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Greetings!



We all experience seasons in life that

can be discouraging and stressful, and even though we count four seasons each year, the past year seems to have had far more than that. Whether you're dealing with the continuing effects of COVID, the death of a loved one, unsettling government, economic, or political issues or an overall confusion about where life is heading, reading through inspirational Bible verses is an excellent way to lift your spirits and gain a new perspective on a difficult situation. The word of God has a profound way of encouraging its readers to be strong and courageous in the midst of tumultuous circumstances. Following is a selection of inspirational scriptures to use as a great starting point for morning prayers and hope-filled conversations. Use them as an ever-present reminder all things are possible with God, and His mercies are new every morning.

Romans 8:38-39: For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lamentations 3:22-23: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

John 15:13: Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Deuteronomy 31:6: Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, or the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Psalm 27:12: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Romans 8:31: What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Romans 15:13: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Isaiah 40:31: But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

1 Peter 5:7: *Casting* all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

Matthew 19:26: But Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'

Philippians 4:13: I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Proverbs 3:3-6: Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

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Matthews 17:20: Our faith can move mountains.

Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Romans 8:28: And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Blessings for Lent,

Pastor Greg



Lent Schedule

February 28th: John the Baptist was a difference maker

March 7th: Communion Sunday – The Temple Cleansing - John 2:13-22

March 14th: Leaving with no doubt – first person Thomas message

March 21st: Nicodemus – John 3:1-21

March 28th: Palm Sunday - Matthew 21:1-11

April 1st: Maundy Thursday Service

April 4th: Easter Celebration!

We will not be having an Easter Egg Hunt this year.
There are still too many uncertainties with
gathering large groups.
As the COVID numbers continue to decrease
and more people are getting vaccinated, more and more
things will be returning to normal.

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We are looking forward to a big hunt again next year.





COFFEE TIME

Coffee is now available on Sunday mornings. At our coffee bar.



Grab a cup of coffee and a friend and enjoy some much needed fellowship! With coffee available now, will

donuts and cookies be far behind?



Before you go to bed March 13th, be sure to set your clocks ahead ONE hour!



hour ahead!

February
ROARED
out like a
lion for
certain.
Let's hope
that March
goes out like
a lamb . . .





Children's Church

If you have been hesitant to bring your children due to not having children's church, we will also begin children's church during the worship hour. So when you are comfortable joining in morning worship, we hope to see you!

Sunday School is Back!



It may not be fashionable to call it Sunday School any longer, with new terms such as small groups, Bible adventure, lessons in life, study group, etc., we are going to return to the old school terminology and call it Sunday School.

Where FAITH & LIFE CONNECT We will return on March 7th at 9:00AM and start back with holding Sunday School class again with possibly new class members.

We also have come exciting changes as we resume meeting in 2021.

<u>New members</u>: Vera ask a few months ago if her class could merge in with ours and of course the answer is "YES!". That was waaaaaay back in 2019-20 both groups had discussed the possibility of joining together. And now the group has been formed!

New meeting space: At least for the time being, so we can continue to Social Distance, we will be meeting down on the first floor in the area where the couches are. We will set up a few chairs and possibly even move some of the furniture around so that we can be comfortable and socially distanced. There is also an added perk, the Coffee Bar is located in that area

We will continue to use The Gospel Project material and fortunately we had just received the 2020 Spring Quarter material right as we had to halt meeting last March. SO we have that material which will coincide with Lent very well since it is titled JESUS THE MESSIAH.

Everyone is looking forward to being together. Remember, we will begin meeting on March 7.

Hope to see you all there!



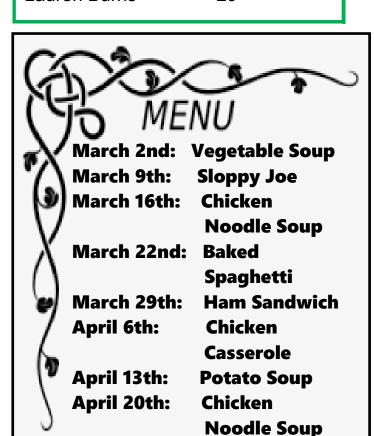
March is anything goes for our Food Pantry donations. There is a basket in the lobby for all donations. We continue to receive "Thank you" notes from Patchwork Central. They and their clients are so very appreciative of everything we are able to donate. Covid has created rough times for many families in our community and every little bit helps.





MARCH	
Issac Bultitude	3
Adam Sponseller	8
Isaac Meador	9
Barbara Doty	13
Annelle Mills	15
Helen Finke	20
Michael Barnett	23
Mardee Rea	28

Lauren Burris



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We Believe In The Power Of Prayer

Prayer Requests: Jim and Margie Smith, Jane & Jerry Bennett and family, Cheryl Rothemeier, Debby Phares, Mary Moore, Martha and Norm Koehler, Josette Higgins And Ed Schiffer (cancer treatments), Kristy Georgeson's family, all area schools and universities, God's Kids, Austin Smith, (firefighter), Amy Dubber, Joy Roettger, Sara Dixon, Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable Louissant, MCCutchanville Firefighters, The homeless population.

Do you have a prayer request you would like listed in the Messenger?

Call the church office at

812-867-5735



March Anniversaries

Elvin and Joan Reed March 14





February 2021 Attendance and Giving

	Att	Building Fund	General Fund	Internet Giving	UMYH Meals	Karen Kramer Memorial	Total Checking Deposit
February 7	28	\$1,150.00	\$2,479.00	\$360.00		\$120.00	\$4,110.00
February 14	21	\$770.00	\$849.00	\$100.00		\$25.00	\$1,744.00
February 21	41	\$5,495.00	\$1115.00	\$100.00		\$25.00	\$6,735.00
February 28	43	\$50.00	\$1145.00	\$100.00	\$150.00		\$1,445.00



Easter Lily or Tulip Order Form

The flowers will adorn the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday.



Members and friends of the congregation are invited to purchase a Lily or Tulip either in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost of the is \$10.00 each. To reserve yours, please complete the information below, include payment of cash or check (make checks payable to McCutchanville Community Church), and place your order in the offering plate or return to the church office. Deadline to order is March 28, 2021.

TulipEaster Lily
Name of Person Ordering:
No. of flowers X \$10 =
In Honor of:
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We will continue to serve a monthly meal to the UMYH in Stella's memory. Pastor Greg and Teresa delivered a meal on Wednesday, Feb 24th. We fed 12 boys and 12 girls including the

staff. They are always so appreciative and it is a joy to be able to do this. Since we were unable to have any class fundraisers in 2020 it has also been so exciting to see how GOD has provided the funds to pay for these meals. In case you don't know the details here is a brief explanation. In 2020, Teresa I spoke with Travis Johnson the UMYH director. He said that just about the kids favorite meals is fried chicken. So we began thinking of a way we could do that economically and smoothly. O'Charley's has a Fried Chicken Family meal that serves 4-6 and includes the meat, 2 sides, rolls and also a free pie if you order on Wednesdays for \$29.95 Then we found that you can purchase a \$50 gift card at Sam's Club for just \$35. So in God's perfect timing the necessary money has been perfectly donated each month to cover the meal. We will continue to purchase the O'Charley Gift Cards and delivering the meals as long as God (through generous donations) makes the funds available.



The Lenten cans to collect loose change for a Lent offering

are now available on the tables in the foyer for pick-up. Also you can pick up a Devotional for Lent. There are several to choose from which will enable you to find

you to find one for your devotional study.





Happy Belated birthday to our February God's Kids! 'belated' next month! Valentine Parties are beJoAnna (2), Nora (8), Waylon (12) and Kennedy (24)

And Happy Birthday to our March children:
Ethan (6), Deacon (19), Ivy (27) and Oakley (30)!

WOW! What a month February was! We were out of school for 7 days because of ice and snow. Our Valentine parties were not cancelled but were definitely postponed for a few days. Most of the classes celebrated Valentine's Day on Monday, February 21st but some celebrated even as late as Friday, February 26. We really didn't care when we were able to share our special day with our friends! We were just\ happy to give each other a special treat to show how much we love our friends and teachers!

Snow days were sort of fun and special but it certainly was great to be back at school. After 10 days of freezing temperatures, We came back to school on February 22nd to Spring like weather!

We were able to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and even create some wonderful sidewalk art for you.

March Birthdays

Even though we had several days out for SNOW, we are looking forward to our Spring Break. God's Kids will be closed March 22nd-March 26th. We are already noticing new growth coming up and by then we may have even warmer temperatures to be outside and run off some of the winter pent-up energy!

March has come in like a lamb, we are sure hoping it goes out like a lamb too!!







We had a teacher resign at the end of December and are continuing our search for a suitable teacher who would enjoy working in a Christian, lovable, clean environment.

Do you know someone who is wonderful with children and who are looking for a part-time position working with and teaching children? God's Kids has an opening for a teacher in the 3 year old classroom.



We follow EVSC calendar during the school year but do have a summer session from May through August as well. Please have all interested persons contact Terri Schuetter, Director of God's Kids at 812-867-5735 or at terri@mccutchanvillecc.org. Resumes should be submitted at that email address. Thank you for your help and for spreading the word!!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	March 1 Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	2 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved	3 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	5	6
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