

The Steeple: April 2024

Prayer Requests

Lois Stephens
Minnie Coates
Nancy Stephens
Tony Barron
Jay Rice
Alice Cox
Hazel Quinn
Angie Conner
Jeanette Lamar
Wells Womack
Myron Shiers
Sue Etheridge
Jimmy Meggs
Lainey Mahan

Please help us pray for those on the prayer list, and for our congregation, local, state, and federal governments, US military their families, and our church staff and leadership.

April Birthdays

04/01 Barbara Barker
04/03 Mike Spiller
04/09 Lisa Bonds
04/30 Randy Smith

Pastor's Letter:

Dear TMC Family and Friends,

WOW! March was a busy month! We finished up our "Altar'd" series and study for Lent (how did those spiritual disciplines go?). We had a wonderful time of worship during Holy Week. We partnered again with Coaling Methodist for Holy Thursday. Good Friday was a special and somber time in the Tenebrae (shadows) Service. Holy Saturday we welcomed community families to our annual Easter Egg Hunt. And, of course, Easter Sunday we worshiped our Risen Savior Jesus Christ! We also welcomed Tom and Jane McGraw into full membership!

We want to say a special and loud THANK YOU to all our staff and church leaders who made this season go. From planning and executing special services to using gifts of creativity to put on spectacular fellowship events - we are so very blessed with your motivation, expertise, and willingness to show up with your God-given talents.

Looking ahead, we are excited about Eastertide. Did you know that, like Christmas, Easter isn't just one day but a whole season? Yes - we get to stay in this time for 50 days leading up to Pentecost. During Eastertide, we will be diving into 1 John, a beautiful epistle that is as practical as it is theological. We encourage you to read through this book multiple times during the next few weeks.

As we consider living into our identity as people of Life and Light because of Christ's Resurrection, who will you invite into Christian community? Remember, everything we do is steeped in relationship (no ding dong ditch allowed!). Who has the Lord placed in your life to be in community with, to share a meal with, to invite to your groups, Sunday Schools, and worship services? Who needs to hear the Good News from you today?

We can't wait to see what Jesus can and will do with us as we stay in deep prayer to be on mission for Him!

Never hesitate to call, text, or email us. Our contact information is readily available if you haven't gotten it yet. As always, remember that your pastors are available to meet, eat, talk, and pray with you! Just let us know!

Grace and Peace,
Pastors Sarah and Taylor Goodwin

TMC Quilting

Taylorville Methodist Church Quilters will meet on April 6th and April 20th at 9AM. If you would like more information contact Peggy Snider at 547-707-5743.

Altar Flowers

If anyone would like to place a flower arrangement on the altar "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone special contact Regina Noland at 205.242.7485. We have Holy Communion the first Sunday of every month, no alter flowers that Sunday.

Memorial Gifts

Memorial gifts were given in memory of Joe Pete Hayes by Terry and Delores Smith, Kay LuQuire, L.G. Robinson, Grady and Glenda Richardson, Roger and Janet Wunningham, Hamner Real Estate, Blanche Gumprecht, Mr. and Mrs. P.L. Spiller Jr., Hall-Taylor Construction Company, Nancy Stephens, DeAlva Blocker, Gerald and Sheila Allen, Russel S. Lee Flooring America, and Amelia Hinton Carroll.

Memorial gifts were given in memory of Sue Etheridge son, Craig Etheridge by Kay LuQuire, Blanche Gumprecht, DeAlva Blocker, Nancy Stephens, and Gene Barron.

Taylorville Methodist Woman

Taylorville Methodist Women continued discussion of Shoebox Ministry Project. They will include the church congregation for this big project, more details coming soon. The women delivered Easter Treats to the shut-ins. The program for April will be Mr. Cole, Business Manger, for Freedom Farms, a safe place for abused or neglected children in Coker, Alabama. This meeting is opened to everyone. Please come and hear Mr Cole. The meeting is on April 22, 2024 at 10Am. The program for March was given by Joan Hannah on Red Sea Rules. Prayer Shawls, quilts, and octopi were blessed and distributed to Hospice of West Alabama and Northport DCH NICU. If you would like more information about TMW please contact Joan Hannah at 205-242-4444.

Thank You

Taylorville Methodist Church Appreciates You!

Susan Jacobs for weeding the shrubs and cleaning the floors in Ed Allen's Sunday school room.

Mike and Connie Spiller for the entry ferns to the door outside the gym and the office., putting the fence back up, and cleaning the bushes by the playground. Diane Allen and Susan Jacobs for staining the edge of the stage in The Grove. Buster and Kathy McMillan for putting up the table and chairs in the gym, Donna Bowman for decorating the tables, and Joan Hannah for organizing the food for Joe Pete Hayes' family meal.

Candice and Taylor Burge for ALL the hard work decorating, organizing, and putting on the Community Easter Egg Hunt.

Mike Gray, Joan Hannah, and Frank and Judy Evans for organizing the Easter Brunch.

Austin Smith for changing the sign by the road.

Church News

Congratulations Brooke Mathewson for being named an outstanding Student at Hillcrest High School. Way to go, Brooke!

The Good Shepherd Church will be staying in our classrooms and gym this month. They will be arriving on April 21st and departing on April 27th. While staying at the church, they will be working with Habitat for Humanities.

April Calendar of Events

04/06	9AM	TMC Quilters
04/20	9AM	TMC Quilters
04/21	6PM	The Good Shepherd Church Arriving
04/22	10AM	TMW
04/27	8AM	The Good Shepherd Church Departing

Weekly Activities

Sunday

9:00 AM Contemporary Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service

Wednesday

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Online Giving

It's now possible to set up your giving online! Simply go to <https://taylorville-umc.churchcenter.com/giving>, select whether you want to give a one-time gift or a recurring donation, enter the info, and click submit.

February Average Attendance

In-Person- 61
Online - 6

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