

# OUTLOOK

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## SPRING HAS SPRUNG

The temperature is rising, the trees are budding, the flowers are popping, and noses are sniffing. Yep, spring has sprung. I love this time of the year. The warmer air means more outside time. The beauty of the flowers and trees replaces the dormancy of winter. And I will gladly bear the nuisances of spring allergies for the freshness in the new life that is popping up all around us.

Spring reminds us that there is a future. Whatever we have had to endure in our past, there is the potential for growth and change just ahead. Romans 5:1-5 reminds us that we can rejoice in the glory of God. Suffering can lead to perseverance which leads to character which leads to hope. God has poured out his love into our hearts and our powerlessness is overcome by God's strength.

Here's hoping this spring brings plenty of new opportunities for advancement in your life. May this change of seasons bring new reasons for hope and joy and new life. And may the peace of God bloom and blossom in you over and over again.

Springfully,  
*Thomas*

## WALL OF FAITH

In its February 19th meeting, Session voted to honor our Senior Pastor Thomas Sweet for his more than 27 years at Beaver Creek with a plaque on The Wall of Faith at Bethel University. The Wall of Faith honors or memorializes CP ministers along with their spouses and will be located in the new chapel currently under construction. The contribution of \$5000 will be placed in an endowment that will be used to provide scholarships to ministerial students. If you would like to contribute to the placement of the plaque in honor of Thomas and in memory of Rhonda, please indicate on your check "Wall of Faith." - Gwen Roddye, clerk of the session

## YOUTH NEWS

The SPRING YOUTH RETREAT at Camp John Speer is March 31 – April 2, 2023 (for grades 6-12). Online registration OPENED March 1<sup>st</sup> and the cost is \$80. Check your email for more information.

2023 YOUNG ADULT RETREAT @ Montgomery Bell State Park! April 14-16. Registration is online at [cpcmc.org/young-adults](http://cpcmc.org/young-adults). Cost: \$125 and partial scholarships are available upon request. Please reach out to Pastor Billy or BJ if you are interested in attending through our church. Transportation and other details TBD closer to time.

The activities for youth and children begin at 6:00 pm on Wednesday evening.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

Wednesday night meals are 5-6 pm. This week the meal is smothered chicken, sides, salad and dessert – hot dogs for the kiddos.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The next OCC workshop will be Tuesday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome and there will be something for everyone to do! Hope to see you on Tuesday. If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Shular (865-719-6847) or Pat Bolton (865- 660-1325).

## BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The Building and Grounds Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

## ALPHA CIRCLE

The Alpha Circle is meeting on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the Family Life Center Reception Room. They will be filling goody bags for our homebound members.

## GARDEN CIRCLE

The Garden Circle is meeting on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Challenger's Classroom.

**2023 STEWARDSHIP PICTURE – March 5, 2023**

Worship Service Attendance – 190 (FB – 20)

Sunday School Attendance – 104

<u>2023 BUDGET</u>	\$546,285.30
Needed weekly	\$10,755.49
Given 03/05/2023	\$14,390.09
Given by 03/05/2023	\$82,655.86
Needed by 03/05/2023	\$107,554.90
Under Budget	\$24,899.04

<u>SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	
Kitchen	\$334
Memorials Undesignated	\$100
Operation Christmas Child	\$675.05
Sunday School	\$82
Wall of Fame	\$350

LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR 3/12/23: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42  
 ACOLYTES FOR 3/12/23: Vera & Lona  
 NURSERY VOLUNTEER FOR 3/12/23: Lara Price

NEEDED FOR THE BLESSING BOX!

Useful Items: peanut butter, peanut butter/cheese crackers, protein drinks, protein/granola bars, pop tarts, canned chicken and tuna (pop top cans), fruit cups, pudding cups, small cereal boxes, toilet paper, toiletry products and feminine hygiene products.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are working on the church directory. If your contact information needs to be updated, please let us know by responding to this email or call the church office at (865) 938-7245.

FOOD TRUCK MINISTRY

Beaver Creek participates in the Knoxville Dream Center’s Food Truck Ministry on Tuesdays. Come by the church parking lot from 5 – 6 pm to check out this ministry.

BEAVER CREEK CHURCH SPRING YARD CLEAN-UP

The Building and Grounds Committee has scheduled a work day for our “Spring Yard Clean-up” day. Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 am is the day designated for cleaning the grounds with Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> as the “rain day”. We will need pickup trucks to help with picking up mulch, so please drive your truck. Reminder to everyone to bring pitchforks, rakes and shovels.

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**March 6, 2023**