

ORDER OF WORSHIP

<u>April 17, 2016</u>	<u>4th Sunday of Easter</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Gathering of God's Children		
Welcome and Announcements		
Prelude		William Elliott
Bringing in the Light of Christ		
Call to Worship	"Onward Christian Soldiers"	Acolyte
*Hymn of Praise	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	Chancel Choir
*Affirmation of Faith	"The Apostles' Creed"	UMH 89
* Hymn	"He Is Lord"	UMH 881
		UMH 177
Children's Time		
		Myra Yates
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		
Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings		
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory		William Elliott
*Doxology	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH 95
Anthem	"I'm Gonna Keep On Singing"	Andraé Crouch/Hart
	Chancel Choir	
Scripture	Matthew 22:36-38	
Message	"Marks of a Methodist: A Methodist Loves God"	Pastor Brad
Invitation to Discipleship		
*Hymn	"O How I Love Jesus"	UMH 170
*Dismissal with Blessing		
*Choral Benediction	"Go Now in Peace"	Chancel Choir
*Taking out the Light of Christ		Acolyte
*Postlude		William Elliott
*People Stand As Able		

PRAYER REQUESTS

ILLNESS

Eddie **Abshire**, Joe **Akers**, Fran **Alba**, Andy **Anderson**, Patsy **Arnold**, Jim **Ayers**, Barbara **Bailey**, Janet **Barker**, Charlotte **Bass**, Catherine **Beamer**, Bobbie **Bellamy** (Margaret Elam's Sister), Dennis **Bennett**, John & Carol **Bohaby**, Edna **Bone**, Suzanna **Bovenizer**, Carol **Cole**, Doug **Cook**, Lester **Coomes**, Doug **Coon**, Debbie & Herbert **Creasy**, Dorothy **Culberston**, Veleda **Davidson**, Anna **Deitrich**, Blair **Deskins** (Jean Miller's Granddaughter), Clint **Dillon**, Richard and Patty **Dillon** (Wade's Parents), Richard **Dillon, Jr.**, Darlene **Dolin**, Jayce **Evans**, Gertrude **Farmer** (Kimberly Edwards' Grandmother), Margaret **Farmer**, Vicki **Furrow**, Debbie **Gillespie**, Shirley **Glover**, Laura **Gooch**, Stephanie **Gressett**, Amanda **Griffith**, Gus **Hartsock**, Carrie **Hendrick** (Gerry Stowers' Granddaughter), Erinn **Hollo**, Arlin **Honaker**, Jim **Houchins**, Trina **Jackson**, Amanda **Jessee**, Jim **Justice**, Dr. David **Kovach**, Mary Virginia **Lester** (Linda Hash's Sister), Mary **Martin**, Penny Sue **McKenzie** (Keith's Daughter-In-Law), Louise **McVey**, Debbie **Misak**, Mark **Moncier** (Jeff's Brother), Janis **Moore**, Richard **Morsan**, Ethan **Oliver**, Gary **Pardue**, Phil and Rebecca **Peterson**, Patty **Ramage**, Ervin **Rich**, Carol **Riddle**, Mark **Riley**, Brian **Rose** & Family, Ruby **Roten**, Deb **Sarver**, Kenny **Sawyers**, Suzette **Sawyers**, Carol **Scott**, Mary Ruth **Scott**, Ruth **Shrader**, Ellie **Spencer**, Roger **Stacey**, Amanda **Stephenson**, Russell **Synan**, Will **Thompson**, Kim **Tinder**, Terry **Trenton** (Nancy Trenton's daughter-in-law), Dave **Trippett** (Shirley Saunders' Nephew), Charles **Weaver** (Kimberly Edwards' dad), Mark **Webb**, Betty **White**, Viola **Wilborn**, Edith **Wilkinson**, Ellen **Windle**, Michael & Susan **Williams** (Mary Ruth Scott's nephew), Karen **Woody**, Ted **Yost**, Sharon **Ziegler**

OUR MILITARY

Ryan **Shott**, Lucas **Graham**, Jeremy **Woody**, and those serving our country

HOMEBOUND

Smokey **Blaylock**, Joe **Davidson**, Leon **Devor**, Syd **Ellison**, Russell **Garrett**, Pat **Jones**, Charles **Miller** (Pam Rose's father), Wilma **Shay**, Nancy **Trenton**, Irma **Webb**

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to-

The family of **David Johnson**, a former member of our church, who passed away in Sea Pines, North Carolina.

Children's Bulletins are available in the Narthex. One for ages 3-6 and one for ages 7-12.

The center arrangement on the altar is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Elam's birthday - April 14.

By: Margaret, Cary, Becky, Destinee, and Connor

The side vases are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jeanne Deason, my beloved partner.

By: Keith McKenzie

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 17 JOY! Service 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 "War Room" Study 6:00 p.m.
 Youth/Bowling 6:00 p.m.
Monday, April 18 Finance Committee 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19 SPR Committee 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20 Men's Breakfast 7:00 a.m.
 Family Night 6:00 p.m.
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS			
APRIL 2016			
2016 Monthly Budget			\$23,417.00
Monthly Tithes & Offerings to Date			\$11,774.13
Monthly Unbudgeted Receipts to Date			\$ 901.00
ATTENDANCE:		REVIVAL:	
8:30 a.m. Worship	24	4/10	65
10:30 a.m. Worship	113	4/11	47
Sunday School	41	4/12	57

A **STUDY** on the movie **WAR ROOM** will begin tonight at 6:00 p.m. in Palmer Hall. Jessi Terry will be leading the study.

The **YOUTH** are to meet at Mountaineer Bowling Lanes tonight at 6:00 p.m. They will be bowling with the youth from Virginia Avenue UMC and Falls Mills UMC.

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP will meet on Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00 a.m. in Palmer Hall. Devotions by Rev. Gary Jakes. Cooks are Bob Clendenen and Friends.

THE MONTHLY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP MEAL is this Wednesday evening, April 20 at 6 pm with the program beginning at 6:30 pm. Come feed the body and the soul as you enjoy food and fellowship around the tables and a program of music from **The Generations!** You will be blessed as Ann Gray Perdue and Jacob Stowers share their Christian witness through music along with musical selections by a "homegrown" mixed **Quartet**. Be ready to join in singing praises to our Lord! Bread and drinks will be provided. What a great way to be energized during the mid-week!

2016 FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS sponsored by Southwest Virginia Community College will be on Saturday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. Theme: *Shakespeare and the Age of Romanticism*. This concert is in memory of Betty T. Corte. Voluntary donations at the door.

FRIENDS OF GERALD CLAY (FORMER MEMBER OF FUMC) ARE INVITED TO A LIGHT DINNER/RECEPTION for him Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in Palmer Hall. Gerald will be traveling to Bluefield and wishes to see old friends here at the church. Gerald & Audrey were integral members of our congregation and **FRIENDSHIP CLUB** before relocating to Kentucky. Since Audrey died suddenly New Year's Eve 12/31/15 friends are so important to him and this is an opportunity for him to see you once again. Please join us in surrounding our friend and Christian brother with our love and friendship. Mark your calendar and join us.

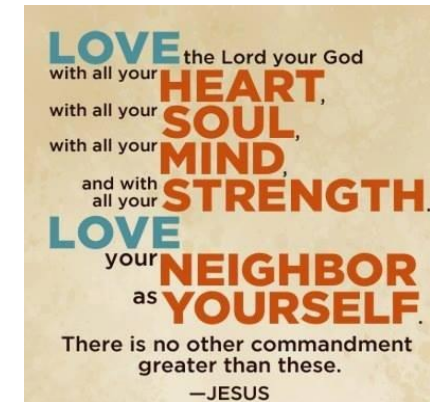
We are seeking men and women who are willing to serve as **USHERS**. If interested see J. C. Higginbotham.

A special thank you to all those who supported the revival with your prayers and attendance. We were truly revived and blessed by Rev. Robert Smith's sermons.



**Bluefield First
 United Methodist
 Church**

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