

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Newsletter of the
SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 2020

Pastor Dale Retires

Spring City United Methodist Church (SCUMC) would like to announce the retirement of Pastor Dale Wyrick. Dale has faithfully served our church for nearly 12 years total. While we are sad to see him retire, we are so excited to celebrate this milestone with him.

Dale will be staying in the Spring City community. He is currently working on getting his new house move-in ready.

There will be a retirement celebration hosted by the church. The date will be forthcoming.

Please help us in congratulating Dale in this wonderful and exciting time and wish him luck in his future.

SCUMC Staff Parish Committee

The Resurrection Matters

Jesus died with the weight of our sins on His shoulders. He endured pain and suffering while on the cross. After he died, his body was placed in a tomb. To His believers, everything seemed lost and dark. After three days passed, they waited in fear and uncertainty. Were they left by their leader and friend with an impossible promise that He would suffer and die, but then come back to life after such a horrifying and brutal death? Hope did not die when Jesus did, because God was not finished. Jesus did arise; He did come back to life and fulfilled the Old Testament promises.

Jesus was resurrected, and we are, too, through Him. We get to experience His resurrection in our own lives. We can leave our sins behind and move forward with Christ. Jesus' power over sin breaks every bond that holds us back, and He gives us new life that we could never obtain on our own.

Why does the resurrection matter? Because it is the most momentous event in human history. Jesus' death and resurrection mean that His sacrifice on the cross was sufficient, and our sins can be forgiven. Jesus defeated death, not only for himself but for all who will believe in Him.

Without the resurrection, there would be no Christianity. As Paul stated in 1 Corinthians 15:14, "And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain."

God sent His love for us by sending us our Savior, Jesus Christ. He came to die for our sins and save us so that we may live forever and never be separated from God. Jesus' resurrection from the dead matters because it proved that He is the Son of God, and He conquered death once and for all.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Betty Barnes
Heimel Family
Helen Kincannon

Sandy Morgan
Walt Morse
Linda Mullins

Carol Price
Liz Stair

Rebecca Knox Life Care of Rhea Co., #310, 10055 Rhea Co. Hwy 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.
Imogene Robbins Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City

Malachi Price
(Angie Rose's friend)

Tammie Phillips
(friend of Rayan & Jerry Henley)

George Wyrick
(Pastor Dale's brother)

Jean Hinds
(cousin of Johnny Lou Berg)

Glen Miller
(friend of Trish & Richard Cole)

Ethan Rector
(friend of Caren & Bill Ruffner)

Kathy Shoopman
(daughter of Stella Ray)

Michael Reagan
(friend of Johnny Lou Berg)

David Thurman
(friend of Norman & Peggy Bowman)

Clay Massey
(friend of Gray & Sharon Cowart)

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)

Clara Gossett
(friend of John Conroy)

Randy Gass
(friend of Cindy Hill)

Grace Lamprecht
(Bill Ruffner's niece)

Alesia McNelly (friend of the
Bowmans & Henleys)

Mary Heimel
(Tom Heimel's mother)

Lillian Shaffer
(Kathy Heimel's mother)

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

Kennedy & Lincoln Ladd
(friends of Peggy Bowman)

The Family of Polly Rankin
(mother of Jenny Chattin)

**The Family of Rev. Ben
Matherly**
(close friend of Pastor Dale and
Rev. Dr. Mike Jackson)

The Family of Michael Fazio
(cousin of Richard Cole)

**The Family of James C.
Thurman**
(Clyde Thurman, Jr.'s uncle)

Faithful Workers

4/5	4/12	4/19	4/26
Ushers Bennie Arp Norman Bowman Don Hinely Jerry Smith	Ushers Trish Cole Richard Cole Mary Drinkard Walt Morse	Ushers Rachel Heimel Margo Hinsdale Don Hinely Clyde Thurman, Jr.	Ushers Natalie Baker Marty Gilliam Sheila Larson Walt Morse
Greeters Lynda Smith Jerrie Patton	Greeters Sheila Larson Carolyn Reid	Greeters Sharon Cowart Shelby Williams	Greeters Mary Drinkard Carolyn Reid
Nursery Peggy Bowman Loretta Hale	Nursery Carolyn Haerr Wanda McCarter	Nursery Terry Hooper Lesia Garrison	Nursery Peggy Bowman Wanda McCarter
Acolyte Madison Hinely	Acolyte Rachel Heimel	Acolyte Madison Hinely	Acolyte Rachel Heimel
Children's Church Angie Couch Youth Volunteer	Children's Church Cindy Ross Youth Volunteer	Children's Church Wendy Thurman Youth Volunteer	Children's Church Susan Maddux Youth Volunteer



Happy Birthdays!



1 Emily McBride	9 Joe Lisa	17 Nicole Kile
3 Casey Kile	11 Wendy Thurman	25 Robin Bolton
4 Richard Cole	13 Joel Barnes	29 Chloe Barger
7 Joanne McKinnon	14 Kevin Garrison	29 Wanda Smith
8 Peggy Bowman	15 Josh Heimel	30 Josh Wheat
8 Sandy Morgan	15 Lee Thurman	

12 Jay & Meaghan Maddux
14 David & Nancy Gilliam
15 Arthur & Beverly Allison
21 Gray & Sharon Cowart



21 Steve & Beth Keylon
22 Martin & Jennifer Shaver
26 Ronnie & Judith Barger
28 Walter & Terry Hooper



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir Practice	2 8:30 MDO <u>7:00 Trustees</u>	3	4
5 Palm Sunday 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 2:00 Easter Festival 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	6 10:00 TLC	7 8:30 MDO 6:00 UMW	8 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir Practice	9 Maundy Thursday 8:30 MDO 12:00 Office Closed 7:00 Maundy Thurs. Service	10 Good Friday Conference, District, & Church Offices Closed	11
12 Easter Sunday 7:00 Sunrise Service Veterans Park (breakfast to follow in FLC) 9:00 The Spring 11:00 Worship Service 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	13 10:00 TLC 6:00 TLC	14 8:30 MDO	15 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 KidSpring 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir Practice	16 8:30 MDO 5:00 Community Meal	17	18 Mexico Mission Trip begins today - Sun., Apr. 26th.
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Family Life Center Closed all week for set-up for the UMW's Flea Market on Saturday, May 2nd.



In Loving Memory



Patty Crowder gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of **James Carroll Thurman**.

Mr. & Mrs. David Woods gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Mary Galloway**.

Deborah & Dennis Callan gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Mary Galloway**.

Clyde & Wendy Thurman, Jr. gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of **H. B. Rankin**.

Clyde & Wendy Thurman, Jr. gave to the *Youth Fund* in memory of **Dr. Mark Shaffer** and **Andrew Brayer**.

Patty Crowder gave to the *Joy Ministry Fund* in memory of **H. B. Rankin**.

Mr. & Mrs. David Woods gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **H. B. & Polly Rankin**.

In Honor of

Helen Kincannon gave to the *Mexico Medical Mission Fund* in honor of **Frank & Vickie Snyder**.

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

FEBRUARY 2020

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	23,633.75	47,327.81	363,700.00	13.0%
Mother's Day Out	3,395.00	7,190.00	25,310.00	28.4%
Other Income	95.67	101.97	1,200.00	8.5%
TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT	27,124.42	54,619.78	390,210.00	14.0%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	18,269.19	34,506.75	205,929.00	16.8%
Property Maintenance	3,422.67	6,612.84	78,000.00	8.5%
Office Administration	386.21	1,118.63	9,700.00	11.5%
Nurture and Music	279.07	372.07	5,000.00	7.4%
Witness	110.00	110.00	1,700.00	6.5%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	150.00	1,900.00	7.9%
Conference/District	2,372.94	6,052.48	42,108.00	14.4%
Church Support	489.15	971.15	8,263.00	11.8%
Children's Ministries	179.48	199.48	5,300.00	3.8%
Adult Ministries	-36.00	-12.88	1,000.00	-1.3%
Youth Ministries	.00	1,447.81	6,000.00	24.1%
MDO Expenses	3,050.00	6,041.64	25,310.00	23.9%
TOTAL EXPENSES	28,597.71	57,569.97	390,210.00	14.8%
NET INCOME	-1,473.29	-2,950.19	0.00	100.0%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	2/23	3/1	3/8	3/15
General Budget	3,196.00	8,992.00	4,301.00	N/A
MDO	360.00	460.00	2,220.00	1,160.00
Memorial	25.00			0.00
Special	467.00	2,632.00	2,455.00	49.00
TOTAL	4,048.00	12,084.00	8,976.00	1,209.00
SS ATTENDANCE	47	50	50	N/A
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	121	124	114	N/A

FIRST SUNDAY - FIRST DOLLAR

On April 5th, the first Sunday of the month, we ask you to please leave a dollar on your pew before leaving the morning worship service. The dollars collected will go to support the Blazing Hope Ranch which offers hope and restoration to the female survivors of sex trafficking.

Thank you in advance for your generosity in giving to support this ministry of love and caring for the recovery of these victims of sex trafficking.

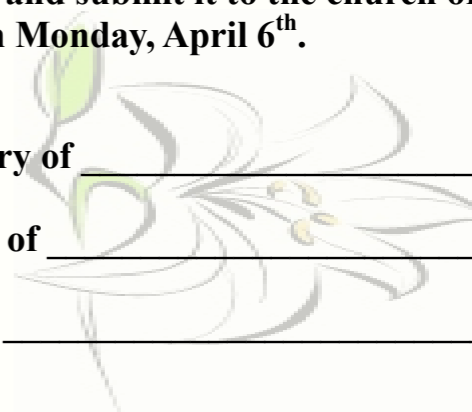
Lilies for Easter 2020

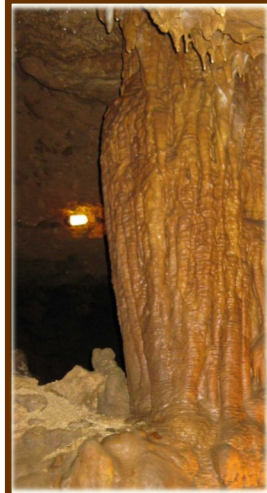
If you would like to place a lily on the altar rail for Easter Sunday, April 12th, in memory or honor of a friend or loved one, please complete this form and submit it to the church office no later than Monday, April 6th.

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Given by _____





Forbidden Caverns in Sevierville, TN, is the destination for the next **Joy Ministry Team's** trip on **Friday, April 17th**. The group will leave the church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. The cost for seniors is \$15. Bring money for lunch.

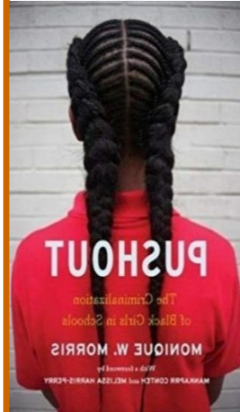
Hundreds of years ago, the Forbidden Caverns was known to the Eastern Woodland Indians who roamed East Tennessee's forests and mountains in search of good hunting grounds. The cave was used as a shelter in the winter and the cave river provided a constant supply of water. The cave contains many unique calcite formations that are still growing and boasts the largest wall of rare cave onyx or dripstones known to exist. During the early twenties until 1943, the cave was used to make moonshine. The constant water supply and the isolated location was ideal for the Moonshiner's to make their homemade whiskey. In 1964, a group of business and professional men began the planning and vast undertaking of opening this natural attraction to the public. After three years of excavation and development, Forbidden Caverns was opened in June 1967. The approach to the caverns is through a picturesque valley that affords a beautiful view of the majestic LeConte range and English Mountain of the Smokies. Primitive farm houses, a quaint old grist mill-museum, and a trout farm are among the many points of interest. The average guided tour is 55 minutes. Free parking is provided for cars and buses. There is a souvenir shop, refreshments, and a picnic pavilion.

If you are 60 and up, join us on Friday, April 17th, as we travel to Sevierville on another fun excursion. Don't forget to add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Come and Join the United Methodist Women Book Club

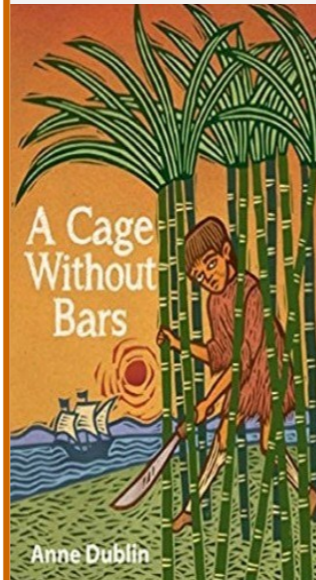
April 21st at 6:30 p.m.

*in the church **library** as we share*



In a work that Lisa Delpit calls "imperative reading," Monique W. Morris (*Black Stats, Too Beautiful for Words*) chronicles the experiences of Black girls across the country whose intricate lives are misunderstood, highly judged - by teachers, administrators, and the justice system - and degraded by the very institutions charged with helping them flourish. Called "compelling" and "thought-provoking" by *Kirkus Reviews*, *Pushout* exposes a world of confined potential and supports the rising movement to challenge the policies, practices, and cultural illiteracy that push countless students out of school and into unhealthy, unstable, and often unsafe futures.

AND



It is 1492, and Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand of Spain have signed the Edict of Expulsion, giving all Jews three months to leave the country. Joseph Belifonte, a twelve-year-old boy, escapes to Lisbon, Portugal, with his parents and younger sister, Gracia. However, after eight months there, Joseph and Gracia, along with hundreds of other Jewish children, are kidnapped. They are put on a ship and taken to the island of São Tomé, off the coast of West Africa. Now slaves, they are forcibly baptized and made to work on a sugar plantation. Joseph holds to the hope that one day he will be free.

Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020

9:00 a.m.

The Spring Contemporary Worship Service
Sanctuary

11:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship Service
Sanctuary

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Easter Festival (Children 3 yrs. - 5th Grade)
Family Life Center

Maundy Thursday, April 9, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship Service
Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020

7:00 a.m.

Sunrise Service

Veterans Park (Bring a chair & blanket as needed)

Breakfast to follow in the Family Life Center.

9:00 a.m.

The Spring Contemporary Worship Service
Sanctuary

11:00 a.m.

Traditional Morning Worship Service
Sanctuary

No evening events; enjoy this time with your family.



KidSpring

(CHILDREN, AGES 3 YRS.—5th GRADE)

Because of the threat of the Coronavirus Disease, all Rhea County Schools will not resume classes until further notice. Since **Kid Spring** is on the same schedule as the Rhea County Schools, there will be **NO Kid Spring** meetings on Wednesday afternoons until schools are back in session.

Below are recommendations to help families stay healthy:

Sneeze and cough into your elbow or cover with a tissue.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread that way.

Don't share personal items.

Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces that are frequently touched.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

If you or your children get sick, please limit contact with others.

United Methodist Women (UMW) Annual Spring Flea Market



SATURDAY, MAY 2

8 am - 2 pm

Family Life Center

**Spring City
United Methodist Church
245 Church Street**

Now is an excellent time to begin your spring cleaning and set aside items you no longer use or need and wish to donate to the **UMW Flea Market**. All proceeds from this sale go to support local missions. We hope you participate again this year.

The Family Life Center is closed for the Flea Market set-up beginning **Monday, April 27th through Friday, May 1st**. You may drop off items (**No Clothes, please**) to donate to the Flea Market on **Tuesday, April 28th, Wednesday, April 29th, and Thursday, April 30th, from the hours of 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

On **Friday, May 1**, items may be dropped off from the hours of

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thank You for Your Donations!

A Favored Trip Shared With Joy



Above left to right are those who were a part of the Joy Ministry Team's trip to Dayton, Friday, February 28th: Nancy Gilliam, David Gilliam, Shelby Williams, Nancy Herhold, Pearl Gilliam, Patty Crowder, Janice Laughrey, Walt Laughrey, and bus driver, Tommy Hale, who took this photo. Many said this Joy trip was one of their favorites.

The group enjoyed the Embellishment Center and learning how they process screen-print for Robinson's Mfg. in Dayton. Each one received tea towels and blankets. After leaving the Embellishment Center, the Joy Team enjoyed lunch at the Monkey Town Brewery in Dayton.

The Joy trip for May, 2020, is on Friday, May 15th, traveling to Pigeon Forge to visit the Parrot Mountain & Gardens.



Left is a photo of a tea towel that each one in the group received. Notice the flame and cross emblem near the bottom with Spring City United Methodist Church encircling it. Those who signed up for this trip were happy and grateful for their tea towels. A special thank you to Nancy Gilliam, an employee at Robinson's Mfg. for making this trip possible.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
Bridal Shower
 IN HONOR OF
Morgan Owensby

April 26, 2020 | Spring City United Methodist Church
 1:30 - 3:00 | 245 Church Street, Spring City, TN

Lowe's Gift Cards • Gift Registry: Target & Bed, Bath, and Beyond

PLEASE PRAY FOR SAFE TRAVEL to and from Mexico for the Mexico Medical Mission Team's mission trip to the state of Puebla, Mexico - Saturday, April 18 - Sunday, April 26, 2020.



Easter Sunrise Service

7:00 a.m.
 April 12, 2020
 Veterans Park

Join us for this Special Community-Wide Service!

Sponsored by
 Spring City United Methodist Church
 245 Church Street
 Spring City, TN 37381
 423.365.6324

Breakfast to follow in the Family Life Center.

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
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study
 5th Sunday Sing
 (only on fifth Sundays)



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