



Smoky Mountain Global Methodist Church



From the Pastor

Reverend Parker Benson

Spring is a wonderful time when we celebrate new life and the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord. It is Easter and the time when we remember His empty tomb and marvel at His appearance to Mary and the others on that first Easter morn. Christ is our risen Savior, the “first fruits” of those who died and rose again.

To many people Easter is an unbelievable event: “How can one rise from the dead?” But I would ask, “How can one be alive in the first place?” All of life is a miracle.

Do you realize that you were once the size of a period on this piece of paper? That’s right, you used to be this size ·. If you were twins you looked like this : . 😊 Embryologists tell us that a zygote, which is no more than a fertilized egg, is the size of a · on a sheet of paper. That is how your life began, and nine months later you came out of your mother’s body a bouncing little baby with 10 little fingers, 10 little toes.

You had arms and legs and eyes and ears and a brain. And those eyes, oh, what marvelous creations. They could see things and track movements and sense emotions and help you understand things. And in those 9 months of going from a · to a bouncing little baby, all your internal organs developed as well: a heart, lungs, liver, pancreas, kidneys, stomach, large and small intestines, yadda, yadda, yadda, and a circulatory system, a pulmonary system, a digestive system, an immune system, and they all worked perfectly and performed their own specific function. For example, your little heart was pumping blood at around an amazing 100 beats per minute - what a fine little motor you had. Some motors are good for three years or 36,000 miles, but yours is good for 50, 60, or even 70, 80, or 90 years. And just think in 9 months this little · became you, and today that little · is reading this newsletter!

“Oh, that’s crazy, “some might say. “I don’t believe it.”

I can tell you some more amazing things. How is it that I can put a kernel of corn in the ground and in a few days a little green sprout will appear above the ground. And in a few weeks a small plant and soon a large plant with its own ears of corn consisting of 100 kernels or more and if I plant them, they will grow too! How in the world does that happen? The Bible says we can plant and water, but God makes things grow. Why doesn't the corn grow while lying on my work bench or sitting in the seed packet? How does the corn know it's time to start growing? How does the corn even know it's in the ground for crying out loud?

Easter celebrates new life; the new life of our risen Savior Jesus Christ and the new life we have in Him. It is an amazing truth but no more amazing than the truths we experience every day.

God bless you in Christ,

Parker 😊



SMGMC Women's Luncheon

Sunday March 17th @ 12:30 pm

**Eagle Rock Retreat Center
7143 Flats Road
Tallasse, TN**

Cost: \$12. per lady luck

GAMES, FELLOWSHIP & FOOD!

Call Debbie Cummings for questions or info:

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**Sign Up Sheets
in HHS Lobby
12:30-2:00 pm**



Saint Patrick, who lived during the fifth century, is the patron saint of Ireland and its national apostle. Born in Roman Britain, he was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave at 16. He later escaped, but returned to Ireland and was credited with bringing Christianity to its people.

The most well-known legend of **St. Patrick** is that he explained the **Holy Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)** using the three leaves of a native **Irish Clover**, the **Shamrock**.



March Birthdays

- 2 Richard Kintner**
- 4 Lark McGee**
- 6 Gene Weber**
- 12 Sandy Lybrand**
- 13 Kathryn Lord**
- 14 Ron Faircloth**
- 17 Cathy Kresica**



44 Prophecies Fulfilled by Jesus

#8 Heir to King David's Throne

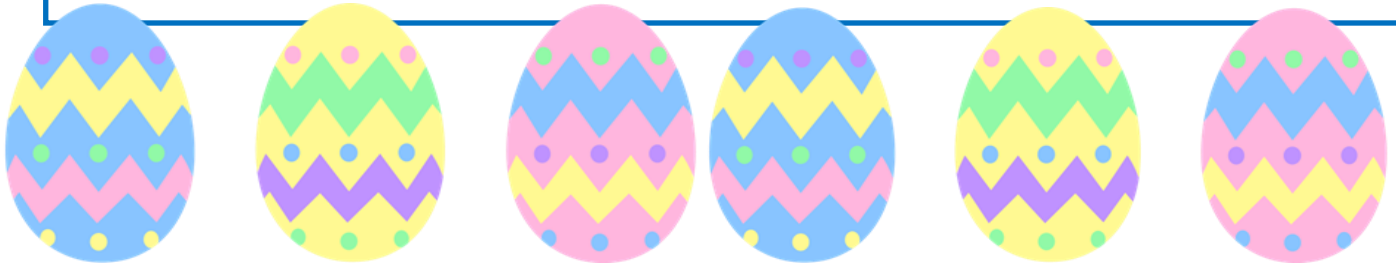
OT 2 Samuel 7:12-13

NT Luke 1:32-33

#9 Anointed and Eternal Throne

OT Psalm 45:6-7

NT Luke 1:33



Hear Our Prayers

O Lord, You know what will remake Your world. Help us to see that the forces that threaten our freedoms cannot be argued down. They must be lived down. Give the leaders of our nation the inspired ideas that will lead this country back to You and the fulfillment of its founding fathers. In Jesus Holy Name, Amen.

Friends in Need:

If you know of a member or friend of this church who is suffering from an illness, injury or surgery and/or a death in the family, please provide Bonnie Van Pelt information regarding any needs (such as meals or car assistance, etc.)

We would like to have a list of members who would be willing to cook a meal if it is needed and members who live in the vicinity of the person needing assistance to possibly deliver the meal, etc.

Please **text Bonnie at 865-414-5543** or **Denise Rose at 515-664-0338** if you are interested in serving or helping in any way. **Thank you!**

HE IS RISEN

Forgiven

For God so Loved the World

LAMB ^{of God}

love

He is Risen Indeed

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

HALLELUJAH

Eternal Life

Redeemer

my savior



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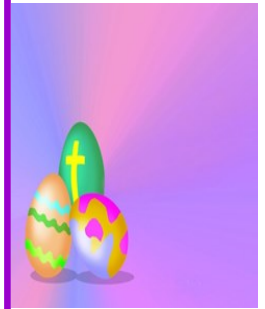
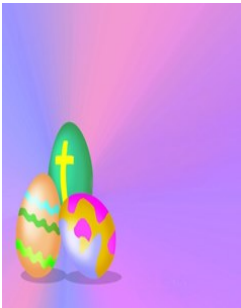
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Joyful Noise Singers

Come sing with us as we
celebrate **EASTER** with
hymns and praise at
local nursing homes!



No prior experience required.

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| March 16 | 9:30 am | Brookdale Sandy Springs A/L |
| March 16 | 10:30 am | Brookdale Sandy Springs M/C |
| March 16 | 2:00 pm | Brookdale, Browns Creek |
| March 22 | 2:00 pm | Clover Hills Assisted Living |
| March 23 | 10:00 am | Shannondale |
| March 23 | 2:00 pm | Morningview |



Come One, Come All
to our final two weeks of
Bible Study!
Tuesday at 10-11:30 at
Trinity House,
February 27th and March 5th.
We will start again in April.



Please sign up in the lobby
to purchase a copy of
George's book
And There Were Shepherds
for just \$12.
All profits will go to the church.



Easter Trivia



		Who did the Jews want released instead of Jesus? Barabbas	At the Last Supper what does the bread represent? Jesus' Body	Who rolled back the stone? An angel of the Lord	To whom did Pilate send Jesus? Herod
What city did Jesus enter on Palm Sunday? Jerusalem	What did the people bring who arrested Jesus? Lanterns and Torches and Weapons	Who did the people want freed instead of Jesus? Barabbas	What did the Chief Priests do with Judas' money? Bought the Potter's Field	Why was the tomb sealed? So the disciples didn't steal Jesus' body and claim that he rose from the dead.	Who helped Jesus carry the cross? Simon of Cyrene
What was odd about Jesus sweat in the garden? He sweat blood	What happened from the sixth hour until the ninth hour? Darkness covered the land	What did Peter do with his sword to the soldier? Cut off his ear	What did Jesus do to his disciples at the last supper? HINT: Peter said, "You shall never [do that]!" Jesus washed their feet	Why was Barabbas in jail? He was a murderer	What happened to the curtain in the temple? It was torn in two starting at the top
What did the centurion say after the earthquake and what took place? "Truly this was the Son of God."	What was the angel at the tombs' appearance when he saw Mary? Like lightning, his clothes were as white as snow	Who lost his garment as he fled the garden? John	What time of day was it when Jesus was arrested? Nighttime	At the last supper what does the wine represent? Jesus' Blood	Did the Chief Priests go to Judas, or did Judas go to them? Judas went to them
What did Jesus call Judas when he betrayed him? Friend	 <i>But first we Craft</i>			More than how many legions of angels could Jesus have had at his disposal? Twelve	



Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Luke 23:34

*** NEW * MONTHLY MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT * NEW ***



Meet Lon Gillooly

Where were you born and raised?

Born at Patuxent River Naval Air Station, MD. Raised in many different states and the Phillipines as being part of a Navy family.

How many years have you lived in Tennessee?

Since January 1993.

Name something unique about you that very few people know.

Lived in the state of California off and on, 3 different times. Corona-do, Palo Alto and Surf City—Huntington Beach.

What is the hobby that you are most passionate about today?

Reading about American History and Bible Prophecy.

What qualities do you admire most in others?

Faith in Christ and Loyalty



Meet Bebe Gillooly

Where were you born and raised?

I was born in Orlando, FL and lived there (minus the four years I went to Clemson University, SC) until moving to Maryville in 1993.

How many years have you lived in Tennessee?

31 years atop Chilhowee Mountain!

Name something unique about you that very few people know.

Like so many teens in Orlando, I worked two summers at Walt Disney World, first at Ft Wilderness Campground (driving a steam train) and second at Space Mountain. Lon and I met at Disney and have been married for 46 years!!!

What is the hobby that you are most passionate about today?

My hobby (mission) is teaching about Jesus. I have led a Women's Bible Study for over 20 years and have taught the folks at Morningview Village every week for 11 years. My extracurricular activity is playing tennis because I like to beat Gerald Smith! :)

What qualities do you admire most in others?

The three qualities I admire in people are 1) Thoughtfulness
2) Courage and 3) Being teachable.



Meet Denise Rose and Sailor Sunshine Rose

Where were you born and raised?

I was born as the fourth child at Portsmouth Naval Hospital, Virginia to a Master Chief Signalman and his wife, who was a teacher. The summer before I entered second grade my dad retired and we returned to the place both of my parents were born....where the tall corn grows...smack dab in the Midwest – the warm state of Iowa.

How many years have you lived in Tennessee?

32 years total, having been transferred to Nashville from Dallas in 1977. 14.5 years spent back in the tundra of Iowa after moving back in 2006.

Name something unique about you that very few people know.

I was the first female to go down into a Tennessee coal mine in 1978.

What is the hobby that you are most passionate about today?

Photography. I am always looking up at the sky and love to take pictures of the clouds, as well as the sunrise and sunsets over the mountains and oceans. I enjoy adding scripture on my pictures.

What qualities do you admire most in others?

A Godly Spirit, Integrity, Honesty, and Humor.



Men's Luncheon
Thursday, April 18th
11:00 am at Aubrey's
Please text Gary Teper @865-202-1449
if you plan to attend.



Take up your Cross
and follow HIM

Matthew 16:24

Denise Beye Rose

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