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May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 – 9 & 11 am

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

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Rick Schilling, Pastor

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** THE WORD “WORSHIP” COMES FROM THE OLD ENGLISH WORD FOR “WORTHY.” WHEN WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD, WE ARE DECLARING THAT GOD ALONE IS “WORTHY” OF OUR LIVES AND OUR PRAISE.

## GATHERING OF THE CONGREGATION TO WORSHIP

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Announcements**

**Prelude**

*“The Holy City”*

Mike Murphy - Trombone

## OFFERING OUR PRAISE AND PRAYERS

**^Greeting/Call to Worship**

(Based on Psalm 30)

Kathey Hollifield

O Lord our God, we praise you.

**We cried out to you for help, and you answered us.**

You have restored our lives;

**you have rescued us from the grave.**

**^Opening Hymn**

*“My Jesus, I Love Thee”*

UMH 172

**^Opening Prayer / Passing of Peace**

Kathey Hollifield

Let us lift our voices in prayer to our God who never abandons us...

**Living Lord, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. Feed us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may follow you this day, and always. Amen.**

...and may the peace of Christ be with you now.

**And also with you.**

## PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD’S WORD

**Children’s Message**

Sharon Drum

(Following the children’s message, parents of small children may choose to escort their little ones to our church nursery: our nursery volunteers will meet you in the welcome center just outside the sanctuary.)

Special Music

*"Feed My Lambs"*

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

John 21:1-19

NRSV

Proclamation of the Word

*"The Other Side"*

Rev. Rick Schilling

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD AND HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Prayer and Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Preparation/Celebration of Holy Communion

^Closing Hymn

*"Here I Am, Lord"*

UMH 593

Benediction/Benediction Music *"Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World" (2239)*

Chancel Choir

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^If able, Please Stand

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**IF YOU'RE NEW HERE . . . WELCOME!** We're glad you could join us, whether you're new to the community, new to our church, or if you might be new to this whole "church" thing altogether. We hope you won't be nervous. It doesn't matter who you are, what you've done, what you're wearing, what you believe, or what you don't believe – you are welcome here. You are among friends, and we hope you feel at home in this place of grace.

## MAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY** – The Missions Committee is sponsoring a Wonderful Wednesday Fellowship Meal on May 18 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The menu is To Be Announced.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP! - SPRING WORKDAY at SPUMC - MAY 21st at 9:00AM** - We really need your help in trying to spruce up the church grounds! Weed removal, bush trimming & general clean up will be the primary areas addressed. If you think of something on the inside we can look at that too. Please bring your own tools. Contact any of the Trustees with questions. Thank you in advance. Don Abele - Trustees

**SPUMC BOOK CLUB** – The title of the book being read for May is "Southernmost" by Silas House. The book for June is "The Last Thing He Told Me" by Laura Dave. Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month at 10 am in the parlor.

**PEW PADS ARE BACK** – Simply fill them out and pass them from the inside to the outside and back. They will be collected after each service!

**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND** - Our Church has been most generous to our fund for helping needy people with energy bills, food, and housing. The needs are increasing just now (especially with the recent cold weather), please consider supporting this fund, people are in crisis. Our church is known as a Congregation who cares, we know you will do your part.

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GIVING** - We have 4 ways in which you can respond to God through your financial giving:

1. During the in-person worship services. We have our offering plates in the Narthex - as you enter and leave the sanctuary.
2. U.S. Mail. You can send the church your offerings by mailing them to Spruce Pine UMC, 11090 Hwy 226S, Spruce Pine NC 28777.
3. You can drop off your offerings during church business hours, which are Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

4. Online. Go to [www.sprucepineumc.org](http://www.sprucepineumc.org). Click on the "Give" tab, then on the "Donate Now" button that pops up.

Thank you for being faithful in your giving to the ministries of Spruce Pine UMC. We remain committed to being the "Beacon on the Hill" for Spruce Pine, Mitchell County, and beyond.

**SPUMC SUNDAY MORNING ONLINE CONNECTION** – is available three ways:

1. Go to [www.sprucepineumc.org](http://www.sprucepineumc.org), then click *Online Connection*. You can then load it from there on Sundays.
2. On Facebook can look up Spruce Pine United Methodist Church (or Rick Schilling) and follow the link.
3. The email you get with the bulletin each week has a link to click on as well to get the content.

**CONTACT PERSON** – Danna Gibson is the contact person for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022 and may be called when someone needs food, transportation, etc. Danna's # is 467-5544.

**SONS OF THE SON & BRIDGE OF HOPE HOMELESS MINISTRY** - Needs: coats, gloves, hats, socks, blankets, sleeping bags, tarps, food, toiletries, and your prayers. Thank you & God Bless, Phil White

**WE INVITE EACH FAMILY TO BRING AT LEAST ONE CAN OF FOOD EACH WEEK** for the Shepherd's Staff food assistance ministry. There is a box in the Welcome Center...let's fill it each week! Please check the "Best Used Before" date on the items you donate and make sure it is more than 30 days before expiration. Thank you.

**CHANGE OFFERING** – The change offering container is now located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. Change can be brought by the church during office hours. This month change offerings go to Kairos & M-Y Habitat.

### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP SCHEDULE:

(If you are unable to serve on the date scheduled, please exchange dates with someone and let the church office know.)

DATE	LECTOR	CHILDREN'S TIME	GREETERS	NURSERY	PRESCHOOL
5/8/22	Janet Ouzts	Tracy Carroll	Lloyd & Nelle Glenn	<i>Pending Full Return</i>	<i>Pending Full Return</i>
5/15/22	Beverly Greene	Bruce Ikard	Tom & Eva Jobin	<i>Pending Full Return</i>	<i>Pending Full Return</i>
5/22/22	Matt Miller	Sharon Drum	Glen & Jane DeVos	<i>Pending Full Return</i>	<i>Pending Full Return</i>
5/29/22	Tracy Deyton	Chelsea Thayer	Stan & Lisa Cook	<i>Pending Full Return</i>	<i>Pending Full Return</i>

### REGULAR MEETINGS

GROUP	DAYS	LOCATION	CONTACT
Blue Ridge Bridge Club	Mondays, 9:30 am	Fellowship Hall	Ed Banta
SPUMC Book Club	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 10 am	Parlor	Margarett McGraw
UMW Nightingale Circle	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday - 3 pm	Welcome Center	Sharon Drum
Care and Fellowship	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 10 am	Fellowship Hall	Danna Gibson
Choir Practice	Wednesdays - 6:00 pm	Sanctuary	Kathey Hollifield
Small Group Study	Thursdays - 6:30 pm	287 Longview Dr. Bakersville	Andy Palmer

## OUR COMMUNITY COVENANT

*When a person becomes a professing member of the body of Christ at Spruce Pine United Methodist Church, he or she covenants to participate faithfully in the ministries of the congregation and in life in the world by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness.*

**THANKS, PRAISES & CELEBRATIONS** – to all who contributed to UMCOR (Ukraine Advance); Patch Hailey, age 3, Keziah Nance's birthday buddy (in remission)

**GENERAL PRAYERS:** For all who do not know the love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord; for the well-being of our community; for local, state, national, and world leaders; all who have COVID and those who are recovering

**SUSTAINING PRAYERS:** Our homebound members (*Shirley McManus*); Brian Center & Mitchell House Residents, Staff, and Families; June Wilson; for those in addiction: for recovery and sobriety in 2022; *Sandra Woodard*; *Tim Hollifield*; Wayne Lemzoni; Jacquelyn Taylor; Faye Vickers family; Susan Hoeg, Virginia, Charlie & William; those with mental health issues; Hannah Blanton; Mike Lewis; Ron & Linda Cromarty; Dori Ann; Lynda Briggs; Myra Haberneck Strebe; Ann Butler & family; Andy Grindstaff; Bob Cook; Jaden Pernell; Kenneth Huskins; Doris Deyton (health); Shane Heath (isolated & lonely); Hal Harrison; James Thomas; *Lucy Murphy*; Jessie Wray; Anna Chambers (*Jack Chandler's Cousin* – spinal and leg problems); Robert McKenzie; Martha Johnson; Joyce (*Martha Long's sister*); Susan Wilson (Hospice); Officer Breanna Toney; Jennifer Miller; Jane Waggoner, Jennie Johnston, Kris Butterwek; Alexis (medical issues); *Jack Chandler*

**FOR THOSE WHO MOURN:** the family of Lawrence DeVos (Glen's dad); the family of Wendell Young (*Sam Young's father*); the family of *Kathryn Beatty*; Elaine Aldrige and the family of Rick Aldrige; the family of Lynda Kaye (*Kathey's sister*); the family of James Buchanan; the family of Emma Lee Wilson; *the family of Ed Saunders*

**FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR/RECOVERING FROM TESTS OR SURGERY:** Wayne Hoilman; Ozzie Hernandez; Mary Woodfrey (hip); Patti Morgan; Dean (Judy's cousin, transplants); Catherine Andre (hip replacement); Tommy Phillips, (*Starli McDowell's* dad); Judy Broadway (recovery); *Randy Hembree – (recovery); Barbara Henline (back home); Jim Sockwell; Lisa Cook (recovery); Ginny Downs (surgical recovery);* Ursula Chandler (awaiting surgery)

**FOR THOSE WITH CANCER:** Holly (brain tumor); Ava Hollifield; Janet Ward Slaughter; Gloria Smith (lung); Danny Gortney; Erin (brain cancer); Todd Fleenor; Lawrence Glenn; Raymond Mayberry; Jeff Kaplan (leukemia); Shirl Phillips (melanoma); Lee - Susan Davis' brother (prostate); Wayne Ledford & Billy Ledford; Caleb Watson (8 y/o with cancer); *Norma Smith's sister in law*; Tessie Miller – Leukemia; Johnny Pendley – (Multiple Myeloma); James Acuff (chemo); Wilson (stage 4 ovarian cancer); Ann Kernahan; Vicky Blalock (Lila's niece); Peggy Grantham (Phil White's Mother in Law - bladder cancer); Jackie Cook; Tommy Collis; James Ouzts; Rick Phillips; Barbara Stovall (*Frank Baskin's* sister – Stroke); Shirley Borgeson (melanoma); Bailey Yearout (21 year old with stage 4 cancer); Richard Brewer (brother in law to *Wanda Henline*, hospice care)

**FOR THOSE LIVING WITH PAIN, ILLNESS OR INJURY:** Wanda McClellan (lupus); Mary Kay Thompkins (MS); Sandra Glenn; Louise Weeks (rehab); Keith Renfro (accident); Ann Butler; Josh (muscular dystrophy); Erin Haberneck Halpaine (health); Charlene Phillips (COVID); Charles Sproles (heart); Joyce Alvarez (recovery from broken hip); Wendy Beaver (knee); Louise Merkel (fall, broken ankle); Bill Smith (*Norma Smith's son & her Sister-in-Law*); *Ken Lentz & Bill Dailey* (Sciatic Nerve Inflammation); Shirley Edwards (fall)

**FOR SURVIVORS OF INJUSTICE, DISASTER, OR TRAGEDY:** Survivors of sexual abuse/harassment; Survivors of child abuse; Separated children & families; Victims of human trafficking; people of Venezuela; solutions to gun violence; for those suffering due to coronavirus; for workers and business owners who are hurting now; people of Cuba; Earthquake victims in Haiti; the people of Afghanistan; flood victims of Haywood County; flood victims of Waverly, TN; victims of Hurricane Ida; Tornado victims in Kentucky, People of Ukraine

**FOR AREA CHURCHES & MINISTRIES:** Toe Valley UMC Charge (Mt. Zion - Pine Grove); Bakersville UMC, Red Hill-Deyton Bend UMC; The Newdale UMC Charge (Celo-Martin's Chapel-Windham); SPUMC (Pastor, Staff & Members); M-Y Parish Food Bank; Lamplighters Children, Families and Staff; Shepherd's Staff; Peter Constantian

**FOR THOSE TRAVELING, ON MISSION, OR IN THE MILITARY:** Lindsey Potter (Army National Guard); Josh Swindler (Navy); Karen (Istanbul); Ben Potter (Army); Jeff Kaplan (*Tim Hollifield's* brother in law, Budapest Hungary)

*We want to join with you in prayer for your concerns and needs. Simply contact Pastor Rick or the church office and tell us about your prayer concern. Please submit names to the church office by Thursday morning to be included on the weekly list.*

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK			
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Rev. David Misicka		6 <sup>th</sup> – Harper Drum	7 <sup>th</sup> – Stephen J. McKinney
<b>PRESENCE:</b>		<b>Sunday, April 24, 2022</b>	<b>Attendance: 9 am - 31, 11 – 42 = 73</b>
<b>GIFTS</b>	<b>April 24, 2022</b>	General Fund – \$3,790.00	2022 Weekly Budget Need - \$5,132.00
		Year to Date - \$75,384.74	YTD Budget Need - \$87,244.00
		Change Offering – \$94.20 – Spring Mission Trip	Shepherd's Staff Food - 31

**SERVICE:** Thanks to those who are serving in special ways throughout the past week and today ...

Lector: Kathey Hollifield      Greeters: Margaret McGraw & Freddy Jones      Children's Time: Sharon Drum  
Prelude: Mike Murphy & Kathy Miller      Special Music: SPUMC Choir

**WITNESS:** EASTER IS A 50-DAY SEASON KNOWN AS EASTERTIDE. IT BEGINS ON EASTER MORNING AND ENDS ON PENTECOST SUNDAY, THE DAY WE REMEMBER THE GIVING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH. IN ADDITION, ON THE 40<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF EASTERTIDE, WE REMEMBER AND CELEBRATE JESUS' ASCENSION. EASTERTIDE REMINDS US THAT DEATH ISN'T THE END, BUT A NEW BEGINNING. LET'S ALLOW GOD TO BRING NEW LIFE TO US THIS EASTERTIDE (AND BEYOND) IN EVERY AREA OF OUR LIVES AND LEAD US TO PLACES AND PEOPLE WHO NEED GOD'S LOVE TO TRANSFORM THEIR LIVES. HE IS RISEN, INDEED!

**\*\*Next Week's Scriptures – May 8, 2022\*\***

Acts 9:36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17, John 10:22-30