

# Unity Lamplighter

April 21-26, 2025

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## Announcements

**Sunday April 27** Children's Choir Sings during Worship

**Sunday May 4**, 4-6 pm  
Children's Choir practice, dinner provided

**Sunday May 18**, Youth Sunday

Mark your calendars for VBS  
**June 9-12**, more info soon.

Planning is underway for the church's **150th Anniversary Celebration** and the committee is seeking your help. If you have church history items/artifacts that you would like to share and display throughout the year, please contact Robin Cox.

**April** is our month for **HOPE**  
Current needs are Grits, Beef Stew, Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta  
A box has been placed in the church for your donations.

## Volunteer Schedule

### Nursery:

4/27 Karen Baxley/Robin Cox  
5/4 Lisa Clawson/Laura Cox

### Children's Church:

4/27 Karen Baxley/Chandler Kirkley  
5/4 Rita Jamison/Landyn Robinson

### Safety Patrol:

4/27 Mike Hagins  
5/4 Tommy Deason

## April Memory Verse

*"Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."  
1 John 4:4*

### Elder of the Month:

Phil Cox

### Deacon of the Month:

Mike Hagins

### Ushers of the Month:

Jamie McCowan  
Darin Robinson  
Bryan Walker  
Tommy Deason

## Prayer Requests

Family of Glenn Ribelin

Family of Philip Helms

Jennifer Deason – chemo treatments

Mark Huey – recovery from liver transplant

Diana Hallman – ALS

Karen Thomas – recovery

Linda Henderson, Al Starnes, Robert and Nancy Watterson, Jean Stogner, Gail and Joanne Dailey

The family of Philip Helms would like to thank you for the many thoughtful expressions of sympathy extended to us during our loss. We greatly appreciate your love and support.

## **Giving 4/20:**

General \$4,818  
Building \$90

## **Honorariums and Memorials:**

In memory of Philip Helms by:

Guy and Betsy Smith

Sarah Robinson

Lee and Jennifer Duffie

In memory of James Robinson on our anniversary April 12, 1959 by

Sarah Robinson

In memory of Bailey Baxley, Happy Easter in Heaven by Don and Karen Baxley

In memory of William Robinson by:

Don and Karen Baxley

Phonzo and Clara Starnes

Lee and Jennifer Duffie

In memory of Glenn Ribelin by:

John and Rhonda McCain

Don and Karen Baxley

Steve and Lisa Willis

Fran Melton

Sara Logan

Ronnie and Wanda Ingram

Joe and Toni Flynn

Kathy Sullivan

Bill and Linda Carraway

Richard and Patty Carter

Patsy Moore

Bobby and Janice Hughes

Robbie Glenn

Julie Taylor

In memory of my husband and best friend Glenn W. Ribelin, Jr by

Andrea Ribelin

In honor of Rollins Cooper Starnes by William and Brenda Robinson

## **From Our Corner**

This past week, we celebrated the life of Glenn Ribelin as he made the journey to his new home in Heaven. Glen's history with our church began when he and Andrea Acquaro began dating in high school more than 30 years ago. Andrea's story dates back almost 50 years ago when she was born. Her mother was Carol Steele the daughter of Darwin and Frances Steele. The Steele family has deep roots in our church and community. Andrea and her sister, Amanda, grew up next door to the church. They played, rode their bikes, attended Girl Scouts, and were very active in this church from "Cradle Roll" days. Andrea and Glenn were high school sweethearts, which continued through college, and into marriage. Andrea and Glenn were blessed with two sweet daughters, Sydney (Syd) and Sophie. This young family has always been special in the eyes of our community. Andrea and Glenn, both professionals, always found time to enhance our lives with their smiles, love, and laughter. They were loving and devoted parents, and their love and respect for each other was obvious for all to see. I remember Andrea laughingly sharing a little vignette as our Girl Scout Troop camped in tents around their swimming pool. She said Glenn hugged her before leaving for work that morning and reminded her "Remember you are a Girl Scout mom tonight... and NOT a school principal!" ....and she did remember! What a tribute to their partnership in life as he felt free to express this advice, and she acknowledged it with a nod and a smile. This family has dealt with much hard news in the past year, and they used it to grow in faith, to draw closer to each other, and to open their hearts in sharing that faith with us. This couple has had the joy of watching their daughters reflect the love, devotion and affection they were taught as children, come full circle back to the parents. Glenn would have been so proud of "his girls" as they shared the joys they knew of a family life well-lived: God centered, grounded in love and respect and open affection for each other. They shared the Easter lesson of salvation to all through faith in Christ just as Glenn practiced throughout his life. To God be the glory for the Ribelin family.