

# THE LAMPLIGHTER

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

**October 2021**

## RUNNING THE RACE

by Rev. Dave Grant

We have just finished up a series on the book of James. In a sense it was about stewardship—how we live out our calling as disciples of Christ. In October we move to another element of our stewardship: money. Well, actually we will hit on other elements of stewardship as well, because while money talks, God talks louder. Jesus is the Word, and we have the written word in the Bible, and God also speaks through the Holy Spirit. This world has a lot to say about money, but God has even more to say. Actually, Jesus talked about money more than any other topic in the Gospels. The question for us is how do these Scriptures apply to our lives?

Jesus said in Matthew 6:21, “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” God doesn’t need your money; God wants your heart. When we invite Jesus into our hearts and the Holy Spirit dwells within us, we are encouraged to allow God to direct all areas of our lives, including time, talent, devotion and resources. If we invite God to direct all areas, including our finances, we may see God do amazing things in us and through us.

We will begin this series the first Sunday in October with our call to seek the Kingdom of God above all else and being faithful with what God has entrusted to us. Then on October 10, Stephen Kaye will bring us an inspiring message. And then we will continue with our stewardship the following three weeks.

October 31 is the day before All Saints Day, and we will observe All Saints Day in worship as we remember those saints who have gone on to the Church Triumphant. In our remembrance we will light candles, ring bells, and share communion.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Stella Ray**  
**James Weaver**  
**John Powell**  
**Manuel Christi**

**Sandy Morgan**  
**Carol Price**  
**Jenny Lou Hallums**  
**Liz Stair**

**Eddie Garrison** Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr. Spring City  
**Barbara Hardy** The Courtyard, Apt. 258A, 195 Deer Ridge Dr., Dayton, 37321  
**Kathleen Reece** Spring City Care & Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.  
**Imogene Robbins** Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City

**Beverly Wilkey Louallen**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)

**Debbie McCullough**  
(friend of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Kent Daum**  
(friend of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Clyde Thurman, Sr.**  
(father of Clyde Thurman, Jr.)

**Rick McGrath**  
(son-in-law of John Powell)

**Larry McCuiston**  
(brother of Pat Douglas)

**Kyrsten Coleman**  
(friend of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Dean Hunsberger**  
(brother of Linda Booker)

**Joyce Hamill**  
(friend of Jerrie Patton)

**Amy Scurlock**  
(granddaughter of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Jan Pitts**  
(friend of Peggy Bowman)

**Mary Hardy**  
(sister-in-law of Peg Caudill)

**Ronnie Morgan**  
(friend of Norman & Peggy Bowman)

**Kristen Wagner**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)

**Judy VanWinkle**  
(friend of Walt & Linda Morse)

**Alex Cohen**  
(brother of Rita Uhler)

**Dave Heimel**  
(father of Tom Heimel)

**The Family of Grace Fugate**  
(aunt of Emmaly Fisher)

**The Family of Wayne Allen Graves**  
(fiancé of Donna Mullins)

**The Family of John Moorshead**  
(SCUMC member)

**The Family of Nancy McIlwain**  
(SCUMC member)

**The Family of Gary McCampbell**  
(friend of Ken & Barbara Rose, John Powell, and Connie Roberts)

**The Family of Betty Payne**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)

**The Family of Earl Jolley**  
(friend of Connie Roberts)

**The Family of Edna Jo Garrison**  
(mother of Angela Jackson)

**The Family of Marjorie Kane**  
(SCUMC member)

Happy Birthday!



October



1 Barbara Lemons  
3 Sawyer Maddux  
4 Linda Morse  
8 Cole Wilson  
9 Edward Gibbs  
10 Nancy Hicks  
10 Allison Wood  
12 Susan Maddux  
14 Martin Shaver  
14 Dave Grant  
17 Daryl Watson  
19 Luke Barnes

21 Jennifer Shaver  
26 Judy Litteken  
28 Beth Root  
29 Loretta Hale  
30 Tim Agee  
30 Dakota Herhold  
31 Arthur Osborne



# Faithful Workers

10/3	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31
<u>Acolyte</u> Meri Grant	<u>Acolyte</u> Ashley Grant	<u>Acolyte</u> Meri Grant	<u>Acolyte</u> Ashley Grant	<u>Acolyte</u> Meri Grant
<u>Ushers</u> Bennie Arp Walt Morse	<u>Ushers</u> Don Hinely Madison Hinely	<u>Ushers</u> Lynda Smith Margo Hinsdale	<u>Ushers</u> Bennie Arp Walt Morse	<u>Ushers</u> Don Hinely Madison Hinely

Happy Anniversary!

10/1 David & Ann Marie Lanzi	10/13 Clyde & Wendy Thurman, Jr.
10/8 Mark & Ruth Neal	10/19 Felix & Emmaly Fisher
10/8 Rick & Deborah Wilson	10/24 Max & Pat Douglas

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> **FLC Closed for Flea Market Setup	<b>2</b> 8:00 UMW Flea Market
<b>3</b> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Youth	<b>4</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>5</b> 8:30 MDO 6:00 UMW	<b>6</b> 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>7</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service	<b>11</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>14</b> 7:00 Trustees	<b>15</b> JOY Ministry Trip	<b>16</b>
<b>Rhea County Schools-Fall Break/ No MDO/ Pastor Dave On Vacation</b>						
<b>17</b> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 12:00 Church Council	<b>18</b> 10:00 TLC 1:00 UMW Book Club	<b>19</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>20</b> 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>21</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 6:00 Charge Conference	<b>25</b> 10:00 TLC	<b>26</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>27</b> 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Choir Practice	<b>28</b> 8:30 MDO	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 7:00-8:00 
<b>31</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service						

# In Loving Memory...

Gray & Sharon Cowart gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Margie Kane**.

Patty Crowder gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Margie Kane**.

Patty Crowder gave to the *Church Memorial Fund* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison** and **Nancy McIlwain**.

Joe Lisa gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Margie Kane** and **Nancy McIlwain**.

Helen Kincannon gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison** and **Rev. John Manney**.

Gray & Sharon Cowart gave to the *Music Memorial Fund* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison** and **Nancy McIlwain**.

Lynda Smith gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison** and **Nancy McIlwain**.

Joe Lisa gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison**.

Connie Roberts and John Powell gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Betty Payne**, **Edna Jo Garrison**, and **Randal Gibbs**.

Walter & Terry Hooper gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Nancy McIlwain**.

Rev. Don Allison gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Eleanor Allison**.

Jerry & Rayna Henley gave to the *Community Ministries Fund* in memory of **Nancy McIlwain**.

Jerry & Rayna Henley gave to the *Music Fund* in memory of **Edna Jo Garrison**.

## MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

### AUGUST 2021

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	30,538.60	206,905.38	310,000.00	66.7%
Mother's Day Out	1,540.00	1,540.00	25,310.00	6.1%
Other Income	9.33	279.91	1,200.00	23.3%
<b>TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>32,087.93</b>	<b>208,725.29</b>	<b>336,510.00</b>	<b>62.0%</b>
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	14,472.20	98,585.41	146,913.00	67.1%
Property Maintenance	3,199.21	54,732.37	89,300.00	61.3%
Office Administration	669.65	4,752.94	9,700.00	49.0%
Nurture and Music	243.00	1,771.55	3,900.00	45.4%
Witness	176.35	462.90	1,700.00	27.2%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	600.00	1,900.00	31.6%
Conference/District	3,073.86	26,542.01	37,189.00	71.4%
Church Support	0.00	2,318.35	8,298.00	27.9%
Children's Ministries	0.00	99.75	5,300.00	1.9%
Adult Ministries	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
Youth Ministries	69.52	408.38	6,000.00	6.8%
MDO Expenses	1,430.75	1,430.75	25,310.00	5.7%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>23,409.54</b>	<b>191,704.56</b>	<b>336,510.00</b>	<b>57.0%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>8,678.39</b>	<b>17,020.73</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	8/29	9/5	9/12	9/19
<b>General Budget</b>	5,007.00	9,934.00	8,914.96	2,967.00
<b>MDO</b>	1,540.00	2,380.00	740.00	700.00
<b>Special</b>	905.00	730.00	1,230.00	90.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,452.00</b>	<b>13,044.00</b>	<b>10,884.96</b>	<b>3,757.00</b>
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>WORSHIP</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>LIVE STREAM</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>

# Thank you!

Thank you all so much for the flowers, cards, and other gifts I received for my birthday!

-Imogene Robbins

To those of you who gave to your church in memory of my Nancy, I thank you very much.

-Chuck McIlwain

Thank you to everyone that gave to Peanut Butter Sunday! The church gave a total of **\$2,145**. Thank you again for serving your community!

Come join the United Methodist Women Book Club

On Monday, October 18th at 1:00

If you would like to join us early bring a sack lunch at Noon in the Fellowship Hall

As we share

**An essential piece of reading for anyone concerned by the increasing wealth inequality—made worse by the global pandemic and political partisanship**

The growing wealth inequality continues to dominate headlines. The divide between the haves and have nots in America is increasingly political and tensions are rising. On one side, the wealthy wield power and advantage, keeping the system operating in their favor—all while retreating into enclaves that separate them further and further from the poor and working class. On the other side, those who find it increasingly difficult to keep up or get ahead are desperate and frustrated —waging a rhetorical war against the rich and letting anger and resentment keep us from seeing new potential solutions.

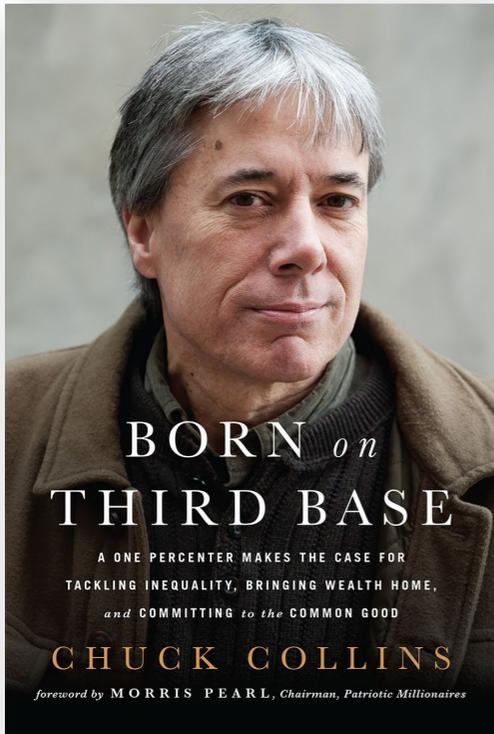
But can we suspend both class wars long enough to consider a new way forward? Is it really good for anyone that most of society's wealth is pooling at the very top of the wealth ladder? Does anyone, including the one percent, really want to live in a society plagued by economic apartheid?

It is time to think differently, says longtime inequality expert and activist Chuck Collins. Born into the one percent, Collins gave away his inheritance at 26 and spent the next three decades mobilizing against inequality. He uses his perspective from both sides of the divide to deliver a new narrative.

Collins calls for a ceasefire and invites the wealthy to come back home, investing themselves and their wealth in struggling communities. And he asks the non-wealthy to build alliances with the one percent and others at the top of the wealth ladder.

Stories told along the way explore the roots of advantage, show how taxpayers subsidize the wealthy, and reveal how charity, used incorrectly, can actually reinforce extreme inequality. Readers meet pioneers who are crossing the divide to work together in new ways, including residents in the author's own Boston-area neighborhood who have launched some of the most interesting community transition efforts in the nation.

In the end, Collins's national and local solutions not only challenge inequality but also respond to climate change and offer an unexpected, fresh take on one of our most intransigent problem



## 2021 Mother's Day Out

The pitter-patter of little feet can be heard upstairs during the week as these little ones in our Mother's Day Out (MDO) program learn and play! Thank you to our wonderful teachers & helper, Ms. Denisea, Ms. Whitney, Ms. Christy, and Ms. Hope!



SEE YOU AT THE POLE  
GLOBAL DAY OF STUDENT PRAYER

SEPT  
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YOU'LL GET ON YOUR FEET.

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GLOBAL WEEK OF STUDENT PRAYER  
SEPT 19 - 25, 2021

September 19-25 was the Global Week of Student Prayer. On Wednesday, September 22, students all over the world gathered to lift up their schools. Elementary and Middle Schools across Rhea County, as well as Rhea County High School, met around their flag poles. Pastor Dave was asked to lead prayer at Spring City Elementary School. We are thankful for the students, faculty, staff, parents, and community members who continue to pray for our schools. We hope you will join them in prayer.

## Morgan-Scott Christmas



It's that time of year again!  
Donations will be accepted until **November 7th** for the Morgan-Scott Christmas Project. A drop-off box will be set up at the side entrance of the church for you to bring items. Please make sure that the items you bring are for **teen** boys and girls—not children. You may also donate financially, just write "Morgan-Scott" in the memo.

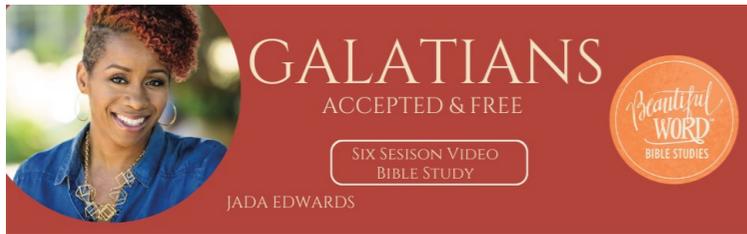
# Happy Birthday, Pastor Dave!



We want to wish you a very  
happy birthday!

Thank you for everything that you  
do!

# Women's Fall Bible Study



Women's Wednesday Bible Study will begin again for a 6 week study of Galatians beginning October 6th and ending November 10th from 6:00-7:00 in the FLC.

In *Galatians: Accepted and Free*, Jada Edwards shows why it's so important to know in the deepest recesses of your soul that you are wholly and fully accepted in Christ, by Christ and, through Christ. From your birth, God has called and chosen you—yes, you!

- Because of God's **authority**, we don't need to seek the acceptance of man.
- Because of God's **assignment**, we no longer define our lives by culture or heritage.
- Because of God's **approval**, we aren't insecure or intimidated.
- Because of God's **adoption**, we aren't slaves anymore.
- Because of God's **freedom**, we don't need to self-sabotage to cope.
- Because of God's **restoration**, we can bring healing and restoration to others.

# TRUNK OR TREAT?



Spring City Methodist Church  
Saturday, Oct. 30  
7 PM-8 PM



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Rev. David Grant  
Pastor

### 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

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Youth

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