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Mears' Meanderings

HOLY WEEK

Sunday, April 13th: We hope that you will join us for the beginning of Holy Week as we will remember the Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem with Palm Branches and celebration. Our Children's Choir will help us celebrate.

April 17th: Maundy Thursday: A Dramatic Presentation. Join us in the FLC at 6:30 pm as we follow the disciples at the table of the Lord. We will have a great meal together and focus in on the Stranger Revealed!

April 18th: Good Friday we will have a Special interactive walk through focusing on Jesus suffering 9am-7pm in the Sanctuary. Come as we look full-on at the Cross of Jesus and prepare for his death and the impact on us as Christians.

April 19th: Family Easter Celebration. We will have a safe and fun gathering for our kids and family starting at 1pm. We will have the Easter bunny, crafts, a visit from Mary and an Easter egg hunt.

April 20th: Easter Sunday

7 am: Sunrise Service

7:45 am: Breakfast CLC

8:45 am: Sanctuary

9:30 am Baptisms and New Members joining under the picnic shelter between our services

9:45 am FLC Service

That morning we will have a flower cross where you can place a flower in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone, or just to signify Resurrection Sunday.

This will be a great spot for pictures for your family that morning.

Leyton Alan Mears



AIR FORCE

Jay Connelley, Bradley Little

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*Help ups to keep the prayer list current and updated,
please contact church office with any changes or
information.*

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METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Methodist Women's Fellowship will meet on Thursday April 10 2025. We will meet at 9:30 for fellowship and our regular meeting at 10:00.

Program: Lisa Parker, Easter program.

Thank you Robin Connelley for your program about the Mission trip to Romania.

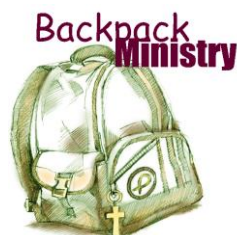
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SAFE THE DATE

Looking forward to our LADIES SPRING LUNCHEON.

Please join us on May 3, 2025 at 11:30am for good food, wonderful fellowship and program.

Marsha Hancock will be presenting her program about Monarch Butterflies.



Thank you for your continued support of the Back Pack Ministry. Back Pack provides for Parkwood Middle School. Donations can be left in the FLC, Sanctuary Breezeway or the office. Please join us to provide for those who are in need.

A reminder about the Back Pack Ministry, please do not donate food in glass jars.

A reminder, we sell the best knives in the world along with flavoring. These things help us support our Mission Projects. Any time is tomato season....try our tomato slicer. Best in the world. Honest!

Thank you for your support.



Roy Gleason

Mike & Robin Connelley
Wayne & Becky Geddings

Gloria Giddings

Wayne & Becky Geddings

Ken Ashley

Wayne & Becky Geddings

Frances Sheppard

Wayne & Becky Geddings
Lindsay & Patsy Ballard
Mike & Robin Connelley



*Dear friends at Mineral Springs,
Thank you for the donation given to JAARS in memory of our dad, Roy Gleason. His life was dedicated to service with JAARS and I know he would be very pleased.
Your church family has been so supportive of both Mom and Dad down through the years.
We appreciate all that you did in honor of each of them in life and also in death. The services were beautiful memories and the food was great!
TO GOD BE THE GLORY GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE!*

Don, Barbi, Becky & Families



Note from Chris

Spring is here and Easter is almost upon us!

We have a lot of events planned for Holy Week, I hope you'll make plans to join us and celebrate our Savior's resurrection. We're in the process of upgrading some of the technology, so if you're interested in helping on the tech team, now's a great time to get in on the ground floor. We really need lights, lyrics and sound help. No experience is necessary, we will train you.

Please contact me if you want to join the team!

In His Service,

Chris



If you want to join the church

and/or be baptized on Easter Sunday morning, please contact the church office via email:

mineralspringsmethodistchurch@gmail.com

or phone 704-843-5905. Thank you.



Confirmation Classes Continuing

Immediately after Services each week.

Led by Julia Ballard, Kyle Simpson, Rodney Little and Christa Lemmonds.

If you would like more information about becoming a member please fill out a contact card or call the office.

Youth events for April 2025.

NO YOUTH April 13th & 20th

Open Gym- Wednesdays, April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th from 6-8 PM

Sunday Night Youth Group- Sermon, Games – 6th & 28th from 6-8pm

No High School Dinner or Middle school night in April
April 11th-13th Camp Tekoa

Camp Tekoa

20 Youth and 5 Youth leaders are heading to Camp Tekoa on April 11th and returning on April 13th. Camp Tekoa is located at 211 Thomas Rd, Hendersonville, NC 28739. Leader Phone Numbers who are going, Josh Hammerstone (931)206-2624, Cheyenne Hammerstone (908)619-7547, Whitney Ballard (704)840-3413, Brian Ballard (704)840-3412 and Chris Linthicum (704)242-2708. Any questions or concerns contact us.

Open Gym- Wednesdays,

April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th from 6-8 PM

Join us on Wednesday night for an open gym. This is a time where we simply play games and fellowship with one another. During this time, we play an organized game for half of the time (volleyball, kickball, dodgeball, etc.) and the remaining time is your choice. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend to come check us out! This is open to ALL 6th-12th graders.

Sunday Night Youth Group- Sunday,

April 6th & 28th from 6-8pm

Join us Sunday nights from 6-8pm in the FLC for a time of games, Bible study, dinner and games. This is a good time to get challenged and uplifted in your walk with God. This is open to ALL 6th-12th graders.



APRIL

Birthdays

- 1 Chris Mothershed
- 2 Cassidy Helms, Dan Wlodkowski
- 3 Wayne Geddings
- 8 Michelle Helms
- 9 Joyce Blythe, Billie King
- 10 Cynthia Wooten
- 11 Corey Brooks, Butch Rollings
- 15 Logan Franiak, Becky Geddings, Nell Starnes
- 16 Amanda Tucker
- 17 Justin Little
- 18 Patti Goodwin
- 19 Bobby McLain, Emily Parker
- 20 Worth Whitaker
- 22 Jenn Selph
- 23 Ross Shimer
- 24 Vicki Cox
- 26 Betty Roach
- 29 Lori Ross



APRIL

Anniversaries

- 7 Jerry & Dot Hartis
Neal & DeAnna McCann
- 8 Mike & Kenia Penegar
- 26 Mike & Robin Connelley

If your birthday or anniversary has been overlooked or you know someone whose name needs to be added, please call church office 704-843-5905 or email: mineralspringsumc@gmail.com
Thank you.

The church office will be closed Monday, April 21st

Happy Easter!
He is Risen!
He is Risen Indeed!



Easter Egg Hunt

April 19th at 1pm. We will have an Easter Egg Hunt, Crafts, Games and even an appearance from the Easter Bunny himself!

We are requesting donations of Easter candy pieces small enough to fit into the eggs. Our youth so graciously volunteered to fill over 1,000 eggs for all our community to come out and hunt for on April 19th, the Saturday before Easter at 1pm.

Please leave your donations in the baskets in the Family Life Center lobby, Sanctuary breezeway or the church office by April 13th deadline. Thank you.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's choir meets from 4-5 pm on Sunday afternoons. We would love for you to sing with us if you are between 2 years old and 5th grade.

Call Mrs. Dawn at 704-291-0712 with any questions.



I hope this spring weather is giving you an opportunity to get outside to soak up some sunshine. For me, I usually enjoy winter through New Year's, but after that I start looking forward to warmer temps and an early spring. I guess it's a good thing I was born in the south.

As our cancer support team continues to work to provide support to those walking through a cancer diagnosis, we are also working to provide information to our church and community around the topic of cancer. Our hope is to provide 2-3 speaker sessions each year on a variety of topics related to cancer. For the month of April, I am pleased to announce that we will be hosting Michelle Newell as our guest speaker.

Michelle is the Manager of Cancer Wellness & Nutrition for the Novant Health Cancer Institute and Novant Health Heart & Vascular Institute. Michelle has been a registered dietitian for over 27 years. Clearly her experience in the field of cancer and nutrition is vast, and she works to apply her knowledge to support cancer and heart patients and their families. Michelle will be speaking on the topic of cancer and nutrition, healthy diets to support sustained wellness in cancer patients, and how family members can encourage lifestyle changes that support staying healthy throughout treatment and recovery.

Please join us at 6:30pm on April 9th, 2025, in our Christian Life Center. If you would like more information, please reach out to me in our church office for details.

As always if you or someone you know needs emotional support or just to chat, please contact our church office, and I will make a time for us to talk. Remember, support is all around us, just reach out and let someone know you are in need.

Blessing

Rodney Little,
Congregational Wellness Coordinator



Grief Support Group

The Grief Group will meet at 6:30pm on Monday, April 28th in the Wesley Room in the church office.



Cancer Support Group will meet in April 9th at

6:30pm in the CLC with guest speaker, Michelle Newell, Manager of Cancer Wellness & Nutrition for Novant Health Cancer Institute and Novant Health Heart & Vascular Institute.

SPRINGERS.....SPRINGERS.....SPRINGERS

Hello Springers, What a great time we had in March for Springers. Good food, BBQ and fixings', thanks to Marilyn Watt and Patti Goodwin. Always fun with Bingo this month.

Lots of things happening each month with Springers. Thanks to Shannon Neal for our devotionals.

Plans are already made for the year so come join us on the 4th Sunday of each month. You will be glad you did and so will we in having you be a part of Springers.

Hope to see you in April.



Ladies Bible Study, Wednesday, 10am in the Wesley room.

Ladies' Lenten Bible Study, The Promise and Power of Easter, will begin on Thursday, March 20 will meet from 6:30 until 8:00 in the Asbury Room in the church office. Questions? Call Shannon Neal: 704-219-1632.

Men's Bible study, Thursdays, 6:30pm in the CLC.



Traditional Worship Choir meeting at 6:30pm in the sanctuary on Wednesdays preparing for Easter Celebrations!

Please come join us for the laughter and singing praises to the Lord!



Dear Friends,

We hope this article finds you well, happy, and healthy.

Through our GMC ministries, we desire to share the whole counsel of God with all peoples and to advance the presence and fulfillment of the Kingdom of God in every part of the world and at all levels of societies and cultures. The Global Methodist Church is committed to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, the inspiration and authority of the Scriptures, and the work of the Holy Spirit in conveying God's truth and grace to all people.

International Church Organizations are now focusing on assisting our Christian brothers and sisters overseas and especially African Countries navigating the challenges they face when leaving the United Methodist Church. Thousands have successfully joined the Global Methodist Church and other traditional churches. However, some are encountering serious obstacles, including violence, false accusations and arrests by local authorities.

Our faithful brothers and sisters in Liberia are currently undergoing similar challenges as they move forward with leaving the United Methodist Church and aligning with the Global Methodist Church and other traditional denominations. Tragically, this has led to violent confrontations and, in some cases, police involvement. Several Pastors and Church leaders have even been jailed in recent months for their steadfast faith and commitment to God's Word.

Please pray for Peace and for all people in our world including our Liberian brothers and sisters!



HOLY WEEK EVENTS

APRIL
2025

PALM SUNDAY 13	9:45 AM: PALM SUNDAY Join us in Sanct. or FLC, for the beginning of Holy Week	EASTER SUNDAY 20	7 AM: SUNRISE SERVICE Join us at the Prayer Garden for a special service.
MAUNDY THURSDAY 17	6:30 PM: FLC We'll remember the Last Supper with dinner and a service .	EASTER SUNDAY 20	7:45 AM: BREAKFAST CLC We will gather to share in a fellowship meal together.
GOOD FRIDAY 18	9 AM-7PM: SANCTUARY An interactive walkthrough of Stations of the Cross	EASTER SUNDAY 20	8:45 AM SANCTUARY Great Music and an Easter Sermon you don't want to miss!
HOLY SATURDAY 19	1 PM: FLC EASTER EGG HUNT Easter Egg Hunt, Crafts, Games and a cross walk!	EASTER SUNDAY 20	9:45 AM: FLC Great Music and an Easter Sermon you don't want to miss!

"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."



SpringKids

Hello From Spring Kids! We have made some exciting adjustments to our program that have really been beneficial to the spiritual growth and education of our children. With that comes some changes we want to make you aware of as follows.

Spring Kids is now a drop-off and pick-up service. We will no longer walk your children across the parking lot.

Children in Kindergarten to Third grade will be in the classroom on the stage side, Fourth and Fifth grade will be in the classroom on the kitchen side. Pre-K, ages 3-5 (not in kindergarten) will be in room 104 and infants to age 2 is in room 105. The doors to the stage side and the kitchen side will be open for you to drop your child off. The doors to those classrooms will be locked at 9:55am, at that time you may drop your kids off through the side door or the glass double doors.

We NEED volunteers. If you want to be a teacher or a helper and you have not signed up yet please contact the office or you can email Miranda Young at springkidsmsmc@gmail.com and we will send you the paperwork and a link to the sign up genius to volunteer. We do allow a couple of responsible youth volunteers as well.

Every kid that comes to SpringKids needs to be registered. There are QR codes on the doors, windows and sign in sheets in the CLC. Please make sure to register your child when dropping off your child.

We will not have class on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday for K-5. We will have class for the infants and pre-k on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

If you have any questions you can contact Miranda Young at 980-721-7162 or email her at springkidsmsmc@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

Join Us
JUNE 16-19TH



Committee Meetings
April 13th @ 11am
Trustees|CLC

*Welcome to the Mineral Springs Methodist Church Family
Lacey McCall*

*Live For Jesus *Grow Disciples* Change Lives*



Mission Committee

We appreciate the encouragement for the Operation ReachOut project. This is an opportunity to follow the words of Jesus shared in: Matthew 25:40

“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me.”

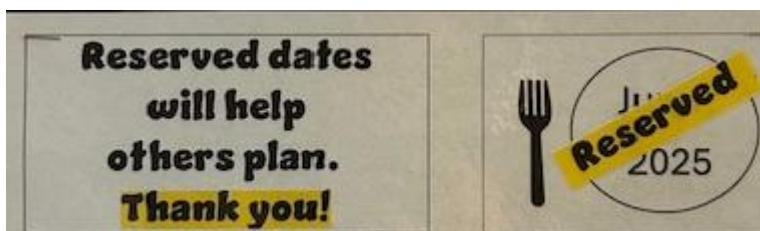
On the 2nd Friday for the next 12 months, our goal is to have 12 teams that will each take 1 turn preparing and serving 1 meal at Operation ReachOut. Our first meal will be April 11.

Teams are making plans. If you as an individual want to participate and would like us to connect you with others who are also interested, please email us at worleyjmba@aol.com.

We have two clarifications:

- Children under 16 years of age must be with their parent or responsible adult at all times. Children 16+ do not have to be with their parent.
- Teams should have finished their responsibilities no later than 1:30.

You'll find bulletin boards in the sanctuary breezeway and FLC lobby to help keep you updated. Once you've reserved a date, it will be posted so other teams can make their plans.



Happy April. And a blessed Easter from Preschool. We have been learning who Jesus is and why He was born and what He did for us by being on that cross in Chapel. The kids love singing and praising each week. A big thanks to all who have shared their time reading to our classes. The kids love having guest readers in their classrooms! If you would like to sign up to be a guest reader, there is a sign up sheet outside the Preschool office in the Education Building, Room 108. Or email Ms Tammy at mineralspringspreschool@gmail.com. Any volunteers will need to have a background check run, so please plan enough time for that to happen. Our Spring Program will be April 8th in the FLC at 6:30.

We do have just a few open spots for fall if you have friends and neighbors who are looking for a wonderful, Christ-centered preschool. We would love to show them around!

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. It means so much to all of us at Preschool



Calling all 2025 Graduates!

Do you know a graduate?

Please let us know ASAP if you have a high school, college or advance degree graduate for this academic year.

We need your name, school, pictures, achievements and degree, if a college graduate. Please email to

mineralspringsmethodistchurch@gmail.com by April 27th. Thank you.

2025 APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 5-9pm Men's BBJ FLC 6:30pm AI-Anon CLC 7pm AA mtg/CLC	2 9am Sew Blessed/Epworth 6pm Open Gym 6:30pm Pack 18 CLC 7pm Adult Choir/Sanctuary	3 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study/Wesley 6:30pm Men's Bible Study/CLC	4 7pm AA mtg/CLC	5 9:30am Yoga
6 9:45am worship Sanct FLC 9:45 SPRING Kids/CLC 4-5pm Children's Choir 6-8pm Youth/FLC	7 6:30pm Pickelball FLC 7:30pm Troop 18 CLC	8 5-9pm Men's BBJ FLC 6:30pm AI-Anon CLC 7pm AA mtg/CLC 6:30pm Preschool FLC	9 9am Sew Blessed/Epworth 6pm Open Gym 6:30pm Cancer Support Speaker CLC 6:30pm Adult Choir/Sanctuary	10 9:30am MSMW/Asbury 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study/Wesley 6:30pm Men's Bible Study/CLC	11 7pm AA mtg/CLC	12 9:30am Yoga
13  PALM SUNDAY 9:45am worship Sanct FLC 11am Trustees CLC 4-5pm Children's Choir 6-8pm Youth/FLC	14 6:30pm Pickelball FLC 6:30pm Pack 18 * CLC 7:30pm Troop 18 CLC	15 5-9pm Men's BBJ FLC 6:30pm AI-Anon CLC 7pm AA mtg/CLC	16 9am Sew Blessed/Epworth 6pm Open Gym 7pm Adult Choir/Sanctuary	17  Maundy Thursday 6:30pm FLC We will remember the Last Supper with dinner & a service.	18  Good Friday SERVICE 9am-7pm Sanctuary An interactive walkthrough stations of the cross. 7pm AA mtg/CLC	19  Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am Yoga 1pm Easter Celebration Easter Egg hunt, crafts, games and cross walk!
20  Easter CELEBRATION 7am Sunrise Prayer Garden 7:45 Breakfast CLC 8:45am Sanctuary 9:45am FLC	21 6:30pm Pickelball FLC 6:30pm Pack 18 * CLC 7:30pm Troop 18 CLC <i>Church Office Closed</i>	22 5-9pm Men's BBJ FLC 6:30pm AI-Anon CLC 7pm AA mtg/CLC	23 9am Sew Blessed/Epworth 6pm Open Gym 7pm Adult Choir/Sanctuary	24 6:30pm Ladies Bible Study/Wesley 6:30pm Men's Bible Study/CLC	25 7pm AA mtg/CLC	26 9:30am Yoga
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April 20th is the deadline for the May Pipeline.

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