

# THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the  
SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**February 2020**

## Dale's Doodles

Matthew 6: 25-33, 25

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? 28 And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' 32 For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Trusting God is a challenge at times. We are encouraged to place our full trust in God for all things. Trust is a word that we use and sometimes overuse when we are very willing to tell others about how they need to trust God in their life's situations. When we journey through life and encounter bumps (and some of these can be huge bumps), trust becomes more than a word; it becomes a part of our life's experience. Trust becomes an act in which we begin to participate in because of our reliance on God in all things.

It is amazing to me how God allows things into our lives that cause us to look honestly at ourselves and affirm that we are trusting Him in all things. It is easy to say, "I trust," and it is a challenge to do it. When we get to that point in our relationship with God, at that moment, there is this new freedom we will experience. It is a new freedom that allows us to grow spiritually. It is a statement of our faith.

Trusting God takes the focus off the situation and allows us to experience the wondrous power of God. This connection with God strengthens our walk, energizes our witness, and maintains our faith.

"Trust and Obey, for there is no other way!"

Shalom,

Pastor Dale

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Norman Bowman**  
**Manuel Christi**  
**The Heibel Family**

**Sandy Morgan**  
**Linda Mullins**  
**Carol Price**

**Ken Rose**  
**Bill Ruffner**  
**Liz Stair**

**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.  
**Imogene Robbins** Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City

**David Thurman**  
(friend of Norm & Peggy Bowman)  
**Clay Massey**  
(friend of Gray & Sharon Cowart)

**Larry Anderson**  
(brother of Linda Morse)

**Judith Fleming**  
(Linda Mullins' friend)

**Wayne & Nancy Gunter**  
(friend of Ken & Barbara Rose)

**De Williams**  
(friend of Caren & Bill Ruffner)

**Cathy Lauer**  
(sister of Clyde Thurman, Jr.)

**Marion Goldberg**  
(Deanna Ware's sister)

**Jim Hartley**  
(our church's insurance agent)

**Sue Smith**  
(friend of Pat Douglas)

**Mary Frances Goodson**  
(friend of Bennie & Susan Arp)

**Barbara Reed**  
(friend of Jerry & Rayna Henley)

**Kathy Morse**  
(daughter of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Nick Daughtrey**  
(Bill Ruffner's friend)

**John Sharpe**  
(Bill Ruffner's friend)

**Aspen Cumnock**  
(great-grandson of Pat Cook)

**Betty Payne & Clint Miller**  
(friends of Connie Roberts)

**Demi Shaver**  
(friend of Pat Douglas)

**Clara Gossett**  
(friend of John Conroy)

**Randy Gass**  
(friend of Cindy Hill)  
**Grace Lamprecht**  
(Bill Ruffner's niece)  
**Alesia McNeley** (friend of the  
Bowmans & Henleys)

**Mary Heibel**  
(Tom Heibel's mother)

**Lillian Shaffer**  
(Kathy Heibel's mother)

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

**Kennedy and Lincoln Ladd**  
(friends of Peggy Bowman)

**The Family of  
Marilyn Cooksey**  
(wife of Glenn Cooksey)

**The Family of Mary Galloway**  
(mother of Myra Tatum,  
Carolyn White, Mary Ellen  
Sherry, and Boyd Galloway)

**The Family of  
Dr. Mark A. Shaffer**  
(brother of Kathy Heibel)

**The Family of  
Andrew J. Brayer**  
(son of Kathy Heibel)

**The Family of Eleanor Allison**  
(wife of Rev. Don Allison)

**The Family of Linda Swanson**  
(sister of Loretta Cash)



# February



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b>
<b>2 Super Bowl Sunday</b> 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study  8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>3</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>4</b> 8:30 MDO  6:00 UMW	<b>5</b> 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Kid Spring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>6</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> All Day <i>Family Life Center Closed (Private Event)</i>
<b>9</b> 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study  8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>10</b> 10:00 TLC 6:00 TLC	<b>11</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>12</b> 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Kid Spring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>13</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr.  7:00 Trustees	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Bible Study  8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>17 Newsletter Deadline</b> 10:00 TLC  6:00 Finance Team	<b>18</b> 8:30 MDO  6:30 UMW Book Club	<b>19</b> 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Kid Spring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Chancel Choir	<b>20</b> 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Gr.  5:00 Community Meal	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Ministers' Convocation, Pigeon Forge, Feb. 17 - 19</b>						
<b>23</b> 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 4:00 Church Council 6:00 Bible Study  8-9 p.m. AA-FH	<b>24</b> 10:00 TLC 6:00 TLC	<b>25</b> 8:30 MDO  <i>Pastor Dale leaves for the Holy Land.</i>	<b>26 Ash Wednesday</b> 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Kid Spring 6:00 Bible Study Choir Practice  7:00 Ash Wednesday Service	<b>27</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>28</b> 9:30 Joy Ministry Team Trip Robinson's Mfg.	<b>29</b>

## Faithful Workers

FEB. 2	FEB. 9	FEB. 16	FEB. 23
<b>USHERS</b> Norman Bowman Trish Cole Richard Cole Jerry Smith	<b>USHERS</b> Bennie App Don Hinely Sheila Larson Walt Morse	<b>USHERS</b> Marty Gilliam Jerry Norris Shari Norris Clyde Thurman, Jr.	<b>USHERS</b> Margo Hinsdale Mary Drinkard Walt Morse Jerry Smith
<b>GREETERS</b> Mary Drinkard Margo Hinsdale	<b>GREETERS</b> Carolyn Reid Jerrie Patton	<b>GREETERS</b> Lynda Smith Sheila Larson	<b>GREETERS</b> Sharon Cowart Shelby Williams
<b>NURSERY</b> Lesia Garrison Loretta Hale	<b>NURSERY</b> Peggy Bowman Wanda McCarter	<b>NURSERY</b> Carolyn Haerr Terry Hooper	<b>NURSERY</b> Lesia Garrison Loretta Hale
<b>ACOLYTE</b> Rachel Heimel	<b>ACOLYTE</b> Madison Hinely	<b>ACOLYTE</b> Rachel Heimel	<b>ACOLYTE</b> Madison Hinely
<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> Susan Maddux Youth Volunteer	<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> Cindy Ross Youth Volunteer	<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> Angie Couch Youth Volunteer	<b>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</b> Wendy Thurman Youth Volunteer

- 1 Barbara Rose
- 6 Harry Landreth
- 9 Ken Rose
- 10 Ken Hasting
- 11 Allison Neal
- 12 Kaitlyn Miller
- 14 Kirstin Neal



- 23 Kailyn Hess
- 25 Terry Hooper
- 26 Neil Garrison
- Jessie Harris
- 28 Frank Snyder
- Rick Wilson

Feb. 2  
Bruce & Marla Hinzman

Feb. 3  
Deanna & Don Ware

Feb. 10  
Eddie & Kathleen Garrison

Feb. 14  
Ken & Ann Hasting

Feb. 17  
Brian & Erica Hitchcox

Feb. 19  
James & Angie Couch

Feb. 19  
John & JoAnn Moorshead

Feb. 23  
Jim & Wanda McCarter





# Memorials



Jerry & Lynda Smith gave to the General Budget in memory of Eleanor Allison.

Max & Pat Douglas gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Eleanor Allison, Linda Swanson, and Andrew Brayer.

Patty Crowder gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Eleanor Allison and Andrew Brayer.

Courtney Ferris gave to the Holston Home for Children in memory of Lynne Agee.

Gray & Sharon Cowart gave to the General Budget in memory of Andrew Brayer and Linda Swanson.

Carolyn Reid gave to the General Budget in memory of Ella Bell, Linda Swanson, and Eleanor Allison.

Johnny Lou Berg gave to the General Budget in memory of Ella Bell and Glenda Keylon.

Patty Crowder gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Dr. Mark Shaffer.

Helen Kincannon gave to the General Budget in memory of Linda Swanson.

Becky & David Woods gave to the Music Fund in memory of Mr. & Mrs. James Grasham, J. S. Grasham, Sara Mee, and Ben Tidwell.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Mary Galloway.

Jerry & Rayna Henley, Rita & Charlie Ellison, and Bill & Julie Lyons gave to the Bereavement Fund in memory of Mary Galloway.

Gray & Sharon Cowart gave to the General Budget in memory of Dr. Mark Shaffer.

Those who gave to the General Budget in memory of Mary Galloway are Dan & Rita Uhler, Paul & Teresa Cate, David & Diane Lienard, Walter & Terry Hooper, Michael & Valerie Greer, John & Mary Ann Stewart, Pat Cook, Mattie Pass, Diane Kline, David Pass, and Ron & Lynne Huling.

Helen Kincannon gave to the General Budget in memory of Dr. Mark Shaffer and Andrew Brayer.

Earl Wright, Connie Wright, and Susan Edwards gave to the General Budget in memory of Mary Galloway.

Tommy & Loretta Hale gave to the General Budget in memory of Mary Galloway.

Boyd Galloway, Mary Ellen Sherry, Carolyn White, and Myra Tatum gave to the General Budget in memory of Mary Galloway.

Max & Pat Douglas gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Mary Galloway and Steve Moffett.

Patty Crowder gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Marilyn Cooksey.

## MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

### DECEMBER 2019

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	33,798.27	357,617.66	410,000.00	87.2%
Mother's Day Out	2,265.00	36,624.00	25,310.00	144.7%
Other Income	264.68	1,438.87	1,200.00	119.9%
<b>TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>36,327.95</b>	<b>395,680.53</b>	<b>436,510.00</b>	<b>90.6%</b>
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	16,692.21	211,182.02	252,692.00	83.6%
Property Maintenance	4,301.75	67,183.41	68,500.00	98.1%
Office Administration	923.02	7,430.42	10,400.00	71.4%
Nurture and Music	0.00	4,024.66	7,700.00	52.3%
Witness	135.00	761.00	1,700.00	44.8%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	930.00	1,900.00	48.9%
Conference/District	3,406.30	41,503.69	46,598.00	89.1%
Church Support	430.65	6,807.08	8,110.00	83.9%
Children's Ministries	67.58	2,651.54	6,000.00	44.2%
Adult Ministries	0.00	393.09	1,600.00	24.6%
Youth Ministries	21.52	3,143.36	6,000.00	52.2%
MDO Expenses	1,895.00	28,999.01	25,310.00	114.6%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>27,948.03</b>	<b>375,000.28</b>	<b>436,510.00</b>	<b>85.9%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>8,379.92</b>	<b>20,680.25</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	12/22	12/29	1/5	1/12	1/19
<b>General Budget</b>	6,761.00	5,887.27	7,810.00	6,976.00	3,054.00
<b>MDO</b>	165.00			2,760.00	1,035.00
<b>Memorial</b>	1,050.00		25.00		25.00
<b>Special</b>	740.00	3,774.00	1,019.00	878.00	118.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,716.00</b>	<b>9,661.27</b>	<b>8,854.00</b>	<b>10,614.00</b>	<b>4,232.00</b>
<b>SS ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>115</b>





## Dining on the Mountain

There is nothing any better than getting together with a group of friends and sharing an excellent meal and good fellowship. That is just what the ones featured above did on Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, when they boarded the church bus for lunch at the Homestead Harvest Restaurant at Cumberland Mountain State Park.

Attendees featured above left to right: Nancy Herhold, Will Bennett, Cindy Ross, Patty Crowder, Loretta Hale, Naomi Hinely, Jan Thornton, Tommy Hale, Pastor Dale Wyrick, Nancy Gilliam, and David Gilliam. Thank you to Sheila Larson for taking this photo.

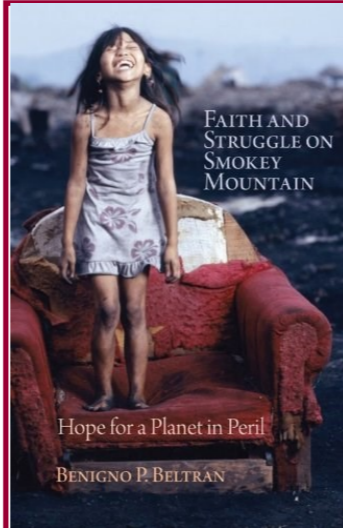
The Joy Trip for February will on the fourth Friday, February 28, 2020, to tour Robinson's Manufacturing Co. in Dayton. Departure time from the parking lot at church is 9:30 a.m. Bring money for a delicious lunch at Monkey Town Brewery. Sign-up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

## Come to the United Methodist Women's Book Club

6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

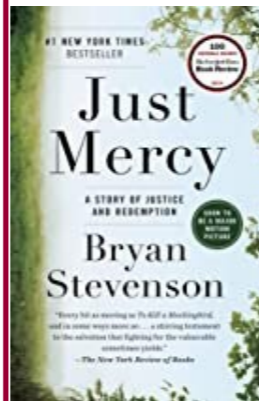
in the church *library* as we share



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.

**And**



1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE STARRING MICHAEL B. JORDAN AND JAMIE FOXX • A powerful true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a clarion call to fix our broken system of justice—from one of the most brilliant and influential lawyers of our time.

## The Family of Mary Galbraith Galloway



wishes to express its appreciation to the Rev. Dale S. Wyrick and members of the church for their acts of kindness and support surrounding the celebration of our mother's life. Mary's children were reminded of the souls of the church who nurtured us as you extended your hands, fed us, and cared for our little ones. Thank you for continuing love for all God's children.

*Thank You*

Thank you for your gift to UMCOR! Since 1940, UMCOR has served as the humanitarian agency of The United Methodist Church, providing disaster response and relief to areas impacted by natural and man-made disasters around the world. And through your financial support, you are serving within a vital network of interactive relationships as UMCOR responds to increasingly-frequent and destructive storms—sharing 100% of donated funds with those in need.

Together, may we continue to reveal the love of God for men, women, and children of all ethnic, racial, cultural, and national backgrounds and to demonstrate genuine love for our neighbors.

Grace and Peace, T. G. Kemper, General Secretary, UMCOR

Thank you for your recent Fifth Sunday gift to Holston United Methodist Home for Children of \$524.00. As you accept the thanks that I express here, I hope you also accept the gratitude from children and families who know the joy of being re-united, strengthened or helped along their way. We are honored that you would share your concern for them through us. God bless you.

In Christ, Charles A. Hutchins, Director of Church Giving





# KidSpring

You are Invited  
to a  
**Valentine's Party**  
Wednesday afternoon  
**February 5, 2020**  
**3:30 p.m.**  
at the home of  
Cindy Ross  
393 W. Rhea Ave.  
for Children  
ages 3 yrs.— 5th Grade

**JOIN US**  
**WEDNESDAYS @ 4:30**  
**IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.**  
(CHILDREN AGES 3 YRS.—5th GRADE)



### **SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY is**

**February 2, 2020.** By bringing cans of soup with us to church on Souper Bowl Sunday, we can help feed the hungry in our community. Each can collected is donated to Our Daily Bread, so the volunteers working there may distribute the soup to those in need in our area.



**DON'T FORGET!** The Sunday school class that has the greatest number of cans of soup wins the **2020 Souper Bowl Trophy!** Let's strive to collect more than last year's total, **4,485.** We may get to congratulate a different class for taking the trophy away from the Pairs & Spares.

Competing for the trophy is fun, but what really counts is helping those who are hungry in our community.

**Thank you for your support of this important ministry!**

# Christmas With Joy



All the smiling faces featured above are those who enjoyed the Joy Ministry Team's Christmas excursion to Calhoun's on the River at Lenoir City on Friday, December 20, 2019, where the group dined on a special Christmas buffet in a festive dining hall. Following lunch, they journeyed South on I-75 to Athens and toured the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. The museum has three floors and includes an exhibit from the Smithsonian on Changes in Rural America. They enjoyed a walk-through of our past with many displays, rooms, and business settings furnished in their specific times.

Pictured left to right are Margo & Roger Hinsdale, Loretta Hale, Patty Crowder, Rayanne Crane, Pearl Gilliam, Nancy Herhold, Daryl Watson, Rita Uhler; back row is David Gilliam, Tommy Hale, Helen Kincannon, and Sheila Larson. Shelby Williams was also a part of the group but is not pictured.

The Joy Ministry Team is open to everyone who is 60 and up. Usually, the trips occur on the third Friday of every month. Watch for details in the Lamplighter and Sunday bulletins, and join them on their next outing. You will be glad you did.



February 26, 2020

The real meaning of Lent is Ash Wednesday, the day after Mardi Gras, which begins with a service where we recognize our mortality, repent of our sins, and re-turn our lives towards Jesus Christ. Many of us commit to changing our lives over the forty days of Lent so that we might be more like Christ. In the Ash Wednesday service, a minister marks the sign of the cross on a person's forehead with ashes.

In Jewish and Christian history, ashes are a sign of mortality and repentance. When we die, our bodies eventually decompose and we become dust/dirt/ash. A long time ago, when people felt remorse for their sins, they would put ashes on their heads and wear "sackcloth" (scratchy material) to remind them that sin is uncomfortable.

Lent is a great time to repent and return to God and re-focus our lives to be more in line with Jesus. It is easy for us to get caught up in the drama of classes, relationships, family, work, politics, food, alcohol, meaningless chatter, too many meetings, activities, etc., or anything that takes us away from living our lives for Christ.

Christians may also use the 40 days of Lent as a time of prayer. We can pray while we walk, drive, work and become more in tune with God.

Join us for our **Ash Wednesday Service** beginning at **seven o'clock Wednesday evening, February 26<sup>th</sup>**, in the Sanctuary with Dr. Mike Jackson, preaching. (Pastor Dale leaves for the Holy Land, Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>). Please be in prayer for Dr. Jackson as he directs our Ash Wednesday Service and for safe travel for Pastor Dale.

# 2019 Christmas Cantata



<b>Soprano</b> Beverly Allison Hannah Couch Lilly Doolittle Linda Ellis Sam Hanson Barbara Hardy Rachel Heimel Angela Jackson Helen Kincannon Robin Lanham Kaitlyn Miller Caren Ruffner Vickie Snyder	<b>Alto</b> Lauretta Cash Margaret Crane Courtney Ferris Nancy Gilliam Kathy Heimel Nancy Herhold Daryl Watson	<b>Bass</b> David Gilliam Mike Jackson Steve Orender Richard Stair
	<b>Tenor</b> Terry Carlyle Josh Heimel Tom Heimel Bryan Massengale Dale Wyrick	<b>Director</b> Judy Ezell
		<b>Instrumentalists</b> Trish Cole, piano Kay Ray, flute Bryan Massengale, organ
		<b>Narrators</b> Carolyn Haerr Carolyn Reid Loyal Cornelius

The two performances of "Night of the Father's Love" presented at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. by our Chancel Choir on Sun., Dec. 15, 2019, were phenomenal. Even though this was the second time the choir had performed "Night of the Father's Love, the overall consensus by most everyone was that this year's cantata was the best ever. So many people were moved to tears as they listened to the music and the scripture readings by the narrators. Thank you, **Judy Ezell**, our **choir**, **narrators**, and **media team** for reminding us of the real meaning of Christmas. How blessed we are to have such a talented Chancel Choir and Judy Ezell as the director!



Rev. Dale Wyrick, Pastor  
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### 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  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
4:30 p.m. Youth  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study  
5th Sunday Sing  
(only on fifth Sundays)

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<https://www.facebook.com/spring-city-united-methodist-church>

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