



ATWATER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Health Kits

We are collecting Health kits to take to Annual Conference in June. Health Kits are given to individuals who find themselves in the midst of flood, fires and other situations.

- 1 Hand towel 15 x25 inches to 17 x 27 inches
Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable
- 1 Washcloth
- 1 Toothbrush Adult AND Do not remove from original packaging
- 6 Adhesive bandages ¾ inch to 1 inch-size
- 1 Bath-size soap 3 oz. and larger sizes only Do not remove from original packaging
- 1 Comb - needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long
- 1 Metal nail clippers No emery boards, please
- 1 plastic bag One-gallon size sealable bag only
- \$2.00 to purchase toothpaste and shipping

All items must be new and in original packaging. Place all items inside zip lock bag with \$2.00. Do not add additional items.

Youth News

A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED THE YOUTH SPAGHETTI AND SAUSAGE SANDWICH DINNER. YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT IS HELPING TO ENABLE OUR YOUTH TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN JUNE AT LAKESIDE!

April 1 – No Meeting

April 15 – Meeting at the church following worship

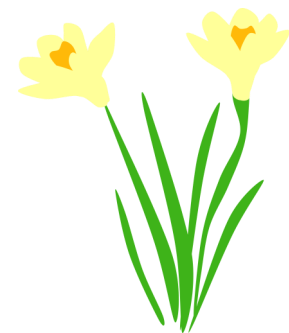
Spring Clean Up

The Leadership Team has set the week of May 14 as SPRING CLEANING WEEK AT THE CHURCH. A list of projects is ready to be tackled. You (your family or organization) is asked to select a project and complete during the week at a time that best fits your schedule.

A list will be posted on the bulletin board for you to sign up! See Martha Bevard if you have questions. Thank you in advance for your help!

Spring Dinner

The spring dinner will be held on Saturday, April 28th The dinner will remain the same pricing as last year. We will be having ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce, roll, dessert and drink.



M ISSION STATEMENT: "TO LOVE, CARE, AND SHARE THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS US."

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Friends,



This Lenten season we have talked about the transformation of a caterpillar to a chrysalis and finally to a butterfly.

The chrysalis and butterfly suggest the empty grave clothes of our risen Lord. When Peter and John heard the news that the Lord's body was gone from the garden tomb, they ran all the way from the place they stayed to the tomb. Peter entered the tomb and "he saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen" (John 20:6-7, NIV). The grave clothes once wrapped continuously around the body now lay collapsed, a testimony that the corpse they had once shrouded had now emerged in life.

The bondage of death is broken. Christ is risen! We can face tomorrow with the assurance that Jesus is in fact alive to help us, to guide us, to give us hope for the future. And since He is living, our problems are not impossible. The broken chrysalis of His grave clothes proclaims that Jesus is victorious even over death. Because He lives, nothing is impossible.

Blessings Ruth

Book Club

Book Club will meet on April 25, 5:30 pm at Kinsey's Restaurant. See a club member to find out what book we will be reading and join us.



UMW News

UMW: April: TBA

Coburn Circle: April 17, 7:00 pm

Hostess: Phyllis Weber

Program: Gracie Myers

Make plans now to attend the annual UMW Mother Daughter Banquet. It is on May 4 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a covered dish to share.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



At Rolling River Rampage VBS, children will discover an interactive, energizing, Bible-based program that will give them an opportunity to experience the ride of a lifetime with God. During Vacation Bible School at **Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God**, your kids will become Rafters and explore how to serve God and God's mission for their lives.

After a high-energy Opening Assembly, the Rafters make their way to the Bible Story Station. Interactive Bible lessons reveal Rapid Reminders to equip your Rafters for an active life with God. Your Rafters will discover a Rafting Ready Verse that will remain with them in their faith long after VBS.

The students will expand on what they've discovered by participating in a variety of activities: making art projects at the Craft Station, singing new music at the Music Station, exploring at the Science Station, participating in recreational activities at the Recreation Station, and enjoying tasty snacks at the Snack Station.

Mark your calendar VBS is July 9 – 13 from 6:30 – 8:30. All children age 4 – 5th grade are invited to participate.

Worship Workers

April

Liturgist: Bonny Bowker

Ushers: Bob & Kathy Elson

Greeters: Kristi & Alex Bunker & Lynn Werab

Elevette: Jerry Simons

Fellowship: Lynn Werab & Kristi Bunker

Acolyte: Needed

Youth Bell Ringer: Alex Bunker

Communion Helpers: Garry & Diane Stroll

Prayer Chain

You can start the prayer chain by calling Kathy Elson at 330-904-3964 or Martha Simons at 330-947-2017

Pastor's Bible Study

Pastors Bible Study meets Thursdays at 7:00 in the church office. It is also held at 1:00 pm at the Deerfield Church if that time is better for you.



VISION STATEMENT: "REACHING OUT TO OTHERS TO EDUCATE AND PROMOTE FAITH IN CHRIST."



April 2018

Sun

Mon

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Fri

Sat

<p>1</p> <p>Worship 9:25am</p> <p>Easter Sunday</p> <p>*Gert Martz</p> <p>*Russell Milburn</p>	<p>2</p> <p>*Brooke Cross Kline</p> <p>*Mollie Horning</p> <p>*Blair Weaver</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Pastor's Bible Study</p> <p>7:00pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>*Michael Rosinski</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Worship 9:25am</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30am</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Quilt Club 10:00am</p> <p>*Sydney Stroll</p> <p>*Gabrielle Stroll</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>UMW 7:00pm</p> <p>*Lisa Gumpf</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Pastor's Bible Study</p> <p>7:00pm</p> <p>*Kristine Kelly</p>	<p>13</p> <p>*Julie Myers</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Worship 9:25am</p> <p>Fellowship Time</p> <p>Newsletter info due</p> <p>*Denise Horning</p>	<p>16</p> <p>*Janet Rosinski</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Coburn Circle 7:00</p> <p>*Jim Bowker</p>	<p>18</p> <p>*Steve Toth</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Pastor's Bible Study</p> <p>7:00pm</p> <p>*Christine Hawley</p>	<p>20</p> <p>*Dave Bunker</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Men's Breakfast</p> <p>8:00am</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Worship 9:25am</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30am</p> <p>*Bonny Bowker</p> <p>*Jada Stroll</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>* Todd Wise</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Book Club 5:30pm</p> <p>@ Kinsey's</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Pastor's Bible Study</p> <p>7:00 pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Worship 9:25am</p> <p>Sunday School 10:30am</p>	<p>30</p> <p>*Katie Leigh</p>					