

# THE MESSENGER

SOUTHERN HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH APRIL 2018

## ASSOCIATE PASTOR WRITES...

As I write on this first day of Spring 2018, it is 31 degrees outside, and the most recent Nor-easter is not quite finished blanketing the Bluegrass with several more inches of snow. It's hard to believe that within the next couple of weeks (and because it's Kentucky, possibly within the next few days!) our world will be transformed... finally... from a winter wonderland into a scene budding with new life that glorifies its Creator. Aren't we thankful that God is in the business of transformation each year, bringing about new seasons of growth with which to nourish and renew the earth?

Thankfully, God is in the business of transforming and bringing seasons of new growth to our individual lives, and our life as a community of faith, as well... all to his glory. I celebrate God's goodness as the end of April marks the end of a year in which God has brought new growth and transformation to Southern Hills. It's hard to believe, but on April 29<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the first anniversary of the launch of our second campus, The Source.

In this past year, Southern Hills has been transformed into a multi-site church that is reaching a broader population in Lexington. We transformed a day-care in a shopping mall into a beautiful, functional facility that accommodates contemporary worship and a variety of Christian education and meeting opportunities. Over this last year, a constant stream of new faces have entered into our worshipping community. We are accomplishing what we set out to do; adding souls to the Kingdom, and increasing the membership of Southern Hills. The face of our church is being transformed.

Because Southern Hills answered God's call to expand into the community as we have, lives are transforming; from the seven professions of faith, thus far, made by Methodist Home youth, to the lives of those who have found a place to re-enter the life of the church, to the lives of our own families and children who are finding new avenues of growth through discipleship and ministry.

I praise God for the transformation He is bringing about through our faith community. And we are going to celebrate! After our worship service on April 29<sup>th</sup>, beginning at noon, The Source is hosting a church-wide celebratory picnic bash in Shillito Park. All are invited to come celebrate the Transformation God has brought over this last year through The Source/Southern Hills. Save the date! More details to come!

Thank you, my beautiful church, for allowing God to use you to bring Transformation!

Much Love,

Jill

### APRIL SERMONS IN TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

#### **Sermon Series (Continued): "The Gospel According to John"**

April 1 Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service - "Joy Came in the Morning," Luke 24:1-12

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. - "The Power of Love," John 20:1-19

April 8 "Breakfast on the Beach," John 21:1-19

April 15 "Waiting on God," Romans 8:18-28

#### **Sermon Series: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray"**

April 22 "Our Father," Matthew 6:9 - Eric Hughes preaching

April 29 "Finding God's Purpose for Your Life," Matthew 6:10



## HOUSTON MISSION TEAM

We at Southern Hills are planning to participate in hurricane recovery work in the Houston, Texas area this spring. A mission trip is scheduled for the last full week of April, leaving Lexington on Saturday, April 21st and returning to Kentucky on Saturday, April 28th. We are having a second informational meeting, along with a safe sanctuary session required for participation in this activity, on Tuesday, April 10th. Come join us on this mission trip experience.

## REV. JOAN WOODEN ~ DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND WORSHIP



### OPEN WORSHIP TEAM MEETING

The Worship Team at Southern Hills, under the able leadership of Matthew and Julie Beck, is open to anyone who is interested in worship at the Southern Hills campus. If you have thoughts or ideas that you would like to share, or you simply would like to know what is happening in the worship area, you are cordially invited to join us. The next meeting of the Worship Team is **Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m.** April's meeting will be held in our sanctuary. All are welcome!

### MUSIC & ARTS CAMP AT SOUTHERN HILLS

The first annual *Music & Arts Camp at Southern Hills* is slated for July 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. This camp, which will be geared towards elementary aged children, is sponsored by our Worship Team and funded by some generous donors. The camp is still in its planning stage, but we know that plenty of volunteers will be needed! If you are interested in helping out or would like more information, please contact Joan Wooden ([jwooden@southernhillsumc.org](mailto:jwooden@southernhillsumc.org) or 277-6176, ext. 23)

### WORSHIP IN THE STYLE OF TAIZÉ



Our next **Taizé** worship experience will be held on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. This special service, which includes singing, scriptures, prayers, meditation, and Holy Communion, is led primarily by our very talented laity, with Rev. Jill Ruhl leading the sacrament of Holy Communion. Please make plans to attend.

### EASTER SUNRISE AT SOUTHERN HILLS

Please join us for our Sunrise Service, which will be held at 7:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday in our beautiful Courtyard (Herren Hall if inclement weather). The service will begin in relative darkness (sunrise is scheduled for 7:22 a.m.); the Christ Candle will be lit; a very special ensemble from our Chancel Choir, the Sunrise Singers, will lead our music; Dr. Bill Moore will preach and Holy Communion will be celebrated. Afterwards, a light continental breakfast will be offered. Please join us as we greet our Risen Lord during this very special time of worship.

Save the Date  
**Women of Southern Hills**



**Laughter is the Best Medicine**

Its Open Mic at  
Comedy Off South Broadway

Remember that joke, limerick, or short story  
you thought was the funniest you had ever heard?

Write it down, bring it with you.

You may get a chance to entertain your UMW friends,  
or fulfill your dreams of being  
a stand-up comedienne—at  
least for a moment.

United Methodist Women  
May 2, 2018 in Herren Hall  
Pot-luck Dinner 6:00 pm  
followed by a brief program



**ATTENTION  
ALL FLOWER AND PLANT  
LOVERS**

**UMW and EAGLES  
FLOWER and PLANT SALE  
ORDERS FOR SPRING 2018**

Remember our March snow? Well, Spring is here and it is time to start thinking about your summer gardening needs. We will be taking flower orders April 15, 22 and 29. Order forms may be found in your Sunday bulletin on those dates or at the Welcome Center. Plants/flowers will be on display on those dates to purchase, preview and order. Hanging baskets, whole or half flats, and single pots will be offered. Herbs, peppers and tomato plants are also available. Order forms may also be placed in the offering plate or the basket at the Welcome Center.

The **LAST DATE TO PLACE YOUR ORDER WILL BE APRIL 29!!**

Pick up dates will be Thursday, May 10 (1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.) and Friday, May 11 (9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.) Pick up dates are perfect timing for Mother's Day gifts and past our frost date for outdoor planting. Our flowers are locally grown with care! Proceeds go to help with church projects/needs, missions and local charities.

If you have questions, please call Pat Childers (554-6708), Joyce Tiggelaar (278-5677), Eveleen Browning (327-7739), Mary Ellen Lutz (269-6167) or Jeanne Lanz (421-1934).



The **UMW LEADERSHIP TEAM** will meet on Thursday, April 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the Reception Room.

The **NEW LIFE CIRCLE** will meet on Thursday, April 5 in the Hazel Finney Reception Room. A snack supper will be enjoyed at 5:30 p.m. before the meeting begins. We will discuss our Hug Buddies, UMW May dinner, and recital usher plans. We invite you to join us and get to know our members. Please contact Carlene Hodges 554-6800 if you have any questions.

The **MEADE SHOTWELL CIRCLE** will meet on Monday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. at Ruth Midboe's home. Watch the bulletin for more information.

The **PAT HERREN CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Eveleen Browning, Program Resources/Reading Program, who is part of the leadership team of the Southern Hills United Methodist Woman (UMW), will be our guest speaker. She will be discussing the reading program of the UMW at Southern Hills. Our mission food is canned fruit and/or canned vegetables.

The **FAITH-SUSANNAH WESLEY CIRCLE** will meet on Wednesday, April 11 at 10:00 a.m. at The Source. Rev. Jill Ruhl will be our speaker. After our meeting we will go to the Gift Box Tea Room for lunch.

The **SARAH BAGBY CIRCLE** will meet at noon on April 11th in the Fireside Room. Bring your sack lunch and join us for fun and fellowship followed by our program and service project for The Nest. Our program topic is Prayer and Self-Denial by Eveleen Browning and Carol Dunigan. Our service project is to pack hygiene kits for woman at The Nest. Items will be provided by Thrivent Community Action Team funds.



If you are interested in assisting with this ministry, there are several opportunities for you to do so:

### **Food pick up and deliveries**

Take place at 4:00 p.m. at Sam's Club on New Circle Road  
April 24

### **Morning Packing**

**(Thursdays unless otherwise indicated)**

**10:00 a.m. for Set Up, 10:30 a.m. Packing**

(Packing takes place in the basement of  
Embrace Church on N. Limestone.)

April 12

May 10

### **Evening Packing**

**(Tuesdays unless otherwise indicated)**

(Packing takes place in the basement of  
Embrace Church on N. Limestone.)

April 24

## **ROADRUNNERS**

The Roadrunners meet twice a month on a Thursday to enjoy food and fellowship together. They visit area restaurants and spend time in conversation while enjoying a good meal. Here is their schedule for the month of April:

April 12th Wild Eggs—Palomar

April 26th O'Charley's—Harrodsburg Rd.

For more information regarding the Roadrunners please call Brian at 277-6176, or email him at [rbcathey@southernhillsumc.org](mailto:rbcathey@southernhillsumc.org).



## **WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL AND ACTIVITIES**

Our Wednesday night fellowship dinners are served from 5:30-6:15 p.m. in Herren Hall. The menu is posted weekly in the bulletin and we ask that you please make a reservation so we can plan for the right amount of food each week. Donations are suggested to help cover the meal cost.

### **MENUS FOR APRIL**

April 4th Spring Break—No Meal

April 11th Baked Potato Bar/Salad

April 18th Pasta and Salad

April 25th Taco Bar



## **YEAR ONE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!**

**Sunday, April 29, 2018**

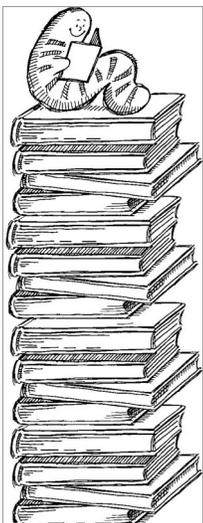
**Shillito Park**

**Shelter One**

Beginning at approximately Noon  
(immediately following The Source's  
worship service)



- **Spring Break:** If you are home over spring break, on Wednesday, April 4 we'll hang out from 11:00-2:00 to have some lunch (it's free), play some games at the park (or inside if it's raining.)
- **Snapshot:** 5:30-7:30pm Sundays, April 8, 15, 22 & 29. We'll finish up our survey of the Old Testament and see how it all comes to fruition in Jesus.
- **Camp Work Day:** Meet at church on Saturday, April 21 at 8:30am to go to Aldersgate Camp in Ravenna, KY to help clean up and get camp ready for summer. We'll eat lunch, play a game or two and be back at church by 5:00pm Sign up on the youth room door if you want to go!
- **Confirmation 2018:** The fourth session is on Sunday, April 8 from 12:30-2:00pm. Please bring your binder with you and we'll go over any questions you had. Dr. Bill, Rev. Jill and Joan will be joining us to share about traditions of the church, sacraments and worship.
- **High School Small Group:** Meet at Katy's house (text Katy or Brian fro the address) from 6:30-7:30pm on Thursdays April 11, 19 & 26 as we seek to build our faith and equip ourselves to be ambassadors for Jesus.
- **Middle School Small Group:** We'll meet in the Great Room from 6:30-7:30pm on Wednesdays, April 11, 18 & 25 to hangout and grow in our relationship with God.
- **Youth Band:** Wednesdays, April 11, 18 & 25 we'll meet in the Great Room from 7:30-8:30pm to work on songs to lead worship at Snapshot.
- **Backpacks for Arlington:** On Tuesday, April 24 we will go to Embrace Church and help pack weekend lunches for students. Meet at Southern Hills at 5:30pm. We'll be back by 7:15.
- **Embrace Meal:** On Monday, April 16 we will go to Embrace Church and help with their community meal. They need help with cooking, serving, and cleaning up. We'll leave from Southern Hills at 5:15pm and be back by 8:15pm.
- **Confirmation Retreat:** Friday night April 13 at 6:30pm we'll meet at Southern Hills to head out to Brian's in-laws' home in Midway for our retreat to finish up confirmation. We'll be back at church on Saturday by 2:00pm for pick up.
- **Summer Mission Week:** June 4-8 we'll be spending a week at Asbury University and doing local mission work around the Lexington area. The cost is \$150 a person. This helps cover food and boarding for the week. As always let Brian and Samantha know if you need a scholarship or a payment plan. Sign up by April 29.



## BAGBY LIBRARY

**He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!** The joys of spring and the resurrection of our Lord should bring joy into your lives, and we want you to celebrate the miracle! Our library is having a 'spring cleaning'. With some lovely volunteers, we are starting to sort through all of the materials to make sure the library is everything the congregation wants and needs. We would like to remind people who teach Sunday School and Bible studies that you may donate your materials to the library so that other groups may use them. A little birdie told me something amazing is on the horizon for your library needs, and an announcement is forthcoming soon. You might say, "Wow, the church is upgrading its resources for me." The library is for you and we love you!

## FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE - RICK ARNOLD

### FINANCIAL CONDITION

We are coming to the end of the first quarter and the church has maintained a positive position throughout these first few months, so financially we are adequately meeting our obligations. Each year at this time as we approach spring and Easter, please be aware that many people volunteer their time and efforts toward making our church look great. I truly appreciate all of these people.

### REUTER PIPE ORGAN - UPDATE

Hopefully, you have heard that we have reached our goal. The pipe organ will be removed after Easter and the repairs and upgrades will begin. Thanks to all who made this project an overwhelming success.

#### Current Income / Expense March 21, 2018

<b>Income</b>	<b>(in thousands)</b>	<b>% Budgeted</b>
SHECP	328	22.9
Contributions	325	25.8
The Source	3	3.4
Other Income	11	24.6
Total Income	667	23.5
 <b>Expenses</b>		
SHECP	293	19.6
Capital	32	25.0
Property	47	26.0
Personnel	152	19.4
Administrative	28	14.8
Education & Worship	19	27.7
The Source	26	30.0
Leisure & Outreach	3	11.2
Total Expenses	601	20.3
Balance	66	



## Children's Worship:

April 1, 2018	Intergen Worship
April 8, 2018	Jesus Loved His Friends
April 15, 2018	Jesus Loved Crowds
April 22, 2018	Jesus Loved the Sick Woman
April 29, 2018	Jesus Loved Zacchaeus

## Kids and Families on a Mission:

April 4, 2018	Not Meeting
April 11, 2018	Missions Night (Location TBD)
April 18, 2018	Paul
April 25, 2018	Fellowship: Bowling

### Safe Sanctuary Training April 10th at 7:00 p.m. at SHUMC Campus

Follow us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/130571940381849>

## ONE TO GROW ON...

The Grow Team seeks to encourage our community of believers to grow deeper in relationship with Christ. Our prayer is that you will be inspired to forge new spiritual disciplines: to be intentional to make time every day to get alone with God (practice being in His Presence), to delve into His Word and allow it to penetrate your heart, and to develop new practices of daily prayer. To that end, here is ONE TO GROW ON... "He has risen!" — Luke 24:6. The resurrection of Jesus is foundational to the Christian faith, as affirmed in the Apostle's Creed. Have you internalized this Truth, or are you quietly skeptical? The late Billy Graham believed it, saying "there is more evidence that Jesus rose from the dead than there is that Julius Caesar ever lived or that Alexander the Great died at the age of thirty-three." The minute you decide to receive Jesus as Savior and Lord, the power of the Holy Spirit comes into your life...the power of the resurrection—the same power that raised Jesus from the dead. We don't have to explain the resurrection. The resurrection explains us. "That power is like the working of His mighty strength, which He exerted in Christ when he raised Him from the dead..." (Ephesians 1:19-20)

**SOUTHERN HILLS  
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Sunday Morning  
Worship Services  
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**COFFEE WITH REV. DAN BAER  
DIRECTOR OF NATHANIEL MISSION**

Sunday, April 15, 2018  
3:00-4:00 p.m.  
Fireside Room

Please join us for an informative presentation by Rev. Dan Baer. Nathaniel Mission has been serving the needs of the less fortunate for over 75 years. Nathaniel Mission is dedicated to changing lives by assisting people with life challenges.

Rev. Baer will present an update of current activities and programs. He will also speak about possible new programs and activities. Everyone in the church is invited to attend.

Light refreshments will be served at this event which is sponsored by Southern Hills United Methodist Women.



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