



# MEMORIAL MESSENGER

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## Thank You

Two small words that mean so very much to me these days. There are so many to thank. Thank you to everyone who has sent a card, text, call or visited. Thank you for your faithfulness in prayer. I have been keenly aware of all the prayers. Thank you for meals, and rides to appointments and places I have needed to go. Thank you for the help of Elvin's care. If I have forgotten anything, please know I am deeply grateful for the help of everyone,

Without your help and kindness, I could not have been able to return to the parsonage for my recovery. Thank you for allowing me to sleep in my own bed and be around the things I was familiar with. Please accept these two small words meant with all my heart because to me these words are HUGE! THANK YOU!!!!

Blessings,  
Pastor Donna

### First I would like to thank everyone that has stepped up and helped Donna in:

- Taking her meals
- Driving her to therapy
- Helping with her duties in her absence
- And a very big one....taking care of Elvin her dog.

Donna has completed her occupational and physical therapy, and will be working on her own to improve. She is still receiving speech therapy. Brenda Carroll, our District Superintendent, has given Staff-Parish a recommended return to work schedule ...I want to emphasize this is **Subject to Revision** depending on Donna's progress. In May she will do the prayer on May 6th and 20th and will preach the sermon on May 29th. She will also teach a Sunday School class; in June she will deliver two sermons; in July three sermons and go to full time in August. We will have Annette Flynn for several more Sundays, and Zach and other members have agreed to fill in when needed

Donna is on medical leave, so to aid in Donna's recovery Staff-Parish will take on any questions or issues concerning the staff. You can set up a meeting with us through Andrea or myself.

Thank You, Bill Gallaher, Staff-Parish Chairman

### Church Council to Take Lead

During Pastor Donna's recovery, the Church Council will take the lead on resolving church issues that would normally be taken to the minister. Whether an issue has to do with visitation of our shut-ins, supplies in the kitchen, or anything in between, please refer the issue to the Church Council chairman, Tom Thrasher. Tom can be reached by phone at 457-0352 or by email at [thrasherth@comcast.net](mailto:thrasherth@comcast.net).

Also, if you come to the church during the day, please remember to drop by the church office to let our secretary, Andrea, know you are in the building. This is at the request of the Church Council to aid in building security.

In His Service,  
Tom Thrasher

## Children's Ministry News

### **May Wednesday Night Line-Up**

5/2—Preparations for Student Sunday

5/9—Preparations for Student Sunday

5/16—End of School Year Celebration! (We'll begin our summer break of Wednesday night programming after this Wednesday.)

### **Student Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

Our children and youth will be singing and providing leadership during Worship. **Loved ones, please have your child meet in the Choir Room at 9:00 AM.** We will gather here during the Sunday School hour and this time will be in place of Sunday School.

### **End of School Year Celebration, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

You won't want to miss our final YUMS of the school year! We'll begin at 5:30 PM in the YUMS room. **Please bring a snack or sweet treat to share.** We'll have games, prizes, and surprises!

### **Summer Fun**

**Pool Party, Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>:** We have rented the pool at Jaycee Park. Join us from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

**Camp in the Community, July 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>:** Make sure your child is registered! Materials are available in the office.

Blessings,

Leanne

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### **Camp in the Community, July 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>: LOTS!!! of Opportunities for Servant Leadership**

We are partnering with St. Mark UMC to bring Camp in the Community to Clinton! We have MANY opportunities for you to serve and share in this ministry to our community! Thank you to Kim Eby and Darcy Schrider for representing Memorial on the event's design team.

#### **Spread the Word!**

Camp is for rising kindergarteners through 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Camp is offered at no cost to the participants and designed to bring a Holston Conference camping experience to Clinton. Camp will be located at St. Mark.

Time is 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We have informational postcards and registration forms in the office. If your child would like to attend camp, please register as soon as possible to ensure your spot.

#### **Minister as a Daily Volunteer**

Our church is responsible to providing a team of people to assist campers in checking out of camp.

#### **Provide snacks and lunches to camp participants**

We are committed to feed the camp on Tuesday and Thursday! Jo Henegar is helping coordinate these efforts for us.

#### **Housing**

Holston Conference staff need lodging for their week in Clinton. Do you have or know of a place for them to stay?

#### **Pray**

Our prayer is that God will cover camp with blessing and that we will share God's love with our community.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Otto Briscoe, Lee Wysor, and Deloris Johnson. Our Pastor, Church and Church Families; Our Nation's Service Men, Women, and their families.



**Flower Donors for May 2018**

- May 6 No Flowers—Norris Dam State Park
- May 13 Wesley Bible Class—Mother's Day
- May 20 Hermon and Debra Dickerson
- May 27 Margaret Eager

**OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH:**

The family of Pat McBryde who passed away on April 13, 2018.

**Worship at Norris Dam State Park**

Mark your calendar! We will worship around Shelter #2 on May 6, 2018. There will be no Sunday School classes on this day. Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will follow in the Shelter.

**Assembly**—Junior and Senior High Assembly will be held June 25-29, 2018. The location for this year's Assembly will be Emory and Henry College. The registration forms for Assembly are also in the Information rack on the table next to church office. The cost for Assembly is as follows.

- \$112.50 Now through May 2nd
- \$137.50 May 3rd—May 30th
- \$167.50 Registration at the Door

To register for Assembly, fill out the form and turn it in along with a check made payable to Memorial UMC and designated for Assembly to the church office .

**May 2018 CALENDAR**

- Wed., May 2 5:30p-6:00p Dinner in FH  
6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study  
5:30p-7:15p YUMS  
5:30p-7:15p Youth  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Thur., May 3 5:30p Food Pantry
- Sun., May 6 10:30a Morning Service , Norris Dam State Park  
Covered Dish Lunch to follow
- Wed., May 9 5:30p-6:00p Dinner in FH  
6:00p-7:15p Adult Bible Study  
5:30p-7:15p YUMS  
5:30p-7:15p Youth  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Sun., May 13 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service
- Wed., May 16 5:30p End of Year Celebration and Program  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Thur., May 17 5:30p Food Pantry
- Sun., May 20 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service
- Wed., May 23 7:30p Chancel Choir Practice
- Sun., May 27 8:30a Prayer in the Sanctuary  
9:00a Sunday School  
10:00a Morning Service
- Mon, May 28 MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICE CLOSED

## MEMORIALS

<u>IN MEMORY OF</u>	<u>GIVEN BY</u>	<u>FUND</u>
Pat McBryde	Mark, Donna and Corey Medley	Building Fund General
	Jim Ern and Sarah Medlely	
	V.L. and Pat Stonecipher	
	Laura Payne	
	ORAU Employees Club	
	Denise Moretz and Thomas McCarley	
	Mary Magill	
	Sutton and Deane Kay	
	Dorothy W. Howell	
	Christine L. Kubik	
	Ellie Green	Scholarship
	Howard and Jo Henegar	
	Cathy Brown	Food Pantry
	Rebecca Williams	Altar Guild
	Richard and Melissa Snead	Altar Guild
	Otto Briscoe	Music
T.N. Jones	Cathy Brown	Food Pantry
Marie Briscoe	Howard and Jo Henegar	Scholarship

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#### Serving God's People

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