

The *Pathfinder*

of Jonesborough United Methodist Church

April, 2022

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

Charles Wesley's hymn "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!" was written in 1739. It's based on two previous hymns, one dating back to the 14th century and another from 1708. This hymn embodies the exuberance of Easter.

Notice that it is written in present tense, not past. Wesley will not allow us to relegate the Resurrection of Jesus to a mere historical recollection. Rather, it is a seismic occurrence at one time for all times. Each Easter we retell the story. But we relive the experience each day. Easter isn't a reminiscence of an event that happened long, long ago. It's an ongoing experience and expression of our faith: Jesus lives and Jesus is Lord!

Pastor Michael

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

We welcome Ashley & Judy Whitehurst who join us as transfer from Marvin's Chapel United Methodist Church

APRIL 2022 SERMONS

April 3 John 12:1-8
"Do Your Offerings Smell Good?"

4/10 Luke 19:28-40
"Restraint is Highly Overrated"

4/17 John 20: 1-18
"Running from Easter" 8:45am

4/24 John 20: 19-39
"The Beauty of Scars" 8:45am

Children's Sunday 2nd hour



SCRIPTURE FOR THE MONTH

A Living Hope 1 Peter 1:3 (NRSV)

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Palm Sunday April 10th

Lent March 2nd—April 14th

Holy Thursday April 14th

Service @ 7:00pm

Community Good Friday Service 12:00pm April 15

@ Jonesborough Presbyterian Church

Tenebrae Service @ JUMC 7:00pm

Easter April 17th

Sunrise Service

@ 7:00am under the pavilion

then donuts and biscuits right after

8:45am Service in the sanctuary

10:45am Easter Cantata



We invite you to join us Easter Sunday morning at the 10:45am service, as we remember the momentous and moving events that occurred during the last Passover week of the Lord's earthly ministry. Our Chancel Choir will sing the Easter Cantata,

Lest We Forget, narrated by our Pastor Michael Lester. The music is arranged around the timeless Easter hymn "Lead Me to Calvary". May we never forget the story of the cross and the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Let us share in this blessing by embracing these lyrics from "Lead Me To Calvary": Lest I forget Gethsemane, Lest I forget Thine agony, Lest I forget Thy love for me, Lead me to Calvary.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Normal Weekly Schedule

◆ Wednesday:

5:30-6:00 PM Dinner in the fellowship hall

6:00-7:00 PM We will have Bible Study in the Youth House.

◆ Thursday:

6:00 PM Everyone is invited to meet in the Youth House and walk down to grab some food.

6:00-8:00 PM On the second Thursday of every month, we will go skating. The local skate rink in Johnson City has a free event called Faith and Family skate night.

◆ Sunday:

5-6 Junior High Youth

6-6:30 Dinner All Youth

6:30-7:30 Senior High Youth

Needs

◆ Sunday Night Dinner (We need volunteers to cook dinner for the youth on Sunday evenings and provide it at 6:00 for our meal)

◆ Adults for the mission trip

LOOKING FORWARD

- ◆ 4/17 Easter (No Youth)
- ◆ 4/24 Paradise Acres putt-putt \$7
- ◆ 4/27 Folding/sorting for Diane's Closet
- ◆ 5/1 Youth Sunday (all youth will have a part)
- ◆ 5/8 Mother's Day (no youth)
- ◆ 5/22 Graduate Luncheon 12-2pm Fellowship Hall
- ◆ 5/29 Memorial Day Weekend (no youth)
- ◆ 6/4-11 Summer Mission to Edisto Island, Cost around \$150 per person

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We have so many wonderful things happening in our Children's Program. We are learning about Lent and what it means to deepen our relationship with God. The children have each shared their favorite place that they like to go to and talk to God. Several activities and resources, including a Lenten Calendar, were sent home as family activities to engage in during Lent. Furthermore, the children are using their Bibles to locate stories in the gospels by comparing and contrasting the accounts from Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. I am so proud of our children and how eager they are to learn more about the Bible.

Our mission for this quarter is coming to a close. We will finish collecting \$10 restaurant gift cards on April 6, 2022. Thank you so much for your support. With your generous giving, we have collected \$275.00 thus far, to give to the children of the Washington County Isaiah House 117.

Moving forward, we have several upcoming events, including the Easter Egg Hunt and Children's Sunday, during the month of April. Please refer to the bulletin for dates and times.

If you would like to be a volunteer in the Children's Program, we would love to have you! Trust me, I will find a place for you! Lastly, I would like to announce that registration for Camp Bays Mountain is still open for this summer. If you are interested in sending your child to camp, please see Ms.

Rebecca for more information and assistance. Great memories are forever made at summer camp! ~Ms. Rebecca

Children's Team Spotlight

Brycen Smith is a student at Jonesborough Elementary School and is the grandson of Roy and Barbara Ollis. During his spare time he enjoys playing baseball. This year, he is playing "kid pitch" at Persimmon Ridge Park. He also enjoys playing video games and spending time with his big brother, Jackson. Brycen is known for his cool, gold sneakers that everyone loves!



MISSIONS

across the street & around the world



MONTHLY MISSION – BACKPACKS FOR UMC SCHOOLS IN LIBERIA

As United Methodists we remember that our founder famously said, “The world is my parish.” What could be a better way to serve the wider world than to help ensure education continues in our schools in Liberia? In this West African country, where our own country has been involved for several hundred years, we can help provide an education for children who might never have such an opportunity.

Three Rivers District of Holston Conference again has as its hands-on mission providing backpacks filled with supplies for our schools in Liberia. The Mission Work Area has shopped in bulk for supplies to fill 50 such backpacks. As a congregation we are asking you to donate to this mission during April. Twenty-five dollars would provide a complete backpack, but anything you can contribute would be very welcome. Volunteers will help fill them to go on their way during Annual Conference.

Thank you in advance!

DIANE’S CLOSET will be held on Sunday, April 30th from 10-2 in the Good News Fellowship Hall.

- * Diane’s Closet is a community outreach ministry providing clothing and small household items to those who can use them free of charge.
- * At Diane’s Closet you can be good stewards of what God have given you. Instead of unwanted items going in the landfill, these items are given a second life.
- * At Diane’s Closet you may find that special something. “One man’s trash is another man’s treasure.”
- * At Diane’s Closet families and individuals are served. This includes single parents, grandparents raising grandchildren, and those struggling with finances due to health crisis, job lose, or a family crisis.
- * At Diane’s Closet many other ministries are served, such as: Girl Scout shoe outreach to third world countries, ARCH (Appalachian Reginal Coalition for the Homeless), Good Samaritan’s Ministry, Haven of Mercy, and Family Promise.
- * At Diane’s Closet you can bring donations of **SPRING** and **SUMMER** clothing for our spring give-away. Donations will be accepted at the Good News Fellowship Hall on Wednesday 2-7pm, Thursday-Friday 10-5pm
- * At Diane’s Closet you can also donate your time to make this event a success by helping with set-up, sorting, welcoming “shoppers” or clean-up.

Contact Sharon Moore @ 926-0605 or just show up to help.



JAMA Item for April

We are going to continue with our request for Brownie and Cake Mix.

Thank you for donating to the local food pantry
J.A.M.A. is open every Thursday from 9am-12:00pm
serving our community every week.

Located on Persimmon Ridge in Jonesborough, TN



Jonesborough Kiwanis Club

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Location: Jonesborough Middle School

Date: April 30th, 2022

Time: 4:30-7:30pm

BUSY HANDS WITH A PURPOSE

Here's a sneak peak at some of the quilt blocks going into our 200th Church anniversary quilt! Several more are in the works. Every block has a meaning related to our church. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months! The sewing group people in Busy Hands with a Purpose are assembling the quilt.



CYB GROUP

There were about 30 people present for good food and fellowship at Giovanni's. There was lots of laughter, stories, and getting acquainted with new friends, as well as familiar friends.

All are welcome to **COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS** and join in the good times next month when we meet at IHOP for a noon lunch together. April 14th.

Sisters of Faith

The Sisters of Faith meet every first Thursday of the month at 5:30pm. On April 7th they will meet at the church under the Pavilion. Bring in your dinner and a chair.

Sarah Mayes Circle

The women of the Sarah Mayes Circle will meet this month on April 12th at 2pm in the Good News Fellowship Hall.





Calendar of Events

- 4/2 Easter Egg Hunt at the Squibbs 11-1pm, meet at church parking lot at 10:30am
- 4/5 & 4/19 Busy Hands with a Purpose 10am in the Fellowship Hall
- 4/6 Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am and 6:00pm & Adventure Kids last meeting for this QTR
- 4/7 Sisters of Faith at 5:30pm under the pavilion
- 4/12 Sarah Mayes Circle at 2:00pm in the Good News Fellowship Hall
- 4/14 CYB goes to IHOP in Johnson City at noon
- 4/14 Holy Thursday Service at 7:00pm
- 4/14 Old Town Quilters Guild meet in the Good News Fellowship hall at 6pm
- 4/15 Community Good Friday Service 12pm at the Jonesborough Presbyterian Church (Pastor Michael is leading this service)
- 4/15 JUMC Tenebrae Service at 7:00pm
- 4/16 Choir Rehearsal at 10:30am
- 4/17 Easter Sunday (7am Sunrise service then donuts/biscuits, 8:45am worship service, 10:45 Cantata)
- 4/20 Children's Sunday practice 5:30-7:30pm, starts with a pizza party
- 4/21 Hymn Sing in the Fellowship Hall from 2-3:00pm All are welcome
- 4/24 Children's Sunday during the 10:45 service
- 4/30 Diane's Closet 10am-2pm in the GNFH

Every Sunday unless otherwise noted: 8:45 & 10:45am Worship, 9:30am Sunday School. Youth from 5:00 to 7:30pm w/bible study and dinner.

Every Wednesday unless otherwise noted: ADK and Youth starting at 5:30pm with dinner and classes from 6:00pm -7:00pm.

Choir practice at 6:45pm

Every Thursday unless otherwise noted: Golden Heirs meet in the Sanctuary at 6:00pm to sing

Every Thursday unless otherwise noted: Youth meet at the youth house at 6:00pm and go out for dinner for fellowship together.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 200TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 18TH AT 10:00AM



- 4/1 John Shanks
- 4/4 Jan Orchard
- 4/6 Jacob Hankal
- 4/11 Andrew Huffine, David Babb, Matt Morganstern
- 4/13 Joseph Moore
- 4/14 Sharon Moore
- 4/16 Erin Sherlin
- 4/20 Madelyn Rohrer
- 4/22 Billy Joe Russell
- 4/23 Gracie Garland, Linda Poland
- 4/24 Sandee Degner

- 4/5 James & Peggy Rice
- 4/9 Foye & Carole Webb
- 4/13 Nathan & Lindsey Ford
- 4/14 Fred & Donna Boyd
- 4/20 Michael & Ginny Dickson

IT'S TIME TO SING!

BRING A FRIEND AND JOIN OUR INFORMAL GROUP IN SINGING THE TIMELESS HYMNS OF THE CHURCH.

ALL AGES, ALL ABILITIES!

- ◆ BEGINS THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2:00-3:00PM
- ◆ 1ST & 3RD THURSDAY'S THROUGH OCTOBER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
- ◆ FACE COVERINGS OPTIONAL
- ◆ SOCIAL DISTANCING AVAILABLE



FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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Our thanks and prayers go to all our military veterans and their families.
Your service and sacrifice are greatly appreciated.

Barnard Davis (US Army) - Susan Miller's nephew
Caleb Wade (US Army) - Rupe & Ella Billions' grandson
Cody Hallberg (US Air Force) - Lee & Nancy Hallberg's grandson
Todd White - (US Army) - Doug & Donna Barnes Bennett's son-in-law
Mickey Teasner (US Navy)
Lauren Bennett (US Army Reserve)
Jake DeMatteo (US Army)
Steven David Hunt (US Army Reserve)
Brian Ehlschlager (US Army)
Shawn Allison (US Marines)
Eric Bull (US Air Force Reserve) - Don & Barbara Bull's grandson
Cheyenne Pandar (US Marines)
Johnathon Daffron (US Marines)
Jon Cochran (US Ranger) - Billy & Gail Lewis' cousin
Michael Fritz (US Army) - Mary Ann Clark's son-in-law
Connor Lancaster (US Army) - grandson of Kenneth & Terry McMasters
Matt Ingalls (US Marines) grandson of Howard and Madelyn Rohrer