### **Pre-Summer Events for All Ages!**

Monday, 5/19 @ 9am: Team Tabitha Sewing Ministry 5/19@ 6pm: GRASP Leadership Meeting Tuesday, 5/20 @ Noon: Joyful Noon Circle, Fellowship Hall Wednesday, 5/21 from 5-7: Water Day with Jasper UMC End of school bash for LIJ Kids Friday, 5/23—Gilmer High School Graduations Wednesday, 5/28 @ 6pm: Red Bird Mission Dinner Our annual Kenya mission trip begins! Sunday, 6/1 @ 11am— Appreciation for Susan Marino's Service GRASP Safe Sanctuary & First Aid /CPR/AED training (lunch provided) Sunday, 6/8 - Baptisms @ Harrison Park following Worship (rain date 6/15) June 16-19th-9:00-12:00: VBS Save the dates! Registration forms are now available! (see below) June 20-22 — GRASP and Junior GRASP Weekend

LIJ Kids will have their End of School Bash on VAEY Wednesday, May 21st. Come prepared to get wet -V. IDS Water slide, water games, outside games and more! We will join up with our middle school mentors, have some fun and share pizza with them. The party begins at 5pm!



The Red Bird Mission Dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 28th at 6pm. The menu will be grilled chicken, baked beans, salad, rolls and dessert. The speakers will be Pastor Mike and Holly.

#### **Summer Mission!**

This summer, we will be participating once again in the Seamless Summer Food Program, providing free meals to children 18 and under each week from Monday through Thursday. For more information, please see or call Marianne at 706-635-2555.

#### Vacation Bible School

HELP Vacation Bible School will take place from June 16th-19th this year. If you can help with decorating, registration, administration, preschool Bible stories/teaching, group guides for K-4th grade, recreation, games, snacks, crafts or sound/AV, please contact Marianne.

## Liturgist

If you are interested in learning more about the role of a Liturgist, please contact Rick Thaxton @ 770-241-1852.

Prayers for the Week Pray without ceasing for family/friends, teachers, doctors, pastors, World Leaders/Military, The Weak, Sick & Hungry, Ourselves. Prayer request forms can be found in the pew racks.

#### General Juston Davis

Emma Ford Missionary Health Doug Bater Jerry Boyne Kevin Brett **Ray Brookshire** Jack Brown Kyle Bullington Joan Compton Paul Compton Charles Cook Allen Fanelli Jov Fanelli Sharon Fletcher Jessica Good Pam Grant Betty Jo Hanes Konner Hearn Missy Kepley Michelle Kingrey Rylan Leeper Shannon Leeper Jackie Leva Zellie Marbury Steven Marks Brian Mattaliano Lynn McKibbin Brenda Barnes McPherson Alyse Munson Barbara Nickle

Jean Peal Lynn Perry Ann Shearon Dan Weaver

> Hospital/Rehab Daniel Rayzor Marlene Rayzor Jean Smilie Mary Uthlaut

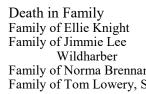
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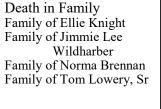
Surgery/Recuperating Pat Daniels Jan Day Karen Vitelli

Shut-In Peter Adams Marlene Brown Ernette Calhoun Lavern Cobb Jim Hagopian Mack Hipp Rudi Lanehardt Margie Pyren Myron Segraves Paul Stanhope Robert Westmoreland

#### Hospice Bill Patton Caregiver Joy Fanelli Carolyn Hipp Lorraine Segraves Joan Stanhope Sherry Weaver

Family of Ellie Knight Family of Jimmie Lee Wildharber







**Church Lock-up Schedule:** 

5/16-5/24 Bill Munson 5/25-5/31 Hank Chapman 6/01-6/07 Charlie Leonard 6/08-6/14 Lloyd Vautrot

May 9th—Ginger Hearn May 19th—Anne Rainey May 21—John Marshall

Happy Birthday!

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# Sunday, May 18, 2025 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday Worship Service The Fifth Sunday of Easter	Pastoral and Congregational Prayer	Rev. Dr. Shearon	John "Wher
The Liturgical Color is White	The Lord's Prayer	UMH 895	
<i>The Worship of God</i> <b>The Prelude:</b> "God of Wonders" arr by Mark Hayes	<b>†The Hymn of Preparation</b> "They'll Know We Are Christians by	/ Our Love" TFWS 2223	<b>Jesus</b> <sup>31</sup> Whe glorifie him, Go
The Chiming of the Hour	The Worship with Tithes and Offerings		once.
Welcome, Announcements and Invocation			<sup>33</sup> "My
<b>† Choral Call to Worship</b> "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" <i>by</i> Doris Akers	The Offertory Music Children's Medley	<i>arr</i> by Mark Hayes	look fo Where <sup>34</sup> "A ne
<ul> <li><b>† The Greeting</b>         The One who loves without distinction calls us here.         <b>They will know we are Christians by our love.</b>         The One who loves us completely welcomes us home.         <b>They will know we are Christians by our love.</b>         The One who loves us well rejoices in our presence.         The</li></ul>	†The Presentation and Doxology Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen		loved y <sup>35</sup> By th love or <sup>36</sup> Simo
They will know we are Christians by our love.	The Anthem "We Can Share His Love"	by Price/Besig	Jesus r you wi
<b>† The Hymn of Praise</b> "Come, We That Love the Lord" UMH 732	The Scripture Reading	John 13:31-38	<sup>37</sup> Peter down r
<b>† The Affirmation of Faith</b> The Apostles Creed	The Sermon "When the Rooster Crows"	" Rev. Dr. Shearon	<sup>38</sup> Then me? Ve disowr
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Eather Almighty; from theore he shall come	<b>†The Closing Hymn</b> "O Church of God	United" UMH 547 vs 1&4	
	Anyone wishing to join this church may come forward during the closing hymn.		
of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of	<b>†The Pastoral Benediction</b>	Rev. Dr. Shearon	
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.	<b>†The Choral Benediction</b> "Bind Us Together"	<i>by</i> Bob Gillman	
<b>† The Gloria Patri</b> Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.	<b>†The Postlude</b> <i>"</i> Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"	<i>arr by</i> John Purifoy	
,	Prayer team members are available after the service. They will be wearing white shawls.		

#### 13:31-38 n the Rooster Crows"

#### Predicts Peter's Denial

en he was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is ied and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God is glorified in God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at

children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will or me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: e I am going, you cannot come.

new command I give you: Love one another. As I have you, so you must love one another.

his everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you one another."

on Peter asked him, "Lord, where are you going?"

replied, "Where I am going, you cannot follow now, but ill follow later."

er asked, "Lord, why can't I follow you now? I will lay my life for you."

n Jesus answered, "Will you really lay down your life for /ery truly I tell you, before the rooster crows, you will 'n me three times!