

April 2020

North Spray News



A LINE FROM LEM

By Lem Hardison, Minister



Dear Church Family,

It has been a long time since February 11th when I had my total knee replacement. It is like I have been “quarantined” since then, except for going to therapy. They have encouraged me to ease back into my regular routine, so I was in the office part of three days last week. I hope to be released and given my driving privileges back when I see the doctor on Wednesday of this week.

I want to thank you for the flowers, cards, meals, visits, and prayers that you have sent my way these last few weeks. I have truly experienced what it is like to be on the receiving end.

Two of our elders have really taken the lead during my medical leave. My hat is off to **Paul White** who has been speaking for me since my surgery. I also appreciate **Thomas Knight** for setting us up with **Zoom** and leading in that service so that we can “do worship” on Sundays. Be sure to read the instructions for taking part in the Zoom program located in a following article here in the newsletter. This may be done online, through the Zoom App or by phone. I would encourage you to go get some grape juice so you can share in the communion with us each Lord’s Day.

In the past, much of our ministry has been done in personal visits, classes, meetings, and worship services. For the unknown future it must be done through the use of mail, e-mail, telephone, and computer. We want you to know that we are still here to serve and uplift you in whatever ways we can. Our church office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sylvia and I stand ready to serve.

See You Sunday on Zoom,
Lem



The Month Ahead:

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

All activities at the church are canceled until further notice because of the COVID-19 threat. We will continue online mini-services until we can once again meet together in person. These will be held by Zoom. We expect the service to be around **15-20 minutes** long. We have three options to join our service:

Online

<https://zoom.us/j/182264106>

Zoom App

Download the Zoom Cloud Meetings app in your app store and join us using the access code of 182 264 106.

Phone

Call 646.558.8656 and use 182 264 106 as the access code.

With all three of these methods, you can join us wherever you are whether you have Internet or not. If you have any questions about our new online experience, please contact Thomas Knight.

JOIN US ONLINE!

Mini-Service Hosted on Zoom!

Each Sunday at 11:00 a.m.



Join Online: <https://zoom.us/j/182264106>

Join by Zoom App: 182 264 106

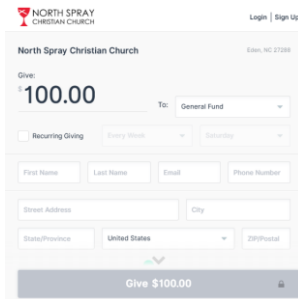
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We encourage you to continue to **give your tithes and offerings during this time**. Our church property still needs to be maintained even though we are not meeting at this time. You may mail your offering to the church or bring it by during the

secretary's office hours 8:30-12:30 Monday through Thursday.

Also, we are now offering online giving as an option to everyone here at North Spray! Gifts can be made to our General Fund and Memorial Fund, as well as for special offerings.



You can give a one-time gift or setup recurring giving if you wish to give every week or month. Options are available to give either by credit/debit card or bank draft. Visit northspraychristianchurch.com/giving to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Thomas Knight at tknight@northspraychristianchurch.com.

Noah Dalton, Elizabeth Key	15
Bailey Long	17
Ciarra Hernandez	19
Sara Hankins	24
Mason Davis	27
Tim Sanders, Barney Walker, Jr.	28
Tim Bailey, Angie Strader	30

Anniversaries for April

Lenzie & Jean Light Kinyon	1
Clay & Mary Lee Perkins	3

Service Opportunities: Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM)

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

The CCM food pantry is located at the Leaksville Moravian Church. The food pantry is open 9:30-12:00 on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Those in need should go to the church at these times and they will be assisted once a month. We are asked to bring food on the **first Sunday of each month** and place it in the box in the hallway. There is always a need for **2 lb. bags of sugar & flour, peanut butter and jelly, rice, Jiffy muffin mix, spaghetti sauce, powdered or canned milk, cereal, crackers, and all canned goods, especially meats, soups, and fruits.**



CCM is more than a food pantry. You may also give monetary donations to help clients with utilities and for purchasing extra food. These can be put in a pew envelope and marked for CCM on the outside or send your donations to PO Box 931, Eden, NC 27289-0931. All of your donations, food and funds, are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Barney and Lou Strutton for delivering our donations to the food closet each month!

Salvation Army Service

We are serving meals at the **Salvation Army** on the 3rd and 5th Fridays each month. This month our date will be **Friday, April 17**. Our thanks to those who serve so faithfully. If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry, please see Bobbie Hill.



**Palm Sunday
April 5**

**Maundy Thursday
April 9**



**Easter Sunday
April 12**

The Church Office will be closed on **Easter Monday, April 13**, in observance of the holiday.



**Earth Day
Wednesday, April 22**

**Administrative Professionals' Day
Wednesday, April 22**



Birthdays for April

April Stacey	6
Maelyn Goodman	9
Sylvia Brown	10
Felicia Heyward	11



Special Happenings...

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

Our Ash Wednesday service was held on February 26. This marked the beginning of the season of Lent.



Kaysen Grey Jordan was born on March 12, 2020. He is the son of Amariah and Patrick Jordan. He is the great grandson of Alan and Carolyn Pratt and the great great grandson of Betty Shively.



Attention Graduates! If you are graduating from high school or college this year, we need to hear from you. We will need the **school you are graduating from and the date, any special honors or superlatives you have earned,**



your future plans, and a picture of you. For college graduates, we will also need to know the **degree you have earned.** Please send your information and picture by email to Thomas Knight at tknight@northspraychristianchurch.com, **by Sunday, May 10.**



The Triumphant Quartet Bus Trip on Saturday, March 28, has been postponed. The event sponsor is working to reschedule this event to a later date. Thomas will be keeping everyone's money until a new date is decided.

Attendees can decide at that point if they will be able to attend or not and money will be adjusted accordingly.

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By Beth Lewis/Heather Wakefield



Our annual Hotdog luncheon and Easter Egg Hunt that we normally have on Palm Sunday is canceled for this year. We look forward to the time when we can worship and celebrate together again.



SAVE THE DATE:

The **Spray Community Block Party** has been scheduled for Saturday, September 26 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Spray Methodist Church. Mark this date on your calendars!

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 12-15 at St. Luke's Episcopal.

Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF)

By Faye Wood, President



The **CWF meeting on Tuesday, April 7, at the Sirloin House has been canceled.**

Please watch for future notices on our social media.

The CWF has **boxed greeting cards** (priced on box) and **Danny Duzit scrubbing pads** (\$2.00 each) on sale. These may be purchased from any member of the CWF. Money can be given to Michelle Walker or the church office. These items are in the closet just beyond the coat rack in the hallway.

Christian Men's Fellowship (CMF)

By Paul White, President



The CMF will meet again on **Monday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Church Street Station**. All of our men are encouraged to attend. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m. This is highly subject to change. Keep an eye on our social media for updates.

The **CMF Rally** scheduled for **Sunday, March 22, at Middle Fork Christian Church** has been **postponed**. It will be rescheduled for a later date.

A Word from the Board

By Heather Wakefield, Board Chair

The next **meeting of the board** will be on **Monday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. provided we are passed the current situation**. All committee chairs are encouraged to attend or send a report from your committee. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m.

Please note: If you are making a purchase for a committee you serve on, remember to always get the approval of the committee chair before proceeding with the purchase. We need to remember to be good stewards of our funds.



We are still participating in a fundraiser with **Recycling Fundraiser** (formerly

EcoPhones), which will accept **inkjet cartridges, all cell phones, all tablets, and select other portable electronic devices**. If you have any of these items you would like to donate, drop them in the box in the corner of the Communion Room. Please support our church by recycling your used electronics. See Thomas Knight if you have any questions.

Each Monday night some of our members are meeting at the church to pray. We share prayer concerns and Bible study, pray, and share communion beginning at **6:30 p.m. Come, join us!**

The **Thursday Bible Study group** will resume their meetings as soon as it is safe for us to meet together again. Watch our social media for announcements.

When we return to worshipping, join us for our Fellowship Reception, each Sunday, 10:30-10:55 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Doughnuts, biscuits, and drinks are available, along with great fellowship before worshipping together.



North Spray Christian Church gratefully acknowledges a gift given to the Anne S. DeHart Scholarship Fund in memory of the 101st birthday of Anne DeHart by Karen Nolan.

North Spray Christian Church also acknowledges a gift to the General Fund in honor of Geneva Lawson by Tom Lawson.

REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS: (*NSCC members)



Immediate Needs:

- *Lem Hardison – 200 Wilson Street – recuperating from total knee replacement on 2/11
- Luanne Joyce – Sylvia Brown's sister – Room 404, Brookdale, 2931 Vance Street, Reidsville 27320
- *Connie Koontz – 408 Highland Drive – Rotator cuff surgery on March 6
- Ashley Long – 148 White Oak Court
- *Kim Morrison – 230 Hidden Valley Dr., Apt. 237
- Bob Pasour – cancer – 517 Maggy Valley Road, Reidsville
- *Clay Perkins – 420 Cedar Street – began radiation on 3/26; may need chemo also
- Marcy Reid-Smith – 802 Sydney Shores Court, Greensboro, NC 27410-5925

Ongoing Needs/Homebound:

- Belle Banks – 1305 Wentworth St., Reidsville
- *Judy Barnes – 316 Harry Akers Street
- Bernice "Tootsie" Carter – 714 Church Street
- Jackie Chandler – 123 Taft Street
- *Faye Clark – Room 189, UNC Rockingham Nursing Center
- Hazel Compton – Roger's mother – Brian Center
- *June Gatewood – now living w/Connie & Bill – 408 Highland Drive
- Shirley Gray - Mike's mother, Room 134, UNC Rockingham Nursing Center

Malta Hagler – Betty Shively's cousin/Bill Koontz's aunt – Trinity Glen, 849 Water Works Road, Apt. 401A, Winston-Salem, NC 27107

Gayle Hand – Chris' mother – Jacob's Creek N/C, 1721 Bald Hill Loop, Madison, NC 27025

Ron Hardison – Arbor Glen Apts., 637 S. Pierce St., Apt. E

Lawrence Harris – 93 Ford Street, Collinsville, VA 24075

*Obera Harris – 810 McConnell Avenue

*Marissa Hernandez and Family – 519 Orchard Drive

*Diane Kennon – 340 Daniel Adkins Street

Shelvia Koontz – Bill's mother – Brian Center

Geneva Lawson – Nursing Home in Banner Elk – Severe Dementia

*Pauline Litaker – c/o 5215 Southwind Road, Greensboro, NC 27455

*Lillie Meeks – Room 15, Brookdale, 314 W. Kings Hwy.

Roy Mouldin, former pastor at Kings Hwy. Christian – 14671 Hwy. 87

Peggy Pendleton – Room 401, Brookdale, 2931 Vance Street, Reidsville

Mike & Lynda Perry – 407 Lynrock Street

*Kathryn Metro Ragland – 517 Cedar Street

LaRue Roberts – 251 N. 114th Street, Unit 412, Apache Junction, AZ 85120

Kayla Sawyers & family – 411 Sherwood Court

Bobbie Shough – 236 Harrison Street

Jill Slaughter – Room 306, Brian Center

*John Stacey – 1106 Harris Street

Martie Stephens – Alzheimer's Unit at Meadows Mennonite Community in Chenoa, IL Send cards to: 14529 Saturn Circle, Bloomington, IL 61704

*Ray and *Angie Strader and family – 636 Riverside Drive

Susan Talley – 213 Portsmouth Drive

*Nathan Townsend – 241 Turner Drive, Unit C, Reidsville

Patsy Vestal – 640 E. Stadium Drive

Scott Vestal – 555 Victor Street

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Peakie Ward - Jean & Rhonda's cousin - 1127 Lawson Street

*Charles & *Louise Washburn – 201 Saturn Dr., Ridgeway, VA 24148

*Foot & *Harriet Washburn – 1229 Harris Street

Joyce White – Frankie's mother/Nancy's sister – 206 Howe Street

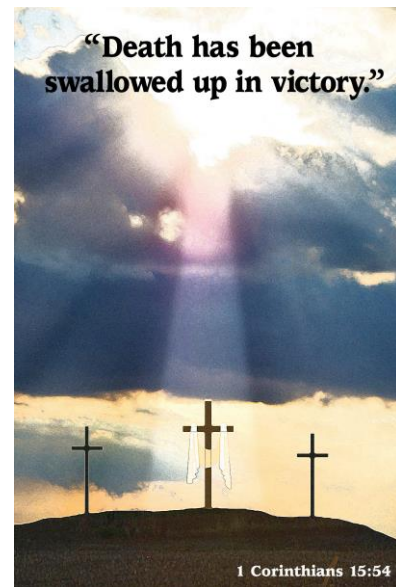
*Faye & *Melvin Wood – 9730 Hwy. 87, Reidsville, 27320

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to:

- The family of Tony Joyce at his death on March 10, 2020. Tony was the brother-in-law of Sylvia Brown.

- The family of Malcolm "Bo" Davis at his death on March 13.

If you would like to make a prayer request visit northspraychristianchurch.com/prayer to submit your request.



*Wishing you a blessed and happy
Easter holiday!*