

## Service Opportunities

**CARITAS Prep** - We will be hosting CARITAS August 11-18. To welcome our guests, we will be assembling 40 hygiene kits. Toiletry donations are needed including "travel size" shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and razors. Please deposit items in the labeled collection bin located in the Gathering Room. If you have any questions, contact Sharon Macauley at 739-1616.

**Thank you to all who have donated items for the UMCOR Health Kits!** Items donated for the Health Kits are due by Sunday, May 13. Please put your donations in the labeled bins in the Gathering Room. We still need the following items: Hand towels (15x25 up to 17x 27), combs, (large, sturdy, no pocket sized), metal nail files or nail clippers, no toe nail clippers), toothbrushes (no child sized, individually packaged), Band-Aids (adhesive). Contact June Adams at jpasea4ever@gmail.com if you have any questions.

**Red Bird Mission Opportunity** - Douglas Macauley is coordinating a mission trip to Red Bird Mission in Beverly, KY from June 17 to June 23. If interested in signing up or for more information please contact him at ddmacauley@comcast.net or 380-8082.

## Small Groups and Meetings

**United Methodist Women** - May 18-20 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio will be the "When Women Unite, Bold and Courageous Actions Happen." Registration fee is \$330, which includes two healthy lunches for attendees. Plan now to attend! Members of the Virginia Conference are again going by bus. If you are interested in the details of this trip, be in touch with Joyce Winston at buckrowbeach@gmail.com or mail your interest to her at 2411 E. Pembroke Avenue, Hampton, VA 23664. More information and registration forms are available in the Gathering Room on the UMW Bulletin Board.

## Around Mt. Pisgah

**Mother's Day Booklet** - The United Methodist Women will be publishing booklets to honor and remember mothers. To have a name included please fill out a form found in the Narthex, CFLC, or Gathering Room and turn in \$2/name by Sunday, May 6.

**Pentecost/Confirmation Sunday will be Sunday, May 20.** This year we will welcome 15 youth into membership. We will gather as a unified body of Christ at 10:30 am in the CFLC in order to truly welcome these youth and to show them the beauty of the whole Body of Christ here at Mt. Pisgah. We are also reminding everyone to wear red.

**Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School registration is now open!** This "preschool edition" of VBS, for children ages 3-5, will take place May 29-31, 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Children must have turned 3 by 10/1/17 and be toilet-trained. Cost is \$10/child. Online registration can be found on the church website. This session fills quickly so don't miss your opportunity to join us for VBS!

**Opportunities galore at Rolling River Rampage VBS!** We need your help with our preschool-age VBS! This is such a fun time with our little friends and there are so many ways that you can be a part of this experience – for 1 day, 2 days, or all 3 days! Please contact Sarah Johnson at fsj\_va@yahoo.com for more information.

**What can you do to enhance worship at Mt. Pisgah? Join the Tech Team!** We need additional volunteers to run the sound board and Pro-Presenter software for each of our services. No knowledge or experience is necessary to provide this vital service—we'll teach you everything you need to know. Please contact John Kim at kimva@gmail.com or 378-5772 for further information.

**Memorial Day Flags** - We will be placing American Flags on the graves or niches of US military veterans for Memorial Day this year in the Mt Pisgah Cemetery. If you have a loved one interred in our cemetery or columbarium who served in the armed forces, please contact Dave Irby at 306-9621 or dirby1206@comcast.net so we may honor your family member as well. We don't want to overlook any of our veterans! Thank you!

**Altar Flowers** - The 2018 flower sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Contact Marie Strack at 379-1281 for more information.

**Wedding Coordinators** - Mt. Pisgah is seeking individuals who are interested in directing weddings at the church. Complete training will be provided, and there is compensation (\$200 per wedding) for this service. For more information, contact Ruth Lewandowski at 837-7541 or singandring@verizon.net.

**The May-June newsletter** can be found on the website. Printed copies are located in the Narthex, CFLC Kiosk, and Gathering Room.

**Prayer Concerns:** Prayer request cards are in the pew racks and Gathering Room. All information is confidential. Please keep these church members in your prayers.

Joni Baker  
Dave Barnes  
Kaila Blackburn  
Dick Bolon  
Dave Browning  
Betty Dye  
Virginia Ewing  
Bill Fortner  
Janet Friedline  
Elizabeth Gundlach  
Robin Hoerber

Warren Hoerber  
Cade Holliday  
Red Howson  
Bob Lucas  
Don Kennedy  
Mary Helen Kennedy  
Sarah Reed  
Bill Smith  
Marie Strack  
Diane Treadway  
Millie Webb

## Military Members

Spec Austin K. Brown, Army, Overseas  
Christopher Durand, Army, Fort Campbell  
Erin McNeill Durand, Army, Fort Campbell  
Col. Stephanie K. Gerber, Army  
Sgt. Benjamin Gregg, Army, Schofield Barracks  
Sgt. Trevor Jerome, Marines, RS Albany  
Pvt. Nathaniel Johnson, Army, Fort Jackson  
Chp. Donald Smith, Army, Germany  
Sgt. James D. Webb, Army, Germany  
Spec Jason Zinn, Army, Fort Bragg



The Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ed Dye and in honor of Betty Dye by Marie Strack.



With sadness we express **Christian sympathy** to **Marty Hines** on the passing of her brother, Walter "Mike" Taylor.

We are glad to have you worship with us today. We invite you to make Mt. Pisgah UMC your church home. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance.

**Nursery Care** is available for children age 5 and younger from 9:15 am until 12:15 pm. The church nursery is located in rooms 101 & 103 in the Education building.

**Blessing Bags** are available in the Narthex for young children to use during worship. When the worship service has concluded, please leave the bag and its contents in the bin in the Narthex.

**Hearing Assistance Devices** are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher if you would like to use one of these devices.

**Large Print Hymnals** are available. Please see an usher if you would like to use one of these.

*Enjoy our furnishings and help us keep them clean. Please do not bring food or drinks into the Sanctuary; and please, turn off or silence your cell phones.*

**Our Mission:** To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

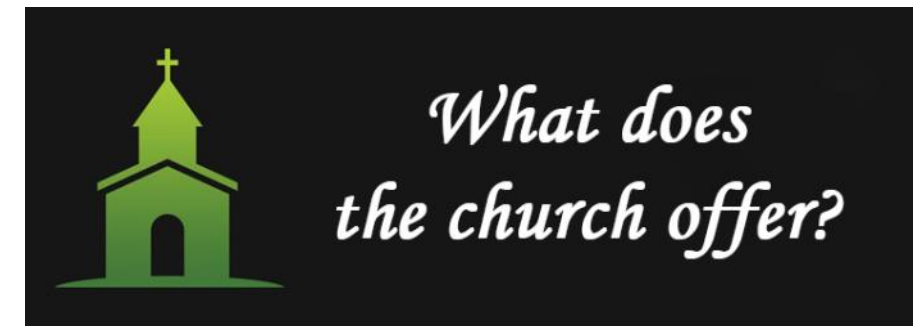
**Purpose Statement:** To celebrate LIFE.

Love God  
Invite others  
Fellowship together  
Engage the community



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Rev. Dr. Robert E. Cooper, *Lead Pastor*  
Zeb Roberts, *Director of Traditional Music and Worship Arts*

Welcome To  
**Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church**  
April 29, 2018  
Youth Sunday



## Gathering for Worship

Welcome

Prelude (8:15)

(11:00)

*Scherzo*

*Majesty*

Helman

Carter

\* Call to Worship

Leader: God, we come to you broken; make us whole.

**People: Lord, heal our brokenness, suffering and pain.**

Leader: We ask for grace and mercy.

**People: Lord, help us with our faith and strength. Hear our prayers.**

\* Hymn No. 154

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

\* We Affirm Our Faith

*A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church*

**We believe in the one God,**  
creator and sustainer of all things, Father of the nations,  
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

**We believe in Jesus Christ,**  
God manifest in the flesh,  
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**  
God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins,**  
in the life of love and prayer,  
and in grace equal to every need.

**We believe in the Word of God**  
contained in the Old and New Testaments  
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

**We believe in the church,**  
those who are united in the living Lord  
for the purpose of worship and service.

**We believe in the reign of God**  
as the divine will realized in human society,  
and in the family of God,  
where we are all brothers and sisters.

**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness**  
and in the life everlasting. Amen.

\* The Christian Greeting

**We Hear God's Word Proclaimed**

A Time of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Anthem (8:15) *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* Showalter

(11:00) *More Precious Than Silver/I Stand in Awe* Larson

Scripture p. 120\*\* *Acts 3:1-10*

Children's Moment 11:00

\* Hymn No. 395 *Take Time to Be Holy*

Sermon Series - *The Early Church: Presence, Power, Purpose*

Message *What Does the Church Have to Offer?*  
Sarah Gundlach & Amy Crisp

Prayer of Confession

**O merciful God, we confess that we have not acknowledged you as the source of our successes, our substance, our selves. We have been far more ready to complain when things go wrong than to praise when all is well. We have fed our bodies a rich diet while neglecting to feed our souls. Power and wealth have assumed greater importance to us than sensitivity and service. We have allowed religious words and forms to substitute for living encounters with the persons you have called us to love. Forgive us, compassionate Redeemer, and grant us the opportunity to start over again. Keep us from repeating the mistakes of the past or from new actions that could mislead or destroy. In the name of Christ, we offer our earnest prayers for pardon and deliverance. Amen.**

Offering Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

\* Offering Response No. 95 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

**We Go Forth**

\* Hymn No. 536 *Precious Name*

\* Dismissal and Benediction

Postlude

*\*Please Stand as You Are Able*

*\*\*New Testament Page in the Pew Bibles*

*No. 1-904 are found in the red United Methodist Hymnal*

*No. 2001 and above are found in the black The Faith We Sing Hymnal*

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**The Role of the Body**

In 1 Corinthians 12:12-27, Paul uses various parts of the human body to demonstrate the importance of every individual as a part of Christ's body-the church. The church is not just an organization; it's an organism--a living body made up of individuals, each having a vital role in the life of the church. Smooth interaction of all those roles is necessary to keep the church's life healthy, just as every part of our physical body must work together to enable it to function. We were not meant as Christians to live alone; within our congregations, we receive God's Word, and the love of those in the body surrounds and supports us. Acting together as this living organism to further Christ's mission, we can care for and advance each other, the community around us and the greater world community. When we recognize our interdependence and work together, we can do remarkable things in the power of Christ who gives us strength (Philippians 4:13). On the Day of Pentecost, which we will celebrate on May 20, Christ returned to his devoted disciples in the Spirit, filling them with the Spirit's power, and, with this new power and insight, the Apostles began their mission of bringing more souls to Christ. Soon persecution in Jerusalem caused the Apostles and the new Jewish converts to flee the city for surrounding areas, and Gentile converts from foreign lands returned home. All were so excited and enthusiastic with the infusion of the Spirit that they eagerly spread the Word and shared the events of Pentecost with everyone they encountered. Since all in attendance heard the Pentecost message in their own language, they left equipped for mission. Through the witness of these believers and the work of the Apostles, Christ, through the work of his Spirit, was gathering his body-the church-together, from all the nations of the earth, in a carefully orchestrated manner. Christian converts were offered something more precious to them than wealth would have been in their situation. They were given hope and healing apart from the threatening outside world--by inclusion in a faith community. This was God's plan--ordinary people each with a job to do within the body, gathered together and helping each other, while reaching out, spreading God's love and extending welcoming hands to any who would join them. We in our Body of Christ are in a position to offer hope and healing to others by seeking to include them in our community of faith.

Marty Hines

**Worship at MPUMC Today** - In the culture around us, there's nothing money can't buy. But for followers of Jesus, there is something they have that is greater than money. It is someone they are happy to tell you about.

**Next Sunday** - Philip finds himself in the middle of nowhere. Why is he there? As followers of Jesus, our faith is not stationary. Rather it is portable, mobile, and on the move-like the Holy Spirit.

The scripture for next Sunday is shown here with its QR Code.



Scripture for May 6, 2018  
Acts 8:26-40

**This Week At Mt. Pisgah**

*Who are you going to Invite, Pick up and Bring to church?*

**Sunday, April 29**

8:15 am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary  
9:15 am Fellowship Time - CFLC  
9:30 am Confirmation - JB Hall  
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages  
9:45 am Church Conference - Sanctuary  
10:30 am Fellowship Time - CFLC  
10:45 am ARISE Worship - CFLC  
11:00 am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary  
1:30 pm Elbe Band Practice - JB Hall  
3:00 pm Troop 876 - 214  
4:00 pm Memorial Service for Walter "Mike" Taylor - Chapel

**Monday, April 30**

10:30 am Caring and Sharing - Clair Cosby's Home  
11:00 am Staff Meeting - 303  
6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 897 - JB Hall  
6:30 pm Troop 897 Court of Honor - CFLC  
6:30 pm Preschool Council - 214  
7:00 pm Troop 876 Committee Meeting - 107/109

**Tuesday, May 1**

6:30 am Ecumenical Men's Prayer Breakfast - CFLC B, Kitchen  
9:30 am Kindermusik - 209  
6:15 pm Bear Den 8 - 107/109  
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 876 - JB Hall

**Wednesday, May 2**

11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study - 107/109  
6:00 pm Carol Bells - 206  
6:00 pm Cherub Choir - 209  
6:00 pm Youth Bells - Music Room  
6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study - 107/109  
6:45 pm kidzJaM - 211  
6:45 pm ECHO - 301/302  
7:00 pm Mission Branch - 214  
7:30 pm ARISE Rehearsal - CFLC  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir - Music Room

**Thursday, May 3**

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry - 217  
1:00 pm Martha Circle - 107/109  
7:00 pm District Roundtable - CFLC, 301-303  
7:00 pm Chancel Bells - Music Room  
8:00 pm NA Meeting - JB Hall

**Friday, May 4**

10:00 am Guitars 4 Vets - JB Hall  
10:30 am Prayer Group - Clair Cosby's Home  
4:30 pm Friday Fun Fest - CFLC, Parking Lots  
5:30 pm Drama Kids - 107/109

**The Mission Box Offering for April** will help more children attend summer camp at Westview on the James. Many families cannot afford to send their children; at least not pay the entire fee. By our donations to the "care and connect" scholarship fund, more children will be able to experience a great week at camp this summer. You can write a check to Mt. Pisgah UMC and in the memo write *April Mission Box - Camp Scholarship*. If you'd like to text your donation, please text to 804-294-3493. In the message portion of the text message, include the amount, space one time, then type westview.

**Our Stewardship of Gifts and Presence—April 22, 2018**

	8:15	10:45	11:00	Total
Attendance	80	36	138	254

Thank you for your support of our youth mission trip fundraising efforts. Between the Car Wash & Bake Sale in September, the Ash Wednesday Soup Dinner, and the most recent Bake Sale in April, the youth have raised around \$1,500 to help offset the cost of transportation, chaperones, gas, etc. for the trip. Your generosity means a lot, and it will help send 20 youth and 8 adults to Pittsburgh this summer. Your generosity will multiply as they will serve some of Pittsburgh's elderly homeowners, making sure their homes are safe and secure for them to live in.



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