

The Reporter

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General Conference Postponed to 2022

Meeting on February 20, the Commission on the General Conference made a decision to further postpone the 2020 General Conference until August 29 – September 6, 2022, as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to affect the safety of mass gatherings and travel. <u>Details</u>

Bishops Call Special Session of General Conference, Issue Timeline Forward

In response to the further postponement of the 2020 General Conference, the Council of Bishops is calling a Special Session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church to be convened online on May 8, 2021. <u>Details</u>

April Lectionary Readings

April 4th Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
John 20:1-18 or
Mark 16:1-8

April 11th
Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

April 18th
Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36*b*-48

April 25th Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18



Typically, Holy Communion is served the first Sunday of the month at United Methodist Churches, Calvert City included. That schedule will be adjusted slightly over the next several weeks to better align with our next sermon series "A Sense of Resurrection." Why Resurrection, you ask? The *season* of Easter begins on Easter Sunday (this year April 4) and continues seven weeks through May 16, just before Pentecost Sunday on May 23, 2021. As for the sacrament, monthly Communion is a practical solution to help us remember Jesus' institution of the Last Supper, also referred

to as the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. Monthly Communion exists as a minimum recommendation, not maximum. The next opportunities to receive Communion will be on Maundy Thursday, April 1, Sunday, April 4 (Easter and first Sunday in April), Sunday, April 18, to align with our sermon series, and Sunday, June 6. Consider the following points from our friendly patriarch John Wesley.

In Wesley's 1788 sermon titled "The Duty of Constant Communion," John encouraged people to receive the sacrament as often as possible. Why? First, he said Jesus told his disciples to do it, citing it as "a plain command of Christ." Secondly, Communion benefits the recipients as they receive forgiveness of sins and strengthened souls. Communion invites us to remember Jesus' death by eating and drinking the outward signs of the inward grace. Early Christians partook Communion as part of each worship service, as often as four days per week. For these reasons, and others, Mr. Wesley felt strongly we should receive Communion as often as God gives us opportunity. Therefore, we have a duty of "constant communion." I look forward to sharing this meaningful sacrament with you.

Resourcing Sunday Schools and small groups

As more and more people are vaccinated for COVID-19, you may imagine friendly reunions in Sunday School rooms with your church friends. For a church-wide return to Sunday School, our church's most critical need is not vaccinations, but TEACHERS, especially for students and preschool aged children. See Ryan if you would like to explore serving in this meaningful way. CCUMC is well equipped to support Sunday Schools meeting on site or small groups meeting remotely. You have FREE access to a whole library of content through Amplify Media, Cokesbury's digital library. It's like Netflix for churches. Begin watching and planning for your small groups by using the access code below and creating a free account.



Let's Get Started!

Below is important information to access your Amplify account, and channel. You can login to or login to your channel at amplifymedia.com and select the user icon in the top right corner.

Channel Name:	Calvert City United Methodist Church, Calvert City, KY	
Channel URL:	https://my.amplifymedia.com/amplify	
Congregation Access Code:	ZYGTPW	

In Christ, Ryan Heatherly

United Methodist Women

No meeting in April.





Jason Sheridan	04/03
Lindsey Smith	04/05
Jim Conn	04/06
Janice Lampkins	04/08
Jamie Gordon	04/08
Mary Jane Inman	04/08
Callen Cocke	04/08
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Jennifer Ross	04/12
Dave Lepisto	04/13
Craig Pidcock	04/14
Adam Brien	04/16
Scott Futrell	04/17
Trevor Elliott	04/17
Cody Walker	04/19
Jagger Rowe	04/19
Fred Ross	04/20
Butch Lichtenberg	04/20
Emilie Shemwell	04/20
Lee Watson	04/21
Jackie Conn	04/22
Gunnar Johnson	04/23
Corey Bynum	04/23
Brady Ross	04/25
J.C. Wells	04/25
Lee Jr. Watson	04/26
Kiersten Hayden-Ross	04/28



Mitch & Janice Lampkins	04/01
Kevin & Holly Sheridan	04/03
Corey & Allison Bynum	04/06
Zack & Erika Ford	04/12



Special Dates

Maundy Thursday Worship, *Thursday, April 1 @ 6:30pm*Good Friday, *Friday, April 2*Bon Fire @ Lighthouse Landing, *Saturday, April 3 @ 6:30pm*Easter Sunday Worship, *Sunday, April 4 @ 9:00am & 11:00am*Administrative Council Meeting, *Sunday, April 11*Trustees Meeting, *Sunday, April 18*Open Hearts Food Pantry, *Monday, April 19*Third Place Workday, *Thursday, April 22*

Administrative Council

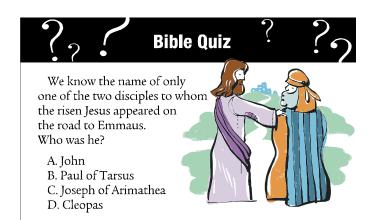
The next Administrative Council meeting will take place on Sunday, April 11^{th} @ 6:00 pm.

United Methodist Women

There will not be a meeting in April, but we are planning on meeting in May.

The meeting is tentatively set for May 13 @ noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own lunch.

Lori Lichtenberg



Answer: D (See Luke 24:18.)

Trustee Committee

The next Trustee meeting will take place on Sunday, April 18th @ 4:30 pm.



Month: March

FAMILIES SERVED: 9 Families

TOTAL # OF PEOPLE: 21 People

March was an average month for us. We have changed the hours of the food pantry to be open from 4pm—5pm and plan to keep it that way in the future.

Please keep our patrons and our ministry in your prayers.

Our Outreach Team is looking at new and fresh ways we can serve our community.

We have 4 basic jobs that are needed each month - interviewers, runners (ticket carrier), baggers and carry out. If you have been thinking about joining our Outreach Ministry the 3rd Monday of each month from 4pm - 5pm, then please let me, Bro Ryan, or Jean Apple know and we can get you added to the rotation. Anyone who is THINKING about it - I invite you to come and watch the simple process (when we get back to "normal").

The food pantry will be open again on Monday, April 19, 2021 from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

God Bless You All,

Denae Shelton

If the roots are deep and strong the tree needn't worry about the wind. God's Little Instruction Book Vol I, II & III

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord...He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes: its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit. Jeremiah 17:7,8

After a year of drought and blight my roots are still underground and near water from the stream of Calvert City UMC. I am thankful to be in the forest with so many other deep rooted trees who continued to be optimistic and faithful during a year like no other we have ever seen. It's Spring and the leaves are budding out to cleanse the air and give us shade. Easter and new life will raise our spirits, for this I am thankful. We all have much to look forward to and be grateful for.

Blessings to people of God,

Kendra Capps Lay Leader.

Third Place

(Formerly know as New-to-You)



Spring is here (as a kid, we used to quote "I know it, I know it, I know it") time to clean out our closets, and share what we don't need or wear anymore. The New to You appreciates you sharing what you no longer need. We have places to share what you no longer need. It is a wonderful feeling to share. Let us love one another.

The place is doing very good and looking very inviting. So lets donate and shop! The shop is open on Saturday 9:00am-2:00pm.

If needed help in getting your donations to Benton, just call us at 270-395-7596 and we will pick it up.

Thank you and God Bless you, Paul & Lucy

Ongong Prayers & Concerns

Mike Centofante
June Dyer
Shirley Featherston
Pam Haynes
Tommy Harper
Mary Jane Inman
Patsy Steele
Jack Telle

Recent Prayers & Concerns

Teachers, Students & Faculty
Our world, heath care workers
& Coronavirus Pandemic
David Atkinson
Edna Butler
Gay Deaton
Shannon Ellington
Hudson Heatherly
Fred French
Beverly Sewell
Emma Shelton

Jerrilynn Prince Katie Stokes Bill Strader (Broke Hip) Larry Sullivan Fred Vanwey

Spring has sprung and we feel like we are getting back to somewhat of a normal time.

We plan to meet with the kids (preschool -5^{th} Grade) on Wednesday, April 14 & 28^{th} . We will meet in the Sunday School Wing - PLEASE ENTER THROUGH SUNDAY SCHOOL RAMP DOOR. We must meet in a safe way so that will require us to spread out and wear our masks. We are hoping to be outside as much as possible if the weather allows.



I hope each of our kids got their "Holy Week in a Box" kit from us. This is a fun way to count down the days of the week that changed the world forever. Just a reminder we will have Easter Sunday worship at same normal, weekly times.

We will be meeting to plan Summer Family Fun Nights soon – if you have a suggestion of a safe and fun place/event for us to do then see one of us.

Dayshore is tentatively planned for July 7-9, 2021. Watch for more info soon. Things will look a little different this year due to Covid...but we are thrilled to have it this year!!!

If your family needs ANYTHING please do not hesitate to contact us – we are here for you!

In Christian Love,

Michael Boone email: Michael.boone@marshall.kyschools.us &

Denae Shelton email: Denae.shelton@marshall.kyschools.us

Children Directors

Thursday, April 22, 2021



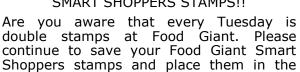
For May Newsletter

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Attendance

Date	Morning Service Early / Late	Offering
March 7	37 / 32	\$6,027.50
March 14	37 / 31	\$4,372.98
March 21	19 / 37	\$5,664.30
March 28	44 / 40	\$2,875.25

SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM CANS & SMART SHOPPERS STAMPS!!



glass jar in the Narthex. Also keep saving the Best Choice UPC's and place them in the buckets located on the tables in the Narthex.

Please continue to recycle your aluminum cans! All money from recycling of the cans is also placed in the Food Pantry fund. Please deposit your cans in the large black garbage can in the Fellowship Hall (tagged Can Recycling) or place your bag next to the can.

Continue saving your pennies too! Jackson Boone is collecting them, please just place them in the jars on the table in the Narthex.

Receipts from the most previous 14 days from grocery, discount, or convenience stores can be placed in the Fetch Rewards bucket in the Narthex.



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Betty Boyd Shelby Harris

River's Bend Retirement, Kuttawa, KY
300 Beech Street
Kuttawa, KY 42055
Evelyn Harrington

<u>@ Stilley House</u> 971 Birch Street Benton, KY 42025 Sue Husher Helen Kettula



Deepest Sympathy

We express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

Harold Brandon
Rev. Junius B. Dotson
Larry Gardner
Cheslie Riche Howell
Joe Hudson
Joyce Orr
Tim Reynolds
Joe Serpico, Sr.
Mildred Sirls
Beth Smith

CCUMC Youth

The youth group is meeting weekly on Wednesday nights and it has been wonderful to be back together again! We meet outside as often as possible so that we can space out and remove our mask. If the weather doesn't cooperate we are meeting indoors with our mask on when we move. We would love to have more of our friends return to youth group whenever your family deems it safe!

We will be planning summer fun schedule in the coming weeks and it will be in next month's news letter! Stay tuned!

Blessings,

Derek & Lindsey

The decision of the Administrative Council to not have a Sunrise Service on Easter Morning is a wise one considering the situation surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. For the past several years, the service has been conducted on the church parking lot and participants have enjoyed watching the sun rise in the East and the sounds of Richard Burchett's bagpipes. The buffet breakfast has also been a very enjoyable ending to Lent and a traditional part of the celebration. The service is a very meaningful way of expressing the joy and hope given to us with Christ's resurrection.

The earlier version of the Sunrise Service took place for many years at the old beach area of Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park and was an ecumenical event. Members of several churches would assemble for songs and a message and more often than not, the participants would make their way to the dining room at the Village Inn to enjoy their breakfast buffet.

On one Easter, morning rains resulted in a change in plans. A heavy downpour forced a last minute shift in the venue and the service was hastily relocated. Prior to the construction of the Convention Center building, the largest facility for a group was the Village Green. Park personnel quickly opened the building to a waiting crowd of Easter Sunrise worshipers. Upon entering the building, it was quite apparent that a party took place the night before which included the consumption of a significant amount of "adult beverages." However, the group seemed rather unfazed by the discovery and the service went on without issue.

Other than a rather embarrassed long-time park superintendent Frank Waggoner, the saying "no harm, no foul" held true. No matter what the venue or circumstance, let us joyfully proclaim the Easter message "he is not here, for he has risen." Maybe Easter 2022 will see the return of this beloved part of the celebration!

Dwayne Stice

Edited and condensed from Hymn Stories

One Sunday morning in 1865, Mrs. Elvina Hall (1820-1889) was found in her accustomed place in the church choir loft and her thoughts drifted to other things. Unlike some of us thinking about grocery lists or the upcoming week, she pondered the meaning of the cross, and the storied scene flashed before her mind's eye.

As the pastor's prayer continued, Mrs. Hall took up her hymn book and, turning to a blank page inside the cover, she began to write. Afterward, she presented the pastor with some simple lines of poetry–not likely telling him when they were written! Glancing at them, the pastor was reminded of something that had happened just that week. The church organist, John Grape (1835-1915) had composed a new hymn tune, with no words in mind. He passed it on to Pastor Schrick, suggesting they might find a use for it in future.

Stepping into his study, the pastor laid Mrs. Hall's poem next to the lines of music. In surprise, he saw they fit one another like hand in glove. "Indeed, God works in mysterious ways!" he thought. (Little did he know!) The words and tune have been partners ever since, in the hymn, "Jesus Paid It All."

'Cause Jesus paid it all All to him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow

Notes &

Richard and Ginny Burchett



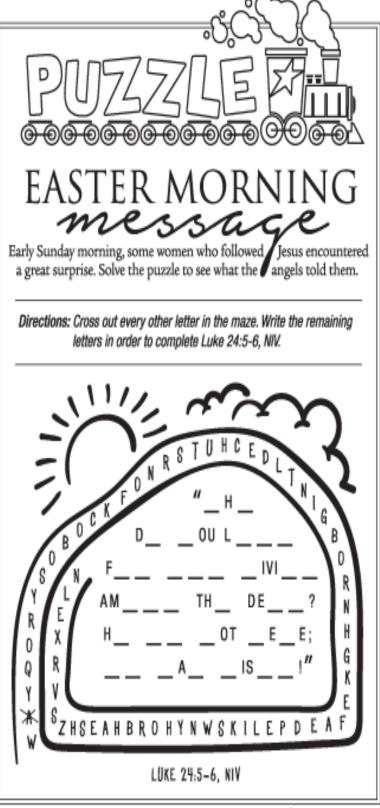
The hidden surprise in these sweet rolls hints at the reason behind Easter's joy.

What you need:

- · 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 10 uncooked frozen rolls, thawed
- 10 large marshmallows
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- ½ cup melted butter
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- Adult help

What you do:

- Grease a round baking dish. Sprinkle pecans on the bottom.
- Flatten each roll. Place a marshmallow in the center, wrap dough around it and pinch edges together.
- Combine sugar and cinnamon. Dip each roll into melted butter and coat with cinnamon-sugar. Place in pan, seam side down.
- Sprinkle brown sugar and remaining butter over rolls.
 Cover with plastic wrap and let rise 30 minutes.
- Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown, about 30 minutes. Cool in pan.
- As you bite into a roll, you'll see the marshmallow has melted, leaving an empty center — just like Jesus' empty tomb!



risen!" Luke 24:5-6, NIV

Answer: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has

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Sunday Worship Service Schedule

9:00 AM - Worship 11:00 AM - Worship

Digital Worship uploaded during the week

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				6:30 PM—Maundy Worship Service	5 Good Friday	6:30 PM—Bon Fire @ Lighthouse Landing
4 Easter Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 6:00 PM—Admin. Council Meeting	12	13	6:00 PM—Last Savior Study 6:00 PM—TeamKid 6:00 PM—UMYF	15	16	17
18 4:30 PM—Trustee Meeting	19 4:00 PM—Open Hearts Food Pantry	Carol Capps Using SS Wing	21 6:00 PM—UMYF	22 Third Place Workday	23	24
25	26	27	28 6:00 PM—UMYF 6:00 PM—UMYF SS Wing	29	30	

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