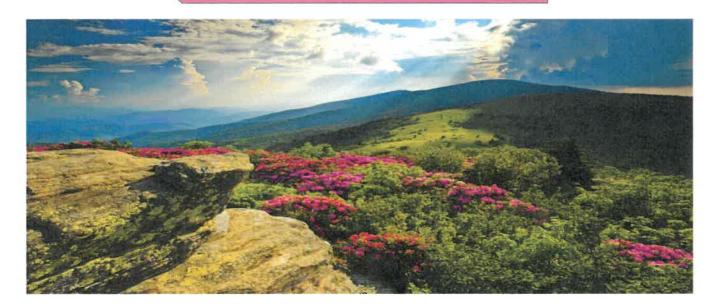
Memorial Methodist Messenger

Memorial United Methodist Church, Norman Ramsey, Pastor
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Our Mission is to help others grow in the love and joy of Jesus Christ

May 2022



Pastor's Note...

Live! Don't just exist. Refuse to be a cog in the wheel. Instead, be a part of a chosen generation.

Jesus' sacrifice is too great for our obedience to be small. His love, His resurrection power is too strong for us to be satisfied with what the world giveth and taketh away.

Jesus is the Light of the world! He says in Matthew 5: 14 – 16...

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Be like Tom Bodette of Motel 6. Leave your light on for others to know that rest and peace are in Jesus Christ. Shade and shadow will try to mix their dark colorings to the canvas of our life. But, you and me? We want the commands of God to be what we hold front and center stage for all to see.

Jesus in Matthew 5: 19 says, "Whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

So, live! Live a great life, a holy life, and live as a free person. Live with a clear conscience. And live in love and humility before God.

Love, Norman Ramsey

PS

Join us May 1st for a special presentation on *Messiah in the Passover* to help us celebrate Holy Communion together.



Live!

9:30 am - Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30 - Sunday School for all ages

May 1, 2022: Live as Holy People. (1 Peter 1)

Messiah in the Passover, Chosen People Ministries & Holy Communion

May 8, 2022: Live as Free People. (1 Peter 2: 16)

Mother's Day

May 15, 2022: Live with a Clear Conscience. (1 Peter 3: 21)

May 22, 2022: Live in Love. (1 Peter 4: 1 - 13)

May 29, 2022: Live in Humility. (1 Peter 5: 1 - 11)

Memorial Sunday

Church Council Minutes Memorial United Methodist Church March 16, 2022 Meeting

Those in attendance were Harry White, Marie Milton, Doug Webb, Mitch Eggleston, Sue Eggleston, Tom Hall, LeeAnn Robinson, Angie Dillon, Rodney Deaner, Norm Ramsey, Debby Long, Donna Deaner, Sara Marsh, Blair Smith, Nathan Putney, Wendy Boswell.

Sue Eggleston called the meeting to order at 7:29 pm.

Mitch Eggleston led devotions..."Something About That Name".

Minutes from March 2022 were approved.

Kinckle Robinson was not in attendance, but reported that our finances are in good shape at this time.

Blair Smith (Worship)...A survey about worship services was sent out via e-mail, paper copies are available at the entrances.

Donna Deaner...Need to find a back-up person for Margie Hatcher when she is unable to keep the nursery on Sundays. We also need a Junior High SS teacher. Pray about who may answer these calls.

Norman Ramsey (Pastor)...Revival starts 9/24 at Courtland Field and runs through 9/27. May 1st, we will have a speaker from Chosen People Ministries to talk about how Jesus is being revealed in the Passover Meal. Prayers needed as Doug Webb and Norman go to annual conference June 16-18th.

Sue Eggleston (Council Chair)...The sign out front needs an updated data plan at a cost of \$520. Our membership list needs to be updated....letters need to be sent out to those who are members of other churches, not attending here, have moved, etc., asking them if they would like to be removed from the membership list.

Tom Hall (Trustees)...We have a new copy/fax machine and folding machine. The old fax machine is being donated to Daycare. May try to sell the old folding machine.

Discussed having the District Superintendent come to MUMC sometime after annual conference to discuss the direction of the Methodist Church and our options going forward.

Angie Dillon and Cindy Ranson (Daycare)...Daycare will be having their graduation on May 19th. More playground equipment will be purchased with Covid relief funds. In need of a lead teacher for 3-year olds!

Debby Long and Marie Milton (Congregational Care)...Continue to make cheer boxes for members of the church. Small gifts were distributed to all in attendance at Easter service.

Harry White (UMM)...Planning a Pancake Supper for 5/25, 5-7 pm. Also, we will be cooking for a 4th of July cookout in Legacy Hall.

Sue Waddell (Missions)...We raised \$7150 for Stepping Forward Ministries to assist in housing and feeding the Ukranian refugees.

Nathan and Brenda Putney (Prayer)...Had a special prayer time on Monday of Holy Week. Will

start having all prayer ushers who can attend to meet in the parlor prior to the Sunday worship services to pray for our pastor and the worship service.

Debby Long (Super Seniors)...Will have breakfast 4/29 with Albert Carter speaking about the Civil War. Afterward, a trip to surrender grounds is planned. Hoping for a May outing to the Rawlings Scriptorium at Liberty University.

Debby Long (Hospitality)...A luncheon was held following the Good Friday service. Assisted the UMM with Easter Sunrise breakfast.

Dawn Elliott (Children)...VBS will be held week of 6/13, in the morning hours. Need helpers!

Harry White (P & G)...Custodial duties remain the same despite Jimmy taking another job. Bell tower repair and maintenance will be \$6000. Shade sails will be put on playground soon. Will try to get members of the church to adopt a section of the church this year to help with pulling weeds, etc. Playground fence needs repair. Retention pond needs clean-up and tree removal. Still working on Cintas service replacement.

Nathan Putney closed with prayer.

Sue Eggleston adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

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MUMC Survey 2022

The Worship Committee at Memorial UMC have received numerous questions about the worship service in the post COVID world. The primary question is if we would be returning to having two worship services on Sunday morning or remain with one service. We understand that some would like to return to the pre-COVID arrangement, while others like having one service. Please respond to this survey to help us make a recommendation to Church Council.

Please respond and put survey in TORI ROTHGEB'S box in the CHURCH WORK ROOM by May 8, 2022

1,	Name (optional)							
	Email	Address						
2.	2. Would it help our ministries to return to 2 worship services on Sunday morning							
		Yes - I prefer 2 worship services	Skip to question 3 BELOW					
		No - I prefer keeping 1 worship service	Skip to question 9 ON BACK					
<u>2 V</u>	<u> Vorshi</u>	p Services						
3.	Which	Which worship service would you most likely attend?						
		8:30 am 11:00 am						
	Would y leo, mu	you be willing to assist with the services (worship le	eader, greeter, ushers, sound and					
		Yes No Maybe						
5. If yes, please specify how you are willing to assist?								
6. Do you prefer Sunday School before or after the worship service?								
		Before worship After worship						
7.	Would :	you prefer a Holy Grounds/breakfast or Holy Groun	ds/brunch (after worship service)?					
		Breakfast before worship Brunch after worship						

8. Please provide any additional comments or suggestions. (Can use space on back if needed)

1 Worship Service

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9. What time do you prefer for the worship service?
9:30 am 10:00 am 11:00 am
10. Would you be willing to assist with the services (worship leader, greeter, ushers, sound and video, music)?
Yes No Maybe
11. If yes, please specify how you are willing to assist?
12. Do you prefer Sunday School before or after the worship service?
Before worship After worship
13. Would you prefer a Holy Grounds/breakfast or Holy Grounds/brunch (after worship service)?
Breakfast before worship Brunch after worship
14. Please provide any additional comments or suggestions.



Millions of people are affected by mental illness each year.

Across the country, many people just like you work, perform, create, compete, laugh, love and inspire every day.

Are you

struggling

with any of

these

hunts,

hang-ups or

harmful habits?

Then

You

Next

C/R!

May ... Mental Health Awareness Month

Our mental health is an integral part of our overall health. Each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental illness. NAMI "Fast Facts" support why it is important not to stigmatize our mental health issues.

- 1 in 5 U.S. adults experience mental illness each year
- 1 in 20 U.S. adults experience serious mental illness each year
- 1 in 6 U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year

Adults Conditions:

- o Anxiety Disorders: 19.1% (estimated 48 million people)
- o Substance Use Problem: 11% (27.5 million people)
- o Major Depressive Episode: 7.8% (19.4 million people)
- o Posttraumatic Stress Disorder: 3.6% (9 million people)
- o Bipolar Disorder: 2.8% (7 million people)
- o Borderline Personality Disorder: 1.4% (3.5 million people)
- o Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder: 1.2% (3 million people)
- o Schizophrenia: <1% (1.5 million people)

Are you thinking, oh, this can't include me? Listen to what David wrote in Psalm 42

My tears have been my food day and night,

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?

My soul is downcast within me;

I say to God, my Rock, "Why have you forgotten me?

Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?"

My bones suffer mortal agony as my foes taunt me,

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?

Or read 1 King 19, where Elijah is so depressed he asks to die.

In *The Problem of Pain*, C.S. Lewis writes, "Mental pain is less dramatic than physical pain, but it is more common and more hard to bear. The frequent attempt to conceal mental pain increases the burden: it is easier to say "My tooth is aching" than to say, "My heart is broken."

When it feels like you are empty and alone, know that God is present. We are told that He draws need to us if we draw nearer to Him. He sees what we think no one sees.

Ok then, there is no need to try to mask our problems, is there!



Celebrate Recovery - Appomattox

Call us -- Cheryl Gowin 434-808-2637 or Dennis Gowin 434-808-2426 like CR-Appomattox on Facebook @celebrate.recovery.appomattox

Join us Tuesday at 6:30 as we find a New Direction in Life!



First Friday Game Night– May 6 - Legacy Hall @ 7pm

Come enjoy card games, board games, trivia..., whatever you would like to play or just come out to engage in conversation and fellowship.

As usual, bring a snack to share and we will provide coffee, tea, and water.

Fellowship Committee





Dear Pastor Norm and Congregation,

Many thanks to each of you for all you did to provide comfort and encouragement to our family at the loss of our mother, Rebecca Babcock Rosser. She loved you all, and she appreciated your kindness that was expressed in countless ways. It helps us in our grief to know that others care.

Blessings to all with love, Susan, Jesse, and Rick

Thank you to all of our Memorial United Methodist family with the passing of my dad, Ronnie Pickeral. Your cards, phone calls, and Christian love have been a blessing. Thank you for your support during this time and always.

Love, Gail, Bob, & Christopher Bruhnsen

COMMUNICATION is so important. We try in many ways to keep our church family informed of ministries and events at the church. IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING COMMUNICATIONS from the church, please contact Sue Eggleston at (434)664-7325

or <u>sueeggleston918@gmail.com</u>. We send <u>weekly</u> emails including the current bulletin information for the upcoming Sunday. We send <u>monthly</u> newsletters by postal mail and/or email. We send prayer requests regularly to those that ask to be on the prayer chain. We have a Facebook page. We also use a phone system to send out urgent or time-sensitive announcements. If you are NOT receiving these communications and would like to, call me! \o/





Let's update the Father's Day Video that we did in 2018. Check with me if you're not sure if I already have a picture from you. Otherwise, please send me a picture of your dad (preferably with you) and I will add it to the video I already have...captions like for moms. Pictures can be old or current.

Thank you for allowing us to collect your family photos for the new church directory which we will be putting together ourselves in the near future. If we haven't already gotten your picture, please send us a bust shot by texting it to me at (434)664-7325 or email to sueeggleston918@gmail.com by May 8. Also, you can grab Wendy, Debby, or me at church and we will snap your photo. Any questions, contact me at (434) 664-7325. We appreciate Wendy for giving leadership to this project!



Looking Ahead...



VBS will be the week of June 13the in the mornings. Helpers needed!

The United Methodist Men will be manning the grill for a 4th of July cookout in Legacy Hall!!







The Missions committee of Memorial United Methodist Church exists to reach out to the needy and to spread the gospel. Its main focus is to involve the congregation in Missions. If you are interested in finding out more information or giving ideas on missions opportunities, please contact Sue Waddell at 434-660-0367.



Allen Miller, Younglife Central Virginia Area Director Also Justin & Tori Rothgeb & the College Leaders

Chris & Paula McNutt, Hope of life, Guatemala

Steve & Cami Mathers, Stepping Forward Ministries, Romania

Emi Monges, Ambassidors for Christ, Paraguay

MISSION PROJECT
Friends of Barnabas
Please continue to help us reach
our \$2000 goal for the village of
El Coliche in Honduras.



The Mission Committee is asking for continued support of Mac's Kitchen. The boxes for food will remain in the Narthex and outside the church office.

Food will be delivered to Mac's Kitchen the third Sunday of every month.

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

Cereal

Canned tuna or chicken

Mac and cheese

Canned vegetables and fruit

Peanut butter

Jelly

Juice

Instant mashed potatoes

Canned beans

Spaghetti noodles or another kind of pasta

Rice

Canned ravioli

Canned chili



Pray for the upcoming summer camps: for kids to come, hearts to be open to the Gospel, safety in travel and during camp activities and most of all for God to be alorified.





Continued prayers for Sandy Creek Baptist Church in Amelia and the family of their pastor, Tom Campbell, who was killed in a motorcycle accident.

Bobby & Sue Waddell

Lindsay Walker Webb (from Nancy Dawson) - mother of 3 diagnosed with breast cancer

Betty Easter (Pam Evan's mother) - in hospital rehab

Linda Taylor (friend of JoAnn & Bill Burger) - in hospice care

Myrt & Manning Harrell – she is at home for a long recovery

Tina Arrighi, Lynchburg Health & Rehab center, Rm. 40A, 5615 Seminole Ave, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Sue Woodruff (Janet Noble's daughter) - pray for a full recovery

Linda Yulla (from Gail Bruhnsen) in hospital with a brain bleed & heart attack

Kelly Coles & family -her brother Brandon is ill.

Kevin Young (from Kelly Coles) - young man having serious issues with blood clots

Pamela Mayberry (Andy Coles; grandmother) - ill with Covid

Mike & Susan Blankenship, recovery from surgery

Martha Eagle, recovery from surgery

Mary Walker - taking cancer treatment

Alan Gregory, (pastor of Appomattox Baptist Temple) - serious health issues

Chris Taylor (Wendy Boswell's cousin) – for a full recovery from brain surgery

Trish Knoche (Becky Henderson's sister) - health issues

Bethany Nadolson, targeted cancer treatments

Chuck Nepage, 945 Reddy Spring Rd, Spout Spring, VA 24593

Susan Mankad (friend of Dickersons), young mother, cancer

Judy Ferguson & family (Dawn Elliott's aunt)

Greg Knight (Francis Knight's son)

Frances Parsons (Bob Parsons' mother)

Robin Parsons (Parsons' daughter) cancer

Doug Doss Jr. (Melissa Doss' father)

Patricia Wallace (Melissa Doss' aunt)

Timothy Lloyd (Skeeter & Betty's Grandson)

Carrie B. Llovd (Rick & Mindy Blake's daughter)

Francis Knight
Sharee Whitmer
Danny Dickerson
Karen Ramsey
Carolyn & Tom Jolly
Cassidy Richardson

Phil Bass





Pray for our College Students

Please send prayer requests and praises for 2022 to our account PrayerChainMUMC@yahoo.com. Our chairpersons, Nathan and Brenda Putney, are monitoring this email account and contacting prayer support as needed. You may also call the church office at 434-352-5705 with prayer concerns.

Continuing Concerns:

Rich Leathery

Kathy Woodall, Dominion Village @ Poquoson, c/o Kathy Woodall, Rm. #17, 531 Wythe Creek Rd., Poquoson, VA 23662

Cheryl Skipper, on Hospice, 193 Parkview Lane, Appomattox, VA 24522

Ruth Smith, The Summit, Room 119, 1400 Enterprise Drive, Lynchburg, Virginia 24502

Estaline McCraw- c/o Ann Smith 4132 Suck Mountain Trail, Bedford, VA 24523 (at Babcock Manor)

Mary Martin, Appomattox Healthcare Center, Room 5, 235 Evergreen Ave., Appomattox, VA 24522

Daphne Jackson, Runk & Pratt, 208 Grist Mill Drive, Forest, VA 24551

Frances Rogers, Karolwood Gardens, 1503 Michaels Road, Henrico, VA 23229 (name of facility changed)

Sara Baine, 160 Virginia Ave., Appomattox, VA 24522

Manning & Myrt Harrell, 78 Woodline Dr., Concord, VA 24538

Anna Johnson, 276N Main St., Amherst, VA 24521

United Methodist Church, All Bishops and Conference Leaders, Va. Conference Bishop Sharma Lewis,

District Superintendent Jay Carey, Pastor Norman & MUMC Leaders, Youth United, MUMC

College Students, Members of our Armed Services stationed overseas and here at home, Police Force &

Special Agencies, President Biden, World leaders, The United States of America, All refugees

Pray for the life and freedom of the people in Shanghai under the lockdown.

Pray for peace in Ukraine and for the people there and the refugees.

the Creek Rd.,

Pray for Pastor
Norman and Doug
Webb as they attend

Jeannie White's son Chris Epperson is a Captain in the US Army National guard and is on deployment in Iraq.

Annual Conference

June 16-18.

From Jeannie: "Received a letter from Chris today wanted to thank my Memorial Methodist church family for your continued prayers and share Chris's address."

C. Epperson C. Ram Unit 6060 Box 1000 DPO AE 09870





A high priest who meets our need.

Now that we know what we have—Jesus, this great High Priest with ready access to God—let's not let it slip through our fingers. We don't have a priest who is out of touch with our reality. He's been through weakness and testing, experienced it all—all but the sin. So let's walk right up to him and get what he is so ready to give. Take the mercy, accept the help. Hebrews 4:14-16 (The Message)

We are encouraged to come boldly to the throne in prayer expecting to receive what we need. Join with us in prayer in the sanctuary at 7:00pm on Mondays, May 2nd, 16th, and 30th.

Send prayer requests to <u>prayerchainMUMC@yahoo.com</u>. We have over 100 people who will lift your needs to the Lord.







Pray for peace in Europe. Pray for the refugees and those families separated by the war in Ukraine. Pray for those who've lost loved ones.

Our Prayer Ushers

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Prayer Chain Email	prayerchainmumc@yahoo.com	







JANET,

Happy Birthday!

On this special day, we celebrate how blessed the world became when God gave us you.





5/1 Chris Dillon
5/8 Tori Rothgeb
5/15 Joe Davis
5/22 Sam Morton
5/29 Chris Dillon



5/1 Kathy Dickerson 5/8 Mitch Eggleston 5/15 Blair Smith 5/22 Debby Long 5/29 Tori Rothgeb



5/1 Sam Morton 5/8 Betsy/Lexi Ranson 5/15 Kaylee Garrison 5/22 Melanie Reel 5/29 Beth Frady





5/1 Joe Davis 5/8 Kathy Dickerson 5/15 Joe Davis 5/22 Kathy Dickerson 5/29 Joe Davis



5/1 Mitch & Sue Eggleston
5/8 Dennis & Cheryl Gowin
5/15 Sheila Webb & Joan Holt
5/22 Marie Milton & Casey Vandegrift
5/29 Richard & Debby Long



3 May Skeeter Armstrong 4 May LeeAnn Robinson
4 May Becky Henderson
7 May Dow Mongold
7 May Jack Johnson
8 May Megan Drinkard
8 May Harper Scott
9 MayLisa Smith
11 May Joy Bagby
11 May Estaline McCraw
12 May Courtney Thompson
14 May Eleanor Dolan
Kevin Mongold
17 May Susan Book
17 May Grace Carter
18 May Janet Noble
20 May Carrie Lewis
25 May Braylon Rothgeb
Mary Turner
26 May David Harris
27 May Poppy McDowell
28 May Ryan Weakley
30 May Tom Hall
31 May Connor Elliott
Howlett Hunter



2 MayJason & Nicole Smith
2 May.......Tina and Chris Blondek
22 May......David and Shannah Wilbun
22 May......Harry & Jeannie White
27 May......Penny & Dow Mongold



Main Entrance Legacy Hall Entrance **Marie Milton** 5/1 **Debby & Richard Long** Marie & Ken Milron 5/8 **Debby Long Debby Long** 5/15 Cindy & Ronnie Ranson Wendy & Henry Boswell 5/22 **Debby Long** 5/29 Joan & Bob Holt **Debby Long**



Saturday	L	14 9:30 AM Coffee & Conversation Legacy Hall	21	288	
Friday	7:00 PM – First Friday Game Night, Legacy Hall	13	20	27	
Thursday	8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, LH 12:00 Noon – National Day of Prayer service at Victory Baptist, Light lunch to follow.	12 8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, LH	19 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 8:30-9:30 AM - Exercise Class, LH	26 8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, LH	
Wednesday	5:30 PM – Handbell Practice 6:30 PM – Choir Practice 7:30 PM – P & G Committee Meeting	5:30 PM – Handbell Practice 6:30 PM – Choir Practice 7:30 PM – Worship Committee Meeting	5:30 PM – Handbell Practice 6:30 PM – Choir Practice 7:30 PM – Church Council	9:00 AM – Newsletter Mailing Team 5:30 PM – Handbell Practice 6:30 PM – Choir Practice 5:00-7:00 PM – UMM Pancake Supper – All are invited!!	
Tuesday	8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall 9:30-11:00 AM – Church Office Staff Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery	8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall 9:30-11:00 AM – Church Office Staff Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery	17 8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, LH 9:30-11:00 AM – Church Office Meeting 10:00 AM – Methodist Day Care Graduation 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery	8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall 11:00 AM – Church Office Staff Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery	8:30-9:30 AM – Exercise Class, Legacy Hall 11:00 AM – Church Office Staff Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM – Celebrate Recovery
Monday	6:30-8:00 PM - Basketball, Legacy Hall 7:00 PM - Prayer Time, Sanctuary	9 6:30 PM - Basketball, Legacy Hall	16 6:30 PM - Basketball, Legacy Hall 7:00 PM - Prayer Time, Sanctuary	5:30-8:00 PM - Basketball Legacy Hall	30 MEMORIAL DAY Church Office Closed 6:30 PM – Basketball, LH 7:00 PM – Prayer Time, Sanctuary
Sunday	9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary 10:30 AM – Sunday School 4-6 PM – Youth United	9:30 AM - Worship, Sanctuary 10:30 AM - Sunday School	9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary 10:30 AM – Sunday School 4-6 PM – Youth United	9:30 AM – Morning Worship Graduate Recognition Sunday 10:30 AM – Sunday School 4-6 PM – Youth United "End of School-year Event Congratulations Graduates	9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary 10:30 AM – Sunday School



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Come Worship with Us...

9:30 AM - Worship Service in the Sanctuary Also Online service at MEMUMC.ORG/FB 10:30 AM - Sunday School for all ages

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