



## Hartsville United Methodist Church

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# Methodist Messenger April 2024

### ***A Word from Pastor Tim:***

*“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”  
Proverbs 22:6*

When I was young, I did not understand the value of a good upbringing because I didn't think my parents influenced me very much. I thought I was my own person. An individual. But as I've grown, I've realized how many of their habits and attitudes I have developed. It's actually a bit scary. As I look at my kids, I see the same thing.

Remember the old commercial where the kid says, “I learned it by watching you, Dad.” In that commercial, the child was referencing something negative they had learned. In the scripture above, we think of it in terms of positive things children learn from their parents. Both are equally true and important. We are training our kids, even long after they're grown.

The question is, are we training them in the way they should go? Or are we unintentionally teaching them things we don't want them to learn? For example, are we teaching them that a relationship with God is not very important? Are we teaching them that the Bible adds no value to our life? Are we teaching them that church participation is a chore that we should avoid when we can?

Most people would scoff at these questions. But are we not teaching them this with the many excuses that we make for not prioritizing church participation? Might they learn that football is more important than God, baseball is more important than God, fishing, yardwork, and so on? Perhaps they're learning that church is a valuable thing only when you can't find a good excuse not to go. Do they see us reading our Bibles, spending time in prayer, discussing scripture with our spouse?

At some point we are going to give up our hold on this physical world, breathe our last, and enter that eternal kingdom. After that, our children will carry on the habits they have witnessed in us. The choices we make are not solely about what experiences we want them to have now, but also what habits we want to instill in them. Do you want your children, whether they're small or grown, to have a better relationship with God in the years to come? If so, what are you doing now that will teach them and instill in them a habit that will live on after you're gone?

# NOW EVERYONE HAS AN ACTIVITY AVAILABLE DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME AT 10 AM. THE CHOICES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Class	Ages	Leader	Location
Nursery	Newborn – 3yo	Gilda	Downstairs Nursery
Youth Group	4yo- 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	Kathy R.	Youth Classroom
Brunch and Bibles	6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grades	Kayla J.	Fellowship Hall
John Wesley Class	18yo and up	John O.	Upstairs Classroom

*Sunday School  
For All Ages*

## PRAYER LIST

The backbone of a church is prayer. Place this somewhere you will see it often. Then let every sighting be a reminder to pray for these folks. Please update the church when you can on those on this list and on others who need to be added. Thank you.

Alice White	Curtis Butcher
Maxton Hawkins	Rosemary Denham
Alice Livingston	Joe Fergusson
Jim Hunt	Bert Gammons
Eddie Taylor	Beth Rolin
Micheal Oliver	Chris Conner
Amanda Garey	Ann Thurman
Tia Davis	Flo Dunavant
Helen & Don Voss	Jill Harper
Levi Owen	David Parker
Ashley Warwick	Wendy Finn
Scott Byrd	Tom Harris
Jeff Wyatt	Sean Engle

## Mission of the Month



The Trousdale County Help Center is an amazing ministry with which we are proud to be a partner. I know that many in our church already support the Help Center in many ways, such as Barbara Garren, who serves on their board. In addition, every month we have a different pantry item listed in the newsletter and in our bulletin. When these items are brought in, they are donated to the Help Center. They provide food and assistance to people in need in Trousdale County. Would you consider going the extra mile and supporting them this month?

You can give by leaving donations at the altar rail during communion. Or give during any collection by writing "Help Center" on the memo line of a check or on an offering envelope.

## Women's Conference

Have you signed up yet for the women's conference at the Journey Church? It will be held on April 26 and 27th. There will be several activities and speakers, including our very own Staci Dunavant. The sign-up sheet was in last month's newsletter, but if you no longer have that you can access it on the bulletin board at the church, or just call the church, or even call the Journey Church. I promise, you'll be glad you did!



## VBS



It's almost that time again; time for Vacation Bible School. This year we are planning on having a countywide VBS that will be bigger and better than ever before. This is a cooperative effort of the churches here in the county. It will be held at 1st Baptist, June 3 - 7. We need lots of volunteers to come and help each night. Let Pastor Tim or Melissa Robertson know if you're willing to commit to volunteering and when. Thank you!

## Church @ the Park

Make plans to join us at Hartsville Community park for our Sunday worship service on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am. We will be set up at the stage. Bring a lawn chair if you have one and invite a friend. Stay tuned for more details as they develop.



# APRIL 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	<b>3</b> Unite @ 6 pm	<b>4</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>5</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Communion Offering <u>Help Center</u>	<b>8</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>9</b> Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	<b>10</b> Unite @ 6 pm	<b>11</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>12</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>16</b> Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	<b>17</b> Unite @ 6 pm	<b>18</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>23</b> Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	<b>24</b> Unite @ 6 pm	<b>25</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>26</b> Women's Conference	<b>27</b> Women's Conference
<b>28</b> Church at the Park 11 am	<b>29</b> Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	<b>30</b> Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>

**Sunday Servants:**

**Prayer Team**

7 - Betty Gross  
14 - Kathy Dies  
21 - Kathy Robertson  
28 - John Oliver

**Reader**

7 - Robbie Jones  
14 - Hadley Boswell  
21 - Jonathan Brown  
28 - J Mac Crabtree

**Kid's Message**

7 - Kayla Jones  
14 - John Oliver  
21 - Leah Brown  
28 - Beth Crabtree

**Flowers**

7 - Mary Sanchez  
14 - Natalie Knudsen  
21 - Barbara Garren  
28 - Betty Gross

**Ushers**

C Satterfield Family

**Help Center: Dry Beans**

# The Chapel Hill Chronicle



## Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

92 Beasley Bend Road in Riddleton, TN  
Sunday Worship at 9 AM  
Sunday School at 10:15 AM

**“If you had your heart set on something and it didn’t come together as you prayed that it would, don’t stop praying, don’t stop trusting and don’t ever stop believing. God has something better in store for you. He will bless you with exactly what you need in the time that you need it. We just need to trust Him.” Amen**

### BIRTHDAYS:

Linda Brimm	April 13 <sup>th</sup>
Ed Johnson	April 13 <sup>th</sup>
Jordon Key	April 21 <sup>st</sup>
LeeAnn Inman	April 29 <sup>th</sup>

### IN LOVING MEMORY:

Camile Paradis	April 6 <sup>th</sup>
Nellie Kimble	April 6 <sup>th</sup>
Steve Hensley	April 18 <sup>th</sup>
Frank Matthews	April 19 <sup>th</sup>
Harold Key	April 22 <sup>nd</sup>

**April 14<sup>th</sup>** bring gift to church for Pregnancy Center.

Here we are in April and with not even half of the year gone, Chapel Hill already has much to be thankful for. We are so blessed to be present high on a beautiful Tennessee hill overlooking some of God’s lovely creation that awes and inspires everyone who wants to see. Let that be our first thanks. Thank you, God, for Your House of Worship that invites us to sing your praises and relieve our hearts every Sunday morning, which has endured

all these years and is still enduring, offering Your Christian love and mercy.

We have this great Pastor with his great, fun, and spiritual family. He lights fires that ignite our minds, hearts and spirits to reach out to and work in the community and to be with the community as one, worshipping God together. We are all one Church when it comes to Tim, which reminds us that God’s intentions are that we are one together loving and working in this world in His name. Tim has solutions for problems. He is a fisher of people and a lot of time a haven. He works so well with God as his partner (Partner: One associated with others especially in action). He added to his life and workforce his wife, Staci, which gave God a dynamic duo to work in His name on earth. We would be hard pressed to use all of the good words it would take to tell you about Tim, Staci and their family. We are truly thankful and blessed to have them in our lives.

This last specific paragraph is about our thankfulness to a good man who is a business owner who looks beyond the scheme of things. In the scheme of things, he would do a job, charge a fee, and if there were unforeseen problems while doing the job, charge a larger fee. Well, consider this - he did a job with an estimated fee. There were many unforeseen problems. The job with its large number of unforeseen problems still finished at the original amount estimated at the beginning. In a poetic mind, I would think that while working up there on Chapel Hill, surrounded by God’s awesome beauty, his heart was filled with peace, love and giving and that is how this all came to be. The real story is that God’s scenery was awesome, the good man likes our Church, he is community oriented, he has heard of the good work of the church and is proud of that, and he thinks so much of our congregation, the neighbors and neighborhood. He has a spirit full of God’s poetry, and we are so thankful to him, his family, his staff, and his company. God has and will shine upon him, and we will call him a kind, gracious, and a loving friend. **Thank you.**

Now, in conclusion, we are so thankful to our Brothers and Sisters of Hartsville United Methodist Church who work with us, help us, donate to us, fellowship with us, and share their wonderful minister with us. We are thankful for all the many friends and neighbors of Chapel Hill who support us in all of our endeavors; we call them Chapel Hill Heads. They follow us around from function to function and Fair to Fair. We could not continue our work without them. We also want to thank the people who visit our Taco Wagon and functions who have never met us but meet us, trade with us, come back and visit, and tell other people about us.

All that has been written is all because of God’s grace surrounding and living at Chapel Hill UMC.

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*Recipe Corner*

***NO BAKE COCONUT PIE***  
***By BEASLEY'S BEND FCE***

Instant Coconut Cream Pudding Mix (1 box)  
Milk (2 cups)  
Shredded Sweetened Coconut Flakes (2 cups)  
Cool Whip (8 oz container)  
9-inch Graham Cracker Crust

Add Coconut Cream Pudding Mix to a large bowl and mix with 2 cups of milk until smooth. Fold in 2 cups Cool Whip. Add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of shredded coconut to the pudding mix. Spread into pie crust, cover, and refrigerate overnight.

Toast the remaining coconut by placing in a small, dry skillet over med-low heat. Stir constantly so it doesn't burn. Right before your desired cooking color, place it on a plate. The coconut will continue to brown. Placing the coconut on a plate will help stop the cooking process.

When ready to serve, take the pie from the fridge and spread the remaining Cool Whip on top and garnish with the toasted coconut.

**Want to submit a recipe? Send it to Pastor Tim!**