Bookwalter United Methodist Church

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April 13, 2018
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Ministry to God through prayer and worship.

Ministry to one another through caring discipleship.

Ministry to others by meeting needs and winning them to Christ.

Yesterday I was invited to tour the Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus by one of the judges from my wife's job. He is a parishioner there and was excited to show me their new building off Northshore. I have to say it was pretty impressive. When I was thanking him for the invitation, I told him I was a fan of elaborate architecture, symmetry and symbolism. He responded "This should do you for a while then."

This is not necessarily the type of church I would want to serve, but I can still appreciate it. It is the very definition of "High" church and I am more of "Medium" church kind of pastor. Still, it was nothing short of breath taking. I was especially fond of the special meaning things were given. The narthex was not just a little extra room. It is a "place of transition from the outside world into the sacred space of the sanctuary." Christian symbols were everywhere and just about anything that could be counted was assigned a numerical meaning. The result is a place where one could find something to ponder or meditate upon anywhere they looked.

I am always disappointed by Protestants who harbor ill will toward the Catholic Church. Some even imply they are not Christian. While I obviously do not agree with all their beliefs, they were the only church for about 1500 years until the Protestant Reformation. They are thus an integral part of our own church history. I

would encourage anyone to visit and see this cathedral in person. *Steve*

Rusty Boggs, Pianist

Wednesday evening activities, 6:30 p.m. for children, youth and adults.

Finance Team will meet on Thursday, 19th, 7:00 p.m.

Keenagers monthly meeting will be on April 24, 10:30 a.m. The program will be Fredda Valentine Temples, and Lollie Holbert will have devotions. Call reservations or cancellations to Nancy Dickerson, 689-8126, by Thursday, April 19th. It is always a joy to have Fredda as our program. Invite someone to come with you. Remember to bring non-perishable food items for Emerald Avenue Food Pantry.

Holston Home – Please pray for the ministry of Holston Home for Children, and be prepared to give generously on **Sunday**, **April 29**th.

New Ministry - How do you understand grief when your heart is broken by death or other loss, such as divorce or job loss? If you are grieving, please join us on the journey through grief in a Beyond the Broken Heart support group to share the loneliness of your grief. Spiritual wisdom will be used to explore the spiritual issues of grief and offer encouragement for a life of renewed hope and joy. The group will also offer some specific coping strategies to guide the way back to fullness of life.

The group will be limited to 12 people. The group will meet for 90 minutes each week for 10 weeks. The first meeting will be on April 22, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There are required participant books available. The cost of the book is \$10.00, however, if there is a financial need regarding the cost, please speak to Pat Newman. Please register in advance of April 22 by one of the following ways:

email: btbh.bumc@gmail.com, or

phone: 865-394-3295.

Please leave your name, telephone number, email address, and indicate if Sunday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. will be good time for you to meet.

If you are not in need of a grief group, please be in prayer for this new ministry at Bookwalter UMC.

Women's Spring Consignment Sale, Thursday, May 3rd - Saturday, May 5th, 2:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the United Methodist Women's Mission Projects.

Our Service

April 15, 2018 **3rd Sunday of Easter**

Acolytes Emily Laws, Ella Wilhoit
Nursery Rose Baker
Ushers Peyton Allen, Ed Bryson,
Pam Ferguson, Ray Mills

Plan to join us for worship on Sunday, April 15th as we worship the Lord. Scripture will be Mark 11:12-25 and the sermon is "NO FOR AN ANSWER."

Our Presence and Our Gifts

April 8, 2018

Morning Worship 75
Sunday School 48
Budget Offering \$4,093.00
Roof \$40.00

Prayer List:

Eddie Cox Leroy Cox - cancer Joe Hurst Phyllis Maples, Joyce Rasar's sister Tommy Stanberry

Continuing Care:

Shirrell Baker, Joe Broom, Kermit & Betty Campbell, Samantha Collier, Sarah Hawkins, Joan Leslie Hickman, Margie Johnson, Lynn Mashburn, Jama Newman, Jean Painter, Roy Skeen, Ann Turner, Betty Uhlman, Carolyn & Sue Wilson, Joanne Wilson.