

# The MEMORIAL MESSENGER

MARCH 2020

## LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

Today marks the beginning of our journey from who we are, to what God will make of us at the end of the journey. In so doing, we become pilgrims. Pilgrim is my favorite description of myself. It speaks of one who travels great distances to a holy place. Yet what every pilgrim discovers along the way is that it is the journey which shapes us, not the destination.

Many Christians proclaim that they have accepted Jesus as their savior, and yet except for one hour a week spent in church, they live their lives just as they had before the decision. While the work of our Lord is all sufficient to accomplish this, there has to be something more to happen in our lives. We must be transformed in such a way that the world takes notice. What is different?

I pray that during these 40 days and 6 Sundays, that you will allow God to work within you. May the journey to the cross transform you. May Jesus Christ forgive you, the Holy Spirit give you strength and protect your hearts, and may God the Father take you into His loving arms at the end of your journey to His Holy place and give you rest.

Focus on the journey and the destination will be at its end.

Blessings for a holy and blessed Lent,  
Scott

# Youth News

**We have many things happening in the upcoming weeks for our youth.**

**On Saturday March 14th there will be a Youth Service Project with a movie after.**

**On Wednesday March 25, there's no Bible Studay but a movie & Pizza!**

**On Sunday, March 29th, the 1st Annual Chili Cook-off will happen.**

**It is to benefit Youth & Children & Camp in the Community.**

**There will be judges and prizes awarded! Everyone invited!**

**We will need volunteers to bring salads, desserts and any other favorite items.**

**Signup sheet will be in lobby closer to the date.**

## HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT

Our church District, the Tennessee Valley District, has been asked by The Holston Conference to participate in the "Ishe Anesu Project" that will aid under privileged children in Zimbabwe. The Ishe Anesu Project is similar to previous mission projects we've participated in such as the collection and shipment of school supplies; this time however we will be purchasing a list of nine basic foodstuffs to pack and ship in lidded buckets to the needy children. The buckets for the project have already been generously donated by Ace Hardware of Clinton. The lids and \$5 shipment fee per bucket are also being provided. We hope to meet a congregational goal of designated food items for at least 20 buckets. I did a quick cost survey of the requested food items at our local Food City and Ingle's groceries and found the average cost to be around \$33. Now, I know there are sharper shoppers with keener eyes for good deals sitting out there in the pews (Peggy Burton and Sarah Medley I see you!) so the \$33 is just a cost estimate. If anyone would prefer to participate in the mission project by donating money towards the cost of the items that will be gladly accepted also. Below is a list of the requested food items:

1 Bag Sugar (4-5 lbs.)	1 Bag self-rising flour (4-5 lbs.)	1 Bag rice (2 lbs.)
1 bag dried beans (2 lbs.)	1 Powdered Milk (10 oz. or less)	1 Canned Ham (2 lb. Total)
1 box quick/instant Oats (18 oz. or less)		
1-Bottle Cooking Oil (48 oz. or less)		
1 Box Splenda/Sucralose (50 count or less)		

We will begin to collect the items in April and we expect the Conference will pick the buckets up the first week of May.

If you have any questions please call me. My number is 457-5358.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Sutton Kay

### \*REMEMBER TO PRAY\*



For our Extended at home family members.  
For our Pastor, Our Church and Church Families; Our Nation and our Service Men, Women, and families at this un-nerving time.  
Pray for Pam Rainey and Art Miller in their upcoming medical challenges.

### GRACE CIRCLE

Meetings are 1st Thursday of the month. The March 5th meeting, will be at 11:30am. We would love to see some new faces. Come join us, all are welcome!

Questions? Call Judy Foster at 457-8088 or ask any Circle member.

### FLOWER DONORS MARCH/APRIL 2020

Mar.1 Joe/Pam Rainey	April 5 Nancy Large
Mar.8 Bill/Alice Connell	April 12 Altar Guild
Mar.15 Tom/Nancy Thrasher	April 19 Robert McGinley
Mar.22 Samuel Franklin	April 26 Jim/Denise Davis
Mar.29 Bill/Leslie Stone	

### Church Projects

Several people have asked about specific projects that are being planned for our Church. If you are interested in contributing to any of these projects, please designate the following on your check.

- Sanctuary remodel (new carpet, floor refinishing)
- Building Repair/Improvements (other areas)
- Grounds/Landscaping
- Kitchen (repairs or equipment that needs upgrade)

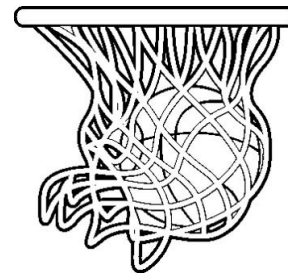
If you have any questions please let me know.

Pat Stonecipher 457-4494

### MARCH 2020 CALENDAR

Sunday March 1	<b>1st Sunday in Lent</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:00a Morning Worship Service 6:00p-8:00p Boy & Cub Scout Meeting <b>6:30p CHURCH Council Meeting</b>
Monday March 2	4:30p Delta Kappa Gamma meeting 6:00p-8:00p Girl Scout Meeting 11:00a-2:30p Wed. Club Meeting
Tuesday March 3	<b>5:30p-6:00p Fellowship Dinner</b> <b>6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study</b> <b>6:00p-7:15p Youth &amp; Children</b> <b>7:15p Chancel Choir Practice</b>
Wednesday Mar.4	<b>10:00a Morning Prayer in the Chapel</b> 11:30a Grace Circle Meeting 5:30p-6:30p Food Pantry Girl Scout Sunday / <b>2nd Sunday in Lent</b>
Thursday March 5	9:00a Sunday School 10:00a Morning Worship Service 6:00p-8:00p Boy & Cub Scout Meetings <b>Regular Wednesday Schedule (above)</b> <b>10:00a Morning Prayer in the Chapel</b>
Sunday Mar. 8	<b>3rd Sunday in Lent</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:00a Morning Worship Service 6:30p-8:00p Boy & Cub Scout Meeting 6:00p-8:00p Girl Scout Meeting <b>Regular Wednesday Schedule (above)</b> <b>10:00a Morning prayer in the Chapel</b> 5:30p-6:30p Food Pantry
Monday Mar. 9	<b>4th Sunday in Lent</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:00a Morning Worship Service 6:00p-8:00p Boy & Cub Scout Meeting <b>Regular Wednesday Schedule (above)</b> <b>10:00a Morning Prayer in the Chapel</b>
Wednesday Mar. 11	<b>5th Sunday in Lent</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:00a Morning Worship Service 11:00a 1st Annual Chili Cook-off 6:00p-8:00p Boy & Cub Scout Meeting 6:00p-8:00p Girl Scout Meeting
Thursday Mar.12	
Sunday Mar. 15	
Monday Mar.16	
Tuesday Mar. 17	
Wednesday Mar. 18	
Thursday Mar. 19	
Sunday Mar. 22	
Monday Mar. 23	
Wednesday Mar.25	
Thursday Mar. 26	
Sunday Mar. 29	
Monday Mar. 30	
Tuesday Mar. 31	

### Memorial Camp Madness 2020



Coming March 8th

## MEMORIALS

#### In Honor or Memory of:

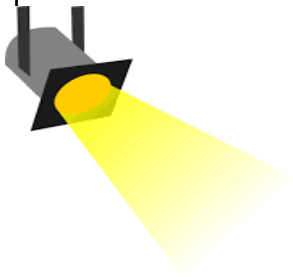
Jimmy Dodd Lawrence  
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#### Given by:

Mark, Donna & Carey Medley  
Bill & Ouida Steinkamp

#### Requested Fund:

Food Pantry  
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# THE COMMITTEES

Committees in any Church keep the wheels rolling. The Committee members may change from year to year but their areas of commitment never waiver. At Memorial United Methodist Church we have committees that over see everything, from the Kitchen and meal preparation, taking care of re-stocking all used materials, for cleaning up after it's use, for Meals after funerals, for delivery of meals to our extended at-home family members. Who would think so much goes into just a "kitchen".

We have members & committees that step-up and work on Events that we help sponsor, that produce our Church Directory from scratch, that keep the Sanctuary decorated for every season and help with communion. All of these people are dedicated, un-paid Volunteers in the service of God and do it willingly and without expectation of anything in return.

Each time you receive anything from any of these wonderful volunteers, maybe just say a little Thank You.

The Church thanks & appreciates them, everyday.

Dear Memorial Family:

I want to thank each and everyone of you for supporting me during my recent personal health issue . The prayers, the cards, the food and meals, the many calls and messages you have taken your time to check in on me, I'm in awe of what a difference in my outlook with how God wants to use me! Our church is strong and as a lifetime member over 60 years it is only stronger! Pastor Scott and Josh Allen have checked on me almost every day as well as others. I am overcome by your outpouring of love during the special prayers last Sunday. Thank you from the bottom of my heart, I love you all, thanks in advance for continued prayers for my improved health.



Love,  
ART MILLER



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### Serving God's People

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