THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the **SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** December 2016

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Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all

The season of Thanksgiving is a blessed time of the year. Not because we have one large meal, but because we are reminded of God's blessings, and we are thankful. As many of you know, October was pastor appreciation month. I was really blessed by the many ways you showed appreciation for me and to me. I received many cards, personal notes but mostly such an outpouring of love.

Moving back here was/is one of the greatest blessings I have ever received in ministry. Just as Paul says to the church at Ephesus, "I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason, I do not cease to give thanks."

I give thanks for this opportunity to serve in ministry here.

Thank You!

Shalom,

Per. Dale of Wyrich



MAY GOD BLESS YOU!

We are grateful to everyone who contributed peanut butter for Peanut Butter Sunday, November 20th. We far exceeded our goal of 250 jars. Thanks to you, our total number of jars of peanut butter we donated to Our Daily Bread was 310. Thank you! Thank you!



COATS FOR KIDS If you would like to help keep a child warm this winter, your monetary donation will be greatly appreciated (make check payable to SCUMC with "Coats for Kids" on the memo line). The number of coats needed for the schools is 22. Dr. Beth Casady will deliver the coats to Spring City Elementary and Middle Schools.

KIWANIS CHRISTMAS BASKETS With your donations and support of the Kiwanis Club, we are able to improve the lives of families in our community, and we can help make Christmas better for our Rhea County families by providing Christmas food baskets. With financial help of citizens like you and the many fundraisers that we have during the year, we can help those in need at Christmastime.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sandra Bartizal Joan Carty Jesse & Nina Gibbs

Pearl Gilliam Gary Gilmore Marla Hinzman

Becky Knox Matt Miko **Linda Mullins**

Barbara Fischesser (Spring City Care and Rehab, #404, Hinch St.) Mary Galloway (195 Deer Ridge Dr., Room #A5, Dayton, 37321) Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.) Margaret Scholz (Spring City Care and Rehab, #511, 331 Hinch St.) Eleanor Trail (Spring City Care and Rehab, #406, Hinch St.)

Ravanne & Skip Crane (son & daughter-in-law of Margaret Crane) Wilma Jean Iles (our neighbor) Charles Smith (friend of Richard DeCroce)

Olga Conroy (daughter-in-law of John Conroy)

Barbara Swafford (aunt of Scott Messimer)

Kelly Vaughn (friend of Laura Messimer)

Tom Swafford (uncle of Scott Messimer)

Jim McPherson (cousin of Peg Caudill)

Adam Brown (nephew of Connie Roberts)

Michael Logan (friend of Jerry & Rayna Henley) Richard De Ark (cousin of Donna

Hudson)

Vicky Nixon (friend of Felix Fisher) Trina Koon (Donna Hudson's niece) Hollie Steele (daughter of Wanda & Jim McCarter)

Julie York (friend of Emmaly Fisher) **Dovle Montgomery** (friend of Emmaly Fisher)

Nancy Allen (friend of Caren Ruffner) Rick Martel (friend of Chuck McIlwain) George Marcum (friend of Bill & Caren Ruffner)

R. E. Nail (friend of Kevin Garrison) Jim Badger (friend of Dan & Rita Uhler)

Jordan Nelson (granddaughter of Leon and Nancy Hicks)

Emmett Holdren (friend of Joe Lisa) John Johnson (friend of Chuck McIlwain)

Sue Patton (Billy Ray Patton's mother) David Lenear (brother of Carolyn Haerr)

Vern White (brother-in-law of Bill & Caren Ruffner)

Dallas Watson (Daryl Watson's husband)

Grace Ruffner (niece of Bill & Caren

Vikki Porter (cousin of Angela Garrison)

Joan Powell (Kathleen Garrison's friend)

Beth Hower (friend of Rita Uhler) John Toliver (Judy Ezell's friend) Nancy Goodwin (Kathleen Garrison's friend)

Wilma Jean Waldo (friend of Tammy Boles, Lesia Garrison & Angie Rose) Whitney Miller (Beth Keylon's niece)

The Family of Alvamae Greathouse (wife of Jerry Greathouse)



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

Happy Birthday!

Juditii Darger
Jim Baldwin
Cynthia Dykemar
Autumn Neal
Hannah Couch
Karen Tallent
Aaron Heimel
Walter Hooper IV
Lori Dillard
David Beckler

Erin Couch

11 Sharon Dines

Chris Hastings

Indith Barger

- 12 Sam Hanson 13 **Austin Murphy Brody Murphy** Dakota Rose Atlanta Ervin Pat Garner Caren Ruffner V 20 Ginny Hatcher **Anna Messimer** Carol Price 21 Andrea Cash Cynthia Ross Jim McCarter
- **Daniel Wyrick Taylor Thurman Betty Talley**
 - **Barbara Hardy** Cherie Henderson **Taylor Johnson Penny Rice** Dan Uhler Chris Dodson **Cory Pruett**



by Anniversary



- Don & Nancy Carr
- Nash & Constance Garrison
- Chris & Carolyn Haerr
- Jerry & Shari Norris
- John & Judy Johnson
- David & Carol Beckler Gary & Mary Drinkard
- 31 Tom & Mary Fricke



FAITHFUL WORKERS



12/11 **Ushers** Shirley Corbin Earl Keahey Billy Ray Patton Ken Rose

12/18 **Ushers** Marty Gilliam **Bob Larson** Jerry Smith Clyde Thurman, Jr.

12/25 **Ushers** Natalie Baker Chadley Bowman Steve Keylon

Hosts Hosts Sharon Cowart Mary Drinkard Lynda Smith Susie Strunk

Hosts **Carol Price** Sheila Larson

Hosts Steve Keylon Glenda Keylon

Bob Larson

Nurserv Nursery Debbie Wilson Terry Hooper Hannah Couch Loretta Hale

Nursery Constance Garrison Katie Rose

Acolyte

Madison Hinely

Nursery Peggy Bowman Angie Rose

Acolyte

Rachel Heimel

Acolyte Kennedi Pruett

Children's

Church

Shelly Pruett

Acolyte Rachel Heimel

Children's

Church

Susan Maddux

Children's Church Cantata

Children's Church Wendy Thurman





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 8:30 MDO	2 Church Office Closed	3
9:45 Sunday of Advent 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 4:00 Church Council 5:00 Cantata Practice 4:30-6:30 Youth 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	5 10:00 TLC 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	8:30 MDO 11:00 Women's Club Fellowship Hall 6:00 UMW 6:30 Scout Committee	7 10:00 Disciple 4 4:30-8:30 Youth 6:00 Children's Class 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	8 8:30 MDO 7:00 Trustees Meeting	9 Church Office Closed Family Life Center Closed for Kiwanis	9-1:00 Distribution of Kiwanis Christmas Baskets, FLC
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18 4th Sunday of Advent 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Cantata 3:00 Cantata 6:30 Christmas Reception for Youth, Parents, & Volunteers, FLC 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	19 Newsletter Deadline 10:00 TLC 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boy Scouts	20 12:00 Let's Do Lunch	4:30-12:00 Youth Christmas Party 6:00 Children's Class 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	22	23 Conference, District, & Church Offices Closed	5:00 Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service
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Silas & Linda Booker gave to the Holston Home for Children in memory of Rosalind Booker.

Liz & Richard Stair gave to the Holston Home for Children in memory of Tuffy Thurman

Patty Crowder gave to Let's Do Lunch Fund in memory of Alvamae Greathouse.

Max & Pat Douglas gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Carl Hesselbach.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Alvamae Greathouse.





Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the Fifth Sunday Sing, October 30th. There were more performers than ever. God has blessed them and us with their talents.





TOYS FOR CHILDREN

Anyone who wishes to give a monetary donation for toys for children please go to First Bank. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, VEC, and Cash Express.

The Angel Tree will be up at First Bank after
Thanksgiving. Anyone who would like to contribute a gift of money,
should take it to First Bank. If you have any questions, please contact
Helen Kincannon at

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED OCTOBER 2016

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	29,699.60	267,903.45	354,000.00	75.7%
Mother's Day Out	1,605.00	23,623.00	24,700.00	95.6%
Other Income	93.15	1,112.76	1,100.00	101.2%
TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT	31,397.75	292,639.21	379,800.00	77.1%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	18,076.18	180,052.43	220,280.00	81.7%
Property Maintenance	6,291.05	45,098.17	57,900.00	77.9%
Nurture and Music	0.00	2,593.47	4,100.00	63.3
Office Administration	1,032.22	7,699.17	10,400.00	74.0%
Witness	810.96	1,338.26	1,650.00	81.1%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	1,028.22	1,500.00	68.5%
Conference/District	4,419.03	33,160.63	41,769.00	79.4%
Church Support	432.90	3,847.68	9,521.00	40.4%
Children's Ministries	501.27	2,497.98	4,380.00	57.0%
Adult Ministries	230.43	542.78	1,600.0	33.9%
Youth Ministries	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	100.0%
MDO Expenses	2,013.26	24,325.17	24,700.00	98.5%
TOTAL EXPENSES	33,882.30	304,183.96	379,800.00	80.1%
NET INCOME	-2,484.55	-11,544.75	0.00	100.0%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	10/30	11/6	11/13	11/20
General Budget	7,006.00	10,906.00	4,062.00	4,370.00
MDO	15.00	1,566.30	315.00	105.00
Memorial		20.00		
Special	1,143.00	1,497.80	1,026.00	1,056.00
TOTAL	8,164.00	13,940.10	5,403.00	5,531.00
SS ATTENDANCE	48	61	68	56
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	162	186	175	153



LET'S DO LUNCH WELCOMES MDO!

The Mother's Day Out (MDO) children sang several songs and entertained the ladies at Let's Do Lunch (LDL) at their November meeting on Tues., Nov. 15th.



Cookie Smith wowed the group with the delicious meal she prepared for their lunch. The December meeting for LDL for ladies 60 and up is Tuesday, December 20th. Make plans now to attend.



JOY MINISTRY TEAM VISITS CADES COVE on

Mon., Nov. 14, and was enjoyed by all. The scenery was breathtaking, the food was excellent, and the fellowship was cheerful.



On Sunday, November 13 the Youth Group hosted a Hunger Banquet to raise awareness of Global Chronic Hunger and to raise money to be able to help make a difference. Erin Couch gave directions to each participant before they left the sanctuary following the morning service. Each person drew a ticket that placed them in the High, Middle or Low Class categories. Natalie and JT were the waitress and waiter for the High Class who were served in grand style. The Middle class was served in buffet fashion while the Low class had to serve themselves. Hannah Couch, Dakota Price, Madison Miller, Aaron Heimel, Dakota Herhold, Ali Smith and Josh Heimel were the speakers for the Banquet. Darcy Holloway was the microphone host and the other youth were servers, greeters, ticket masters and general help.

The youth would like to thank the UMW for preparing the food and each person who came to participate in the Hunger Banquet. They raised \$906. They are currently researching the possibilities of adopting a student through Compassion International, as well as researching options to help agriculturally overseas. They are also planning on making homeless survival kits which they will be distributing this winter.



On Friday night, November 4, the Family Life Center was turned into the hub of activity for 21 loud, messy, wet, sticky, sweaty, active, happy teens. We began the night with large group games, moved into the sanctuary for a chance to meet Pastor Dale through his testimony and Jesus through communion. Chaos resumed outside with midnight water games. After a brief clean up, dry out and change of clothes time, everyone gathered on the stage for a chance to meet Mrs. Krissy through her testimony and dig into our Bibles where we met Jesus and the two thieves on the cross. The challenge was handed to each of us - The choice is yours. Do you mock Jesus or do you choose Jesus? Three of the youth publically chose Jesus for the first time! Now, enjoy a few highlights of our night.

1-Winner of the Starburst Shuffle (Josh, Aaron, Hanna Logsdon, JT) 2-Communion

3-Pass the Water (Bailey, Garrett, Ali, Josh, Joey)

4-Personality Plus (Quincy, MJ, Natalie, Bailey, Erin)

5-Cha-Cha Slide

6.7-Basketball challenge

(6-Mrs. Krissy, Joey, 7-Mrs. Krissy, Darcy, Joey)

8-Human Hungry Hippo

(Cory, Darcy, Aaron, Madeline)



Fall Festival

The 2016 Trunk 'N Treat and Fall Festival was sponsored by the SCUMC Youth as a Witness and Community Outreach activity. It reached over 900 individuals from the Spring City and surrounding areas. This year the youth added a new twist to the activity by offering free photographs of the guests to be mailed to their home. This has been turned over to our GROW team to contact these families to see if we can offer them a church home. The Youth wish to thank all their church family for their help on this project. outreach activity.











Thank you, Youth, for a great job!

IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED, TRY, TRY AGAIN!

Our Wednesday night schedule has adjusted again. The youth have asked for longer teaching time and more together time. Our later class times also kept some younger members from attending. So starting Wednesday, Nov, 30, our schedule is

4:30-8:30 - Gym Open

6:00-6:45 - Children's Lesson, Middle School Lesson, High School Activity

6:45-7:30 - Meal for everyone

7:30-8:15 - Children's Activity , Middle School Activity High School Lesson

8:15-8:30 - Closing prayers, Cleanup

This time will include free time, homework help, games, food, lesson, and will provide a safe place to socialize. There will be a minimum of two adults at all times. Sunday's schedule remains unchanged at this time from 4:30-6:30.

NEW DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

<u>December 18</u> - Christmas Reception - 6:30 - For everyone who has volunteered with our Youth, for all the parents of the Youth and for the Youth. Bring finger foods and desserts. We will have a slide show of all the pictures from this fall.

December 21 - Youth Christmas Party - 4:30pm - Midnight



HEW WELCOME CEHTER

The G.R.O.W. Ministry has set up a new welcome center in the Narthex to give our visitors a special greeting and welcome to our church. The visitors are given one of the nice, new mugs with the flame and cross and Spring City United Methodist Church depicted on each (see mugs below). Sunday school bochures and candy are included inside each mug. Tim and Lynne Agee are featured below as they welcomed new visitors to our church on Sunday, November 6th.







MUGS FOR SALE

\$10.00 per mug

Money goes to the G.R.O.W. Ministry.

To purchase a mug, please call, email, or stop by the church office to let us know how many mugs you wish to purchase.

We Our Choir!



The Chancel Choir, directed by Judy Ezell, is featured above as they sang, "Headin' for the Promised Land" at the worship service on Sunday, October 30th. We are so blessed to have such a talented choir and a gifted director!

Please note Sunday, December 18th, on your calendars as the date for the Christmas Cantata, "Lead Me Back to Bethlehem." This year in addition to the 11 a.m. cantata, the choir will also have a second performance at 3 p.m. Invite your family and friends!

YOUTH FOOT





Ali Smith and Hannah Couch were recent winners of the foot painting contest at Youth Group on Wed., Nov. 9th. The youth actually painted the pictures with their feet. As you can see, the paintings turned out quite good.

Pastor Dale judged two divisions of paintings, Sr. High and Jr. High. He selected Ali as the Sr. High winner and Hannah for first place, Jr. High.





We are happy to welcome new member, **Dakota J. Price**, who united with our church on Sunday, November 13, 2016, on Profession of Faith. Pastor Dale baptized him with water from the Jordan River. Youth Director, Krissy Tallent assisted.

Acolyte x3



Thank you, Rachel Heimel (center), for serving as our acolyte since last summer. Two others are now trained to be acolytes - Madison Hinely (left) and Kennedi Pruett (right). Madison will serve as an acolyte on Nov. 13th, and Kennedi's first time is Nov. 20th. Thank you, Robin Bolton, for training our new acolytes.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

New members, Rhonda Evans and Jonathon **Thompson**, are shown below when they united with our church family on Profession of Faith on Sunday, October 30, 2016, at the 11 a.m. worship service.

Pastor Dale led the congregation in prayer thanking God for Rhonda and Jonathon as they join with us in service for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.







Friday 8 a.m. to Noon



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