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GOOD NEWS

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The Shepherd's Corner



"Come to me all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, I will give rest." Matthew 11:28 CEB Common English Bible

Can I come over to see you?
Would you please come with me. Come see me sometime.

These are requests that we have heard or heard someone say to us or we

have said to someone else. These are words of invitation. Someone or somebody recognizes that they can assist us or perhaps, since we have used these terms, we believe we can help them. There might be valuable information that can be used to enhance the lives of others.

Jesus calls to us and invites us to fellowship with Him. The command to come is clear. When we embrace His resurrected power that is where we find true rest and peace from the burdens and stresses of the world. Serve him! He has risen indeed, and His miracles never cease.

*Grace & peace
Jerry*



Celebrate Easter!

The Living Lord's Supper will be at the waterfront beside the boat building place at 7 pm

Good Friday Service will be at 7 pm at Mount Olivet UMC.

Sunrise Service 6 am near the cross at the Gazebo on the waterfront. Breakfast at Mount Olivet Fellowship Hall immediately following the Sunrise Service.



GOOD NEWS....there is a group at Mount Olivet that is putting together a Cookbook. To start with, they need 500 recipes by April 19 ...it doesn't matter whether you are a church member or not....we just know we have lots of good cooks that have unique recipes...some of you make the best BBQ sauce in the WORLD...others make the best pound cakes.... cool salads...candy, etc.

If you are willing to share...then, please pick up a form at the church office or download it from the church website (<http://mountolivetumc.org/Nannie%20Midgett.html>). You may drop your completed form(s) by the church office or fax them to 252-473-3850 If you have multiples...that is fine too...submit as many as you would like to! Cookbooks will be on presale soon at \$15 each! More info about purchasing them soon!

*He is
Risen Indeed!!*

Scholarships

Scholarship interviews will take place Sunday afternoon, April 10th at the church.

Kathy Seawell, Scholarship Committee



Youth Ministry

“Collision - Mend the Broken” was the theme for Acquire the Fire this year. 26 youth and leaders traveled to Greensboro, NC and learned about the choices they make and how those choices impact the people around them. All the youth had an incredible time, and we look forward to attending ATF in 2012.

Youth Breakfasts are still in full swing each Thursday morning from 7:00- 7:40 am. This is a great time of fellowship and testimonies. If you are interested in providing a time of devotional please contact Michele Barnes at 473-6327.

On Thursday, March 24th at 6:30 pm a new guys and girls Bible discussion group began. This group lead by Kevin Goudy and Melinda Long meets each Thursday from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. All youth are encouraged to attend.

Starting on April 3rd the youth will be having a birthday dinner fellowship the first Sunday of each month. If you are interested in providing food please contact Lynn Tugwell or Michele Barnes.

Upcoming events:

Youth Sunday May 15

Older Adult Recognition Dinner May 21

Thank you for your continued support and prayers for our youth.

The Youth Leadership Team



Nursery Volunteers:

8:30	Sunday School	11:00
April 3 Lynn Tugwell 473-1338	Jan Culpepper 722-1144	Jennifer Phillips 473-5269
April 10 Denise Trevino 305-8210	Pam Harrison 473-1414	Cribb Family 473-2088
April 17 Ann Payne 473-2290	Doris Weatherly 473-5067	Nancy Austin 473-2389
April 24 Wendie Paramore 216-6626	Millicent Duprey 473-6079	Wynne Hopkins 475-1006

Please remember if you have a schedule conflict to make arrangements to switch with someone or find a substitute.



The church nursery can always use volunteers! If you are not on the schedule, but would like to volunteer in the nursery ministry, please give me a call!

Erica Burkhart 252-423-0989

Nannie Midgett Circle

Circle members met at the home of Maxine Thomasson on March 21. Guest speakers were from the Hands of Hope, which is a program initiated by UNC Hospital System for the first time in Dare County. This program helps cancer patients deal with their sickness in many ways, such as getting appointments with the right doctors, making sure they get all information they need, transportation needs, counseling, obtaining motel rooms at a discount for overnight stays and providing some meals. These people are at your beck and call for any need you have related to cancer treatment. All you have to do is call Debora I. Jones, Nurse Navigator and Volunteer Coordinator Marie Neilson. Marie can be reached at (252) 216-9400 and Debora's number is (252) 449-8265 - the UNC Cancer Network in Dare County.

We will be feeding Monday Night Alive students on Monday night. We are doing a cookbook fundraiser also and this is not just a cookbook, it will cover a lot of history about our church and what we do. Advance sales are \$15/book. Get yours reserved early (see page 1 for more details about the cookbook)..

Next meeting will be April 18 at the home of Karen King at 7:30 P.M. See you there.

Peggy Snead

Missions

Missions is asking for all those who pledge to please be in prayer that we will indeed get all of our pledges in a timely manner. We meet every other month and pay our commitments at these meetings. We notice we are “a little behind” and hope that you will help us help others through your continued giving.

Our Lenten opportunities are as follows:

LOCAL - LIFEBOAT COMMUNITY CHURCH FOOD PANTRY that serves Hatteras Island...they work strictly off donations and are bridging the gap for folks in their community.

CONFERENCE - The MERCI CENTER continues to be a strong source of help during disasters reaching out from the NC CONFERENCE OF THE UMC. We are blessed to have a response facility and one that is prepared both in season and out for a need to again be the hands and feet of Christ in times of crisis or natural disaster.



WORLD - JOY IN HOPE - an organization that is led by Gwen Mangine and her husband in Haiti....in an orphanage. Gwen is the daughter of Steve and Denise Goodale of Manteo. God has given them hearts for the Haitian people and primarily for the orphans in that country.

Worship

APRIL ALTAR GUILD

Carol Meekins, Chair: Penny Williams, Michele Barnes, Mary Jo Matthews

*Co-Chairs: Maxine Thomasson
473-2234
Margaret Daniels
473-3534*

APRIL GREETER

Reha & Dan Otte

*Chair: Lynda Midgett
473-2774*

APRIL USHERS

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m.

Paul & Estelle Midgett

Lynda Midgett & Tom O'Neal

*Chair: Lynda Midgett
473-2774*

APRIL COMMUNION STEWARDS

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m.

Mike & Denise Trevino

Steve & Maureen Thompson

Reuben & Jean Payne

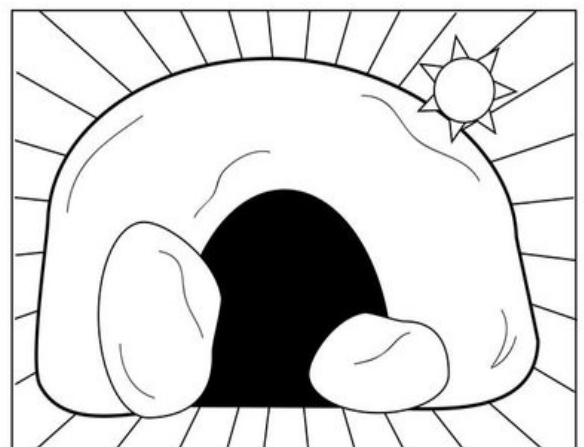
Edna Black & Joyce Etheridge

*Co-Chairs: Helen & Charlie Petty
473-3456*

Thank you, volunteers, for all you do to serve HIM

Worship Chair: Edna Black 473-5348

Empty Tomb



Music

The music ministry is in preparation to celebrate Easter with our church. On Palm Sunday, April 17, during the morning services, the music ministry will be sharing “Amazing Love”. “Amazing Love” is dramatic music telling of the amazing love given by our God and Savior through Jesus Christ. During the 8:30am service, Resounding Praise and Change (Youth Praise Team) will join forces to share the drama with contemporary music. At the 11:00am service, the Chancel Choir, Handbells, Clarinet Ensemble, and Children’s Choir will share the music in a more traditional setting. His Troop will be delivering the narration and drama at both services. It is our desire that God will use us to minister and teach you of His amazing love and grace through song. Please plan to come and join us Palm Sunday Morning.

Easter Sunday is always busy. We begin celebrating Jesus’ resurrection with a sunrise service with brothers and sisters in Christ from all over the community. Then we have the privilege to enjoy fellowship with our family and friends at the community breakfast. Continuing in the mindset of celebration, we get to join in worship with one another in our church family and remember Jesus’ gracious gift of life through communion. When that is done, we get to go home with our immediate family and enjoy a peaceful afternoon and all of the blessings He has given. Is there more we could do? Yes! Our church, Mount Olivet, has been given a great opportunity to serve on Easter to God’s children who live at Colony Ridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center (formerly known as Britthaven). Colony Ridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has asked churches all over the Outer Banks to provide a program on a Sunday in which they scheduled. We were scheduled Easter Sunday. I will admit I was not too thrilled at first. However, after God grabbed my ego, pride, and selfishness, I cannot think of many better ways to celebrate the love given to me than to share that love with others. If you are interested in sharing God’s love alongside me, please know you are welcome. We will leave the church at 2:00 pm and return to the church at 5:00 pm. I will share more details as we get closer and hope you will indeed consider serving God on Easter Sunday.

Please go ahead and mark your calendar for Sunday, May 8th, 6:00 pm. The Children’s Choir and Drama will be presenting their spring musical, “We Are United”. They are working hard and would love to have plenty of love and support shown them.

*In His Service,
Traci Nissley*

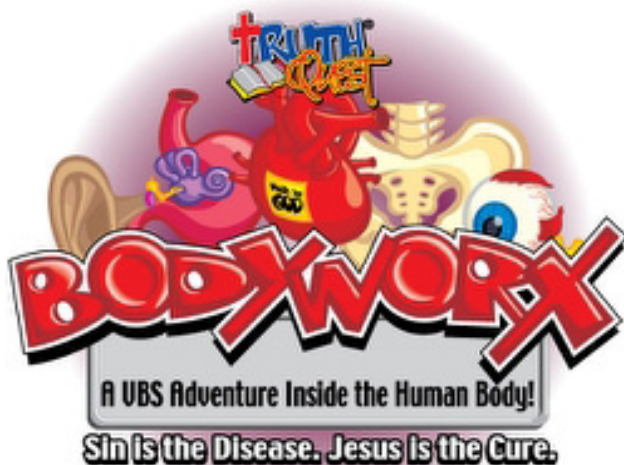
GOLD BUZZ for Missions

Last year the Missions committee sponsored a GOLD BUZZ PARTY where you come and sell your old and broken gold to a reputable buyer. The buyer then gives the JOY STORE, in this case 15% of the money she pays out....this means this fundraiser is unique in that you make money and the JOY STORE makes money and NO ONE has to buy anything or give money away! How can you NOT LIKE THIS?

If you are interested in selling your gold; we would like to host another GOLD BUZZ party to help us raise funds for the JOY STORE again this year. If you are interested....please just sign the sheet by the office. If we get enough interest...we will gladly offer this opportunity again. If you are skeptical, please see Melinda Long, Paula Oliver, Sandra Sawyer, Angie Sellers or Marcia Danchise for testimonials! It’s an awesome opportunity for Missions to raise money for our JOY STORE and we don’t even have to sell popcorn, wrapping paper, or Buttercream Easter Eggs!

Missions Committee

Vacation Bible School



COMING THIS SUMMER!!!

Vacation Bible School- **BODYWORX**

June 27- July 1 (9am-noon)

Don’t miss out on a great opportunity to help your child build a foundation of faith as they “digest” God’s word. Though our bodies may appear to be physically healthy on the outside some of us suffer from the worst ailment of all—SIN! Through daily lessons, children will be transported through the human body and learn about God, our relationship with him and to find a *cure* to being healthy on the inside as well as the outside.

Volunteers are needed for VBS. Please contact me or Jan Culpepper if you are available to help. If you are willing, no matter what your talents, we can find a place for you.

Kristy Wescott
e-mail kvkpw4@embarqmail.com or my cell 489-5554

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

In March, our children's drama troop, HIS TROOP, performed their first performance of the year. The performance of "Tell the Story" was a compilation of stories based on both the Old and New Testament. I was so proud of all the hard work the kids did these past months and you could see the product of all their hard work on stage. Or could you?? The children truly gave their time to the Lord through learning Scripture, Biblical persons, and in the memorization of their lines and the plays based on Scripture. I know that all that was learned will keep the Scripture lesson in their hearts.

Also, the play had nothing to do with the kids or how well they did. Yes, they did do an amazing job and we are blessed to have such talent in our ministry. But they are learning that a Christian actor does not do it for applause, but rather to glorify God and to teach others about God's love. To be able to share God's Word's through acting is a Gift that should be used with humility and wisdom.

I would like to thank Traci Nissley for giving me the opportunity to direct this troop, Amy Gross for being the best assistant, and the troop: Alyse Stewart, Ashley White, Eli Nissley, Karynna Culpepper, Katie Bender, Micah Bender, Noah Gross, and Wally McCown. Also a special thanks to Lance Culpepper for joining our performance and Kevin Nissley for break-down.

If you would like to join HIS TROOP we meet every Tuesday from 4:00pm- 5:30pm. Please see music ministry for details.

Parent's Night Out - Narnia: The Lion, Witch, and the Wardrobe April 8th 6pm-9pm
\$5 per child; Ages birth- 10 years

This movie is intended for grammar school age and older children. For the younger children we will be showing an animated version of The Lion, Witch, and the Wardrobe. Children who are not in elementary school are required to view the animated version. Those K and older must specify which film they prefer to watch. It is up to the parent and not the child what movie the child will watch (unless the child asks to go to the younger version after the movie starts). Registration is available in the Children's Ministry Office (207), Front Office, and

online at <http://www.mountlivetumc.org> and www.mountlivetumc.org.

S.U.R.G.E. - is our 3rd-5th grade ministry that meets on Sunday nights at 6pm for Bible Study.

SURGE Night Out is April 15th from 6pm-9pm. More details to come.

NO SURGE on April 10th and 24th

Children's Church

Children from preschool to fifth grade will enjoy learning the Bible in a way they can relate. Children's Church will be offered during the 8:30am and 11:00am services and held in the upstairs in the Sunday School rooms.

There will be two classes: Lil' K - 3-4 year olds and KIDMO- Kindergarten - Fifth grade.

I WANNA FAITH IWANNA FAITH meets every Wednesday after school until 4:30pm and is open to grades K-5th. Calendar alert: IWANNA FAITH ends April 20th.

SAVE the dates-

Bodyworx Vacation Bible School- June 27th-July 1st
9am-noon Ages 4yrs.- 5th grade

Creations Art Camp- August 1st-5th 8:30am-2:30pm

\$50 per child Completed 1st -5th grade

We are currently looking for volunteers for both camps. If you are interested call 473-2089 ext.29. If you are unable to be there for the week of the camps, but would still like to help there is A LOT of behind the scenes work to be done.

*Blessed to serve Him,
Jan Fletcher Culpepper
Director of Children & Family Ministries
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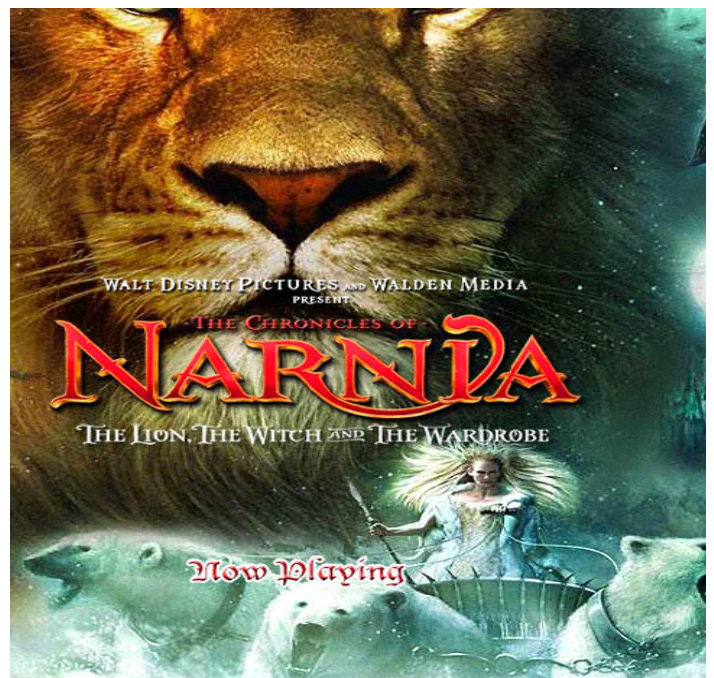
April Birthdays



- 1 Barbara Keller, Clara Pierce Smith, Amanda Songer, Patsy Zoll
- 2 Janet Daley, Josie Fry, Martha Howell, Allison Martin
- 3 Barbara Brown, Estelle Midgett, Christine Skinner
- 4 Cole Basnight, Walt Davis, Jasmine Johnson,
- 5 Nan Brown, Cecilia Smith, Samatha Steiner, Hunt Thomas, Jim Trefny, Leo Woodard
- 6 Bill Kebschull
- 7 Barbara Holton
- 8 Jesse Cheesman, Leah Cribb, Todd Davis, Tara Horne
- 9 Keegan Lee, Ryan White, Rob Williams
- 10 Randy Haberstumpf, Jo Jane Korbach, Tripp Phillips, Adam Reed, Susan Storey, Robin York
- 11 Kevin Goudy, Kendelle Lynn Petty
- 12 Bodan Harrington, Ben Presgrave
- 13 Jay Austin, S. C. Basnight, Kristin Buckalew, Jeff Gaskill
- 14 Cathy Boyce, David Creef, Jeff Landreth
- 15 Ayden O'Neal, Jean Payne, Anna Barrett Smith, Ramona Wescott
- 16 Sophie Bennewitz, Johnny Wescott
- 18 Kevin Nissley, Angie Sellers, Meredith Skinner
- 19 Helen Leigh Farrow, Carly Osmon
- 20 Byron Sawyer, Noah Thomas Wescott
- 21 Skylor Burke, Harry Johnson
- 22 Suzie Tedrick, Bill Zottoli
- 23 Daniel Fauth, Janice O'Neal, Caroline Snapp, Charlotte White
- 24 Helen Petty, Patrick Pritchard
- 25 Buddy Creef, Michael Keller, R. V. Owens, Trent Phillips, Melissa Rock
- 26 Skip Lange, Kevin Wescott
- 27 Bettie Blanchard, Daniel Robert Davis
- 28 Crystal Cox, Jennifer Gamiel
- 29 Benjamin Fauth, Cedric Grgurich, Sydney Pearce, Stephen Stetson
- 30 Nancy Austin, Brenda Spake, Joseph Keith Martin, Donna Presgrave, Nikki Snapp

ANNIVERSARIES

2. Andy & Cindi Griffith 28 yrs.
3. Marc & Allison Snapp 18 yrs.
4. James & Linda Boyd 9 yrs.
5. Scott & LeeAnn Finicum 7 yrs.
8. **Paul & Estelle Midgett 50 yrs.**
9. Gene & Charlene Dever 69 yrs.
11. Mark & Traci France 19 yrs.
13. John & Gladys Wyse 49 yrs.
17. Stanley & Paula Oliver 30 yrs.
18. Tom & Jan Krauss 24 yrs.
19. Robert & Charlene Heroux 21 yrs.
19. Troy & Lyuda Sluder 7 yrs.
19. Edward & Penny Williams 31 yrs.
21. Michael & Denise Trevino 10 yrs.
25. Warren & Beverly Meekins 21 yrs.
28. Bob & Janet Daley 32 yrs.
28. Gib & Pam Harrison 21 yrs.
30. Charles & Helen Petty 6 yrs.



*Don't miss
Parents' Night Out!*