

The Fountain

MAY 2022

Easter Blessings to Each of You,



The week after Easter my family and I traveled to Illinois to visit my parents. As most of you know, my father suffered a significant stroke in February. After almost eight weeks in the hospital he was transferred to a skilled nursing facility where he is working hard in therapy with the hopes of returning home one day if he is able.

One thing I noticed, for the very first time in all my years of returning home for a visit, was that this visit felt completely different. The home was eerily quiet. Someone significant was missing. Life as we knew it would never be the same again. Each day we visited my dad and each evening we came back to the house where I grew up. But things had changed!

I share this observation with you not out of a need for sympathy, but because most of you know exactly what I am talking about... you have had to deal with similar family realities... a loved one's passing or the drastic change of health. Such events throw us into a situation that is uncomfortable yet cannot be ignored. We realize we must proceed with life and while life will look very different we must press on.

Such a scenario is not unlike what the disciples encountered after the crucifixion and resurrection. Granted, three years with Jesus on earth may not be the same length of time as over 50 years with someone you love, but those years spent with Jesus meant every-

thing to the disciples. They left their lives as they knew them to follow him.

Our perspectives change after a significant life event. I realize I am not telling you something you don't already know. However, our faith allows us to connect the dots of life and draw upon the strength that comes from God. We are not alone. God has not abandoned us. The resurrection is proof of this reality. Christ triumphed over death for us! The disciples would live into this reality and their lives would be a testament to what Christ had done and what that relationship meant to them. The same is true for us!

In the immediate aftermath of the crucifixion I have no doubt the disciples wrestled with fear and experienced the weight of the unknown that lie ahead. But thankfully for them and for us Jesus' resurrection and appearances assured them and us that we are not alone.

In 2 Timothy 1:7 it says, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love and self-discipline." Come what may, regardless of what season of life you are in, rest in God's unchanging grace and power and may his presence ever go before you!

Blessings,

Tony Bell

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity,
but a spirit of **power,**
of **love**
and of **self-**
discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

A Mother's Day Hymn

*Sing praise to our Creator God!
Earth prospers from the way
God "mothers" each new child into
This world day after day.*

*God fabricates in motherhood
A channel from above
That longs to share with every child
God's comfort, grace and love!*

*Sing praise to our Creator God,
Who "mothers" us from birth!
Providing what we truly need
Throughout our lives on earth.*

—Peggy Ferrell

HAPPY
Mother's
Day MAY 8th



Words can't express how much we appreciate the MANY acts of kindness shown to the John Heintz & Ezzell family during the time of death of Aurora Rose Ezzell. God needed this angel...

The Heintz family

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*Dear church family,  
Thank you for all the notes, gift cards, and well-wishes I've received this year while I've been at school! I'd also like to give a special thanks to the Good News Sunday School Class for recently sending me a care package. It's all meant so much to me during these past several months. Thanks again,*

*Megan Moser*

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Martha Avett group of the WFFM are very thankful for the support and generosity demonstrated with the clothing gifts you provided for the clothing closets at our schools. We could not do all that we do without you. Thank you.

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*Thanks to Terry Bowers for donating items to the Church History Room.*



*Congratulations to Adam & Lindsey Love on the birth of their daughter, Mattie Mae Love on April 11, 2022.  
Best Wishes!*

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*Please continue to keep Jase in your prayers...mail is difficult as his locations continue to change. He passed along his thanks for all the prayers and support.*

YOUNG ADULT  
MINISTRY

*As a ministry to our college-age students attending college (and military), we periodically send gift cards to them to local fast-food restaurants so they can grab a "treat" on us and to let them know we are thinking and praying for them! If you would like to help support this ministry, please mark your contribution "college" and place in the offering plate or send to the church office. Your support is greatly appreciated!*

## **Birthdays**

- 3**—Todd Barbee
- 5**—Bobby Eagle
- 6**—Kelly Meade, Garrett Hurlocker
- 7**—Billy Lyerly
- 8**—Larry Craven
- 11**—Jason Starr
- 13**—Lin Barnhardt, Cash Starr, Coy Starr
- 19**—Kaleb Kluttz
- 20**—Scott Brantley, Jane Creed, Grady Love
- 22**—Vincent Hess, Daniel Caldwell
- 24**—Jason Ingold
- 25**—Bristol Campbell
- 26**—Ken Earnhardt, Lydia Hoffner
- 28**—Matt Almond
- 31**—Cathy Talley

## **Anniversaries**

- 1**—Jason & Amy Ingold
- 2**—Daniel & Sara Beaver
- 11**—A. J. & Heather Blair
- 13**—Jason & Neely Yount
- 16**—Earl & Gloria Beaver
- 20**—Charles & Terri Pruitt
  - Joe & Karen Parker
  - Jason & Autumn Starr
- 21**—Todd & Christine Barbee
- 23**—Ken & Barbara Earnhardt
- 25**—Loy & Sherry Ingold
  - Jerry & Pam Helms
- 26**—Lin & Ramona Barnhardt





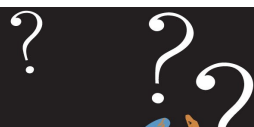
Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church will be hosting a meal packing event called "Rise Against Hunger" on Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 9am –2pm. Rise Against Hunger's meal packaging program is a volunteer-based initiative that coordinates the assembly-line packaging of highly nutritious dehydrated meals comprised of rice, soy, vegetables, and 23 essential vitamins and minerals. The cost of each meal is 35 cents. Our goal is to pack 75,000 meals at this event.

Every \$35 donated will pay for 100 meals, so any donation will help. Checks can be made payable to Cold Springs UMC. All donations must be received in the church office by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Last, but not least, we need volunteers! All volunteers, from the ages 5 to 95! About 200 volunteers will be needed. Just show up and help...1260 N. College Street, Mt. Pleasant. If you have any questions, you may call the Mt. Pleasant UMC church office at 704-436-8845 or visit the website [www.riseagainsthunger.org](http://www.riseagainsthunger.org).



## Bible Quiz



When Moses was on the mountain for a long time, who made a golden calf for the people of Israel to worship?

- A. Joshua
- B. Levi
- C. Caleb
- D. Aaron



Answer: D (See Exodus 32:1-6.)

Check out our website:

[www.coldspringsumc.org](http://www.coldspringsumc.org)



*Online Ministries* tab has links to



Worship live @ 8:45am

facebook



*for online tithes & offerings*



M.Y. Heart's ministry is collecting supplies to make blessing bags for the homeless. These items include such things as pocket Bibles, travel shampoos, conditioners, soap, and other necessities. A green bin is located under the mailboxes in the hallway behind the sanctuary and in the narthex. A list of other items are located on the flyer at these collection bins. If you have questions about this new outreach, email Julie Love at [jaxandcb@yahoo.com](mailto:jaxandcb@yahoo.com). ***Our current needs for spring/summer: white undershirts, deodorant, sunscreen, chapstick, ball caps, etc.***



**A VALUABLE** *command*

God instructs children how to relate to their parents.

*Directions: Arrange the words in alphabetical order. Then insert the circled letters in order to complete Exodus 20:12, NIV.*



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| son      | mother | father |
| daughter | honor  | home   |
| respect  | family | obey   |
|          | love   |        |

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- 10. \_ \_

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so t\_at y\_u may \_i\_e l\_ng in t\_e land  
the L\_RD \_ou\_ God i\_ givi\_g you.

EXODUS 20:12, NIV

Answer: 1. daughter, 2. family, 3. father, 4. home, 5. honor, 6. love, 7. mother, 8. obey, 9. respect, 10. son, Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.



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*When sending prayer requests via email, please send them to [prayer@coldspringsumc.org](mailto:prayer@coldspringsumc.org) or submit them via the prayer request form on the church website. This will allow requests to still be sent out even when the church office is closed.*



**REQUESTS**  
— FOR —  
**PRAYER**



If you have an event/announcement you would like advertised in the newsletter and/or email, please provide information to the church office. The deadline for the newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter. Events/announcements may also be sent out via church wide email. The office phone #704-782-1811 and the church office email address is [adminassist@coldspringsumc.org](mailto:adminassist@coldspringsumc.org)

If you would like to be added to the church email group, please provide your email address to the office via a note in the offering plate or email/phone call to the church office.

### **Mt. Pleasant Food Ministry's** **Current needs:**

Canned Vegetables, Rice or Pasta, Fresh or Instant Potatoes, Crackers, Flour, and Dried Milk

Non-food items: Laundry Detergent, Shampoo, Face Soap, Toilet Tissue, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Diapers

The basket for donations to this food pantry is located in the hall behind the sanctuary beside the church mailboxes.



*May 2022*

| Sunday                                                                   | Monday                                                                   | Tuesday                                                           | Wednesday                                    | Thursday | Friday                       | Saturday                                                                                                                                          |
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| [1]<br>[7:00pm<br>Martha Avett<br>s/g – Krimminger Hall                  | [2]<br>6:00pm Bible Study<br>– Conf Rm #2<br>Finance Com<br>– Conf Rm #3 | [3]<br>9:00am Bible Study<br>– Krimminger Hall                    | [4]<br>6:00pm Communal<br>Prayer - Sanctuary | [5]      | [6]<br>SH/Ballfield – GS#760 | [7]<br>SH/Ballfield – GS#760                                                                                                                      |
| [8] Mother's Day<br>SH/Ballfield – GS#760                                | [9]                                                                      | [10]<br>5:00pm KH – GS #322<br>6:00pm Bible Study<br>– Conf Rm #2 | [11]<br>KH reserved all day                  | [12]     | [13]                         | [14]<br>Bus/Van reserved                                                                                                                          |
| [15]<br>3:00pm Admin Council<br>meeting – KH<br><i>FOUNTAIN NEWS DUE</i> | [16]                                                                     | [17]<br>6:00pm Bible Study<br>– Conf Rm #2                        | [18]                                         | [19]     | [20]                         | [21]<br>Shelter behind office<br>– Cub Scouts<br>KH reserved all day                                                                              |
| Bus reserved                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                   |                                              |          |                              |                                                                                                                                                   |
| [22]                                                                     | [23]<br>9:00am JOY – KH                                                  | [24]<br>KH reserved all day<br>6:00pm Bible Study<br>– Conf Rm #2 | [25]<br>KH reserved all day                  | [26]     | [27]                         | [28]                                                                                                                                              |
| Bus reserved                                                             |                                                                          |                                                                   |                                              |          |                              |                                                                                                                                                   |
| [29]                                                                     | [30] Office closed                                                       | [31]<br>6:00pm Bible Study<br>– Conf Rm #2                        |                                              |          |                              | Every Sunday:<br>8:45am Contemporary Worship Service<br>10:05am Sunday School for ALL ages<br>11:00am Worship Service<br>4:00pm UMYF – Youth Room |

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