | 5,565.00 | 6,535.00 | 13,351.00 | 6,097.02 | 5,333.75 |
| SS ATTENDANCE | 53 | 56 | 47 | 34 | 38 |
| Worship Attendance | 116 | 209 | 101 | 85 | 101 |

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To Everyone at Spring City United Methodist Church:

We, at Our Daily Bread, extend heartfelt thanks to all who gave jars of peanut butter on Peanut Butter Sunday. We will be able to provide peanut butter to many families. Your support is so very much appreciated. May God Bless You!

The Volunteers at Our Daily Bread
Featured below is a photo of the first community meal following the summer break. Spaghetti, salad, and dessert was served. A big thank you to Community Team members - Dan & Rita Uhler, Linda & Walt Morse, Joe Lisa, Patty Crowder, and Rayna Henley for your hard work in making this delicious meal so enjoyable.

Join the United Methodist Women’s Book Club
Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. November 19th in the church library
for Global Girlfriends

“Global Girlfriends is a wonderful example of the incredible change that one person can make with small but persistently bold steps. Every one of us has the capacity to create something special...it just takes creativity and the willingness to face your fears—both of failure and success. If you’re looking for inspiration, this book is definitely for you.”

-Blake Mycoskie, founder and chief shoe giver, TOMS Shoes

On Tuesday, October 1, the MDO children and teachers heard about fire safety from Rhea County’s Fire Chief, and each child was given a red, fire helmet. This is an annual event for the MDO. The teachers are grateful, too, to the firemen for making the kids happy by allowing them to climb onboard the fire truck.

Thursday, November 14, 2019
Depart at 9 a.m. on Church Bus
Bring money for lunch.
Signup on the bulletin board at the side entrance.

CONGRATULATIONS to Leon & Nancy Hicks and Eddie & Kathleen Garrison who were recently honored for their volunteer hours of service as TVA Retirees. Leon & Nancy have 9,000 hours of service and Eddie & Kathleen have 6,000 hours of service. Way to go!

2019 Christmas Cantata
"Night of the Father’s Love"
presented by Spring City UMC’s Chancel Choir
Sunday, December 15, 2019
11 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

Please fill out this form and submit it to the church office no later than Friday, December 6th, if you wish to purchase & place a poinsettia in the Sanctuary for the Advent Season (beginning Dec. 1).

In Memory of ____________________________________________
In Honor of______________________________________________
Given by________________________________________________

Community Meals Resume

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RECORD BREAKING
Peanut Butter Sunday

Thank you, everyone, for giving so generously to Peanut Butter Sunday, September 22, 2019. A record-breaking total of 806 jars was contributed to Our Daily Bread and will undoubtedly help to nutritionally feed a lot of folks in need in our community.

Thank you, too, to the couple who donated several jars of grape jelly in addition to their peanut butter. As most of us know - there is nothing any better than a peanut butter & jelly sandwich!

ON THE GO
A NEW SERIES
Travel with us on new adventures.
Visit exciting places God has made.
With each place, we will discover more about who God is.

WE WILL BECOME WORLD TRAVELERS!
“Those who know your name trust in you,
For you, O Lord,
Do not abandon those who search for you.”
Psalm 9: 10

KIDSPRING will not meet Nov. 27th.
JOIN US
WEDNESDAY’S @ 4:30
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
(CHILDREN AGES 3 YRS.—5TH GRADE)

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls
As you can see from the photos above, there were several beautifully-made prayer shawls that were blessed at the 11 o’clock morning worship service on Sunday, September 29, 2019. Pastor Dale and some members of the Theresa Lisa Crafters (TLC) stand near the shawls. Pastor Dale offered a prayer of blessing for each shawl that will be given to someone with a special need such as illness, loss of a loved one or friend, birth of a baby, weddings, etc.

TLC members featured above with Pastor Dale are Joe Lisa, Cindy Hill, Beth Root, Rita Uhler, Susan Maddux, Carolyn Reid, and Tom Fricke. TLC meets at 10 o’clock on Monday mornings in the Library at church. May God bless this wonderful ministry!

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The 6-week Bible Study for Women, which began at six o'clock on Wednesday evening, August 21st with the facilitator, Susan Maddox, ended on Wednesday, September 25th. The topic of the study was "REDEEMED: Seeing the Messiah in the Book of Ruth." Since the library was too small for so many participants, the group relocated to a larger room at the Family Life Center. Not pictured was Dorothy Hastings who was absent due to illness.

Those who participated in the Joy Tours Rock Garden, GA Rock Garden, Fri., Sept. 20th, included Patty Crowder, Linda Morse, Peggy Bowman, Gayle Epperly, Tommy Hale, David Gilliam, Nettie Herhold, Pastor Dale, Tommy Hastings, Walt Morse, and Norman Bowman. In recognition of the 150 years of the United Methodist Women’s (UMW) Organization, several ladies dressed in vintage attire for the monthly UMW meeting, Tuesday, October 1st at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This gathering was so much fun! Thank you, Pastor Dale, for taking these photos!

Wednesday, September 25th, the Joy Ministry Team’s trip to the Calhoun, GA Rock Garden, Fri., Sept. 20th, included Patty Crowder, Linda Morse, Peggy Bowman, Gayle Epperly, Tommy Hale, David Gilliam, Nettie Herhold, Pastor Dale, Tommy Hastings, Walt Morse, and Norman Bowman. A special thank you to Tommy Hale for driving the church bus. Lunch was at Applebee’s before returning home. Lunch was at Applebee’s before returning home.

If you are 60 and up, be sure and be a part of the next Joy Ministry trip in November. See announcements in the Sunday bulletins for more information.

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