

# THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the

**SPRING CITY**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**February 2014**

## Dale's Doodles

### The Safest Place

#### Matthew 14:22-33

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Can you imagine being on this tiny boat on the raging Sea of Galilee? Storms like this occur often and happen quickly.

Four of the Disciples were excellent crewmen. They had sailed many, many times and knew what the possibilities were on this Sea. This particular storm must have been bad.

While they were struggling with the tacking, someone notices first what is believed to be a ghost, but then recognizes it is Jesus walking on the Sea.

Peter said to Jesus, "If it is you, then ask me to come out there." What a step of faith it took to act, but also what step of faith!! One foot over, two feet over, and I would bet everybody else was screaming at Peter not to go; it was just too risky, dangerous and life threatening. That did not stop Peter. He walks toward Jesus and begins to sink and cries out, "Lord, save me." Immediately, Jesus reaches out and pulls him up.

The safest place is with Jesus. Even when we are willing to get out of the boat in the midst of a storm...Jesus will save us. And when one gets back in the boat...Jesus is there.

This is true about life, ministry and mission work. When one takes a risk or a leap of faith, Jesus walks with us every step of the way.

Anybody want to get out of the boat?

Getting out in the storm is risky, but with Jesus; it is the safest place.

Shalom,

*Rev. Dale S. Wysocki*

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Dave Eicher  
Duane Ezell  
Jesse & Nina Gibbs  
Don Herhold

Carl Hesselbach  
Ray Keylon  
Joyce Lavender  
Fred Mullins

Aud & Stella Ray  
Margaret Scholz  
Frank Snyder  
Bill Thurman

Bonnie Bowman (Spring City Care and Rehab, #407)  
Doris Cameron (Spring City Care and Rehab, #303)  
Gerri Cash (Spring City Care and Rehab, #302A)  
Mary Curtis (Spring City Care and Rehab, #411)  
Virginia Hale (195 Deer Ridge Dr., A6, Dayton, TN 37321)  
Ruth Huskins (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., S.C.)  
Irene Henley (Spring City Care and Rehab, #207)  
Edna McCuiston (Life Care Center of Rhea County, #301)  
June Pitman (Greenfield Senior Living, 360 Laboratory Rd., Oak Ridge, TN 37830)  
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #306)  
Elsie Robbins (Life Care Center of Rhea County, #209A)  
Olaf Tammack (Spring City Care and Rehab, #202)

Sue Jackson (Robin Bolton's sister)  
Hannah Vaughn (Chuck and Nancy McIlwain's granddaughter)  
Ben Gould (Norman Bowman's brother-in-law)  
Conie Jenkins & Bubba Hudson (friends of Ken & Ann Hasting and Bennie & Susan Arp)  
Mike Henry (Josh Wheat's uncle)  
James Wheat (Josh Wheat's father)  
Michele Jeanne Lawrence (Richard & Jeanne DeCroce's daughter)  
Hazel Webb (Barbara Rose's sister-in-law)  
Boyd Daniels (Earl Robbins' friend)  
Sandy Wood & Virginia Dockery (Ginny Hatcher's niece & sister)  
Teresia Mudia (Donna Hudson's sister)  
Atticus Taber (Donna Hudson's nephew)  
Whitney Miller (Beth Keylon's niece)  
Keith Thomas (Cheryl Southers' son)  
Christina Mockbee (Betty Barnes daughter)  
Michelle Nasca (Bob & Sheila Larson's daughter)  
Mitchell Eustice (Cheryl Southers' friend)  
David Douglas (son of Max & Pat Douglas)  
Niranchandra Roy (Doris Roy's husband)  
Jaime Neller (John & Sam Hanson's granddaughter)  
Carolyn Achata (Linda Mullins' friend)  
Haleigh Hall (Ed & Linda Gibbs' granddaughter)  
Jae Williams (Sheila Larson's daughter)  
Don Janow (friend of Gary & Tia Gilmore)

Tommy Davis (Liz Stair's grandson)  
Montana Running Horse (DeCroce's friend)  
Vivian McClendon (Jeannette Long's friend)  
Carolyn Hesselbach (Carl & Kay's daughter)  
Catrina Christi (Manuel Christi's daughter)  
Christina Jordan (Manuel Christi's daughter)

The Family of Bill Crowder (husband of Patty Crowder)

The Family of Alma Ann Holloway (close friend of SCUMC)

The Family of Gail Cranfield (Beth Keylon's friend)

The Family of Virginia True (mother of Diane Riggs, Jerrie Patton, Andrea True and Cindy Hill)

The Family of Delbert Gibbs (brother of Jesse Gibbs)

The Family of Tammy Wood (close friend of the Winterbergers)

Please call the church office at 365.6324 the first of every month with an update for a name to remain on the prayer list.

# Wedding Anniversaries

2	Bruce & Marla Hinzman	14	Ken & Ann Hasting
4	Richard & Jeanne DeCroce		David & Pam Watt
8	Olaf & Maggie Tammark	17	Brian & Erica Hitchcox
9	John & Mary Conroy	19	John & JoAnn Moorshead
10	Eddie & Kathleen Garrison	23	Jim & Wanda McCarter

## Birthdays

1	Brenda Dodson	14	Kirstin Neal	25	Ethan Kincannon
	Barbara Rose	15	Savannah Reed		Justin Rice
4	Katie Miko	16	Richard Southers	26	Neil Garrison
	Sherry Milligan	17	Korie Carr		Irene Henley
5	Aud Ray	20	Linda Phillips		Jessie Miller
6	Harry Landreth	22	Mike Phillips	28	Frank Snyder
8	Heather Kincannon		Margaret Scholz		Rick Wilson
9	Ken Rose	23	Hazel Hamilton		
10	Ken Hasting		Kailyn Hess		
11	Allison Neal	24	Catrina Christi		
	Beth Trinder	25	Terry Hooper		
12	Eldeena Perry		Debbie Johnson		



## FAITHFUL WORKERS

<b>2/2 Ushers</b> Jerry Smith Clyde Thurman, Jr. Pete Williams Walt Morse	<b>2/9 Ushers</b> Arthur Osborne Chadley Bowman Shirley Corbin Eddie Garrison	<b>2/16 Ushers</b> Marty Gilliam Jerry Henley Marla Hinzman Earl Keahey	<b>2/23 Ushers</b> Steve Keylon Bob Larson Mike Phillips Earl Robbins
<b>Hosts</b> Tammy Boles Sheila Larson	<b>Hosts</b> Glenda Keylon Steve Keylon	<b>Hosts</b> Linda Mullins Pete & Shelby Williams	<b>Hosts</b> Carol Price Lynda Smith
<b>Nursery</b> Peggy Bowman Andrea Cash	<b>Nursery</b> Beth Keylon & Hailey	<b>Nursery</b> Gil & Judy Litteken	<b>Nursery</b> Terry Hooper Theresa Lisa
<b>Acolyte</b> Aaron Hunt	<b>Acolyte</b> Oceaneanna Hunt	<b>Acolyte</b> Hannah Couch	<b>Acolyte</b> Natalie Baker
<b>Children's Church</b> Susan Maddux	<b>Children's Church</b> Robin Bolton	<b>Children's Church</b> Beth Keylon	<b>Children's Church</b> Angie Rose
<b>Youth 2/2</b> Beth Keylon	<b>Youth 2/9</b> Angie Couch	<b>Youth 2/16</b> Beth Keylon	<b>Youth 2/23</b> Penny Rice
<b>2/5</b> Dorothy Hastings	<b>2/12</b> Beth Keylon	<b>2/19</b> Tom & Kathy Heime	<b>2/26</b> Bob Larson

# FEBRUARY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>3</b> 10:00 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	<b>4</b> 8:30 MDO 10:00 Beth Moore Study for Women 6:30 UMW	<b>5</b> 10:00 Disciple 3 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir Practice	<b>6</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group 6:30 Disciple 1	<b>7</b> 9:00 Sewing4Souls	<b>8</b> 3-7:00 Benefit for the Family of Alma Ann Holloway, FLC
<b>9</b> 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>10</b> 6:30 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	<b>11</b> 8:30 MDO 10:00 District Ministers' Meeting Apison UMC Beth Moore Study for Women 7:00 Trustees	<b>12</b> 10:00 Disciple 3 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir Practice	<b>13</b> <i>LDL Deadline</i> 8:30 MDO 6:30 Disciple 1	<b>14</b> Valentine's Day 9:00 Sewing4Souls	<b>15</b> 7:30-1:00 Heroes and Angels Breakfast, FLC
<b>Pastor Dale leaves for Holy Land Trip , Thur., Feb. 13</b>						
<b>16</b> 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Youth 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>17</b> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 10:00 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	<b>18</b> 8:30 MDO 10:00 Beth Moore Study for Women 12:00 LDL	<b>19</b> 10:00 Disciple 3 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir Practice	<b>20</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group 5:00 Community Meal 6:30 Disciple 1	<b>21</b> 9:00 Sewing4Souls Setup for Scouts Banquet, FLC	<b>22</b> 3-9:00 Scouts Blue & Gold Banquet, FLC
<b>Pastor Dale's 2014 Holy Land Trip February 13 - February 23, 2014</b>						
<b>23</b> 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Youth 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>24</b> 6:30 Prayer Shawl Team 7:00 Scouts	<b>25</b> 8:30 MDO 10:00 Beth Moore Study for Women	<b>26</b> 10:00 Disciple 3 6:00 Youth 7:00 Choir Practice	<b>27</b> 6:30 Disciple 1	<b>28</b> 9:00 Sewing4Souls	
<b>Pastor Dale Returns</b>						

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:45 a.m. - Children's Choir	11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School	6:00 p.m. - Bible Study
10:45 a.m. - Coffee & Donuts	6:00 p.m. - Youth

**NOTE:** 1 Corinthians 13:8 KJV "Charity never faileth." Jesus never fails us. Let us open up our hearts and let the "SON" shine in.

Happy Valentine's Day to all. You are loved.

*Jeannette*

## Memorials & Honorariums

Gary & Mary Drinkard gave to the *Sanctuary Music Fund* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

Felix & Emmaly Fisher gave to *Holston Home for Children* in memory of Fred & Rowena Fisher and Tom & Anna Belle Fugate.

Bill & Patty Crowder gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of Delbert Gibbs.

Barbara Hardy gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Buck & Steven Hardy.

Bill & Betty Whitaker gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

The Kiwanis Club of Ft. Myers, FL gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

Gary & Tia Gilmore gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Ernestine Simpson.

Gil & Judy Litteken gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

The Loyalty Sunday School Class gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Tim Guthrie and to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Ernestine Simpson.

Harlie & Ann Reed gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Ernestine Simpson.

Don & Helen Ham and Donna Day gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

Roy & Bridgett Phillips gave to *Coats for Kids* in memory of Mary Phillips.

Kathy Gilmore gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Alcibee Tharp.

Eleanor Trail gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Ernestine Simpson.

David Burns gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Tim Guthrie.

Those who gave to the *General Budget* in memory of Virginia True: Jerry & Rayna Henley, Charlie & Rita Ellison, Bill & Julie Lyons, Theresa Slater, Sherman & Linda Barnett, Chris & Shelley Pruett, Pat, Tom and Art Hassam, Charles & Peggy Wilson, Arthur & Linda Osborne, Brenda Hodge, Edwina & Howard Taylor, Joe & Theresa Lisa, Joel & Kimmy Randolph, and Ed & Doris Anne Green.

Those who gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of Virginia True are Jesse & Nina Gibbs, Gil & Judy Litteken, Jerry & Lynda Smith and Fred & Linda Mullins.

Lorene Fourman gave to the *Mexico Medical Mission Fund* in memory of Virginia True.

Ed & Linda Gibbs gave to the *Sanctuary Music Fund* in honor of Judy Ezell.

Max & Pat Douglas gave to *Holston Home for Children* in memory of Virginia True.

## MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

### DECEMBER 2013

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	39,742.50	320,713.37	345,167.00	92.9%
Mother's Day Out	1,905.00	28,982.00	32,980.00	87.9%
Other Income	357.47	1,077.93	1,300.00	82.9%
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>42,004.97</b>	<b>350,773.30</b>	<b>379,447.00</b>	<b>92.4%</b>
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	18,086.52	215,960.83	225,941.00	95.6%
Property Maintenance	3,978.37	37,445.13	41,400.00	90.4%
Office Administration	1,056.77	15,334.49	15,100.00	101.6%
Nurture & Music	159.70	4,294.31	4,100.00	104.7%
Witness	814.10	4,193.78	6,600.00	63.5%
Outreach - Missions	4,149.00	39,555.96	40,856.00	96.8%
Church Support	156.20	5,904.31	5,770.00	102.3%
Children's Ministry		2,655.67	3,300.00	80.5%
Adult Ministries	-20.00	1,306.95	1,300.00	100.5%
Youth Ministry	53.18	1,033.85	1,450.00	71.3%
MDO Expenses	2,248.55	33,276.63	33,380.00	99.7%
Young Adults (18-35)			250.00	0.0%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>30,682.39</b>	<b>360,961.91</b>	<b>379,447.00</b>	<b>95.1%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>11,322.58</b>	<b>-10,188.61</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	11/3	11/10	11/17	11/24	12/1
General Budget	8,264.65	7,049.00	4,809.00	5,324.00	10,140.00
MDO	90.00	2,100.00	195.00		105.00
Memorial			20.00		
Special	1,237.00	200.00	2,682.67	2,492.00	904.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,591.65</b>	<b>9,349.00</b>	<b>7,706.67</b>	<b>7,816.00</b>	<b>11,149.00</b>
<b>SS ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>166</b>

## NEW "FRIDGE" INSTALLATION



**Thank you, Jerry and Rayna Henley**, for your generous donation for the purchase of a new refrigerator in the Family Life Center (FLC) kitchen. We are very grateful that you made it possible for us to be able to replace the old one that was beyond repair.

**Thank you** to all the **Volunteers** who helped to unload and move the new refrigerator into the FLC kitchen. We appreciate you so much!

**We thank Ace Hardware** for use of their forklift, which made the task easier and safer.



# Let's Do Lunch (LDL) - January 21, 2014

Ladies, 60 and up, met at noon, Tuesday, January 21, in the FLC, for their monthly LDL meeting. **Lynda Smith** led the group in a very inspiring devotional and prayer. **Caren Ruffner's** centerpieces on each table were red feather trees and napkins decorated with red cardinals. **Cookie Smith** prepared delicious "sampler" plates, which consisted of meat loaf, wieners & kraut, chicken and dumplings, whipped potatoes, green beans, cooked apples, and a choice of desserts. Guest speaker, **Stuart Wood**, spoke on Financial Planning. The next LDL will be Tuesday, February 18, at noon, in the FLC - Gym.



# SINGING FOR JESUS



The **Children's Choir**, in their pretty blue robes, were a delight to hear on Sunday, January 12, when they sang, *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*, at the 11 o'clock worship service. **Sandy Gilliam**, Guitarist, and **Connie Roberts**, Bass, accompanied the choir. Practice for the Children's Choir is Wednesdays, at 5:00 p.m., in the sanctuary. Contact **Children's Choir Director, Kaitlyn Couch**, at 365-9291, for more information.



*Love is patient,  
love is kind...  
But the greatest  
of these is love.  
-1 Corinthians 13*

You are  
cordially  
invited  
to a

## BRIDAL TEA

honoring  
**Jay Maddux and Meaghan Jones**

Sunday, March 2, 2014

1:30-3:00

Spring City United Methodist Church  
Family Life Center

Registered: Home Depot, Kohl's &  
Target

# BAPTISM REAFFIRMED FOR MADDIE

**Pastor Dale** is shown below with **Maddie Miller** and her mother, **Dr. Beth**, on Sunday, January 19, 2014, when Maddie reaffirmed her baptism at the 11 o'clock worship service. Pastor Dale baptized Maddie with water from the Jordan River he brought back home from his 2013 trip to the Holy Land.





# A Very Special 2013 Christmas Celebrated at Spring City UMC



**Linda & Arthur Osborne** read the First Reading on the First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2013, and lit the first Advent Candle.

**Mike & Linda Phillips** lit two candles and read the Second Reading on the Second Sunday in Advent, December 8<sup>th</sup>.



**Joel & Betty Barnes** read the Third Reading on the Third Sunday of Advent, December 15<sup>th</sup>, and lit three candles.

**Don & Naomi Hinely** read the Fourth Reading on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, and lit four candles.

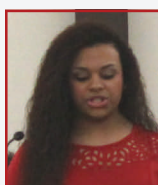
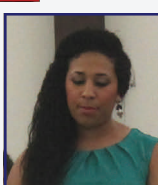
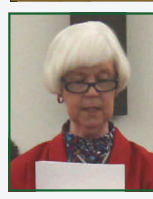


**Don, Nancy & Dakota Herhold** lit the Christ candle and read the Fifth Reading at the Christmas Eve Service, on Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.



The 2013 Christmas Cantata, "The Heart of Christmas" by Pepper Choplin, presented by the Chancel Choir, under the direction of **Judy Ezell**, Sunday, December 15, was remarkably **exceptional**. Narrators far left are **Silas Booker, Pat Douglas** and **Loyal Cornelius**. Next is **Pastor Dale** as he welcomes the crowd of **400**. Organist, **Lynn Hinkle**, was a joy to hear as she superbly played the new organ at the first cantata since its purchase.

Scenes from the Christmas Eve Service on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 5 p.m., are featured below. A duet, "Cradle of Peace," was sung by Judy Ezell and Angela Garrison, with Kay Ray, Flautist. Caren Ruffner's solo was "O Holy Night." Nine lessons were read by Sam Hanson, Shirley Corbin, James Weaver, Silas & Linda Booker, Jazmine & Tyra McClendon, Richard Stair, Pat Douglas, and Jim & Wanda McCarter. Pastor Dale, Richard Stair, Molly Graham, and John Hanson served communion by intinction to all who wished to observe the holy sacrament. Attendance was recorded at **350**. Thank you to everyone who had a part in making our 2013 Christmas Services so memorable.





# EPIPHANY SUNDAY

## January 5, 2014



Epiphany Sunday, January 5, 2014, was celebrated with the observance of Holy Communion as can be seen in photos above with Pastor Dale breaking the bread, Molly Graham pouring the grape juice, and congregants going forward to partake of communion by intinction. Ushers, Arthur Osborne and Earl Robbins, are featured as they collect the offering. John Hanson is seen with several children as he led them in the Children's Sermon. Judy Ezell led the Chancel Choir as they sang, *Star of Heaven*.

Epiphany Sunday was a very special day in the life of our church and what made it even more special was receiving our first new member of 2014, Josh Wheat.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Pastor Dale welcomed our first new member of the New Year, **Josh Wheat**, at the 11 o'clock worship service on Sunday, January 5, 2014. Josh joined on Profession of Faith, and we are blessed to have him as a member of our church family. Welcome Josh!



Several church members gathered near Josh as Pastor Dale led them in a prayer of celebration, praise and thanksgiving to the Lord for our new member.



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