

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the

SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 2019

Dale's Doodles

Life has many engaging opportunities, possibilities, and decisions. Every day we get up and ponder about what we will do today or what we want to accomplish. Every day we will make decisions that can and will impact our lives and the lives of those around us. Our choices can have either a positive or a negative impact, with some of them affecting ourselves and others for a long time. So, it is critical to be able to discern what are good and healthy choices.

Our story today is a teaching moment from Jesus. There is much to learn and much to understand. This story is about the Prodigal Son. This son, much like us, made a choice that impacted his life and those around him.

¹¹Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you;

Luke 15:11-18

Our story consists of three main characters: the father, the eldest son, and the younger son. Each one of these plays a significant role in the message Jesus is sharing.

The one I will focus on is the younger son. He goes to his father to ask for and receives his inheritance. Independently he takes the money and leaves and travels to a distant place and has a great time. While he has money, he has friends, fun, and food. Everything is fine until his money runs out, and then there are no friends, no good times, no food. He has become destitute, even to the point of having to feed the swine to survive. The younger son has made some unfortunate choices, and he is now reaping what he has sown.

One day as the story says: "He came to himself." He wanted to go home. Even though some say one can never go home again; that is not true. He rehearsed what he was going to tell his father when he arrived. He had his story. Returning home, when he was attempting to convince his father, his father responded to him with hugs, love, and compassion. He welcomed his prodigal son.

You see we can go home because we have a loving father who will always welcome us.

Homecoming means WE are all always welcomed and can always come home. The Father is waiting; come home!

Shalom,

Rev. Dale J. Wyick

Join Us for Our
2019 Homecoming Celebration
at Spring City United Methodist Church
11 a.m. on Sunday, September 8, 2019

Rev. Charles Harrison is our guest speaker. After the worship service, a covered dish lunch will be served in the Family Life Center. Bring a favorite dish with enough to share. RSVP to (423) 365-6324 or email scumc@volstate.net.

Hope you come and enjoy this special day with our church family when we reconnect with former church members, teachers, and old friends!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Marilyn Cooksey Linda Mullins Carol Price Ken Rose

Ella Bell (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)
Mary Galloway (195 Deer Ridge Dr., #A5, Dayton, 37321)
Jeannette Long (Spring City Care & Rehab, #201, 331 Hinch St.)
Fred Mullins (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care & Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)

Wayne Gunter
(friend of Ken & Barbara Rose)

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)

Travis McClendon
(nephew of Pat Horton)

Paul Hill
(friend of Eddie & Kathleen Garrison)

Beverly Ramsey
(Virginia Bond's sister)

Nick Daughtrey
(Bill Ruffner's friend)

John Sharpe
(Bill Ruffner's friend)

Crissie Lynn
(Judith Barger's friend)

Demi Shaver
(friend of Pat Douglas)

Joe Blase
(Nancy Gilliam's uncle)

Clara Gossett
(friend of John Conroy)

Grace Lamprecht
(Bill Ruffner's niece)

Alicia McNelley (friend of the Bowmans & Henleys)

Kelli Deere
(cousin of Max Douglas and Patty Crowder)

Terry Goins
(friend of Felix & Emmaly Fisher)

Linda Swanson
(Lauretta Cash's sister)

Chad Crisp
(Caren Ruffner's friend)

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 Helen Miko
(wife of Matt Miko)

The Family of Larry Hallums
(husband of Jenny Lou Hallums)

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

September 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 First Dollar Sunday 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	2 Labor Day Conference, District, and Church Offices Closed	3 8:30 MDO 6:00 UMW	4 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir	5 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr. 6:30 Worship Team	6	7 Fellowship Hall Closed All Day for a Private Event.
8 HOMECOMING 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 3:00 Ministry Team 7:00 Renewal 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	9 10:00 TLC 10:00 TVA Retirees 7:00 Renewal	10 8:30 MDO 7:00 Renewal	11 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir	12 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr. 7:00 Trustees Meeting	13	14 4:00 Memorial Service for Helen Miko Sanctuary
15 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	16 Newsletter Deadline 6:30 TLC	17 8:30 MDO 6:30 UMW Book Club	18 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir	19 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr. 5:00 Community Meal	20 Joy Trip to Falcon Rest Mansion, McMinnville	21 10 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Private Event Family Life Center
22 Peanut Butter Sunday 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 3:00 District Conferece 5:00 Cantata Practice 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	23 Fall Begins 10:00 TLC	24 8:30 MDO 6:00 Children/Youth Council	25 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir	26 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr. *Office Closed at Noon	27 *Office Closed	28 10 -noon Private Event Family Life Center 2-3:30 KidSpring Movie Fellowship Hall 6-8 Watts Bar Lake Association Family Life Center
29 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Cantata Practice 6:00 5th Sunday Sing 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	30					

* Secretary's Vacation Time

Faithful Workers

Sept. 1 Ushers	Sept. 8 Ushers	Sept. 15 Ushers	Sept. 22 Ushers	Sept. 29 Ushers
Norman Bowman Mary Drinkard Don Hinely Jerry Smith	Margo Hinsdale Mary Gilliam Walt Morse Clyde Thurman, Jr.	Bennie Arp Trish Cole Richard Cole Sheila Larson	Don Hinely Shari Norris Jerry Norris Jerry Smith	Natalie Baker Hannah Couch Rachel Heimel Madison Hinely
Greeters	Greeters	Greeters	Greeters	Greeters
Carolyn Reid Dorothy Hastings	Sharon Cowart Shelby Williams	Terrie Patton Lynda Smith	Natalie Baker Rachel Heimel	Mary Drinkard Sheila Larson
Acolyte	Acolyte	Acolytes	Acolytes	Acolytes
Madison Hinely	Emily & Gabby McBride	Rachel Heimel	Madison Hinely	Emily & Gabby McBride
Nursery	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery
Terry Hooper Peggy Bowman	Loretta Hale Peggy Bowman	Wanda McCarter Katie Rose	Peggy Bowman Terry Hooper	Loretta Hale Wanda McCarter
Children's Church	Children's Church	Children's Church	Children's Church	Children's Church
Susan Maddux Dakota Herhold	Cindy Ross Hannah Couch	Angie Couch Natalie Baker	Constance Garrison Hannah Couch	Wendy Thurman Erin Couch

- 2 Eddie Boles
- 3 Sheila Larson
Leo Miller
- 5 Angela Jackson
- 6 Ronnie Barger
Jack Barnes
Chris Rose
- 9 Christine Walling
- 10 Laoretta Cash
- 14 Teresia Mudica
- 17 Shelby Williams



- 18 Naomi Hinely
- 19 Bob Burkhardt
- 21 Lynda Smith
- 22 Max Douglas
- 23 John Conroy
- 23 Shari Norris
Jonathon Thompson
- 24 Deborah Tanner
- 25 Walt Morse
- 28 Angie Couch
- 29 Scott Henderson

Sept. 2	Sept. 13
Walt & Linda Morse	Roger & Margo Hinsdale
Sept. 7	Sept. 13
Kevin & Lesia Garrison	Ralph & Beth Root
Sept. 7	Sept. 19
Harry & Donna Landreth	Gil & Judy Litteken
Sept. 10	Sept. 23
Gary & Tia Gilmore	H. B. & Polly Rankin





*In Loving
Memory*

Walt & Linda Morse gave to the General Budget in memory of Richard Reed.

Paul & Marta Cogburn gave to the Mexico Medical Mission Fund in memory of Glenda Keylon.

T. C. & Laretta Cash gave to the Mexico Medical Mission Fund in memory of Glenda Keylon.

Carolyn Reid gave to the Mexico Medical Misson Fund in memory of Richard Reed.

Richard & Kim Cline gave to the Mexico Medical Mission Fund in memory of Glenda Keylon.

Stephen & Cheryl Childers gave to the Mexico Medical Mission Fund in memory of Glenda Keylon.

Those who gave to the General Budget in memory of Maxine McClure - Jerry & Lynda Smith, Patty Crowder, Carolyn Reid, and Max & Pat Douglas.

Tommy & Loretta Hale, Leon & Nancy Hicks, and Dr. B. E. Lenoir, D.D.S., gave to the Mexico Medical Mission in memory of Glenda Keylon.

HONORARIUM

A gift was given to the Trustees Renovation Fund in honor of Pastor Dale and the Administrative Staff.

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

JULY 2019

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	19,392.06	214,657.90	410,000.00	52.4%
Mother's Day Out	2,090.00	19,529.00	25,310.00	77.2%
Other Income	5.00	739.88	1,200.00	61.7%
TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT	21,487.06	234,926.78	436,510.00	53.8%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	15,610.86	130,046.88	252,692.00	51.5%
Property Maintenance	5,041.14	33,831.16	68,500.00	49.4%
Office Administration	473.91	3,608.43	10,400.00	34.7%
Nurture and Music	604.75	5,311.58	7,700.00	69.0%
Witness	0.00	303.50	1,700.00	17.9%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	525.00	1,900.00	27.6%
Conference/District	3,214.21	25,863.29	46,598.00	55.5%
Church Support	559.13	4,503.38	8,110.00	55.5%
Children's Ministries		2,210.56	6,000.00	36.8%
Adult Ministries	80.51	122.84	1,600.00	7.7%
Youth Ministries		3,112.84	6,000.00	51.9%
MDO Expenses	1,480.00	16,483.45	25,310.00	65.1%
TOTAL EXPENSES	27,139.51	225,922.91	436,510.00	51.8%
NET INCOME	-5,652.45	9,003.87	0.00	100.0%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	7/28	8/4	8/11	8/18
General Budget	4,447.00	8,449.01	5,659.00	6,978.00
MDO				1,260.00
Memorial Special	110.00	739.00	719.96	878.00
TOTAL	4,557.00	9,188.01	6,378.96	9,116.00
SS ATTENDANCE	55	53	56	53
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	110	155	151	152



Thank
You!

Dear Friends,

I would like to thank all of my church friends for your cards, prayers, and gifts after the loss of both my parents. Your thoughtfulness brought great comfort, and I am blessed.

Terry Hooper

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$1,397.50 to Heifer International. Your support does so much more than help families survive another day – it helps them thrive.

Families in need do not just receive life-changing animals like goats, chickens or bees, they also receive the training they need to run successful farms or small businesses and earn steady income. With you by their side, they can lift themselves out of hunger and poverty for good.

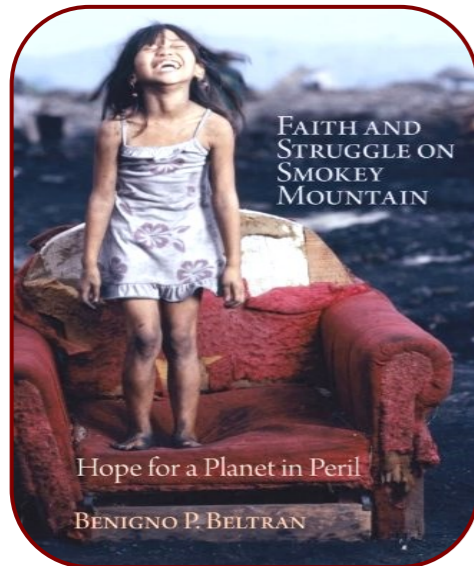
Your generosity and compassion inspire me to continue our work of changing more lives forever. Thank you for all that you do.

With gratitude,

Pierre U. Ferrari
President and CEO

Come to the
United Methodist Women's
Book Club

Sept. 17th at 6:30 p.m.
in the church's library
as we share



Smokey Mountain, the vast garbage dump in Manila has served for many years as an emblem of third world squalor. In many ways, it is a metaphor for a planet slowly choking on garbage and waste. But for Fr. Beltran, who served for three decades as a chaplain to the scavengers who survive off this reeking heap, it is also a metaphor of hope an emblem of the will to survive, the ability to create joy and find meaning even in the midst of abject poverty. Faith and Struggle on Smokey Mountain describes the spiritual resilience of the scavengers of Smokey Mountain, and how they taught Beltran to read the Gospel with new eyes. The lessons he learned bear a message for all who struggle for a better world.

Don't Forget!

COMMUNITY MEALS

Nourishing meals prepared and served by our Community Ministry Team on the third Thursday of every month begins at 5 p.m. September 19th, in the *Family Life Center*.

PEANUT BUTTER SUNDAY September 22, 2019

Drop off your jars of peanut butter at the side entrance by Sept. 22nd so we may help those in need in our community. The peanut butter will be shared through Our Daily Bread.

The Hiwassee District Confence Sunday, September 22, 2019 3:00 p.m.

Keith Memorial UMC
600 W. Madison Ave.
Athens, TN 37303



Beginning at 6 o'clock
Sunday evening
September 29, 2019
in the Sanctuary

United Methodist Women



In continuing our celebration of the 150 years of the United Methodist Women's (UMW) Organization, we are asking all members to participate in dressing "back in time." Look in your cedar chests, closets, and other storage areas and gather up vintage and old clothing and accessories. Please wear these items to our next regular UMW meeting on Tuesday, October 1, at 6 p.m. Hope to see a good group of ladies in vintage attire.

See you in October!

Jerrie Patton
UMW Historian



The Spring

Members of the The Spring's (Contemporary Worship) Praise Team are shown above singing a song of praise on the first Sunday this new service began, August 4, 2019. A huge thank you to everyone who has made this service possible. The Spring begins at 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Sanctuary. Hope you join us soon!

Kid Spring



**JOIN US
WEDNESDAY'S**

4:30 p.m.

**in the
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**for
(Children 3 yrs. - 5th Grade)**



A Spiritual Renewal



The Rev. Charles Harrison is our guest speaker for our homecoming service, September 8th. He will also lead us in our Spiritual Renewal Services, Sunday, September 8 through Tuesday, September 10 at 7 pm.

He is married to Lou Lethco, from Cleveland, TN, who is a retired kindergarten teacher. The couple has three children: Katy (Wes) Lawrence, Charles Jr. & Marissa Harrison, David & Michelle

Harrison, and three grandchildren: Lucy Mackenzie, Olivia Lawrence, and Conor Luke Harrison, who is 18 months old.

We are glad to welcome Rev. Harrison, who will preach in our four services as follows:

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|-----------------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Sun., Sept. 8 | 11 am | "Spiritual Renewal" | Isaiah 40:28-31 |
| Sun., Sept. 8 | 7 pm | "Those Dry Bones" | Ezekiel 37:1-14 |
| Mon., Sept. 9 | 7 pm | "God's Amazing Grace" | 2 Corinthians 6:1-2 |
| Tues., Sept. 10 | 7 pm | "Have You Been Committed?" | Romans 12:1-8 |

There is Special Music each night:

Sunday night, sharing his gift of music is David Gilliam.

Monday night, we will be blessed by sisters, Kaitlyn Miller, Erin & Hannah Couch.

Tuesday night, worship with the King's Trio.

Our praise team will also share in the services.

Please be in prayer for these services.



for **Jessie Harris's Baby Shower**
(Daughter of Dr. Beth Cassidy)

date **Sunday, October 6, 2019**

time **1:30 - 3 o'clock in the afternoon**

place **Fellowship Hall**

Registered at Amazon and Target



Special Music Ends



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RETURN SERVICE

Rev. Dale Wyrick, Pastor
pastordale@voistate.net

OFFICE HOURS
 Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Lunch: Noon - 1 p.m.
 Friday 8 a.m. to Noon

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
 9:00 a.m. The Spring
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
 4:30 p.m. Youth
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study
 5th Sunday Sing
 (only on fifth Sundays)

Welcome to Our Church Family!



We are happy to welcome to our church family new members, **Doug & Pat Drake**, who united with our church on profession of faith at our new contemporary worship service, The Spring, on Sunday, August 4, 2019. Doug & Pat have attended our worship services many times before becoming members.

Pastor Dale is featured above with Doug & Pat after he offered a prayer of thanksgiving for them joining with us in our service for Christ.

Left are **Kaitlyn Miller, Erin Couch, & Hannah Couch** as they sang, "How Great Thou Art" for the special music, Sunday, July 21.



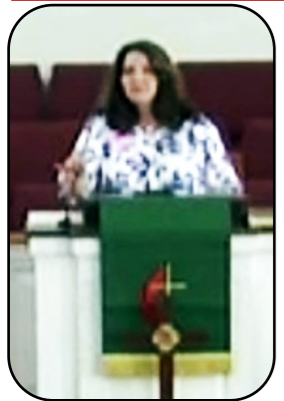
Judy Ezell's solo, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" with pianist, **Trish Cole**, was performed as the special music on July 28.



Below are The King's Trio, **Pastor Dale, Tom Heimel, and Richard Stair** with **Connie Roberts**, pianist. They sang two specials "Glory Road" and "I Love You, Lord" on August 4th.



Angela Jackson (left) sang "Not Guilty" for the special music on August 11th at The Spring and the 11 a.m. service.



For the last Sunday of special music on August 18, **Steve Orender** sang, "Take My Hand, Precious Lord."

