

THE LAMPLIGHTER

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SPRING CITY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Dale's Doodles

The gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John are full of stories about the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. These stories tell us of a compassionate God who loves us just as we are, and there is nothing we can do about it! The gospel/good news is just that — Good News. When we encounter this Jesus and experience Him through a personal relationship, we begin to understand who we are and why He created us.

One of my favorite stories from the Gospel of Luke invites us to watch, listen, and experience the presence of Jesus as He brings hope and forgiveness to a man's life. The story is found in Luke 5:17-26.

¹⁷ One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. ¹⁸ Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; ¹⁹ but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. ²⁰ When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you." ²¹ Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ²² When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk?'

²⁴ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"— he said to the one who was paralyzed — "I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home." ²⁵ Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. ²⁶ Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

This is the story of the paralyzed man who is in need of healing. Jesus comes to Capernaum and enters a home. A large crowd of people gathers in and around the house. There are so many people that newcomers have no way to approach Jesus. Outside the house, the men carrying the lame man want to get inside to see Jesus. They have carried their friend to this place so Jesus could/ would heal him. Unfortunately, they cannot get through, so they decide to take him up on the roof. After opening a hole in the roof, they lower their friend down to Jesus. Jesus looks at him and says two powerful things. First, Jesus says, "Your sins are forgiven," and secondly, He told the man, "Take up your mat and walk."

This is Jesus who has the power to forgive and to heal, and this is Jesus today. He has the same power to forgive and to heal us.

Because of this act of compassion, Jesus Christ changed this man's life forever, and He has the power to transform our lives, our situations, our problems, our everything!!!!!!

Let Jesus transform each of us each day!!!!

Shalom,

Rev. Dale J. Wysock

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Tim Agee	Rhonda Evans	Sheila Larson
Virginia Bond	Margaret Crane	Susie Strunk
T. C. & Laretta Cash	Linda Mullins	

Ella Bell (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)
Mary Galloway (195 Deer Ridge Dr., #A5, Dayton, 37321)
Sharon Haynes (Life Care of Rhea Co., #114, Dayton, 37321)
Jeannette Long (Spring City Care & Rehab, #201, 331 Hinch St.)
Fred Mullins ((Spring City Care & Rehab, #204, 331 Hinch St.)

Treva Orender
(wife of Steve Orender)
Gracie Dial
(friend of Margo Hinsdale)
Jack Anderson
(cousin of Linda Morse)
Terry McClendon
(nephew of Pat Horton)
Terry Gains
(friend of Constance Garrison)
T. J. Loftin
(son of Ronnie & Connie Dove)
Mary Balmer
(Chris Haerr's mother)
Alice Cumnock
(Pat Cook's granddaughter)
Joyce Drake
(former member)
Jason Hall
(nephew of Susan & Bennie Arp)
Richard & Sandra Larson
(Bob Larson's brother & his brother's wife)
Jane Thurau
(Bill Ruffner's sister)
Larry Hallums
(friend of Leon Hicks)
Lenora Brooks
(friend of Nancy Gilliam)
Chris Norris
(son of Jerry & Shari Norris)
Mary Heimel
(Tom Heimel's mother)

Lillian Shaffer
(Kathy Heimel's mother)
Linda Swanson
(Lauretta Cash's sister)
Emmett Holdren
(Joe Lisa's friend)
Dominic Ciero
(grandson of Cindy Hill and nephew of Jerrie Patton)
Montana Runninghorse
(friend of Richard DeCroke)
Larry Buller
(friend of Sharon & Gray Cowart)
Kennedy and Lincoln Ladd
(friends of Peggy Bowman)
Emaline Nunley
(aunt of David, Marty, & Howard Gilliam)

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

Faithful Workers

FEB. 3 USHERS Bennie Arp Norman Bowman Walt Morse Jerry Smith	FEB. 10 USHERS Marty Gilliam Don Hinely Ken Rose Clyde Thurman, Jr.	FEB. 17 USHERS Mary Drinkard Jerry Norris Shari Norris Billy Ray Patton	FEB. 24 USHERS Trish Cole Richard Cole Margo Hinsdale Sheila Larson
GREETERS Carolyn Reid Lynda Smith	GREETERS Sharon Cowart Shelby Williams	GREETERS Dorathy Hastings Jerrie Patton	GREETERS Mary Drinkard Margo Hinsdale
NURSERY Katie Rose Peggy Bowman	NURSERY Terry Hooper Lesia Garrison	NURSERY Peggy Bowman Loretta Hale	NURSERY Wanda McCarter Katie Rose
ACOLYTE Rachel Heimel	ACOLYTE Madison Hinely	ACOLYTE Emily & Gabby McBride	ACOLYTE Rachel Heimel
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Constance Garrison Hannah Couch	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Wendy Thurman Natalie Baker	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Susan Maddux Erin Couch	CHILDREN'S CHURCH Angie Couch TBA



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 11:00 Worship Service 4:30 Youth 6:00 Bible Study 8-9 p.m. AA-FH	4 10:00 TLC	5 8:30 MDO 6:00 UMW	6 10:00 Bible Study 4:30 Youth & 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Choir Practice	7 8:30 MDO 11:00 Home Prayer Group	8	9
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Ministers' Convocation, Pigeon Forge February 18 – 20						
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- 1 Barbara Rose
- 6 Harry Landreth
- 9 Ken Rose
- 10 Ken Hasting
- 11 Allison Neal
- 12 Kaitlyn Couch
- Krissy Tallent
- 14 Kirstin Neal



- 20 Linda Phillips
- 22 Mike Phillips
- 25 Terry Hooper
- 26 Neil Garrison
- Jessie Harris
- 28 Frank Snyder
- Rick Wilson



- Feb. 2*
Marla & Bruce
Hinzman
- Feb. 10*
Eddie & Kathleen
Garrison
- Feb. 14*
Ken & Ann
Hasting

- Feb. 17*
Brian & Erica
Hitchcox

- Feb. 19*
James & Angie
Couch
&
JoAnn & John
Moorshead

- Feb. 23*
Jim & Wanda
McCarter



In Loving Memory

Helen Kincannon and Clay & Mary Coulter gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Doris Roy**.

Patty Crowder gave to the *Memorial Fund* in memory of **Jack Phillips**.

Melvin & Linda Mays gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Jesse & Nina Gibbs** and **Park & Barbara Hale**.

Those who gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Jack Phillips**: Helen Kincannon, Tommy & Loretta Hale, Dr. B. E. Lenoir, Fred & Linda Mullins, Gray & Sharon Cowart, Teresa Smith, Walter & Terry Hooper, Gary & Mary Drinkard, Max & Pat Douglas, and Jerry & Rayna Henley.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the *Community Ministry Fund* in memory of **Charlsey Barton, Margaret Cohen, & Robin Raye**.

Gray & Sharon Cowart, Pat & Max Douglas, and the Celebration Sunday School Class gave to the *Community Ministry Fund* in memory of **Margaret Cohen**.

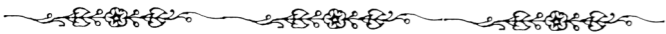
Richard & Liz Stair gave to *Holston Home for Children* in memory of **"Tuffy" Thurman**.

Tom & Kathy Heimerl gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **John Hanson**.

Max & Pat Douglas and Jack & Lynn Goan gave to the *General Budget* in memory of **Charlsey Barton**.

Jerry & Rayna Henley gave to the *Community Ministry Fund* in memory of **Jesse Gibbs, Charles Evans, Margaret Cohen, and Charlsey Barton**.

Patty Crowder and Shelby Williams gave to the *Community Ministry Fund* in memory of **Margaret Cohen**.



Honorariums

Connie Massengale Lackey gave to the *General Budget* in honor of her brother, **Bryan Massengale**.

The Celebration Sunday School Class gave to the *Holston Home for Children* in honor of **Susan Maddux**.

MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED

DECEMBER 2018

INCOME	CURRENT PERIOD	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET PERCENTAGE
Contributions	33,803.49	327,720.78	379,000.00	86.5%
Mother's Day Out	2,265.00	30,723.68	24,700.00	124.4%
Other Income	173.87	1,330.64	1,100.00	121.0%
TOTAL INCOME/ GROSS PROFIT	36,242.36	359,775.10	404,800.00	88.9%
EXPENSES				
Salaries & Benefits	21,283.40	216,615.30	226,598.00	95.6%
Property Maintenance	5,271.99	53,376.20	68,500.00	77.9%
Office Administration	1,173.92	7,665.42	10,400.00	73.7%
Nurture and Music	74.86	2,569.77	4,200.00	61.2%
Witness	121.00	858.50	2,550.00	33.7%
Outreach - Missions	75.00	1,685.56	1,500.00	112.4%
Conference/District	3,397.74	38,542.15	43,637.00	88.3%
Church Support	213.44	4,779.98	9,115.00	52.4%
Children's Ministries	142.68	3,221.70	6,000.00	53.7%
Adult Ministries	0.00	1,143.97	1,600.00	71.5%
Youth Ministries	0.00	3,166.63	6,000.00	52.8%
MDO Expenses	1,625.00	29,186.76	24,700.00	118.2%
TOTAL EXPENSES	33,379.03	362,811.94	404,800.00	89.6%
NET INCOME	2,863.33	-3,036.84	0.00	100.0%

FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

	12/23	12/30	1/6/19	1/13	1/20
General Budget	9,829.63	3,947.00	9,300.23	7,194.65	2,848.00
MDO				1,585.00	135.00
Memorial		1,000.00			
Special	1,464.32	2,805.00	2,190.68	345.00	26.00
TOTAL	11,293.95	7,752.00	13,725.92	9,124.65	3,009.00
SS ATTENDANCE	53	45	50	55	40
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	147	104	130	109	120

WHY is Safe Sanctuary Mandated?

The short answer is because of the state of the world in which we live. The longer, stronger answer is that loving and caring for one another is a Biblical mandate: Matthew 22:39 NRSV: "And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Abuse and neglect exist in our society, our community, and our families. Far too often we see and hear in the news about the maltreatment of children, youth and elderly adults, generally by someone they know and trust. Unfortunately, too many churches have had to deal with this issue when it has happened within their walls. And while we may adamantly believe that it could never happen in OUR church...so did they. The undisputable fact remains: it *could* happen. Therefore, let us be proactive and take as many safeguards to reasonably ensure the safety of all who enter our doors.

Because abuse *could* happen, we need to be prepared with the security and direction that our policy provides. The security is in the open dialogue acknowledging the problem: education, safeguards (as individuals and as a church), and training. The direction that policy provides is a written, specific, and uniform response should an allegation of abuse or neglect during a church function occur. We want to ensure that any possible victim, perpetrator, or witness is treated with compassion and respect, cooperation with investigative authorities, and protect any alleged crime scene/evidence.

My prayer is that we never experience an allegation. I'm confident that safeguards in the policy will reasonably prevent opportunities for abuse or neglect while in our midst, but in the event of the unthinkable, policy will guide us through in an organized and effective manner.

"NO"



11th Annual "No Bake" Bake Sale

SPONSORED BY
SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

*Proceeds will support UMW Projects.
Please be as generous as you can so we can help others.*

A No Bake Sale does not involve any baking. Rather the UMW members save the cost, time and calories of a traditional bake sale by simply making a monetary donation. We need & appreciate your support to make the 2019 "No Bake" Bake Sale a success.

Simply give your contribution to Pat Douglas, Susan Maddux, Margo Hinsdale, or Angie Rose OR send it to:

SCUMW
P.O. Box 158
Spring City, TN 37381

Please Make Checks Payable to: Spring City United Methodist Women
Note: Mark Your Check "No Bake" Bake Sale

Thank you and God bless you!

A New York Times Bestseller

The End of Your Life Book Club Will Schwalbe

"A graceful, affecting
testament to a mother
and a life well-lived."
—Entertainment Weekly,
Grade A



**Please Join Us On
Tuesday,
February 19th
In the
Church Library
As We Are Reminded
How Literature
Can Impact the Way
We Feel About and
Interact with the
World Around Us!**

During her treatment for cancer, Mary Anne Schwalbe and her son, Will, spent many hours sitting in waiting rooms together. To pass the time, they would talk about the books they were reading. Soon, they begin to trade books, and an informal book club of two was born.

Through their wide-ranging reading, Will and Mary Anne — and we, their fellow readers — are reminded how books can be comforting, astonishing and illuminating, changing the way we feel about and interact with the world around us.

A profoundly moving memoir of caregiving, mourning, and love — The End of Your Life Book Club is also about the joy of reading and the ways that joy is multiplied when we share it with others.

THANKS

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY: Thank you for your prayers. God is good and has answered your prayers. Thank you also for the prayer shawl. I know that a lot of love and prayer went into the making of the shawl. I would also like to thank Pastor Dale, Pat Douglas, Dorathy Hastings and Barbara Rose for being with me the day of the surgery. Their prayers for that day were heard and answered.

God Bless, Sharon Baker

SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Thank you for allowing us to have our special day at your beautiful church and Family Life Center! Love, *Timothy & Alexandra Marsh*

Mexico Medical Mission Trip March 24 - April 7, 2019

Each spring about 30 to 40 volunteers from throughout the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church participate in the Mexico Medical Mission, bringing medical care to 2,000 or more. The opportunity to serve the Mexican people is a rewarding experience.

A team will form to travel to two villages of Tatoxac and Ixtepec in the Eastern Sierra Madre. Please note this not on the border and a much safer place in Mexico to work.

Our work there is general care, seeing patients with diabetes, hypertension, parasites, and identifying referral needs. The team tries to provide medication for diagnosis of problems, along with Christian love. This is a camping type setting, with communal sleeping in the villages.

Our team consists of doctors, nurses, interpreters, and people who are willing to serve. The team leaders are Frank Snyder (pharmacist), Rev. Ramon Torres, Dr. Paul Brown (physician), Angela Bowker (treasurer), and Anna Kapoor (Logistics/registration).

Work there has continued by donations from churches and individuals, recruiting of medical and helpers, and a leadership team that works together with people in Mexico.

God bless you and thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Haerr, Vickie & Frank Snyder



Meet Ashley!

Our New Youth Director

Ashley Ledford was born and raised in East Tennessee. She was confirmed into the United Methodist Church and baptized in the 5th grade at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church in Athens, Tennessee. In high school, Ashley moved to Kingston, Tennessee where she joined and was a very active member of Kingston United Methodist Church. Ashley was active in district and conference youth programs, including Holston's Conference Council on Youth Ministries for three years. She graduated from Roane County High School in May 2007. After high school, Ashley attended Roane State Community College. She maintained an active role at Kingston United Methodist Church, where she volunteered with the youth program and taught a middle school Sunday School class. In May 2014, Ashley obtained a position at St. Mark United Methodist Church in Clinton, TN as Director of Children & Youth Ministries. She was in the position at St. Mark United Methodist Church for a little over two years, before deciding to continue her education.

Ashley is an avid lover of all things Disney, flamingos, and being outdoors. She loves spending her free time at the lake, pool, or even playing in the rain. She currently works as a substitute teacher for Athens City Schools, volunteers with local foster care agencies, and loves planning & organizing events.

Ashley's favorite bible verse is: "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity."

- 1st Timothy 4:12(NIV)



Important Dates for February:
February 6th— School is out, KID SPRING will not be meeting.
February 13th— Valentine's Party!

Children ages 3yrs.—5th grade are invited to join us WEDNESDAYS from 4:30 till 6:00 in the FELLOWSHIP HALL!



The Children's Ministry is in need of VOLUNTEERS to make all our programs a success! If you are interested in helping with Children's Church or KIDSPRING we would love to have you!



JOY MINISTRY TEAM is shown above on Friday, January 18th, as they were leaving for their trip to Oak Ridge to visit the American Museum of Science and Energy. After visiting the museum, they enjoyed lunch at Applebees. A big thank you to Tommy Hale for driving the bus and to Pastor Dale for taking this picture.



Once again, it is time for us to help those in need in our community by bringing cans of soup to church to be placed on the altar rails for "**Souper Bowl**" Sunday, **February 3, 2019**. The soup we collect is donated to Our Daily Bread to help feed those who are hungry in our area.

REMEMBER: The Sunday school class which contributes the most cans of soup wins the "Souper Bowl" Trophy for 2019!

Scenes from Christmas 2018

Jerrie and Billy Ray Patton are shown below as they read the fourth reading on the last Sunday of Advent, December 23rd and lit the candle of love. Scenes from the Christmas Eve Service with **Pastor Dale** and the congregation are also featured. What a joy we shared celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



Welcome to Our Church Family!



Ashton Hoffman, who joined our church on Profession of Faith on Sunday, December 16, 2018, is shown with Pastor Dale when he was welcomed as the newest member of church family. Pastor Dale also baptized him with water from the Jordan River. Ashton is a member of our church's youth group.



Ashton is shown above with his family who were here to support him on this special day when he became the last new member of Spring City United Methodist Church in 2018.



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

9:45 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)

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