

The Communicator



Beaver Ridge United Methodist Church

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Minister's Message

I always feel put on the spot when someone asks "what is your favorite Bible verse?" Youth counselors spent time a few weeks ago leading the youth covenant groups through conversations about looking at scripture in context and out of context. We were exploring the verse from John 3:30 which is the theme for Resurrection: "He must become greater while I become less." We assume the "he" is Jesus - anyone can get that right. But it takes on more meaning when we learn it is John the Baptist speaking to his students who are jealous of the attention Jesus is getting. One story ahead of that one is where we find the verse we see everywhere: John 3:16. Many were surprised to learn that it was in a private, actually secret, conversation Jesus was having with Nicodemus who snuck out at night to talk to Jesus.

If I have to take one verse out of context - or pull one verse out to say it is my favorite, it would be from Romans 8:26:

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

When there is tragedy or despair or even joyous wonderment, I do feel at a loss for words. I just put my hand to my heart and know that the Holy Spirit knows what I am feeling and trust that God hears "my" prayer of thanksgiving or lament. I believe God's spirit works through a number of ways and people. I want to share with you some words from others this past week in response to the Arizona shootings. The first quote is from the prayer Glenna shared Sunday. A colleague of ours shared it in an email from a friend who shared it on Facebook from another who passed this along.....

"On this day, let our response to violence be sorrow. Let our response to desperation be faithfulness. Let our response to anger be reason. Let our response to hatred be love. Let our response to despair be hope. Let us practice justice, let us confess that we are sinners in need of mercy."

(Quote by Rev. George R. Pasley, Ketchikan, AK)

Another 'deep sigh' from the Holy Spirit came to me from the weekly news program with Jim Lehrer. In his regular segment where Lehrer hears from political analysts Mark Shields and David Brooks, the men were discussing reactions from Washington to the violence in Arizona. Here's a quote from Mark Shields:

There was one observation that was made this week I just have to pass on to you by a friend of mine, Allen Ginsberg, who is an historian up in Maine. And he said, "This week, we saw a white, Catholic, Republican federal judge murdered on his way to greet a Democratic woman, member of Congress, who was his friend and was Jewish. Her life was saved initially by a 20-year-old Mexican-American college student, who saved her, and eventually by a Korean-American combat surgeon, and then it was all eulogized and explained by our African-American president. And, in a tragic event, that's a remarkable statement about the country."

I am thankful for the sighs of the Holy Spirit who gives us respite when we can find no words to use; I am thankful for the sighs of the Holy Spirit who breathes and speaks through others more articulate than I; I am thankful for the sighs of the Holy Spirit who brings me comfort.

Grace and peace to you,

Catherine

With Sympathy...

We extend our love and sympathy to Rosemary Newport and family in the death of Rosemary's mother, **Betty E. Warren** of Knoxville on January 7th, and to Ralph & Betty Lois Williams in the death of Betty Lois' sister, **Dessie Smith** of Cincinnati, Ohio on January 10th.



We celebrate the births of:

- **Caden Laron Peace** on December 28, 2010 to Michael Pearce & Nicolette Hart. Grandparents are Matt & Alauna Pearce.
- **Elkana Hope Harris** on January 14, 2011 to Dave & Beth Harris. Big brothers are Austin, Hunter, Samuel and Joseph.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUTH?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

SPAGHETTI SUPPER & BASKET AUCTION

Saturday, February 26

Liked Resurrection?? This is our biggest fundraiser of the year with all proceeds going to send our youth group to this awesome event we attend each January in Gatlinburg. Sell tickets! Serve Spaghetti! Work together and worship together!

WINTER JAM

Friday, March 4 @ Thompson Boling Arena

David Crowder Band, Newsboys, Kutless and many more artists! Tickets - \$10

JR. HIGH & SR. HIGH ASSEMBLY

June 27-July 1 @ Tennessee Wesleyan College

IMPACT RICHMOND

July 10-16

Home repair mission trip to inner city Richmond, VA. We will be the hands of Christ as we reach out with other youth groups to help those in need.

Check it out at www.impactrichmond.org.

Get Ready!!

Sunday, January 30

Extra! Extra! Hear All About It! Come and hear all about upcoming youth events like:

- Our summer mission trip to Impact Richmond!
- Winter Jam!
- The Spaghetti Supper which enables us to go to Resurrection every year!
- New Wednesday night classes!
- And much more!

Be ready to speak up about what you want to see your youth group do in 2011.

- Snack Supper @ 6:00
- Worship Led by Youth Band @ 6:30
- "Speak Up...Listen Up" from 7:00-8:00

Sunday, February 6

Super Bowl Party at the Zuckermans Meet at the church at 6:00 pm to ride together to Matthew's house to watch the big game. Girls bring a 2 liter drink. Guys bring a appetizer to share. We will return to the church after halftime.

SUPPORT THE TEAM!

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 29

9:00 am — 9th & 10th grade boys game

@ BRUMC

10:00 am — 10th & 11th grade boys game

@ BRUMC

1:00 pm — Girls game @ Concord UMC

Thursday, Feb. 3

6:00 pm — Girls game @ Concord UMC

Saturday, Feb. 5

Senior High Boys' Teams play at BRUMC

Thursday, Feb. 10

6:00 pm — Girls game @ Concord UMC

Resurrection 2011!



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT BEAVER RIDGE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Menu</u>	<u>Programs</u>
February 2	Chicken Creole with Smoked Sausage, Steamed Rice, Creamy Apple Coleslaw, Homemade Rolls, and Bread Pudding with Creme Anglais Prepared by : Betty Joyce	Adult Options: Study of Matthew Book Club, <u>The Shack</u> Chancel Choir Practice Children (K-5): Making Valentine Gifts Youth: Creative Arts
February 9	Open-face roast beef sandwiches, green beans, mashed potatoes and hot fudge cake Prepared by: Lynn Johnson	Adult Options: Study of Matthew Book Club, <u>The Shack</u> Chancel Choir Practice Children (K-5): Celebrating Methodism Youth: Creative Arts
February 16	Baked Potato & Salad Bar with dessert Prepared by: Patty Underwood, Vera Harvey & Debbie Blazier	Adult Options: Study of Matthew Book Club, <u>The Shack</u> Chancel Choir Practice Children (K-5): Celebrating Methodism Youth: Creative Arts
February 23	Pulled-pork BBQ sandwich, slaw, baked beans, potato salad and dessert Prepared by: Bernie's BBQ	Presentation on Knoxville's 10-year Plan to End Homelessness by Grant Standefer & Jessica Bocangel

Save the Date – Jubilation is Coming!!

Jubilation 2011, a celebration ministry event for senior adults, is scheduled for April 10 – 12 in Kingsport, TN. Once again, the event will be held at the Meadowview Resort & Conference Center and the good news is the rates have been lowered by \$20/person over last year's fees! Registration forms will be available soon, but go ahead and save the dates for this wonderful retreat. For more information, contact Glenna.

A Special Program

You may have seen the headlines "*Mayor's Ten-Year-Plan to End Chronic Homelessness*" and wondered what that was all about. Now is your chance to get your questions answered! Following our Wednesday night dinner on February 23, we are fortunate to have Grant Standefer and Jessica Bocangel from Compassion Coalition available to explain to us the major points of this plan. There will also be time for questions following their presentation. We welcome you, as well as members of the community, to join us for this special program.



Dorcas Circle: Members will meet in the church library at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 7th.

Sarah Circle: Members will meet at the church in Room 209 on Monday, February 7th, at 7:00 p.m. Sherry Scott will serve as hostess and the program will be provided by Marita Vornehm.

Eat, Love, Pray Ladies Group

The Eat, Love, Pray Group will meet at Cheddar's on Clinton Hwy. for dinner on Friday, February 11th. Meet at the restaurant at 6:00 or call Teresa Gillenwaters to carpool (806-9220). Come and enjoy the fellowship! Also, the group will be making an "EAT, LOVE, PRAY" basket for the Youth Spaghetti Supper Basket Auction. If you would like to donate something for the basket, please let Teresa Gillenwaters know what you have purchased.

Senior Beavers

Our senior adults will meet Tuesday, February 8th at 10:00 a.m. After gathering in the Fellowship Hall, the group will go to Autumn Care Assisted Living to visit with residents Patsy Jourdan and Lorraine Wilson. We will come back to the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish luncheon.

UMM Day with the Bishop

All men are invited to attend UNITED METHODIST MEN'S DAY WITH THE BISHOP at Burks UMC, Hixson, TN, on Saturday, March 5, 2011. For more information, you may contact Jim Bowen (H) 706-398-9033, (C) 706-996-1413, or e-mail – woodowlbsa@peoplepc.com. All Boy Scouts are encouraged to attend. Scouts are asked to bring a canned good as their registration fee. This food will be donated to Tri State Food Bank. Conference Scouting Coordinator Keith Smith will have a program for the scouts. Pre-registration fee is \$20.00 per person (due by Friday, February 25), or you may register at the door for \$25. (Pay at door with check or cash.)



The 2011 Altar Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from the church library. Flowers are \$25. Sign up by printing your information in the space provided on the calendar.

Financial Summary Year End 2010

At year's end we celebrate that, financially, our church did much better than envisioned at the beginning of the year. We celebrate that:

- Giving exceeded the projected budget by \$56,235.74. You are commended for recognizing the need and your faithful giving.
- Overall church expenses or costs, including operating cost and loan payments, were less than expected or budgeted by \$9,755.54. Members serving on committees and program ministries are appreciated for their good work in holding down cost.

Noteworthy financial accomplishments were numerous and listed below are the most significant ones:

- Holston Conference Fair Share of \$80,636 was met; this had not been done in several years.

- The \$12,070 roof loan was paid off early with extra payments totaling \$8,324.
- The video & sound system in sanctuary was upgraded with donations of \$11,360 that was over and above what has been mentioned in the budget.
- A special offering request "50 days of giving" was \$22,443. This allowed us to compensate for the shortfall in the FLC annual loan payments of \$165,496.
- New service contracts such as telephone/computer, elevator maintenance, garbage collection, and security/fire alarm were renegotiated to save \$5,426 annually. These savings will be realized each year for several years in the future.

Approved 2011 Budget

At the last Church Council meeting on Jan.15, 2011 the 2011 Budget was approved. Highlights of this year's budget are as follows:

- Total estimated **contributions** are \$597,660.
- Total estimated **cost** is \$637,777.
- Although this shows a shortfall of \$40,117 the total general budget and FLC carryover from 2010 Budget year is \$50,537, which means the budget is balanced by more than \$10,000.

The budget is an estimate and has some uncertainty. However, taking income and cost into account, the approved budget is approximately \$25,000 more than last's year budget. This represents approximately a 4% increase over last year. A copy of the detailed approved 2011 Budget is available outside the church office.

2010 END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT		
	2010	2010
	Budget	Actual
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 553,700.00	\$ 609,935.74
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 615,341.00	\$ 600,180.21
EXCESS/ SHORTFALL	\$ (61,641.00)	\$ 9,755.54
Balanced carried forward to 2011 from checking and savings account	\$50,538.13	

February Birthdays

Sue Stewart	2/2	Stephanie Herald	2/19
Debbie Binder	2/6	Kathleen Christian	2/20
Ashley Gillenwaters	2/7	Ralph Williams	2/20
Samuel Goodwin	2/7	Jack McReynolds	2/21
Gary Lloyd	2/7	Cathy Wallace	2/21
Juanita Williams	2/8	Samantha Briegel	2/22
Jeff Goodwin	2/10	Sylvia Creswell	2/22
Launa Pennell	2/11	Tammy Massey	2/22
Susan Price	2/11	Bonnie Carroll	2/24
Glenn Stewart	2/11	Jane Hendrix	2/24
Jacob Wright	2/14	Lindsey Hobson	2/25
Braxton Bean	2/16	Dillon Lloyd	2/25
Gail Watson	2/16	Josh Akard	2/26
Lou Dailey	2/17	Lorie Briegel	2/26
Sue McReynolds	2/17	Bill Shannon	2/26
Jane Damiano	2/18	Aaron Bright	2/28
Rose-Mari Davis	2/18	Joseph Harris	2/28
		Carrie Hopper	2/28

Memorials & Special Gifts

IN MEMORY OF: *William Gage Harvey*

(Grandson of Jack & Vera Harvey)

GIVEN BY: Jack & Gerda Kiser, Kese Dohoney

IN MEMORY OF: *Al Ayers*

GIVEN BY: Emerine Hopson, Kese Dohoney

IN MEMORY OF: *Curtis Walker*

GIVEN BY: Emerine Hopson, Jack & Gerda Kiser, Kese Dohoney

IN MEMORY OF: *Amanda Smith*

(Betty Lois Williams' aunt)

GIVEN BY: Emerine Hopson

IN MEMORY OF: *Dessie Smith*

(Betty Lois Williams' sister)

GIVEN BY: Emerine Hopson, Jack & Gerda Kiser, Herman & Pat Lloyd, Kese Dohoney, Dan & Edith Foutch, Bob & Betty Joyce

IN MEMORY OF: *Betty Louise Atwood*

GIVEN BY: Kese Dohoney

IN MEMORY OF: *Edna B. Rector*

GIVEN BY: Joseph T. & Amy Rector

IN MEMORY OF: *Eleanor Eckert*

GIVEN BY: Carol S. Walden

IN MEMORY OF: *Mamie Swanson* (Jerry Hash's mother)

GIVEN BY: Robin & Glenna Manning

IN MEMORY OF: *Betty Warren*

(Rosemary Newport's mother)

GIVEN BY: Robin & Glenna Manning

IN HONOR OF: *Rev. Catherine Nance's birthday*

GIVEN BY: Roy & June Whitaker



Ten Things Enquiring Minds Want to Know, Part I...

1. **What are the church office hours?** The church office is open Monday thru Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and on Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
2. **If I have an emergency "after-hours", how do I reach someone?** You may call one of our ministers: Rev. Catherine Nance (cell) 660-2082, (home) 966-5490; Rev. Glenna Manning (cell) 679-3763, (home) 671-2011.
3. **If I call the church and leave a message in the general mailbox, when will it be received?** Phone messages are checked each day. Messages that are left after 12:00 noon on Friday or on Saturday and Sunday will not be retrieved until Monday morning.
4. **If I am in charge of a group that is using the church for a night or weekend function, how do I go about getting a key to unlock/lock doors?** Arrangements should be made thru the church office. For ongoing activities, a key may be assigned to you. ALL KEYS MUST BE RETURNED.
5. **If I want a church event placed on the outside church sign, who do I contact?** We have a designated monthly volunteer who places our messages on the sign. For a list of these volunteers and their contact numbers, see the bulletin board across from the church library. (Tom Becker is our church sign coordinator.)
6. **If I want to rent/use a space in one of our buildings, who do I contact?** Our facilities coordinator is Jennifer Spencer. Contact her at jenniferhicksspencer@yahoo.com. She will look at the calendar and if the space is available, she will notify the church office and we will place the event on the church calendar. (Exception: Church meetings are scheduled thru the church office.)
7. **How do I share a thank you note with the congregation?** We are no longer able to place personal notes inside our church newsletter. A bulletin board is provided across from the church library for you to post cards and notes.
8. **I've been asked to drive the church van for a church-sponsored outing...How do I get on the approved van driver's list?** To become an approved driver, you will need to watch a training video and take a test on-line. Steps for this and other instructions and applications are available in the office from the Administrative Secretary.
9. **How do I obtain access to the van keys?** Van keys and the sign-in/out book is kept in the Administrative Secretary's office. You must plan ahead and check out keys from the office during regular office hours.
10. **My birthday is missing from the newsletter!?!?! If we have not been including your birthday in the newsletter, please let us know!** Contact Betty Lloyd at 690-1060 or e-mail blloyd@beaverridgeumc.com. Birthdays are listed once a month.



Sunday, February 13th is **BRING YOUR VALENTINE TO BREAKFAST DAY** (or take breakfast to your Valentine!) The United Methodist Men will be serving a **Valentine Pancake Breakfast** in the FLC with two seatings - one at 8:00 a.m. and the other at 10:00 a.m. There will be carryout available. This will be a donation only event with the proceeds going to our Boy Scouts, Troop 350.

ALL men are invited to come and help cook/serve - this will be a great time to get involved with the UMM if you are not currently participating! Please contact Tim Housewright @ 789-5863 for further information.



We're
Celebrating
Soup-er Bowl
Sunday!!

On February 6th, the Community Outreach Missions Group wants to have a "SOUP-er" **Super Bowl Sunday** for our Food Pantry through three different activities:

1. Donations of soup, crackers and canned tuna brought to the altar;
2. Monetary donations given toward our Food Pantry;
3. Purchasing a quart of homemade soup and 4 corn muffins for \$7. The soup will be available in the narthex and outside the library between services.

Many thanks for your support of the BRUMC Food Pantry!

Donate a Basket - Take Home a Basket - Enjoy a Delicious Italian Meal - Help Send Our Youth to Resurrection 2012!

Attention Sunday School Classes, Circles, Small Groups, and Individuals! We need a variety of baskets for the Youth Spaghetti Supper & Basket Auction on Saturday, February 26. Please donate a themed basket of any size for the auction by Friday, Feb. 25. All proceeds from this event will go towards helping send our youth to Resurrection 2012. **SAVE THE DATE!** Tickets go on sale soon and will be available from any Beaver Ridge Youth. Questions about baskets? Contact Tammy Massey or Tracey Herald. Questions about tickets? Contact Lori Hopper.

The next newsletter deadline is Feb. 7!

E-mail articles to
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BEAVER RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Look at Our Church Calendar...

TUESDAY, FEB. 1:

10 am – Craft Group (Library)
1:30 pm – Women’s Bible Study
3:30 pm – Computer Class (Ed. Bldg.)
7 pm – Boy/Cub Scouts
7 pm – Administrative Team Meeting (Rm. 209)
8-10 pm – Young Men’s Basketball (Gym)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 2:

1:30 pm – Women’s Bible Study
4:45-5:45 pm – Youth Band Practice
5:45 pm – Wed. Night Dinner
6:30 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:40-7:30 pm – Wed. Night Activities/Classes
6:45-9 pm – Youth Basketball Practice
7:30 pm – Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEB. 3:

6:30 pm – Computer Class (Ed. Bldg.)
7-8 pm – Youth Basketball Practice (Gym)

SATURDAY, FEB. 5:

Youth League Basketball Games (FLC)
Time TBA – Light Class Party (Porter’s)

SUNDAY, FEB. 6: Scouting Ministry Sunday
Soup-er Bowl Sunday – Soup-to-Go available for purchase!!

1-5:30 pm – Youth Basketball Practice (Gym)
5:30 pm – Handbell Practice
6 pm – YAC (Davidson’s)
6-8 pm – Youth Super Bowl Party (Zuckerman’s)

MONDAY, FEB. 7:

10 am – Dorcas Circle (Library)
7 pm – Sarah Circle (Room 209)

TUESDAY, FEB. 8:

10 am – Sr. Beavers Mtg./Luncheon (Fell. Hall)
1:30 pm – Women’s Bible Study
3:30 pm – Computer Class (Ed. Bldg.)
6:30 pm – Eagle Scout Award Dinner/Program for Lucas Brown (FLC Lobby & Sanctuary)

6:30 pm – Finance Committee Meeting (Room 209)

7 pm – Cub Scouts

8-10 pm – Young Men’s Basketball (Gym)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9:

1:30 pm – Women’s Bible Study
4:45-5:45 pm – Youth Band Practice
5:45 pm – Wed. Night Dinner
6:30 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal
6:40-7:30 pm – Wed. Night Activities/Classes
6:45-9 pm – Youth Basketball Practice
7:30 pm – Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEB. 10:

6 pm – Preschool Ministries Mtg. (FLC Lobby)
6:30 pm – Computer Class (Ed. Bldg.)
7-8 pm – Youth Basketball Practice (Gym)

FRIDAY, FEB. 11:

6 pm – Eat, Love Pray Ladies Group (Cheddar’s, Clinton Hwy.)

SATURDAY, FEB. 12:

Youth League Basketball Games (FLC)
10-11:30 am – Angel Food Orders (Fell. Hall)

SUNDAY, FEB. 13:

8 & 10 am – Valentine’s Pancake Breakfast (FLC)
1-5:30 pm – Youth Basketball Practice (Gym)
5:30 pm – Handbell Practice
6 pm – YAC (Davidson’s)
6-8 pm – Alpha & Omega Youth/Snack Supper

TUESDAY, FEB. 15:

10 am – Craft Group (Library)
1:30 pm – Women’s Bible Study
3:30 pm – Computer Class (Ed. Bldg.)
6:30 pm – Finance Committee Mtg. (Rm. 209)
7 pm – Boy/Cub Scouts
8-10 pm – Young Men’s Basketball (Gym)

EXERCISE

Low-Impact Aerobics

Tuesdays at 5:45 pm

Thursdays at 5:45 pm

Zumba

Tuesdays at 9:00 am

Thursdays at 4:00 pm

Line Dancing

Beginners – Mondays at 6:00 pm

Advanced – Mondays at 7:00 pm

All classes are held in the

Family Life Center

SCOUTING

Boy Scouts

Cub Scouts

Girl Scouts

Brownie Scouts

Daisy Scouts

For meeting times of scout troops that meet at Beaver Ridge, please visit our church website and click on “Activities Calendar”.