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# Suncrest

**United Methodist Church**

**Communion Sunday, May 5, 2024**

Rev. Larry Buckland, Pastor      Angela Smith, Director of Music

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# Traditional Worship 9:00 am

Mark Markel, Lay Leader

Angela Smith, Director of Music

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Prelude

“Everybody Shout”

Scott Green

The Miltenberger Jazz Group

Welcome/Morning Prayer

*(Pre-K through 5th Grade dismissed to “The Neighborhood”)*

The Call to Worship

Loving God,  
call us together as your people;  
**transform us with your love.**  
Transform our hearts,  
**that we may love generously.**  
Transform our eyes,  
**that we may see your grace.**  
Transform our hands,  
**that we may serve others.**  
Transform our spirits,  
**that we may be the body of Christ,**  
gathered to worship  
**and sent out to serve. Amen.**

Hymn

“We Are Marching (Siyahamba)”

2235-b TFWS

Prayer for Graduates

God of truth and knowledge,  
by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth.  
Bless our graduates as they now finish this course of study.

**We thank you for those who taught and worked beside them,  
and all who supported them along the way.**

Walk with the graduates as they leave and move forward in life.  
Take away their anxiety and confusion of purpose.

**Strengthen their many talents and skills,  
instill in them a confidence in the future you plan,  
where energies may be gathered up  
and used for the good of all people.**

For the graduates, this truly is a day of new beginnings,  
a time to remember and move on, and a time to believe what love is bringing.

**May they always know that Christ is alive and goes before us,  
to show and share what love can do.  
This is a day of new beginnings.  
Our God is making all things new. Amen.**

Gloria Patri

Prayer for Understanding

The Scripture Romans 12:1-8 Jack Hammersmith

Anthem: "How Good It Is" Spacht  
Chancel Choir; The Miltenberger Jazz Group

**"The Playbook" Sermon Series:  
"You Can Serve"**

**The Message**

**Rev. Larry Buckland**

The Offering

Offertory "The Old Rugged Cross" George Bennard  
arr. Scott Green  
The Miltenberger Jazz Group

**May Noisy Offering: Pantry Plus More Summer Feeding Program**

*Please drop your loose change in the bucket and pass through the pew to the ushers*

Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion:

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee and Come Sunday" arr. Scott Green  
The Miltenberger Jazz Group

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Opportunities

**Benediction Response "The Trees of the Field" (2xs) 2279 TFWS**

Postlude "The Preacher" Horace Silver  
arr. James Miltenberger  
The Miltenberger Jazz Group

**The Miltenberger Jazz Group:**

Barbara Miltenberger Green, alto saxophone; Lillian Green, viola;  
Keith Jackson, trombone; James Miltenberger, piano;  
Scott Green, bass; Kevin Lloyd, drums

**General Conference Information Meeting Today at  
3:00 pm in the Sanctuary**

**Please join Pastor Larry in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. today for a recap and info session regarding the General Conference. Childcare will be available.**

# Contemporary Worship 11:00 am

Sheree Wetzel, Lay Leader; Rich Chaffins, Contemporary Music Director

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**“One Thing Remains”**

**“Blessed Assurance”**

Morning Prayer

Greeting

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A Time Mostly for Children

*(Pre-K through 5th Grade dismissed to “The Neighborhood.”  
All youth need to stay in the Sanctuary until dismissed with children.)*

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Prayer for Understanding

The Scripture

Romans 12:1-8

Patrick Foust

**“The Playbook” Sermon Series:  
“You Can Serve”**

**The Message**

**Rev. Larry Buckland**

Invitation to meet with God

Offertory

**“Little Things With Great Love”**

- Prayers for others – light a candle and pray for someone on your heart today. Come to the prayer rail and spend time with God.
- Prayers for you – meet Pastor Larry at the prayer rail for anointing and prayer.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion

**“The Kingdom Is Yours”**

Opportunities

**Holy Baptism: Wesley Ogden**

Son of Jason and Allison Ogden and little sister of Rhea

Grandson of Shelly and Daniel Quance, Ellen Ogden, and the late Jack Ogden

**Welcome New Members: Timmy and Maddie Gwinn**

Sending Forth

**“Rise Up (Lazarus)”**

**MUSICIANS:**

Alise Chaffins, Rich Chaffins, Greer Lambert,  
Lexi Mankamyer, Isaac Ridgely

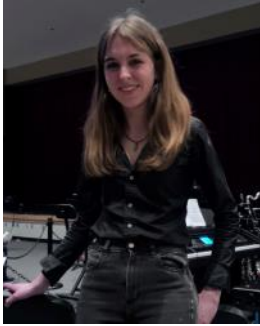
**SUMC PLAYLIST**

Scan the QR code if you enjoy the music the worship team brings us each week. We've made a Spotify playlist that is updated every Tuesday and features the music for the coming week's service!



# Congratulations Class of 2024!

Congratulations, best wishes, and blessings to the following young members of our faith community who will be graduating this spring from high school and college.



**Emily Arnett**, member of the SUMC Praise Band, is graduating from University High School. She will be attending WVU in the fall.

**Christiana Bouvy**, a children's aid at SUMC from Washington, PA, is graduating from WVU with a degree in art education.



**Trey Buckland**, son of Larry and Christi Buckland, is graduating from Fairmont Senior High School. He plans to attend WVU in the fall.



**Bryan Griffith**, Tech Director, is graduating from WVU with a degree in music business and industry. He will start as an intern at Big Machine, a record label in Nashville, TN.



**Zack Hostutler** is graduating from Hundred High School. He will be attending WVU this fall majoring in Horticulture and minoring in business. Zack has worked in his high school greenhouse for the last three

years and has been the manager for the last two. Zack currently is a member of our Children and Youth Ministries staff and has revitalized the acolytes you see each Sunday.



**Kaylene McMillen**, who served as SUMC's Social Work Intern this semester, graduates from WVU with a degree in social work. She will enter Shippensburg University's master's program in social work in the fall.



**Jane Peterson** is graduating from WVU with multidisciplinary studies: recreation and tourism, childhood development and horticulture. She will be getting married August 24 and will be living in her new home in Bridge-



**Ashton McClure Smith** is graduating from Morgantown High School with honors. He will attend Purdue University in the fall to study civil engineering. He is the son of Andrew Smith and Mary McClure-Smith.



**Samuel Peterson** is graduating from Morgantown High. He wants to be a marketing and management major at WVU, and he hopes to be in the Pride next year. Sam has been working in childcare at Suncrest for the past two years.

**Louis Wabnitz**, from Shepherdstown, WV, is graduating from WVU with a degree in political science.



**Scott Weichert**, from Cranford, NJ, is graduating from WVU with a bachelor's degree in global supply chain management. He has been attending SUMC since 2019. He said he loves it here, always feels welcomed, and enjoys meeting and chatting with all of the friendly members of the congregation. He also enjoyed the college meals in Drummond Chapel.



## INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Short-Term Bible Studies  
offering Spiritual Growth and Enriching Fellowship

### SUNDAYS AT 10 AM

#### **The Great Courses**

*Meets in the Kelsey L. Wilkins Library*

The Catacombs class has started a new Great Courses video series: "The Lives of Great Christians," presented by William R. Cook. For many, Christianity is the daily effort to live one's faith in every moment. This course introduces you to those who have done so over the centuries.

#### **The Sermon on the Mount**

*Meets in Hartley Chapel*

Join Paul and Maria Reidpath in a new study based on *The Sermon on the Mount*, by Drew Hunter. Everyone is welcome!

#### **The Gospel of Mark**

*Meets in Old Drummond*

This study, based on the book *The Gospel of Mark*, by A. J. Levine, will continue through May. The book features an in-depth study of select passages and illuminates the Gospel in its historical context and as a source for the other gospels. Please call the church office to obtain a copy of the book.

### TUESDAYS

#### **Hybrid Study with Pastor Larry**

*Meets in Hartley Chapel and ZOOM*

This weekly study meets Tuesdays at 10 am and will begin using the 2024 *Upper Room Disciplines* book and will adapt materials to different seasons and relevant topics.

### WEDNESDAYS

#### **Upper Room Bible Study**

*Meets on ZOOM*

All are invited each Wednesday at 10 am for *Upper Room Zoom*. We will read the scripture and devotion and then discuss the message for the day. Be sure to grab a copy of the *Upper Room* available in the sanctuary.

**Meeting ID: 824 3971 4940**

**Passcode: 803713**

### THURSDAYS

#### **Men's Breakfast Bible Study**

*Meets on ZOOM*

Open to men of all ages. This study group meets on ZOOM Thursdays from 7:15 am to 8:00 am. Please call the church office for the Zoom link.



# HAPPENING @ SUMC THIS WEEK

## Today, Sunday, May 5

Traditional Service	9:00 am
Children's Church	9:00 am
<i>"The Neighborhood," 3rd Floor</i>	
Senior High Youth	10:00 am
<i>3rd Floor</i>	
Bible Studies	10:00 am
<i>see page for studies offered</i>	
Contemporary Service	11:00 am
Children's Church	11:00 am
<i>"The Neighborhood," 3rd Floor</i>	
Rooted Youth Group	11:00 am
<i>3rd Floor</i>	
General Conference Info Meeting	
<i>Sanctuary</i>	3:00 pm

## Monday, May 6

SPRC Meeting	6:00 pm
<i>Hartley Chapel</i>	

## Tuesday, May 7

Upper Room Discipline	10:00 am
<i>Hartley Chapel and Zoom</i>	
Middle School Youth	6:00 pm
<i>(5th - 6th Grade), 3rd Floor</i>	
Cub Scout Pack 60	6:15 pm
Drummond Ringers	6:30 pm
Troop 65	7:00 pm
Peace With Justice	7:00 pm
<i>Old Drummond</i>	

## Wednesday, May 8

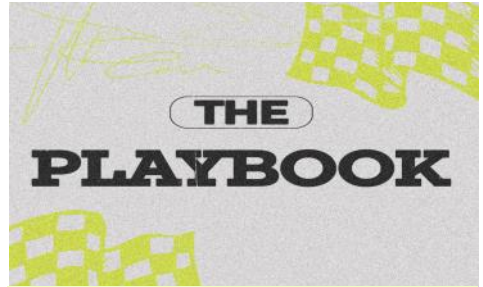
Upper Room Zoom Study	10:00 am
Middle School Youth	6:00 pm
<i>(7th-8th Grade), 3rd Floor</i>	

## Thursday, May 9

Men's Breakfast (Zoom)	7:15 am
Suncrest Ringers	4:00 pm

## Friday, May 10

Chinese Fellowship	7:00 pm
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### SERMON SERIES

Pastor Larry gives us  
"The Playbook" on following Jesus  
and being a full participant at  
Suncrest United Methodist Church,  
where all are welcome.

May 12: "You are a Witness"

Acts 1:4-11

May 19: "All are Welcome Here"

Acts 2:1-21



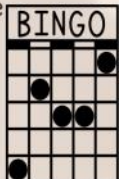
### Senior's social

Lets play some BINGO!

Wednesday May, 22nd

5pm @ Drummond

Pepperoni rolls and homemade  
desserts




# UNITED METHODIST MEN



**PIZZA**



**May 15, 24**  
**6:00 pm**  
**Hartley Chapel**  
**All men are invited!**



**What are your  
spiritual gifts?**



**Scan and take the  
Spiritual Gifts Inventory!**

## **Tune In Tuesdays to “The Rev. Rambles On”**

Please join Rev. Larry Buckland and guests on Tuesdays for a video and audio podcast called “The Rev. Rambles On.”

You can listen on Spotify or Apple Podcasts, or on the Suncrest YouTube channel. Search for “The Rev. Rambles On,” or see links to the podcast on the Suncrest Facebook page Tuesday mornings.



**JOIN THE  
TECH TEAM**

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY**

**CONTACT BRYAN GRIFFITH  
TECH.DIRECTOR@SUNCRESTUMC.ORG**

@SUNCRESTUMC

# GIVE BACK

## MEMORIAL DAY MEAL



Join us for  
fried chicken  
and fixin's,  
fellowship,  
and live music.

Volunteers and food  
items needed!



MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024

NOON - 2:00 PM

MORGANTOWN  
FARMERS MARKET

(400 Spruce Street)

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Suncrest and Spruce Street United Methodist Churches

304/599-6306

TEXT: 304/641-7862



# Neighborhood News

## KID CHECK-IN

You must be checked in to attend Children's Church.

### Lilly Lane Nursery

is available for infants through age 2. Please check in.

### Children's Church

Age 3 to 5th Grade

**9:00 am:**

Pastor Larry will dismiss children.

**11 am:**

Children are dismissed to the 3rd floor following the children's message.

### Preschool Sunday School

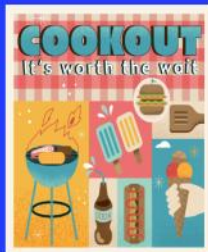
Ages 3 and 5

11 am on the 3rd floor. Children are dismissed with those attending Children's Church.

## ADVENTURES in the Neighborhood



Pre-K  
"Let Your Light Shine"



## K-5th Grade

When you think you can't wait, think twice!



### Parents:

Make sure to pick up your weekly bulletin for at-home ideas to continue this week's lesson.



# ROOTED

Christina Thomas,  
 Director of Children & Youth  
 681-285-5786 304-775-2682  
 christina.thomas@suncrestumc.org



SUNDAY @ 11AM

GOD  
 LOVES  
 JUSTICE!



5TH-6TH GRADE  
 Tues. 5/7@6

7TH-8TH GRADE  
 Wed. 5/8@6



Making  
 Mothers' Day  
 Gifts

May Youth Lock-In postponed!

## Cutest Pet Contest

Stop by the lobby and cast your vote!

Voting will be by penny-a-vote,  
 on select Sundays in the lobby.  
 (Entry fee and votes benefit SUMC  
 youth programs).

Winner will receive a trophy and  
 gift card to Petco.

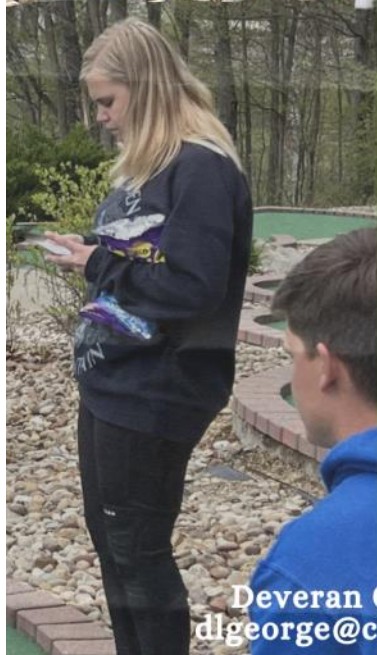
## PHOTO CONTEST

Winner gets a  
 Petco gift card

How to vote:

- 1 Penny a Vote
- 2 Drop your change in your favorite pet's jar.
- 3 Winner announced 6/2





# SENIOR HIGH YOUTH SUNDAYS @ 10 AM

IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD (3RD FLOOR)

**Join Deveran for a  
time of learning,  
fellowship,  
and, breakfast!!**

**All 9th - 12th grade  
students are invited!  
Bring your friends!**

Deveran George Senior High Youth  
[dgeorge@comcast.net](mailto:dgeorge@comcast.net) 304/677-9050

# The Library Committee Requests Your Input

At Suncrest we are excited about all of the new opportunities that are being introduced, such as new Sunday School classes and new study and fellowship groups. We want to make the most of the spaces available to house these activities.

A small group has been formed to take a look at the Kelsey L. Wilkins Library, with an eye to making it a useful resource for the church as well as a welcoming meeting space, while keeping in mind the vision of the Wilkins family.

To gather input for the group, we ask that you respond to a short questionnaire, which you can access through the QR code below or by

clicking the following link:

[SUMC Library Use Survey](#)

If you would like to be part of this effort, please contact Susan Dotson at [sdotson925@gmail.com](mailto:sdotson925@gmail.com) or Allyson McKee at [allyson.mckee47@gmail.com](mailto:allyson.mckee47@gmail.com).



## SUMI'S FOODS

Sumi's homey but authentic Indian cuisine will be in the SUMC parking lot today from 9 am - 1:00 pm.

Dishes available will be masala dosa, chicken keema dosa, air fried chicken tandoori kabab, chicken sheekh kabab, butter chicken, naan, poori masala and two desserts: gulab jamoon and mango lassi.

They accept cards, cash, or ZELLE. You can find more information on their Facebook page: Sumis Foods Morgan Town.

## Explore the World...Change Lives

GO ON A MISSION TRIP WITH SUMC



## MISSION TRIP

Ron Lytle and the SUMC Mission Team are planning a mission trip to a batey in the Dominican Republic to take place during **Thanksgiving 2024**. They hope to include WVU students, SUMC members, and friends.

The cost of the trip is approximately \$1,500/person. The Mission Team plans to assist with some of these expenses. For more information, contact Carol Rotruck at (304) 685-4833 or [carol.rotruck@icloud.com](mailto:carol.rotruck@icloud.com).



## May is Mental Health Awareness Month!

### Let's Keep Our Minds Healthy!

Mental Health is important because it affects the way we think, feel, and act. It affects the way we make choices and affects the way we handle stressful situations.

Our mental health directly affects the health of our bodies, so if our mind is not healthy, our bodies start to suffer.

Some warning signs that you may be struggling with your mental health include:

- Isolating yourself
- Sleeping more
- Eating less
- Not enjoying the things you used to
- Being irritable
- Weight changes

Some ways to improve mental health:

- Get regular exercise
- Eat healthy and regularly

- Getting enough sleep (8-10 hours)
- Try a relaxing activity
- Set goals and priorities

If you or someone you know is struggling with a mental health crisis, call, or text: 988

Feel free to reach out to the SUMC Faith Community nurses with questions using the contact information below:



**Dr. Angel Smothers**

304-952-4316

[asmothers@hsc.wvu.edu](mailto:asmothers@hsc.wvu.edu)



**Dr. Stephanie Young**

724-413-4642

[sayers1@hsc.wvu.edu](mailto:sayers1@hsc.wvu.edu)



## High school students interested in nursing invited to free day camp at WVU School of Nursing

The West Virginia University School of Nursing will be hosting its second Day Camp on Saturday, June 1, 2024, for high school students who are interested in exploring nursing as a career.

During the free one-day event, students can experience what it's like to be a nursing student by participating in an information session, a mock lecture, and hands-on learning opportunities at the West Virginia Simulation Training and Education for Patient Safety (STEPS) Center.

"This event offers a chance for high school students to experience a day in the life of a nursing student," said Phillip Engelkemier, Recruitment Specialist for the School of Nursing. "Attendees at our first

event last year especially enjoyed being on campus and experiencing hands-on learning simulations."

Students will be able to meet faculty members, including Dr. Brad Phillips, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs, and Dr. Tina Antill Keener, Director of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program. They can also meet a current nursing student, who can provide insight and answer questions.

Attendees will receive a WVU School of Nursing shirt and lunch will be provided. Registration will be limited to the first 50 students who sign up. For more information, contact Phillip Engelkemier at [phillip.engelkemier@hsc.wvu.edu](mailto:phillip.engelkemier@hsc.wvu.edu).

Source: <http://nursing.wvu.edu/>





The Mission Team is selling Mother's Day flower baskets for \$25. The following baskets will be available for order:

- Above and Beyond
- Bahama Beach
- Bermuda Skies
- Candyland
- Grand Traverse and
- Sunglasses

You can find examples of these online with any search engine.

Orders will be taken ahead of time and will be available on Mother's Day, May 12.

Please contact the church office to reserve your choice of basket(s).



## May Pantry Needs

- All canned goods, soup
- Jelly, pasta, and pasta sauce
- Cereal
- Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, and razors



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS: FEEDING THE SOUL IS Wednesday, May 15th

The Mission Team is organizing a Feeding the Soul meal for Wednesday, May 15. Volunteers will be serving dinner to approximately 25 individuals with Abundant Life Recovery at 6:30 pm at Westover United Methodist Church.

If you would like to provide food/goods, or assist please text or call Carol Rotruck at 304-685-4833



In response to the numerous natural disasters in our world, we will be receiving a special offering on the first Sunday of each month for UMCOR. (United Methodist Committee on Relief). 100% of every gift goes directly to providing assistance.

## FLOOD BUCKETS

June and July are commonly the worst months for flooding in West Virginia. Through the month of May we will be collecting filled flood buckets or items for flood buckets to be sent to WV UMCOR to help with clean up.

Please bring your items to the Mission Station located across from the door to the office. Buckets should be the large ones you can get at Lowes, Menards or Home Depot that have a lid. Filled buckets need to be able to be closed with the lid.

### Supplies for a flood bucket:

- One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner (No spray cleaners)
- One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (three solid, or three gel fresheners also acceptable)
- One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable)

- Pump spray bottles must have protective covers
- One scrub brush with or without handle
- 18 reusable cleaning wipes (No terrycloth, microfiber or paper towels. Remove from packaging)
- Five scouring pads sponges (No stainless steel pads with soap in them. Remove from packaging)
- 36-50 clothespins
- One 50-100 ft. clothesline (cotton or plastic line)
- 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags (33-45 gallon sizes. Remove from packaging)
- Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness. No surgical masks)
- Two pairs of durable kitchen gloves for multiple uses (Remove from packaging)
- One pair work gloves (Cotton with leather palm or all leather)



## STAMP MINISTRY

Don't forget to bring your canceled stamps to the church office to help the Missions Team with this vital ministry. Volunteers sort and sell the stamps, with all proceeds going to UMCOR. We appreciate Linda A. Lilly for trimming the stamps to specification, and we thank you all for your stamp donations.

# Let's Connect



Please take a moment and fill out the form below so that we can know you are in our midst and offer a prayer for you this week by name. If you are new, we want to get to know you, please share the information you are comfortable with.

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want added to our weekly Happenings email?  
\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ Let me think about it

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Are you visiting today?  
How many times have you worshipped at Suncrest?  
\_\_\_ 1st \_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_ a few times

Would you like more information about:

Jesus \_\_\_ Baptism \_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_

Serving \_\_\_ Mission Opportunities \_\_\_

How can we pray for you or someone you know?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you like

A call from Pastor Larry \_\_\_\_\_

A meeting with Pastor Larry \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

You may also stop by our website or mobile app and fill out the digital Connect Card.



[Suncrestumc.org/contact](http://Suncrestumc.org/contact)

## HEALING CARDS

**Hilda R. Heady**

(recent surgery)

146 Southern Galloway Lane  
Morgantown WV 26508-7008

**Peggy Tustin**

(recent surgery)

433 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Hundred, WV 26575

**Gene and Ginger Brookover**

(sympathy, Gene's mother,  
Ruby Brookover)

1450 Jakes Run Road  
Fairview, WV 26570

*The altar candle is presented today  
to the Glory of God in honor of,*

**Tammy Laughlin,**

*as she celebrates her birthday, by  
Karen Moser.*

## VIDALIA ONIONS!

Order your Vidalia onions today!  
(\$12 per bag) They will arrive in  
May. Please contact Jack Davis to  
place your order at 304/685-1852.

### LAST WEEK IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE

9:00  
168

11:00  
150

TOTAL  
318

### PREVIOUSLY

4/7/24  
338

4/14/24  
323

4/21/24  
343