

The Call
Meadowview United Methodist Church
April 2019

The Easter Season: *The Easter Season, also known as the Great Fifty Days, begins at sunset Easter Eve and continues through the Day of Pentecost. It is the most joyous and celebrative season of the Christian year. It focuses on Christ's resurrection and ascension and on the giving of the Holy Spirit on the first Easter (John 20:22 –23) and the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2). Lessons from the Acts of the Apostles replace readings from the Old Testament because the early church, empowered by the Holy Spirit, is the best witness to the Resurrection (-UM Book of Worship). I hope you will join us for these very special worship services.*

Upcoming Dates

-Sunday, April 7	Easter Baskets for Ecumenical Faith in Action
-Wednesday, April 10	Half Century at Noon
-Sunday, April 21	Sunrise Easter Service, 7am
-Tuesday, April 30	Older Adult Outing, 9:30 am

Meadowview Worship Volunteers

	April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
Acolyte	Zoe	Elijah	Kaylee	Zoe
Chimes	Elijah	Anna	Elijah	Anna
Children's Church	N/A	Becky	Missy	Cindy

Communion Stewards: Doris Quintana and Missy Deel

Announcements

Easter Baskets for EFIA: Thank you to our children, parents, and volunteers who are preparing our Easter baskets on April 7 for Ecumenical Faith in Action and the families of our community.

Nursey Worker: We are currently in need of a Sunday morning nursery worker. The stipend is \$25 per Sunday. If you know anyone who is interested, please have them contact David Jackson at djackson@ehc.edu or 865-228-4357. A background check is required.

Half Century: Will meet at El Patio Mexican Grill in Bristol on Wednesday, April 10 at Noon. Reservations need to be made with Evon Crowder by April 8 at (crowderb@comcast.net).

Sunrise Service: We will gather for an Easter morning Sunrise Service at 7am in the Holston Conference Cemetery in Emory, VA. All are invited and encouraged to attend this special service.

Older Adult Outing: The April older adult outing will be on Tuesday, April 30. We will leave from Meadowview UMC at 9:30am to travel to Camp Bays Mountain in Kingsport, where we will receive a tour of the camp from director Jeff Wadley. Camp Bays Mountain is the Holston Conference's newest camp, forming after the closure of the historic Buffalo Mountain Camp which was located outside of Johnson City. Following our tour we will stop to eat at the Meadowview Conference Center in Kingsport at Noon. There will be no charge for this trip, except for your lunch expense. We will plan to return to Meadowview UMC around 2pm.

Church Funds: Our church has been blessed with many wonderful estate gifts over the years that we have used to begin important ministry funds. Individuals and families are invited to continue making contributions to these funds, which include:

- The James and Louise Nicely Local Mission Fund;*
- The Mary Virginia Smith Mary's Lunch Box Fund;*
- The Johnie Stringer Scholarship Fund.*

For more information about any of these, or to make your own plans for an estate gift to the church, please speak with Randy Pennington or David Jackson.

Memorial Gifts

Thank you to the following individuals and families who have made gifts in memory of Jane Rasnick:

Beulah Stringer

Gary & Gayle Dutton

Claira Rasnick

Ronald & Jane Walls

Joe & Margaret Carter

Jimmy & Ann Wallace