

**Ongoing Activities**

**Wednesdays**

- Dossett Chapel, 3:15-5 p.m.
- Youth Praise Band, 5-6 p.m.
- Instrumental Ensemble, 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- Youth Group, 6-7:30 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal, 6:30-7:45 p.m.
- Adult Discipleship, 6:30-8 p.m.

**Thursdays**

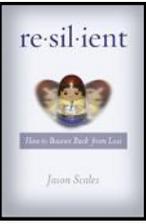
- Henry Center Food Pantry, Financial Assistance, & Clothes Closet 12-2 p.m.
- Handbells, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**Mondays**

- GriefShare 3:30-5 p.m., Davidson Hall

**Tuesdays**

- Henry Center Food Pantry & Financial Assistance 12-2 p.m.



*Pastor Jason Scales will conclude the study on his book "Resilient" this Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.*

*Pastor Paul's sermons are posted on our website every Sunday, right after the conclusion of the 11 a.m. service. Just go to [www.fumctullahoma.com](http://www.fumctullahoma.com) and select "sermons" and "view media player." From there you may select which sermon you would like to listen to.*

**The Message—Pastor Paul Purdue**

The Book of Joshua could have begun, “The Lord spoke to Joshua” or “As they prepared to head into the Promised Land...”, but it begins acknowledging a change, “After the death of Moses, the Lord spoke to Joshua...” Jesus names our preference to avoid change in the parable of the wineskins (Luke 5:39). Life requires change. Trees bud, flower, seed, germinate, grow, bud... Children cry, nurse, roll, burp, babble, eat, toddle, talk, walk, run, read, sing, dance, cook, calculate, move, graduate, lead, nurture... The question is not “will things change?” but “how will we respond to change?” Jesus’ creative work within us changes us until “everything becomes new!” (2 Corinthians 5:17) Why do we church folks resist change?

Some forward-looking folks believe we are in era of unprecedented societal change. Never before could I hold a set of encyclopedias, phone, camera, camcorder, matchmaker, 24hour news, stacks of records, video vault, bookstore, Twitter, Snap-chat, department store, complete arcade, translator, travel guide, fitness tracker, national phonebook, photos of all my friends’ children, video phone, calculator, altimeter, GPS, weather radar, market indicator, virtual community, and a thousand other APplications in a 6 ounce device I can hold between two fingers. If the printing press helped fuel the Protestant Reformation, what changes is our Smart-Phone-Era bringing? What does it mean that anyone can read John Wesley’s sermons, watch a Buddhist video, or offer commentary on anything with a few finger swipes? Where do we find guidance in an ever-unfolding world? In the Book of Acts, the nascent church navigates an unfamiliar Gentile world. Join us as we explore how to navigate a rapidly changing culture.

*Grace & Love,  
Pastor Paul*

**Upcoming Sermons**

**April 23** - God used an unwelcome change to steer the church back on mission. In Matthew 28:16-20 Jesus sends the church out saying, “go make disciples of all nations... I am with you until the end” but the church goes nowhere until persecution drives the church from its comfortable cultural. (*Acts 8*)

**April 30** - Saul’s Damascus Road, Ananias’ vision, Barnabas’ welcome, Cornelius’ invitation, Peter’s dreaming, and Antioch’s missionaries model Christian adaptive change. (*Acts 9, 10 & 13*)

**May 7** - (Confirmation Sunday) Withdrawal, isolation, and retreat are not Christian responses to cultural change. (*Acts 11, 15, 28*)

**May 14** - (Mother’s Day) What the Jerusalem Council teaches us about being the church during shifting seasons. (*Acts 15*)

**May 21** - (Senior Sunday) “Turning the world upside down” The wild ride of faith. (*Acts 16-18*)



*Cindy Young and I would very much like to thank all the participants in our Good Friday Service. To all that came to worship and prayed for us, Thank you!*

# Senior VIBES

## Ongoing Events...

### Adult Art Group

Fridays

10 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Main Bldg., #208



*The art group will not be meeting this Friday, April 21st*

### Knitting Group

3rd, 4th, & 5th

Tuesdays

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

FAC Bldg.

Room #4



## Coming Events...

**Thursday, April 27th -**

Milky Way Farms

Book Club

**Tuesday, May 2nd -**

Golden Circle; speaker will

be Dr. Anderson

## Happy Birthday!!!

**April 20**  
**Dean Coleman**



## Senior Ministry—Esther J. Sims

**Thought of the Week:** : *“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8*

Great news! We have a team from our church participating in the Tullahoma Parks and Recreation's **“Walk to the Beach”** program. Our team consist of Gena Graddy, Jeff Harrison, Kris Roberts, Josh Diller and Paul Purdue. Please encourage them as they begin this 5 week walk. The first route is from Tullahoma to Gulf Shores, 439 miles. The name of our team is **“Tullahoma FUMC Ramblers.”** You can track their progress by checking our Senior Adult bulletin board starting Wednesday, April 26th, or at DW Wilson Recreation Center. This walk in no way interferes with our “in house” (church) walkers. We will still continue our walking program until the end of May. This week we lodged in 108.06 miles. Walk with us and email, text or call in your miles each Sunday to Esther.

Please check our prayer list in the newsletter and on the church's white board outside the office. Help the staff stay in touch! If you have knowledge of any of our Senior Adult Members who would like to be remembered in prayer or would like a visit from our pastoral staff, please do not hesitate to let us know. Also, we acknowledge birthdays of Senior Adult Members weekly in the newsletter; if you would like to be added to the list give me a call (Esther: 455-5434).

## First Light & Outreach Ministry—Jeff Harrison

Hey Everyone,



I had a wonderful time worshipping with all of you on Easter Sunday. I love Easter so much and count it a privilege to lead you in worship. We are constantly striving to become better and add more people to our ministry. If you have a gift in music or would love to run sound or projections, we would love to have you be a part of our team. It's a great way to serve on Sunday mornings. If you are interested contact me at [jeffhfumc@lighttube.net](mailto:jeffhfumc@lighttube.net)

*In Christ,  
Jeff*

## Missions Moment—Holt Cason



During one of our VIM trips to Latvia approximately 10 years ago, we met Kelly Hargan, Director of Josiah Ventures in Western Europe. His mission with Josiah Ventures was to introduce and bring Christianity to the Baltic region. Today, Kelly and his wife Donna have announced that they are leaving the Baltics and returning to the USA. Josiah Ventures has been turned over to the Latvian Christians to continue the work Kelly started. Our church as has been a part of helping this Venture and we are thankful to God for the results.



Would you like to receive text messages & emails from the church to keep you in the loop about everything that is going on? Just text the word CHURCH to 931-452-4747 and click on the response. Once your form is filled out, we will begin sending you all the info you'll need. If you don't text or email, please make sure you call the church with a current phone number so we can update our all church phone tree.

# Children's Ministry—Julie Uehlein

What a beautiful weekend we had for so many activities!



FUMC had great representation at the Casa Works 5K run/1 mile walk. And, we had some medalists! Thanks to all who participated.



Our Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success with lots of family fellowship. Many thanks to Brac and Emily Thoma for hosting this annual event. George Jensen led the charge of stuffing eggs while we had some great youth helpers to hide them. Thanks to all of our moms who helped organize and see this event through.



And Easter day was filled with so much love and excitement! What a great day to celebrate our risen Savior.

VBS registration is happening now. Please register your child online at [www.cokesburyvbs.com/fumctullahoma](http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/fumctullahoma). If you would like to volunteer during VBS please contact Claire Bobo at 931-581-5535 or Julie at [childrensfumc@lighttube.net](mailto:childrensfumc@lighttube.net)

Information relating to our Children's Ministry is available at the Information Station desk (at the top of the steps in the Children's Department). Any forms or info you need will be at this desk. All sign-up sheets (parents & children) will be located on the bulletin board between the bathroom doors in the Children's Department. All info pertaining to the nursery & nursery aged children will be kept in the nursery or on the bulletin board to the right of the nursery door.



**Sunday, April 23rd**  
**Nursery Hours**

7:45 a.m. - 12 noon

**Sunday School**

10:00 a.m. (Main bldg., 2nd floor)

**Children's Church**

11:00 a.m. service

**SAVE THE DATE**

**May 14th**

11 a.m. - Halos sing for Mother's Day

**June 5th-8th**

VBS (mornings)

**June 11th-16th**

Cedar Crest Camp

Jesus said, "Let the Little Children come to me and do not hinder them for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these"  
**Mark 10:14-1**

Partnering WITH You,  
Miss Julie

## NEW & USED TREASURES SALE (Yard Sale)

**WHERE:** FAC Building, First United Methodist Church  
**SPONSORED BY:** Tullahoma First United Methodist Women  
**SET-UP DATE:** Thursday, April 27, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Any church member may bring new and used items AND purchase items at that time. Bargains Galore!!!  
**SALE DATES:** Friday, April 28, 2017, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, April 29, 2017, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Many household/kitchen items, paper and hard back books, children's toys, jewelry, shoes, purses, etc. Linda Thomas will have RADA Cutlery for sale.

If you have an item(s) that you need picked up, call Margaret Savelle, 454-0718.

The proceeds from all United Methodist Women projects are donated to local charities.

Our **GriefShare** Support Group meets weekly on Mondays from 3:30-5 p.m., in Davidson Hall. Each session is self-contained, so you will be able to pick up any session you missed. They are composed of 3 parts: video, group discussion, and personal workbook. You will find it to be a warm, caring environment and will come to see your group as an "oasis" on your long journey through grief. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Our April **Sunday School Challenge** is various size disposable diapers to support the Tullahoma Kiwanis' Diaper Drive. If you are not in a SS class but would like to contribute, the items can be dropped off at the church in the back of the small chapel during business hours. I am always looking for other opportunities to spread God's love, so if you have any suggestions for a monthly challenge, please contact me. May the Holy Spirit touch you with a giving heart to help our neighbor.

God Bless! Terry Rayfield



## Worship Attendance (Apr. 16th)

Sunrise Service	53
8:00 a.m.	162
First Light	218
11:00 a.m.	288
<b>Total</b>	<b>721</b>
Sunday School	123
Dossett Sunday School	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>149</b>

## Dossett Wednesday (Apr. 12th) 45

### Sunday, April 23rd

#### Offering Counters

Clay & Fuffy Bearden  
Susan Warwick  
Sam DiNicola

#### Greeters/Welcome Teams

8:00 a.m. Linda Thomas  
Gail Dean

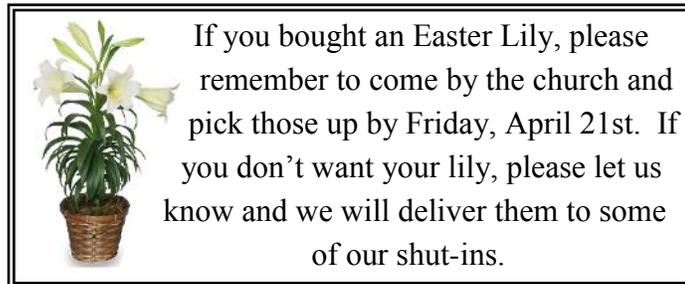
9:00 a.m. Monica & Brian Skelton

11:00 a.m. Lou Ann Mitchell  
Susie Miller  
Rosemary Crabtree

## Keeping In Prayers

Judy Fitch	Joyce Mathis	Billy Roy Murray
Helen Smith	Leon Smith	(Nancy Wright's family)
Terry Mathis (brother of Jerry Mathis)	Brooke Mendenhall (cousin of Michelle Anderson)	Carolyn Graham (sister of Bob Prater)
Bill Durden (brother of Barbara Prater)	Elise Walker (daughter of LE & Judy Wright)	Anthony Robinson, Scott Dowling & Mary Lundy (family of Wilma Finchum)
Forrest Frame		
Don Bond		

Please keep the family and friends of **Wilma Shasteen** and her family in your thoughts and prayers. Her son, **Dale**, passed away Wednesday, April 12th. Services were Saturday, April 15th.



If you bought an Easter Lily, please remember to come by the church and pick those up by Friday, April 21st. If you don't want your lily, please let us know and we will deliver them to some of our shut-ins.

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