



# The Olive Branch



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## Grazing on Grace

*“Take up your cross and follow me.”*

~ Jesus



We are in a new era in American culture. The era of “busy-ness.” It is a time when economy demands that both parents work to make a living; when there are endless hours of homework assigned to students; when demands to meet certain expectations have never been higher; when families work hard and play hard together because they have to take advantage of every waking moment to fit it all in. Then the church laments and wonders why Sunday morning attendance is down – it is because our families are exhausted and often simply can’t take another step to pull everyone into the church. Add to that the

era of sports and traveling ball and things get even more complicated with families on the road for about 9 week-ends of the year.

The Apostle Paul said he became all things for all people so that he might introduce them to Christ. That got several of us in our Davidson Missional Network to thinking: How can we, the Church, be all things to all people? First, we decided we could take the Church TO the ballfields instead of demanding that families give up ball to come to church.

On March 22, 2015 a group supported by Mt. Olivet UMC and Center UMC in Welcome held our first worship service at the Welcome Ball Fields for a baseball tournament sponsored by Jeremy Mabe’s team. They wanted to be very intentional about offering a time of worship on Sunday morning. At 11 a.m., Rev. Eddie Evans, Associate Pastor at Center gathered around 100 folks together on a ball field and had our first worship service provided by “Traveling Christians” – our ministry to traveling ball teams. We had an order of worship and even an altar complete with battery operated candle (so the light of Christ can’t be blown out by the wind) and a handmade cross, provided by Pat Craver. As Rev. Eddie let the service he would ask kids questions about Moses, as the sermon that day featured a story about him. If a child answered correctly, Rev. Eddie gave them a baseball as a reward. However, he only had 3 baseballs to give away.

At the front was a little boy who very much wanted one of those baseballs but he wasn’t able to answer any of the questions. After the service he approached Rev. Eddie and expressed his frustration at not winning a baseball. Rev. Eddie said he was very sorry, but maybe next time. The young man had another option, however. He carefully eyed the altar and said, “It’s ok, what I’d really like to have is that cross.” Rev. Eddie promptly handed over the altar cross and sent the young man away very happy.

Why is this ministry to busy, traveling families important? Because around 100 people were drawn together in God’s presence that morning that otherwise would have missed that opportunity. Why is this ministry important? Because, after only one service, one young man has already learned to desire the cross above all else.

I pray we keep Pat Craver busy making crosses as more and more young folks decide they too want to take Jesus home with them. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry. Please see Jeremy Mabe or Pastor Karen for more information. It may be one of the most important ministries our church can provide.

~ In His Grace, Pastor Karen

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## Our Sympathy

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to the families of

- Frances Clodfelter, who lost her sister Nell Leonard,
- Anne Craver in the death of her sister Ruth Bernard,
- Chris and Michelle Carter, who lost her grandmother Rachel Tuttle,
- and Pat and Susan Craver in the death of her father, Thurmond Midkiff.

## Thank You

The prayers and support of our church family during Daddy's illness and since his passing have been overwhelming. I am humbled and grateful for the love and support you have shown in so many ways. I'm blessed to be a part of such a wonderful, caring church. Thank you so very much.

*Susan Craver*

## Birth—A Gift of God



Kayla Brinkley and Kyle Clodfelter welcomed **Karsen Anthony Clodfelter** into the world on April 8. Karsen has already been to children's church! He's the grandson of Renon and Angie Brinkley and Eddie and Corky Clodfelter.

## The United Methodist Church: Itinerate and Interesting

It is the spring of the year and for the United Methodist Church that means one thing –Pastoral Moves! In the UM Church we operate under an itinerate system, which means two things: 1. UMC pastors are appointed by a conference cabinet rather than chosen by a church and 2. UMC pastors are appointed only one year at a time. Each spring the WNCC Cabinet prayerfully agonizes over each church and each pastor, evaluating who is in the right pastorate and who they feel might be better served by a different pastorate.

I am pleased to announce that I received my letter confirming my re-appointment to serve Mt. Olivet UMC for another year. I am excited about the year ahead as I see God working through our church in so many amazing ways. I am humbled and honored to be your pastor at such a glorious time as this.

While I am remaining at Mt. Olivet there is still a big change coming for my family. As you know, my husband is also a United Methodist pastor and naturally he works under the same itinerate system from which I operate. We have received the official report that my husband, Rev. Tim Ronberts, will be leaving his pastorate at Sunrise UMC and will be appointed as the pastor of Yadkinville UMC. We are thankful for the five exciting years he has served at Sunrise but we also look forward to a very different and new ministry opportunity with the folks in Yadkinville.

After much prayerful thought and consideration, Tim and I have made the decision that it will be best for us to move our primary residence to the parsonage of Yadkinville UMC. Our move will not take place until July. Please be assured that I am doing all I can to minimize the impact this will have on you as a congregation. I will be working the details out with the Trustees but my hope is that my office will remain at the parsonage as well as the ability to reside there a few nights a week so that I can be fully present for you when needed.

Tim and I are so honored to serve Christ as United Methodist pastors and we thank you, Mt. Olivet UMC, for being such a wonderful congregation to walk with us on this journey.

Trusting in Christ, *Pastor Karen*

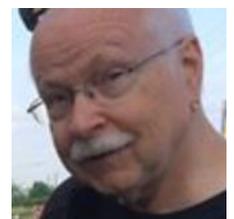
## Address Changes

These members of our church family have new addresses:

- **Danny and Penny Beck**, 2418 Beckner Rd. Lexington, NC 27272
- **Millard Faulkner**, Room 13, Heritage Woods, 3812 Forrestgate Drive, Winston Salem, NC 27103

## Congratulations to...

**Dennis Booth**, who has been named a full professor at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts.



**55 and Holding**  
**Tuesday, June 23**  
**Hoyt's**  
**9 AM**

**Out of 100 men,**  
**1 will read the Bible;**  
**the other 99**  
**will read the Christian.**  
**Dwight L Moody**

**Summer Zumba**  
**3 PM each Sunday**  
 June 7, 14, 21  
 July 19  
 August 2

## Record of Our Faithfulness in 2014

*"I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and support the ministries of Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church by my prayers, my presence, my gifts my service, and my witness."*

### By Our Presence

|        | 8:35 | SS  | 11:00 |
|--------|------|-----|-------|
| Apr 5  | 125  | 122 | 145   |
| Apr 12 | 52   | 77  | 55    |
| Apr 19 | 60   | 119 | 75    |
| Apr 26 | 65   | 89  | 52    |
| May 3  | 82   | 99  | 59    |
| May 10 | 70   | 99  | 101   |
| May 17 | 76   | 73  | 38    |
| May 24 | 60   | 87  | 53    |
| May 31 | 69   | 67  | 44    |

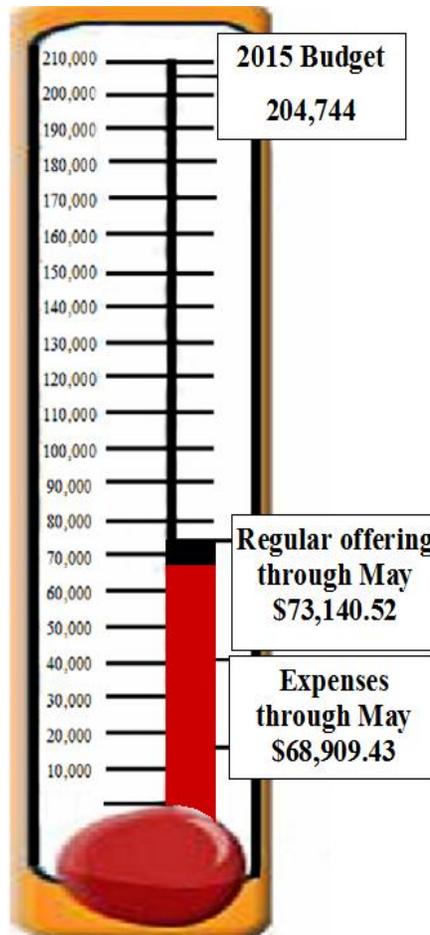
In Sunday School we averaged 102 in April and 106 in May. In worship we averaged 157 in April and 163 in May.

### By Our Gifts

#### April

|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Regular offering . . . . .   | \$16,707.68        |
| CCC . . . . .                | 30.00              |
| Lenten Offering . . . . .    | 412.16             |
| Heart Circle . . . . .       | 20.00              |
| Undesignated Memorial . . .  | 25.00              |
| Flooring Fund . . . . .      | 10,000.00          |
| Gideons . . . . .            | 100.00             |
| <b>Total April . . . . .</b> | <b>\$27,294.84</b> |

Our regular offerings for April were \$16,707.68, which is wonderful ! This exceeded our March offerings of \$16,342.57, and we had 5 Sundays in March. With



expenses of \$14,010.67, which included a fuel bill of \$1,166.73, we had a surplus of \$2,697.01 for the second month in a row. Praise God for His Blessings! For the Year Ending April 30, 2015, our Total Offerings were \$59,572.00 and Total Expenses were \$54,849.90, for a surplus of \$4,722.10. What a Blessing.

Also in April, we had several other offerings which were not included in the above. On April 26,

\$1,290.50 was donated to the Gideons International. Lenten Offerings of \$1,836.18 were made, and \$10,000 was donated to the Fellowship Hall Flooring Fund by some generous donors

#### May

|                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Regular offering . . . . . | \$13,568.52        |
| CCC . . . . .              | 2,237.00           |
| Scholarship Fund . . . . . | 25.00              |
| <b>Total May . . . . .</b> | <b>\$15,830.52</b> |

Our regular offerings in May were down substantially from April. Even though we had 5 Sundays in May, our offerings were only \$13,568.52 compared to \$16,707.68 in April. With relatively low expenses of \$14,059.53, our loss was (\$491.01) for the month.

For the year, our Total Offerings are \$73,140.52 and Total Expenses are \$68,909.43, for a surplus of \$4,231.09. This surplus will disappear next month when we pay an unfunded expense for our new Fellowship Hall floor of over \$6,000.

If you were unable to contribute to our offerings for May due to an absence from church, please consider an increased offering for June so that we can cover our anticipated expenses. As always, thanks to those who have given so generously!

*Charles Craver*

## What's Up(stairs)?

At Pentecost, the early church, filled with the Holy Spirit, saw God work in amazing ways. They were filled with holy fear, awe, and wonder at the miracles and provision of God. Then and There: It was an exciting time to be a Christian. The Holy Spirit was at work, people were being baptized, turning to God, and joining the community of believers. The church was growing stronger through prayer, fellowship, the apostles' teaching, sharing, hospitality, and worship. The church was small and in the minority but growing. God was at work: miracles, joy, goodwill, and new believers daily. Here and Now: The same Holy Spirit at work in Acts still dwells in believers' hearts and is still in control of the church today. This gives hope because God is unchanging. God can (and does) work through His church, despite the mess sin has made. The message has not changed: Christ is crucified and risen, bringing the gift of new life. Return to the basics of the apostles: teaching, prayer, fellowship, and worship. The same results will follow: joy, goodwill, and new believers. Our memory verse is Acts 2:21, "Whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be saved."

This month we'll enjoy videos, music, several Bible translations (including the Visual Bible), face painting (tongues fire), crafts (wind socks) and games (simulated speaking in tongues).

- The Holy Spirit came to the community of believers just as God had promised.
- Believing in Jesus Christ allows the Holy Spirit to grow within us.
- The Holy Spirit gives us power to tell the world about Jesus.

The good news of Jesus Christ is for all who will listen. *lmashburn*

### Create in Me a Clean Heart

Two bachelors were talking one day, and their conversation drifted from politics to sports to cooking.

One of them said, "I got a cookbook once, but I could never do anything with it."

The other one said, "Too much fancy work in it, huh?"

You first one said, "Yeah, it sure was. Every one of the recipes began the same way - "Take a clean dish.""

Our relationship with God is much the same. God says, "Take a clean life", and we go, "Wait a minute, that's a problem." Because "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23). Our lives are not clean. We're stained by sin.

Making the matter even more difficult is the fact that we do not have the ability to cleanse ourselves: "Who can say, 'I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?'" (Proverbs 20:9). The answer is, "No one."

Fortunately, God offers cleansing through the blood of Jesus Christ. So our plea to God is that of David: "Wash me thoroughly from my sin, and cleanse me from my sin.....Create in me a clean heart, O God." (Psalm 51:2,10)

May our attitude be such that we are willing to do what God says in order to receive the cleansing he offers. And praise be to God for his willingness to make clean what we cannot! *Alan Smith, Thought For The Day*



**The Bruce Salley Class  
is serving  
Hot dogs Hamburgers  
Homemade Ice Cream**

**Adults \$4 Children—\$1.50  
\*No family paying more  
than \$12**

### Congratulations!

**Lexi Weisner** was on the third quarter A honor roll at Midway and **Brady Weisner** was on the AB at Oak Grove Middle.

On April 13, **Madison Bumgarner**, participated in the Northwest NC Middle School All-District Band concert at Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory. North Davidson Middle School was one of 43 schools in this district. Madi was one of ten students from NDMS who earned the honor to perform. Kudos, Madi, and the other band members for a job well done!



### Graduation Sunday

Be sure to join us as we honor our 2015 high school graduates this Sunday, June 7.

Toddlers through adults are looking forward to an exciting week of Vacation Bible School. This will be the sixth year that we have joined forces with Enterprise Moravian Church for this community wide event.

Please contact Susan Craver (764-2983) if you would like to help VBS week as a teacher, assistant, craft instructor, or expedition leader (shepherd.) Sunday School classes will have sign-up sheets for volunteers to help with meals, lead games, and serve as greeters.

Workshops are being held each Wednesday at 9 AM and 6 PM to prepare. We are tracing, outlining and painting scenery and publicity signs. Please come join the fun and lend a hand! If you aren't able to come, take-home projects will be available.



Be sure to save these dates when you're making your summer plans!



We had joys in both chancel choirs that need to be shared. It raised our spirits to see the healing that took place with brother Dan Augsburg, and we are certain the Early Service choir is happy to have him lead the tenor section once again. For as long as I can remember, Barbara Berrier has been sharing her lovely soprano voice with the late service choristers. How heartwarming to have her come into the choir room and take up her place, once again, after her surgery. Both of these dedicated singers are committed to their service and we pay tribute to them.

July is around the corner and we're already feeling God's presence in the spiritual lure of VBS and how it makes such a difference, a child at a time. One of the praise songs that I found that fits so perfectly with getting the children excited about worship for that special week goes something like this: *"I will praise You with my whole heart; I will praise You with my song. I will praise You in the morning before the dawn comes to call. Come and see the glory of the Lord; come and walk His way. Come and see the glory of the Lord and give Him praise, not to last a week or year but all your days."*

Also in the next few weeks we'll begin to rehearse VBS melodies and the choir room will be open from 4:30 through 5:30 PM Wed. and Thurs. afternoons to run through the music journey. This opportunity is not just for the children but for the adult leaders. It's wonderful when the big M.O. kids along with the little M.O. kids know the VBS songs before July 26<sup>th</sup>.

On another note, summer is just a season away and with that time of the year, we see the need to have volunteers to offer special music to cover the Sabbath worship hours. It's a normal thing that the choir attendance falls off because of vacation days. Missy and I are a call away. We would embrace the chance to put you on the calendar and arrange rehearsal times, as well.

Tunefully yours, *kjk*



The Heart Circle met April 20th at Hoyt's Restaurant and May 18 at Salley Hosey's. We made \$1,173.00.

Thanks to everyone that helped make this fundraiser successful. We will meet at the church at 5:45 PM on June 8 to carpool to the home of Buz and June Buzzard. We will also be providing a meal for the Homeless Shelter residents on June 11.

## Blood Drive

Giving blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. Thank you for your help making the June 2 Lions Club Blood Drive a rousing success! Our goal was 46 units with actual donations of 47 units. Giving the "gift of life" by scheduled and walk-in donors, the excellence in all areas of the Red Cross staff, and a well-coordinated hosting effort by our club made it a great day.

*Joe*

## June Project

We've been made aware of a specific need to support children in our community. Our current Nurture Mission Project is going to be a donation of food items for the Backpack Program at Welcome Elementary. They're also doing a Summer Food Program. Their need is great for food and snack items for the children. *Items must be individually wrapped, single servings, and can be opened without a can opener.*

*Their specific list includes* crackers, ramen noodles, soups, ravioli, spaghetti & meat balls, macaroni & cheese, fruit cups, juice boxes, granola bars, grits, oatmeal, and pop tarts.

Please place food items for these children in the bins under the stairs in the fire tower.

Thanks so much for supporting these children. The items inside the backpacks they are given to take home may be the only foods available to them for that time, until they return to school again. Let's please do the very best we can to help share Jesus' love with kids in our community! *C Schaeffer*

## Annual Conference

The Western North Carolina Annual Conference is scheduled for June 17-21 at Lake Junaluska. Jim Bumgarner is our lay delegate. Please prayer that this time will be spirit-filled and it will be a holy conference as our delegates worship, study, and conduct the business of our Church.

## Service Opportunity

The **Senior Services Home Delivery Meals** needs volunteers. The route starts at Oak Forest, goes to the East side of Hwy 52. It takes about 1 to 1 1/2 hrs. every other Wednesday. Contact Alice Johnson @ 764-2773 or 462-2726 for more info.

If you would like to be added to the list of volunteers that help with food distribution at **Greater Things Outreach** in Welcome, please contact Jennifer Craver (336-688-8776.)

If you have **extra produce** this summer, please remember that Greater Things would love to have it. Fresh produce is a real treat for the clients. Distribution is on Tuesdays and Thursdays but there is someone there most days.

The **Open Hands Ministry's** Big MACC (Mobile Accessory & Clothing Closet) will be back on the road again on June 15 at their Monday night Meal, Music, and Message Service. They are in dire need of men's shorts (all sizes), men's shirts M-L, men's shoes, boy clothes T-8. Summer clothes are their biggest need. You can take them by the Mercy Station at 506-C National Blvd in Lexington.

## New Teachers

Our Senior High Sunday School Class has new teachers. These ladies are looking forward to growing their faith together.

- 1st Sundays—Mary Anne Craver
- 2nd Sundays—Suzanne Koontz
- 3rd & 4th Sundays—Cathy Schaeffer

## Thank You

*We received the following note of appreciation from Greater Things Outreach Center:*

Thank you for your donation to the Greater Things Outreach Center. Your generous gift of \$1836.18 allows GTOC to continue the ministry of serving God by serving others.

GTOC is blessed to have supporters willing to serve alongside us as we continue to strive to be God's hands.

In His service,  
Roger Berrier, Director

## 2015 Confirmation

Pastor Karen described Easter Sunday as "...a glorious day we had confirming 7 amazing young people, baptizing 2 of them, and then baptizing and welcoming one adult into official membership. The kids did a fantastic job serving communion. All that amazing worship and celebration took place among approximately 270 folks!!! A day that I feel completely glorified God and the risen Christ. I'm so grateful for the blessing of sharing in such a great day of love."

Our confirmands were Caitlyn Bauer, Sydney Bumgarner, Emma Frye, Marris Furches, Olivia Mabe, Brady Weisner, and Olivia West. Mrs. Jennifer Bumgarner was also baptized and welcomed as an official member of our church family.

## Proud of Your Church?

The Heart Circle is taking orders for Mt. Olivet t-shirts, sweatshirts, polo shirts, hats, and car decals. If you have questions, please contact Sheila Templeton (336-816-1546). We need all orders by June 28.

| Item  | Colors (circle)                | Size | Qty. | Cost* |
|---|--------------------------------|------|------|-------|
|  Half-zip shirt*   | Carbon Black                   |      |      | \$25  |
|  Sweatshirt*   | Ash<br>Gray<br>Navy<br>Blue    |      |      | \$20  |
|  Men's Polo*   | True<br>Royal<br>Blue<br>Black |      |      | \$30  |
|  Ladies Polo*  | True<br>Royal<br>Blue<br>Black |      |      | \$30  |
|  Twill Cap*   | Navy<br>Blue                   |      |      | \$12  |
|  t-shirt<br>(Screen Print)                               | Ash<br>Grey<br>Navy<br>Blue    |      |      | \$11  |
|  Long-sleeve<br>t-shirt<br>(screen print)                | Ash<br>Grey<br>Navy<br>Blue    |      |      | \$16  |
|  t-shirt with logo in<br>center (youth)                  | Indigo<br>Blue                 |      |      | \$11  |
|  Mt. Olivet<br>UMC Sticker<br>Vinyl Vehicle<br>Removable |                                |      |      | \$7   |

\*The polo shirts, sweatshirts, and hats are embroidered with the Mt. Olivet logo with the cross and flame and the t-shirts will be screen printed with the same logo. Youth sizes have a bigger screen-printed logo on a t-shirt.

\*\*2XL and larger sizes have an extra charge – call for cost

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Owed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please give to a Heart Circle Member or you can email your order to Sheila at [Sheilatempleton08@yahoo.com](mailto:Sheilatempleton08@yahoo.com) by June 28, 2015.

## Welcome to the New Mt. Olivet Young Adults Group!

We are excited to expand our ministries to include some exciting events geared toward 18-35 year olds. The first event will be to attend a DASH baseball game at 5 pm on June 28th. If you are interested in going you can sign up via Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1091645610849786/> If not on Facebook, you can email Pastor Karen to sign up: [kroberts2@wnccumc.net](mailto:kroberts2@wnccumc.net) Please invite your friends to join us as well.

Keep your ears open as well as we also hope to begin a Sunday morning Bible study for young adults to be held during the Sunday school hour. Details will be coming soon.

**God has chosen us to be Christ's representatives on earth...to live lives worthy of the calling we have received—the awesome privilege of being called Christ's very own. This includes being humble, gentle, patient, understanding, and peaceful. People are watching your life. Can they see Christ in you? How are you doing as his representatives? *Life Applications Study Bible notes on Ephesians 4:1,2***



## Carolina Cross Connection

There will be a CCC meeting on Sunday, June 14, from 3:00-5:30.

Parents need to stay for the first 30 minutes. Campers need to bring their copy of the CCC form filled out, as well as a copy of their insurance card front and back. It is very important to come to this meeting. If thy have any questions please contact Mary Kathryn.

The CCC team wants to thank everyone who helped with the bake sale by baking items for us or purchasing items. They made \$492.00.

They will be at West Wilkes the week of July 12-18.

There is one slot still available for a youth who has finished seventh grade. Contact Mary Kathryn (775-7807) if you are interested.

## Please Remember in Prayer

*Help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know when we need to make additions or deletions. We also want to hear how these folks are doing. Please email Susan Craver: smcraver@aol.com*

|                  |                     |                  |                    |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Dallas Anderson  | Michael John Craver | Gavin Hill       | Lou May            | Donna Speaks        |
| Danny Anderson   | Mildred Craver      | Johnny Hinkle    | Larry McAlpine     | Trevor Staup        |
| David Anderson   | Perry Craver        | Maxine Hollinger | Ann McMahan        | Nancy Stoddard      |
| Steve Arnold     | Ralph Craver        | Brenna Husel     | Nancy Mercer       | Dr. Hugo Tettamanti |
| Matthew Berry    | Deb Cruz            | Peggy Idol       | Hinton Meyer       | Madison Thomason    |
| Heather Brown    | Brodie Curtis       | Melissa Jessup   | Ronald Myers       | Angel Thompson      |
| Coleman Carter   | Darrell             | Doug Kirk        | Mary Ellen Midkiff | Karen Tysinger      |
| Barbara Chesnut  | Mitch Edwards       | Judith Kurtzrock | Tommy Mitchell     | Hal Varner          |
| Kelly Chesnut    | Millard Faulkner    | Debbie Lewis     | Mabel Molinaro     | Martha Varner       |
| Donna Clodfelter | Paige Fritts        | Ollie Kyzar      | Adalyn Peeler      | April Wilkes        |
| Ruby Cook        | Trecia Gibson       | Betty Ruth Mabe  | Emmett Pope        | Bonnie Williams     |
| Lisa Coley       | Doug Glass          | Dr Ed Maddox     | Tiffany Prior      | Burch Woosley       |
| Anne Craver      | Donald Griggs       | Jean Marsh       | Donese Sink        | Shirley Wyatt       |
| Betty Craver     | Lyda Hawn           | Jean Martin      | Bob Sironen        | VBS                 |
| Larry Craver     | Paul Hege           | Len Mashburn     | Ollie Sironen      |                     |

## Getting What We Pray For

A mother sent her fifth grade boy to bed. After a few minutes, she went upstairs to make sure that he was getting ready for bed. When she stuck her head into his room, she saw that he was kneeling beside his bed in prayer. Pausing to listen to his prayers, she heard her son praying over and over again. "Let it be Tokyo! Please dear God, let it be Tokyo!"

When he finished his prayers, she asked him, "What did you mean, 'Let it be Tokyo'?"

"Oh," the boy said with embarrassment, "we had our geography exam today and I was praying that God would make Tokyo the capital of France."

Prayer is not a magical means by which we get God to do what we want. While God desires that we bring our petitions to Him, He has not promised to give us everything that our heart desires. In fact, if an earthly father were to do that to a child ("Oh, you want to touch the hot stove? Go ahead!"), we would consider that father guilty of child abuse. We realize that a godly father sorts through the needs and the wants of his child and ultimately decides to give his child what is in his best interest and what will bring that child the most happiness in the long run.

William Temple was right when he said, "'We do not pray in order to change his will, but to bring our own wills into harmony with his.'" As we make our requests to God, we remain open to the idea that God may have something better in mind for us. His purpose may be fulfilled in our lives in a way we cannot even imagine. So, if we pray we ought, we come away feeling blessed, knowing that God has received our petition, but confident that if God knows a better path for our lives, He will lead us in that direction.

"And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and he knelt down and prayed, saying, 'Father, if it is your will, take this cup from me; nevertheless not my will, but yours, be done.'" (Luke 22:41-42)

*Alan Smith*

*Thought For The Day, May 18, 2015*

# JUNE — JULY 2015

| Sun  | Mon   | Tue  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri   | Sat   |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| <br> | <p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>KickStart</b></p> <br><i>Patsy Perryman</i>          | <p><b>9</b></p> <p><i>James Powers</i><br/><i>Elaine Childress</i></p>                               | <p><b>10</b></p> <p>9 AM &amp; 6 PM<br/>VBS<br/>Workshops</p> <p><i>Tyler Craver</i></p>  | <p><b>11</b></p> <p><i>Bella Abood</i></p>                        | <p><b>12</b></p> <p><i>Betty Craver</i><br/><i>Conner Scism</i></p>   | <p><b>13</b></p> <p><i>Chris Davis</i><br/><i>Eric Harmon</i></p>   |
| <p><b>14</b></p> <p><i>Charlene Craver</i></p>   | <p><b>15</b></p> <br><p><i>Charlene Craver</i></p>                         | <p><b>16</b></p>   | <p><b>17</b></p> <p>9 AM<br/>VBS<br/>Workshop</p> <br><p><i>Tyler Craver</i></p> | <p><b>18</b></p>  | <p><b>19</b></p> <p><i>Richard Craver</i><br/><i>Jeff Furches</i></p> | <p><b>20</b></p> <p><i>Joe Fitzgerald</i><br/><i>Tyler Nixon</i></p>  |
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| <p><b>28</b></p> <p><i>Kevin Foster</i></p>  | <p><b>29</b></p> <br><p><i>Rosemary Hege</i><br/><i>Hobart Lemly</i></p> | <p><b>30</b></p>   | <p><b>1</b></p> <p>9 AM &amp; 6 PM<br/>VBS<br/>Workshops</p>  | <p><b>2</b></p> <p><i>Riley Everhart</i></p>                      | <p><b>3</b></p>   | <p><b>4</b></p> <p><i>Kayce Clodfelter</i><br/><i>Lindsey Gay</i><br/><i>Jeff Houck</i><br/><i>Lucia</i><br/><i>Zimmerman</i></p> |
| <p><b>5</b></p> <p><i>Caitlyn Bauer</i><br/><i>Jay Johnson</i></p>   | <p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>COM</b></p> <p><i>Cindy</i><br/><i>Zimmerman</i><br/><i>Ted Schaeffer</i></p>   | <p><b>7</b></p> <p><i>Linda Mitchell</i></p>   | <p><b>8</b></p> <p>9 AM &amp; 6 PM<br/>VBS<br/>Workshops</p>  | <p><b>9</b></p> <p><i>Josh Brown</i><br/><i>Libby Leonard</i></p> | <p><b>10</b></p>  | <p><b>11</b></p> <p><i>Jace Eads</i><br/><i>Linda Mashburn</i></p>  |

**Mondays:** 6:30-8:00 PM, Scouts; **Tuesdays:** 6:30—Early service choir; 6:00—Children's Choir; 7:30—11 o'clock choir

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### GREETERS

June 7 8:45 Len, Heather, and  
Jacob Hege  
11:00 Kitty Craver  
June 14 8:45 Bruce Salley  
11:00 Pat Woosley  
June 21 8:45 Mike & Charlene Craver  
11:00 Linda & Leslie Mashburn  
June 28 8:45 Shirley Hedrick  
11:00 Sue Anderson and  
Jennifer Weisner  
July 5 8:45 Ben Hege  
11:00 JoAnn New

### ACOLYTES

June 8 8:45 Leslie Mashburn  
11:00 Sydney Bumgarner  
June 15 8:45 Emma Frye  
11:00 Avery Garmon  
June 22 8:45 Grayson Frye  
11:00 Caitlyn Bauer  
June 29 8:45 Hannah Mercer  
11:00 Brady Everhart  
July 6 8:45 Mia Mercer  
11:00 Madison Bumgarner



### SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

June: Bill Huneycutt, Charles Craver  
July: Mike Bradley, Joe Craver

### LITURGIST

June 7 8:45 Kaye Powers  
11:00 Bonnie Beck  
June 14 8:45 Mary K Patterson  
11:00 Linda Mitchell  
June 21 8:45 Alice Johnson  
11:00 Jim Bumgarner  
June 28 8:45 Pastor Karen  
11:00 Jim Knox

### FLOWERS

June 8 Mr and Mrs Thom Hege  
June 15 Bob and Linda Mitchell  
June 22 Mr and Mrs. Johnny  
Johnson  
June 29 Barbara Teal, Becky Lewis  
July 6 Mr and Mrs Jim Wikle

### NURSERY

June 7 8:45 Cindy Zimmerman  
11:00 Lisa Foster  
June 14 8:45 Janis Faye Troutman  
11:00 Linda Mitchell  
June 21 8:45 Lynn Lemly  
11:00 Jennifer Craver  
June 28 8:45 Lynette Wikle  
11:00 Mary K Patterson  
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### GREATER THINGS

June 16—New Beginnings  
June 18—Believers  
June 30—Bruce Salley Class