

Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church

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'Gone Fishing'

Not long after Jesus was resurrected, some of the disciples returned to Galilee to go fishing. At first glance that sounds crazy doesn't it? All over people were starting to talk about the crucifixion and how Jesus had been raised from the dead and the disciples decide to go fishing?!

It sounds like a crazy thing for them to do but if you really think about it, it makes sense. The Sea of Galilee was a quiet and familiar place. It was there by the water that many of the disciples first met Jesus. Maybe they knew that it would be a good place to get away from the crowds and sort things out together

So maybe it wasn't such a crazy idea after all. Maybe the disciples went fishing because they knew that Jesus would meet them there and help them put things back together. They were right.

In the 21st chapter of John's gospel, we're told that just as the morning sun started to rise, Jesus called out to the disciples from the beach. And then, after He told them where they could find some fish, Jesus drew them near, fed them breakfast, and spent some time with them.

It's a great scene. Just by being with them, Jesus was reminding the disciples that while everything had changed, nothing had changed. He was still with them. God was still God and everything was still going according to His plan. The resurrection proved once and for all that our God is faithful. He keeps His promises and He will never abandon us.

When their world was turned upside down, the disciples went back to the sea and waited. That's where Jesus met them and ministered to them. Know that God will do the same thing for you. When things seem out of control, when life gets unpredictable and chaotic, if you're willing to find a quiet place to go where you can listen for Him, know that God will meet you there.

Grace and Peace,
Jay



Celebrating Motherhood

On Sunday, May 14th, as a way of celebrating Mother's Day, we'll receive a special offering for "*Wesley Woods Retirement Communities*". "*Wesley Woods*" is a ministry of the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. It is committed to offering safe and affordable living environments for seniors through its nine retirement communities. "*Wesley Woods*" seeks to provide affordable housing, excellent health care, and a sense of community to many mothers, grandmothers, daughters, sisters, and aunts.

For over 35 years, United Methodists in North Georgia have given generously to the Mother's Day Offering. Each gift goes into the Wesley Woods charitable care fund which helps to meet the financial needs of men and women in all nine retirement residences.

Below you'll find a few facts about Wesley Woods so that you can prayerfully consider making a contribution to this important ministry of the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. Wesley Woods is...

- Committed to caring for older adults, the majority of whom are women.
- Georgia's leading geriatric health care provider with more than 145,000 older adults served in the last five years.
- Part of the Emory Healthcare System and a national center of excellence in care-giving and research for age-related diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

This Mother's Day, we invite you to honor the special women in your life by giving a gift in their honor or memory. If you'd like to contribute, please make checks payable to Tunnel Hill UMC and write "*Wesley Woods*" in the memo section.

PRAYER LIST



Al & Denton Nuckolls, Kathyne Middleton, Jane Griffin, Margaret Doyle, Ernest Edwards, Judy Lusk, Jan Reed, Dottie Griffin, Toppi Griffin, Cathy Griffin, Sis Damron, Mildred Dreschel, Ray Anderson, Macoy Griffin, Dot Rann, Hub Griffin, Beverly Bates, Mary Helen Jolly, *Ed Drschel
Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
Brooks Lansing-Jim Lansing's Brother
Kathy Hedrick-Vicki Hedrick's sister-in-law
Sue & David Broome-Friends of Janice Helton
Terry Corcoran-Erin Middleton's Dad
Agnes Sutton-Kay Henderson's Mother
Rose Reinhardt-Dawn LaChapelle's Mother
Kenneth Tatum-Veda Nuckolls' Brother
Gene & Edna Blevens-Jo Anna Davenport's aunt & uncle
Scott LaChapelle-Dawn LaChapelle's brother
Linda Corn-friend of Susie Webb
Raya Owens-Friend of Jada Barton
Susan Wells-Chris Wells' aunt
Sarah Brindle-Friend of Jo Anna Davenport
Robert Green-Friend of Jo Anna Davenport
Gabarb Vaughn Summers
Breanne Locklear-Jo Anna Davenport's niece
Don Gribble
Gladys & Jasper Rogers-Friends of Gwen Maddox
Marge Fox-Cindy Fehd's mother
Robin Faith-Friend of Dawn LaChapelle
Brantley Dean-Friend of Julie Frisbee
Peggy Cochran-Friend of Amy Roberts
Whitley Brooker-Friend of Lindsey Roberts
Orallia Hernandez-friend of the Middletons
Richard Sharp-Friend of Stephanie Loggins
Jackie Neel – Anne Monk's Sister
Nathan Gaddy – Friend of Dawn LaChapelle
Kinslie Marie Flowers-friend of Julie Frisbee
Jim Orr-Friend of Mike Hampton
Bobbie King Hogan
Dolly Hamby-friend of Kay Jernigan
Heather Stiles-friend of Susie Webb
Eddie Mac Sanders-Friend of Kenny Gowin
Ricky Reed-friend of Amy Roberts
Sue Rogers – Ron Houston's sister
Catina Lough-Friend of Stephanie Loggins
Kyler Bass-Friend of Wendy Voiles
Maryann Fowler-Friend of Susie Webb
Glen Dean-Friend of Susie Webb
John Lofty
Becky Carpenter
*Joey Halloran-soldier serving overseas-Joe Kauffman
Mr. & Mrs. Higgenbotham-friend of Joe Kauffman
Agee Martin-Valerie Cleaver's brother
Alyssa Talley
Chet Dreschel
Glen Pair-Friend of Brenda & Mike Hampton
Brecklynn Allgood
Doug Mitchell
Cecil Gates-friend of Bill Chesser's
*Marianne Christianson-Mary Wood's mother
*Woody Glenn-Ellen Dreschel's uncle
*Jacque Gown-Bill Gowin's wife (Surgery Thurs. - 5/4)
(*Denotes new additions)

Please contact the church office at 706- 673-4022 or thumc@optilink.us to add/remove a friend or loved one from the Prayer List. – Thanks!



Wednesday, May 3

5:45 PM Family Meal (F.H.)
6:30 PM Adult, B&B & God Followers, Oasis
7:35 PM Trustees Meeting

Thursday, May 5 – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

12:00 PM Community Prayer Service (City Hall)

Saturday, May 6

11:00 AM Women's Empowerment EXPO Event
(Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, May 7

10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:00 PM Choir Practice

Monday, May 8

12:00 PM Young at Heart's Covered-Dish Luncheon
(in the old Fel. Hall)

Tuesday, May 9

8:00 AM Young at Hearts to Hills & Dales (LaGrange)
(Bus Reserved)
5:30 PM Brownies (YR)
6:30 PM Daisies (CH. Room)
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (CB)
7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, May 10

5:45 PM Family Meal (F.H.)
6:30 PM Adult, B&B & God Followers, Oasis

Sunday, May 14 – MOTHER'S DAY

7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (F.H.)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:00 PM NO Choir Practice

Tuesday, May 16

5:30 PM Brownies (YR)
6:30 PM Daisies (CH. Room)
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (CB)
7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, May 17

5:45 PM Family Meal (F.H.)
6:30 PM Adult, B&B & God Followers, Oasis
7:35 PM Administrative Board meeting (F.H.)

FH-Fellowship Hall

CB-Church Bldg.

FEL CL-Fellowship Classroom

FC-Friendship Classroom

S-Sanctuary

OASIS UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20th - JFest

June 11th-15th – Epworth by the Sea Summer Retreat



WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT EXPO

RAISING AWARENESS TO MAKE A CHANGE

Saturday, May 6, 2017 - 11a.m - 1p.m

Join us and partnering community organizations for this free event. Guest speakers will be exposing the truth about the harsh reality of human sex trafficking, and information on anti-trafficking/ exploitation related services. A light lunch and childcare will be provided.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We will be recognizing High School and College Graduates on Sunday, May 21st. If you know of anyone connected to THUMC who is graduating, please call the Church Office (673-4022) to let us know. The High School graduates that we are aware of are: Courtney Graham, Allison Horne, Kyle McCutcheon, Grant Middleton & Cole Roberts. The College graduates that we are aware of are: Will Chesser, Stephen Kuzniak and Drew Russ.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

There will be a community prayer service held at City Hall this Thursday, May 5th at 12PM. Everyone is invited!

YOUNG AT HEARTS

The Young at Hearts would like to invite all who are over the age of fifty to their monthly covered-dish meal and meeting on Monday, May 8th, at 12:00 PM in the Friendship Class. You are also invited to go to Hills and Dales in LaGrange, GA on Tuesday, May 9th. They will leave the Church at 8:00 AM. Please see Evelyn DeFoor for more info.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING

The Administrative Board will meet on Wednesday, May 17th, at 7:35 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. All members of the Board are urged to attend.

JEFF STICE CONCERT

Jeff Stice will be entertaining us on Friday, May 19th, at 7:00 PM in our sanctuary. Please plan to be with us and bring your family and friends.

UMM SUPPER AND SINGING

The United Methodist Men will present their 16th Annual Supper and Singing on Saturday, May 20th. The meal will be served from 4:30 – 7:00 PM, and will consist of hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, drinks and dessert. The concert will begin at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. Cost is \$10.00 per adult and children under twelve the cost is \$5.00. Carry outs will be available.

SAVE THE DATE:

Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 25th-Thursday, June 29th, 5:00 PM each evening

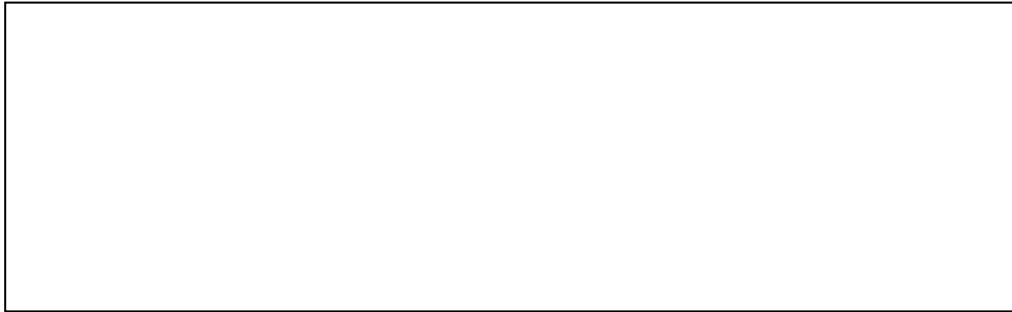
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



SUNDAY, MAY 7

USHERS: Chris Griffin, Blake Griffin,
Bob Ault & David Hampton

NURSERY: Delilah Sharp

OFFERING TEAM: Becky Gowin &
Lee Grimmett

GREETERS: Janice & David Helton

SUNDAY, MAY 14

USHERS: See Sunday, May 7

NURSERY: Jana Cope

OFFERING TEAM: See Sunday, May 7

GREETERS: Judy & Butch Middleton

SUNDAY, MAY 21

USHERS: See Sunday, May 7

NURSERY: Lindsey Roberts

OFFERING TEAM: See Sunday, May 7

GREETERS: Lee & Vi Grimmett

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed: \$5,094.00

GIVING FOR APRIL 16

GENERAL BUDGET: \$3131.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$52.00

GIVING FOR APRIL 23

GENERAL BUDGET: \$3519.59

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$82.00

GIVING FOR APRIL 30

GENERAL BUDGET: \$4250.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$2.00

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL 16

Sunday School - 70

Worship - 231

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL 23

Sunday School - 67

Worship - 108

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL 30

Sunday School - 119

Worship - 73