

Rocky Springs Baptist Church Newsletter

A church with a rich past and a bright future ...

April 2019

We often use the phrase, "come worship with me" when we are inviting someone to join us in a church gathering. "What then is the essence of worship? It's the celebration of God! When we worship God, we celebrate Him; We extol Him, we sound His praises, we boast in Him.

Worship is not the causal chatter that occasionally drowns out the organ prelude; we celebrate when God when we allow the prelude to attune our hearts to the glory of God by the means of the music.

Worship is not the mumbling of prayers or the mouthing of hymns with little thought and less heart; we celebrate God when we join together earnestly in prayer and intensely in song.

Worship is not self-aggrandizing words of boring clichés when one is asked to give a testimony; we celebrate God when all the parts of the service fit together and work to a common end.

Worship is not grudging gifts or compulsory service; we celebrate God when we give to Him hilariously and serve His with integrity.

Worship is not haphazard music done poorly, not even great music done merely as performance; we celebrate God when we enjoy and participate in music to His glory.

Worship is not a distracted endurance of the sermon; we celebrate God as we hear His Word gladly and seek to be conformed by it more and more to the image of our Savior.

Worship is not the hurried motions of a "tacked-on" Lord's Table; we celebrate God preeminently when we fellowship gratefully at the ceremonial meal that speaks to centrally of our faith in Christ Who died for us, Who rose again on our behalf, and Who is to return for our good.

As a thoughtful gift is a celebration of a birthday, as a special evening out is a celebration of an anniversary; as a warm eulogy is a celebration of a life, as a sexual embrace is a celebration of a marriage--- so a worship service is a celebration of God." ---Ronald Allen, *Worship: Rediscovering the Missing Jewel*

Come worship with us this Sunday. You will come join us as an invited guest. You will leave feeling like you have been with family.

Pastor Larry and Mrs. Lorraine Sellers <><



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST Sunday, April 28 at 8am

STEWARDSHIP AT ROCKY SPRINGS 2019

-- Our Financial Gifts to the Lord --

YTD Tithes & Offerings: \$49,077.25

YTD Budget Requirements: \$45,918.24

Dates	Tithes & Offerings	Bible Study Attendance	Worship Attendance
03/03/2019	\$4,920.00	51	54
03/10/2019	\$4,419.00	45	52
03/17/2019	\$3,037.00	45	52
03/24/2019	\$3,322.00	46	55

In Memory of Jessica Aulds: Amanda Patton

In Memory of Peggy Height, Lois Hightower, Jimmy Keene, Andy Prince, and Lester Sellers



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Our Goal: \$1,600

Collected: \$ 776

WMU Meetings
Wednesday, April 3 at 6:30pm.



Ladies Bible Study will begin Sunday, March 31 at 4:30 at Pat Gaston's home. On Sundays, April 14 and April 28 the study will be from 3-5pm at Rocky Springs. May dates to be announced.



Rocky Springs Easter Services
Sunday, April 21 at 8am

Easter Services will begin at 8am with an early morning Worship Service and Children's Church. Children need to bring their Easter baskets to Children's Church. After these services, we will all have a fellowship breakfast. Please bring your favorite breakfast finger-food. Morning Bible Studies will begin at 9:30am with dismissal thereafter.

Visit our website at www.rockysprings1845.com

Usher Assignments

Contact: Wayne Freeman
April 2019
Todd Brown
Wayne Freeman
Ken Heard
Keith Lee

Family Suppers on Wednesday Nights

Contact: Donna Stutts
Apr 3: Sellers-McRae
Apr 10: Thompson-White
Apr 17: Fowler Shroust-Richardson
Apr 24: Freeman-McCurry

Extended Session

Contact: Pat Gaston
Apr 7: Margaret and Mr. Allen
Apr 14: Pat and Denis
Apr 21: Rhonda and Shelley
Apr 28: Bobby and Judy



**Rocky Springs Memorial Day
Saturday, May 11 at 11am**

Join with us as we gather to celebrate our heritage in worship and fellowship. Dr. Connie Ward will be delivering the message.

VBS

June 3-7 from 5-8pm

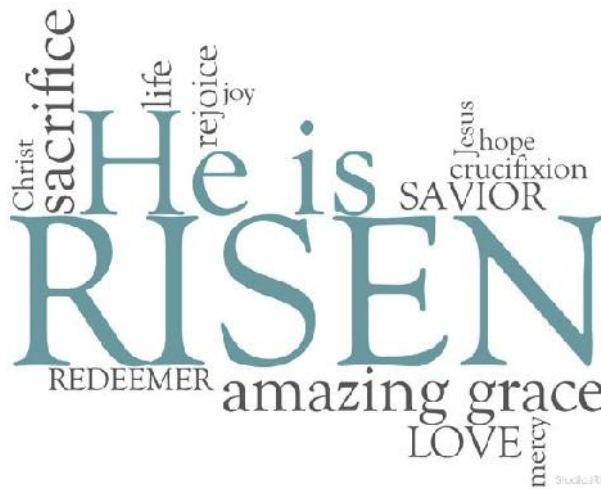
We need volunteers! Please contact Hailey Aycock to sign up. More information is coming soon.



Rocky Springs
Lake Claiborne Service
Sunday, April 14
at 9am

2019 Lake Claiborne Morning Services

This is a great opportunity for you to be involved in ministry! On the second Sunday of each month, April through October, Rocky Springs takes a turn leading a 30 minute service beginning at 9am for Lake Claiborne State Park visitors/campers. We need volunteers to help with this ministry. Please contact Bro. Larry for more information. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.



**Lisbon Methodist Church Memorial Day
70th consecutive Lisbon Memorial Day Event
170th Anniversary Celebration for the Lisbon Methodist Church
Saturday, April 27**

Church Services at 11am with Rev. Fred Wideman
Followed by dinner on the grounds

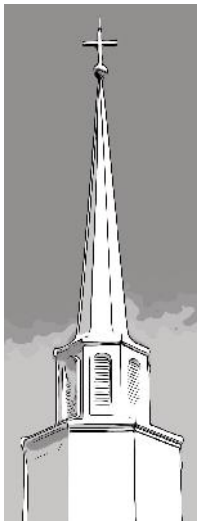
The committee will have coffee and donuts ready in both the Fellowship Hall and the new pavilion by 9:30. The slide show with pictures will be running in the sanctuary by 10:15.

Sunday Regular Schedule

9:45am Bible Study
Nursery (birth-3 yrs)
11:00am Worship Service
Children's Church (4 yrs-3rd grade)

Wednesday Regular Schedule

5:45pm Family Supper ~ \$5 for adults & youth
~ \$3 for child 12 yrs & under
6:30pm Adult Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
Children & Youth Mission Activities
Business Meeting on 3rd Wed of each month
Nursery (birth-3 yrs)
7:15pm Choir Practice
Deacon's Meeting on 2nd Wed of each month



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Happy
Birthday
to you

- Kathy Burns - Apr 2
- Jacob Tinsley - Apr 3
- Joe Aulds - Apr 6
- Candace Sellers - Apr 6
- Emma Aycock - Apr 14
- Garrett Malsam - Apr 16
- Jax Bailey - Apr 19
- Olivia Reeder - Apr 19
- Julie Studdard - Apr 20
- Denis Gaston - Apr 21
- Todd Brown - Apr 24
- Lane Brown - Apr 25
- Lee Patton - Apr 28
- Warren Rees - Apr 28

Dear RSBC Family,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity with the Southern Baptist Church Matching Grant. I am very excited to be furthering my education and swim career. OBU is a campus that encourage the love of God daily. Your kindness is very appreciated.

Love, Trent Reeder

Rocky Springs Family,

I appreciate you allowing me to have my senior piano recital at our church. Thank you to everyone who came to support me! Special thanks to Mrs. Judy and Ms. Cheryle for helping in the kitchen.

Love, Reed Brantly

