

The MEMORIAL MESSENGER

MARCH 2021



There's an old hymn that is mostly lost to us, but its message still remains:

As I step on board I'll be leaving
All my sorrows and heartaches behind
I'll be safe with Jesus the Captain
Sailing out on the old ship of Zion

For several months, this old ship of Memorial has been in safer waters because of Hurricane Covid. While we haven't made port on Main and Market, we have not been adrift. Jesus is still the captain and the Holy Spirit is at the helm and we have been busy about our Fathers business.

But now we are ready for our own resurrection. On Palm Sunday, March 28 we will be returning to the sanctuary of our church to celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Easter Sunday we are planning our annual sunrise service and a 10:30am worship service at the church.

It's been a tough year. While we cannot foresee what the future holds, we can learn from the past. God has been at work and showing us new things for the future. From here on, our focus is on the future of our church and capturing the glory to come.

For a while, we'll still be wearing masks. We will still maintain safe distances. It'll be a while longer before we can have a meal together and children's ministries will be hampered until we get further guidance from the Holston Annual Conference.

For now, let's celebrate. Pray there isn't a resurgence and that our plans line up with God's plans. Your safety is still one of my primary concerns. Until then, mark your calendars and pray. Continue to do good things (21 Acts of Love). Get ready to hit the door running because we are the church and the gates of hell have not and will not prevail against us.

In Christ's name,
Pastor Scott

CHURCH MINISTRIES

February Report of Church Ministry:

The outreach committee remains busy. The calling committee that is reaching out to the homebound continues to be active. Five hundred dollars were donated for food for an Appreciation Meal to the Health Department Employees. On Wednesday, February 17th Pastor Scott and Art Miller took food early in the morning that would cover breakfast and snacks throughout the day. Because of such a generous outpouring of support, we are able to provide a second meal. On March 6 we are having a meal delivered by Buddy's Barbeque at lunch time. There has been a very good response of appreciation from the Health Department.



Scott with Director Charles Turner

A new technology is allowing us to provide a program on the telephone of "Dial a Sermon."

Many of our advanced seniors are technologically challenged, but all know how to use the telephone and the audio button on the phone. They can listen to a sermon or the full worship sermon each week by dialing **865-518-4201** and follow the instructions. Each week worship service will be posted by Wednesday of the following week.

Thank you Michael Freels for your technology support and thanks to Juanita Smith, Winkie Watkins, Sylvia Amadon, and Ellie Green for your feedback in making this a useful tool for worship for our shut-ins.

Nancy Large

21 Acts of Love

2021

Ongoing for 2021

Birthdays for MARCH 2021

03/05 Ben Sellers	03/16 Greg Prater	03/17 Pat Stonecipher
03/19 Joyce Barnes	03/23 Cal Kirkpatrick	03/28 Marie Hickson



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday Memorial Members, Happy Birthday to you!

Since we cannot Hug any of these Birthday people due to "you know what", let's continue our Birthday Card or call campaign, especially for those homebound or in assisted living facilities. All of the addresses are in the Church Directory or call the office if needed. Or check InstantChurchDirectory.com.

Finance News

February 26, 2021

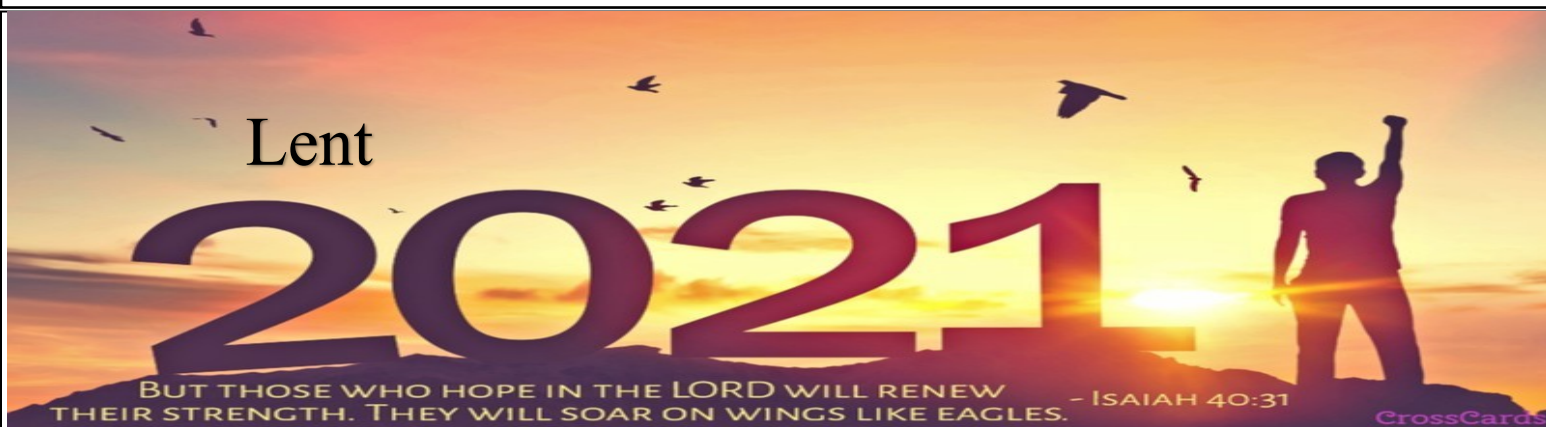
Thank you for your continued financial support to the church. Your support means we can continue to function soundly during and after quarantine times. The following shows the amount of money we have received in 2021 and our expenditures through January.

We received \$13,432 in January and spent \$17,956.94 for a shortage of \$4,524.94, February budget giving through February 26 is only \$11,462 and expenditures will be at least the same as last month. Final expenses are not in, but you can see that we need your support.

Although we have not met in person for most of 2020 and all of 2021, we have continued to pay all our financial commitments and all salaries. The utilities bills are paid on time, Salaries are paid on time. All service agreements are paid on time. Pastor Scott, Carol LuZader, Josh Allen, Beverly Johnson, and Carol Long have continued to work for us without fail and under difficult circumstances and have been paid on time. As we look forward to coming together again in person in late March and hopefully from then on, we pray for and need your continued prayers, support, and tithes to continue to serve God and spread the word of Christ. We count on you to be part of us and you can count on us to be your church family.

Thank you, members and supporters of Memorial, for your faithfulness,

Bebe Combs, Finance Chair



REMEMBER TO PRAY

For our Extended at home family members. For our Pastor, Our Church and Church Families. Pray for our Nation as we struggle with fighting this pandemic. Pray for our first responders, our doctors & medical professionals that are on the front lines trying to preserve life. Pray for our Service Men, Women, and their families at both at home and abroad, Pray for your neighbors, Pray for our School teachers and all the staff required to keep schools and learning going.

JUST PRAY

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.” Philippians 4:6

THANK YOU

To the dedicated members serving our prayer chain. They love and care for everyone and show this in their devotion to be truly “Prayer Warriors”. No crisis too big for them because God answers prayers. Keep up the good work; we all need YOU.





Are you still waiting to get on a vaccine list?

Here's another way to do it.

WWW.Vaccinate.TN.gov or [-1-866-442-5301](tel:1-866-442-5301)

This is the State's site that lets you check all surrounding counties for how long their wait-list is. If you don't mind driving a little, other counties are the option.

If you have trouble or need assistance, Pat Stonecipher has offered her help. Just call her at 865-457-4494. She'll walk you thru the sign-up or if you do not have a way to get on the internet she can help with that too!

We call her the "**Covid Fixer**"



The greatest commandment says we are to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. And the second one is to love our neighbors as ourselves. Matthew 22: 37-38

Our church wide 21 Acts of Love has started off with a bang! It is so exciting to see how our church has been living out Jesus' great commandment to show His love to our neighbors. One member showed her love by adding food to three blessing boxes. If you'd like to do likewise, you can find these boxes that help feed our neighbors at the Fox and Farley office, South Clinton and North Clinton Elementary schools, and Kern UMC in Oak Ridge. Another person gave a 40% tip to a hardworking waitress! Don't you know she felt loved and appreciated! People have been volunteering at the health department with COVID vaccinations and cleaning out closets for donations at KARM and Goodwill. I've even heard that some folks are being kinder to the people in their own homes and workplaces! This is how He wants us to change the world!

I hope you have received your 21 Acts of Love brochure and posted it on your refrigerator so that you can keep track of and share these loving acts. This will help us to spur one another on toward love and good deeds as Hebrews 10:24 says. *And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works*"

And lastly, our 21 Acts of Love T-shirt order is being placed this week. If you'd like to have one and haven't ordered yours yet, there's still time, but please hurry! Text, call, or email me!

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21
Acts
Of Love
2021



NEW CREATION

This summer's theme is A NEW CREATION based on 2 Corinthians 5:17. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old creation has gone and the new is here!". (NIV)

Our campers will learn how to love what God is creating in and through them. Our hope is that after their time at summer camp, each camper will return home with a renewed sense of value as a child of God.

Please contact the Camp at their web-site for schedules and pricing, CampWesleyWoods.com. This year the Church is able to help sponsor campers; not a full sponsorship as in years past. The camp personnel can go over the amount and other information when you call : 865-448-2246. or their registration office at 423-929-9037.

possible by gifts from the United Methodist Church **History**

In the mid 1950's discussion began in the Maryville District of the Holston Conference concerning developing a youth camp. In 1958 leaders from the district approached D.H. (Doc) Tipton about 700 acres he and his brother owned in the Capshaw Valley. The property is named for Colonel Capshaw who probably received the land for his service in the Revolutionary War. In the late 1800's the property was extensively logged. It was then acquired by the Tipton brothers, who were born in Cades Cove. They planned to develop the site into a resort. Equipment from the Little River Lumber Company was used to dig a large pond, now known as the lagoon. They also constructed a dam and reservoir up the creek which eventually served as a water supply. A house (the Red House) was built at the entrance for a caretaker. The resort never worked, however, and Doc Tipton gave the land to the church to create the camp.

Under the leadership of Dr. Ben St. Clair, the Maryville District Superintendent, the camp became a joint project of the Maryville, Knoxville and Morristown Districts. Dr. St. Clair named the camp Wesley Woods. A master plan for the new camp was developed in 1959. The camp's first buildings including Tipton Lodge, three cabins and a bath house were constructed in 1959 and 1960. The first season of camp was held at Wesley Woods in 1961.

From 1961 to 1963 six more cabins and another bathhouse were built. The pavilion was added in 1963 and the swimming pool in 1964. Oak Ridge joined the other three districts as partners in the ministry at Wesley Woods in 1976. Further development of the camp occurred with the addition of a craft cabin in 1981, a retreat lodge (Nickle Lodge) in 1982, another retreat lodge (Sunset Lodge) in 1988 and numerous additions to Tipton Lodge

Rev. Jack Porter became the camp's first full time director in 1969. He was followed by Rev. Bill Nickle who became director in 1980. Under Nickle's leadership the camp started its environmental education program in 1984 and began adding a ropes course in 1985. In subsequent years Jan Thomas, David Leach, and John Erdman served as the camp's director. Tony Lea, the current director, started in 2015.

YEAR B 2021 CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR

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seasons



SUNDAYS AND PRINCIPAL FESTIVALS	FIRST READING	PSALM	SECOND READING	GOSPEL	HYMN OF THE DAY
Nov 29, '20 1 Advent	Isa 64:1-9	Ps 80:1-7, 17-19	1 Cor 1:3-9	Mark 13:24-37	245 Creator of the stars of night
Dec 6 2 Advent	Isa 40:1-11	Ps 85:1-2, 8-13	2 Peter 3:8-15a	Mark 1:1-8	266 All earth is hopeful
Dec 13 3 Advent	Isa 61:1-4, 8-11	Ps 126 or Luke 1:46b-55	1 Thess 5:16-24	John 1:6-8, 19-28	252 Each winter as the year grows older
Dec 20 4 Advent	2 Sam 7:1-11, 16	Luke 1:46b-55 or Ps 89:1-4, 19-26	Rom 16:25-27	Luke 1:26-38	258 Unexpected and mysterious
<i>Dec 24</i> <i>Christmas Eve</i>	<i>Isa 9:2-7</i>	<i>Ps 96</i>	<i>Titus 2:11-14</i>	<i>Luke 2:1-14 [5-20]</i>	<i>268</i> <i>From heaven above</i>
<i>Dec 25</i> <i>Christmas Day II</i>	<i>Isa 62:6-12</i>	<i>Ps 97</i>	<i>Titus 3:4-7</i>	<i>Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20</i>	<i>726</i> <i>Light dawns on a weary world</i>
<i>Dec 27</i> <i>Christmas Day III</i>	<i>Isa 52:7-10</i>	<i>Ps 98</i>	<i>Heb 1:1-4 [5-12]</i>	<i>John 1:1-14</i>	<i>295</i> <i>Of the Father's love begotten</i>
Jan 3, '21 1 Christmas	Isa 61:1-2	Ps 148	Gal 4:4-7	Luke 2:22-40	290 Go tell it on the mountain
2 Christmas	Jer 31:7-14 or Sir 24:1-12	Ps 147:12-20 or Wis 10:15-21	Eph 1:3-14	John 1:[1-9] 10-18	510 Word of God, come down on earth
<i>Jan 6</i> <i>Epiphany of Our Lord</i>	<i>Isa 60:1-6</i>	<i>Ps 72:1-7, 10-14</i>	<i>Eph 3:1-12</i>	<i>Matt 2:1-12</i>	<i>308</i> <i>O Morning Star, how fair and bright!</i>
Jan 10 Baptism of Our Lord	Gen 1:1-5	Ps 29	Acts 19:1-7	Mark 1:4-11	455 Crashing waters at creation
Jan 17 2 Epiphany	1 Sam 3:1-10 [11-20]	Ps 139:1-6, 13-18	1 Cor 6:12-20	John 1:43-51	574 Here I Am, Lord
Jan 24 3 Epiphany	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Ps 62:5-12	1 Cor 7:29-31	Mark 1:14-20	798 Will you come and follow me
Jan 31 4 Epiphany	Deut 18:15-20	Ps 111	1 Cor 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28	311 Hail to the Lord's anointed
Feb 7 5 Epiphany	Isa 40:21-31	Ps 147:1-11, 20c	1 Cor 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39	507 O God of light
<i>Feb 14</i> <i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i>	<i>2 Kings 2:1-12</i>	<i>Ps 50:1-6</i>	<i>2 Cor 4:3-6</i>	<i>Mark 9:2-9</i>	<i>315</i> <i>How good, Lord, to be here!</i>
Feb 17 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>Joel 2:1-2, 12-17</i> <i>or Isa 58:1-12</i>	<i>Ps 51:1-17</i>	<i>2 Cor 5:20b-6:10</i>	<i>Matt 6:1-6, 16-21</i>	<i>328</i> <i>Restore in us, O God</i>
Feb 21 1 Lent	Gen 9:8-17	Ps 25:1-10	1 Peter 3:18-22	Mark 1:9-15	517 Lord, keep us steadfast in your word
Feb 28 2 Lent	Gen 17:1-7, 15-16	Ps 22:23-31	Rom 4:13-25	Mark 8:31-38	799 Come, follow me, the Savior spake
Mar 7 3 Lent	Exod 20:1-17	Ps 19	1 Cor 1:18-25	John 2:13-22	723 Canticle of the Turning
Mar 14 4 Lent	Num 21:4-9	Ps 107:1-3, 17-22	Eph 2:1-10	John 3:14-21	323 God loved the world
Mar 21 5 Lent	Jer 31:31-34	Ps 51:1-12 or Ps 119:9-16	Heb 5:5-10	John 12:20-33	506 The Word of God is source and seed
Mar 28 Passion/Palm Sunday Color: Scarlet or Purple	Isa 50:4-9a	Ps 31:9-16	Phil 2:5-11	Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39 [40-47]	351/352 O sacred head, now wounded
Apr 1 Maundy Thursday Color: Scarlet or White	Exod 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14	Ps 116:1-2, 12-19	1 Cor 11:23-26	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	358 Great God, your love has called us
Apr 2 Good Friday Color: None; altar is stripped	Isa 52:13-53:12	Ps 22	Heb 10:16-25 or Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9	John 18:1-19:42	343 My song is love unknown
Apr 3 Easter Vigil*			Rom 6:3-11	John 20:1-18	449 We know that Christ is raised
Apr 4 Easter Day	Acts 10:34-43 or Isa 25:6-9	Ps 118:1-2, 14-24	1 Cor 15:1-11 or Acts 10:34-43	Mark 16:1-8 or John 20:1-18	370 Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands
Apr 11 2 Easter	Acts 4:32-35	Ps 133	1 John 1:1-2:2	John 20:19-31	386/387 O sons and daughters, let us sing
Apr 18 3 Easter	Acts 3:12-19	Ps 4	1 John 3:1-7	Luke 24:36b-48	579 Lord, you give the great commission
Apr 25 4 Easter	Acts 4:5-12	Ps 23	1 John 3:16-24	John 10:11-18	502 The King of love my shepherd is

Readings for year B are from the Revised Common Lectionary, copyright © 1992 Consultation on Common Texts. Used by permission. Scriptural citations refer to the New Revised Standard Version Bible with Apocrypha. The hymns are related to this lectionary. *For a complete list of readings for the Easter Vigil, see *Lectionary for Worship* or *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, p. 269. Italics mean that the day is not a Sunday. Hymns can be found in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

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May 2	Acts 8:26-40	Ps 22:25-31	1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8	Like the murmur of the dove's song	403
May 9	Acts 10:44-48	Ps 98	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17	Holy God, holy and glorious	637
May 13	Acts 1:1-11	Ps 47 or Ps 93	Eph 1:15-23	Luke 24:44-53	<i>A hymn of glory let us sing!</i>	393
May 16	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	Ps 1	1 John 5:9-13	John 17:6-19	Lord, who the night you were betrayed	463
May 23	Acts 2:1-21 or Ezek 37:1-14	Ps 104:24-34, 35b	Rom 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15	Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading	401
May 30	Isa 6:1-8	Ps 29	Rom 8:12-17	John 3:1-17	Come, join the dance of Trinity	412
Jun 6	Gen 3:8-15	Ps 130	2 Cor 4:13-5:1	Mark 3:20-35	Build us up, Lord	670
Jun 13	Ezek 17:22-24	Ps 92:1-4, 12-15	2 Cor 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17	Mark 4:26-34	How clear is our vocation, Lord	580
Jun 20	Job 38:1-11	Ps 107:1-3, 23-32	2 Cor 6:1-13	Mark 4:35-41	Jesus, Savior, pilot me	755
Jun 27	Lam 3:22-33 or Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24	Ps 30	2 Cor 8:7-15	Mark 5:21-43	Great is thy faithfulness	733
Jul 4	Ezek 2:1-5	Ps 123	2 Cor 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13	Spirit of Gentleness	396
Jul 11	Amos 7:7-15	Ps 85:8-13	Eph 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29	Let justice flow like streams	717
Jul 18	Jer 23:1-6	Ps 23	Eph 2:11-22	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Lord, speak to us, that we may speak	676
Jul 25	2 Kings 4:42-44	Ps 145:10-18	Eph 3:14-21	John 6:1-21	Let us talents and tongues employ	674
Aug 1	Exod 16:2-4, 9-15	Ps 78:23-29	Eph 4:1-16	John 6:24-35	I am the Bread of life	485
Aug 8	1 Kings 19:4-8	Ps 34:1-8	Eph 4:25-5:2	John 6:35, 41-51	Soul, adorn yourself with gladness	488/489
Aug 15	Isa 61:7-11	Ps 34:1-9	Gal 4:4-7	Luke 1:46-55	The angel Gabriel from heaven came	265
Aug 22	Prov 9:1-6	Ps 34:9-14	Eph 5:15-20	John 6:51-58	By your hand you feed your people	469
Aug 29	Josh 24:1-2a, 14-18	Ps 34:15-22	Eph 6:10-20	John 6:56-69	Eat this bread, drink this cup	492
Sep 5	Deut 4:1-2, 6-9	Ps 15	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Lord, let my heart be good soil	512
Sep 12	Isa 35:4-7a	Ps 146	James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17	Mark 7:24-37	Light dawns on a weary world	726
Sep 19	Isa 50:4-9a	Ps 116:1-9	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38	Oh, praise the gracious power	651
Sep 26	Jer 11:18-20 or Wis 1:16-21, 12-22	Ps 54	James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37	All Are Welcome	641
Oct 3	Num 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29	Ps 19:7-14	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50	Where cross the crowded ways of life	719
Oct 10	Gen 2:18-24	Ps 8	Heb 1:1-4, 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16	God, when human bonds are broken	603
Oct 17	Amos 5:6-7, 10-15	Ps 90:12-17	Heb 4:12-16	Mark 10:17-31	Take my life, that I may be	583/685
Oct 24	Joel 2:21-27	Ps 126	1 Tim 2:1-7	Matt 6:25-33	<i>We plow the fields and scatter</i>	680/681
Oct 31	Isa 53:4-12	Ps 91:9-16	Heb 5:1-10	Mark 10:35-45	O Christ, what can it mean for us	431
Nov 7	Jer 31:7-9	Ps 126	Heb 7:23-28	Mark 10:46-52	O Christ, your heart, compassionate	722
Nov 14	Jer 31:31-34	Ps 46	Rom 3:19-28	John 8:31-36	Lord, keep us steadfast in your word	517
Nov 21	Deut 6:1-9	Ps 119:1-8	Heb 9:11-14	Mark 12:28-34	Love divine, all loves excelling	631
Nov 28	Isa 25:6-9 or Wis 3:1-9	Ps 24	Rev 21:1-6a	John 11:2-16	Give thanks for saints	428
Dec 5	1 Kings 17:8-16	Ps 146	Heb 9:24-28	Mark 12:38-44	God, whose giving knows no ending	678
Dec 12	Dan 12:1-3	Ps 16	Heb 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25	Mark 13:1-8	Lord Christ, when first you came to earth	727
Dec 19	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14	Ps 93	Rev 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37	The head that once was crowned	432
Dec 26	Joel 2:21-27	Ps 126	1 Tim 2:1-7	Matt 6:25-33	<i>We plow the fields and scatter</i>	680/681

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MEMORIALS FOR FEBRUARY 2021

In Memory of:	Given By:	Fund
Otto & Marie Briscoe	Barbara Smith & Michael Roberts	Food Pantry
Collene Oakes	Bill & Leslie Stone	General Memorials
Collene Oakes	Ouida & Bill Steinkamp	General Memorials
Collene Oakes	Sarah & Jim Ern Medley	Outreach/First Responders
Collene Oakes	V.L. & Pat Stonecipher	Music Fund
Collene Oakes	Art Miller	Music Fund
Collene Oakes	Mark, Donna & Corey Medley	Outreach/First Responders
Susan Hedden	Peggy Perry, Austin, TX	General Memorials
Susan Hedden	Nadine Underwood Family	Trustees-Landscaping
Maude Riggs	Nadine Underwood Family	Food Pantry

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We have a new locking mailbox!
 You can insert anything you want for the Church in the top section.
 It appears in the bottom, the locked part, which is collected daily.
 A safe way to leave checks, correspondence, whatever you like.
 Try it out sometime soon!

ON-GOING HAPPENINGS:

Zoom Sunday school class every Sunday @ 9:30. New study on the book "Anxious for Nothing" by Max Lucado.

The link for Sunday school is on the Facebook page and in Scott's email for Sunday service.

Sunday Church service available on youtube.com, search for Memorial United Methodist Church or use the link in

Scott's email every week or from our Facebook page.

21 Acts of Love for 2021 an ongoing happening for the rest of the year. Keep up with on your "Fridge" list.

Church Council Meeting, Tuesday March 16th, in the Yak Classroom at 7:00pm.

OFFICE HOURS FOR MARCH: MONDAY & THURSDAY 10:00-2:00

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