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### May Flowers

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is the Lord. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river, and will not fear when heat comes; but its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of drought, nor will cease from yield in fruit."

— Jeremiah 17:7-8



As a child, one of the common sayings that I would hear during this time of year was that "April showers bring May flowers." To me, this saying was a reminder that no matter the storms we may face in life, the rains will ultimately bring a beautiful panorama of spring. I don't know if you have noticed, but it seems that our April showers this year lasted from about late October right through April. WOW! Seems to me that this year's May flowers should be something amazing. I look forward to seeing the beauty of them, even if I must endure the pollen that enables their life and growth.

In our lives we will have times of discouragement, hardship, or just plain gloom. Our jobs may stress us and seem like a dead end. Our health may beat us down. Our families may let us down. And the list can go on. These seasons of storms in our lives may last for days, months, sometimes even years. During those times it is hard not to get down and, well, discouraged. Still, those rains will bring our May flowers.

At the heart of those rainy times in our lives, is one simple call by God – "trust Me." God told Jeremiah that the blessings of God happen when His people will trust Him. That trust is what plants our lives firmly in God's grace. Trust is what enables us to draw deeply from God's waters of life. As we trust in God, even in difficult times, we will find that God springs in us a fruitfulness that could never have happened had the rains not fallen in our lives. When we learn to trust God, even in the storms, we find that He turns our rains into wonderful May flowers.

The people of Israel, during Jeremiah's time, were facing long years in the oppressive captivity of Babylon. And God called on them to trust. He reminded them that He knew the plans that He had for them....and those plans were glorious. He made a promise to them that He would bring them out of those difficult days and into that promise. I don't know what you, or your loved ones, may be facing that can feel like never ending rains. But this I do know, when we trust in the God who loves us so deeply, He will bring us through the rains, and use them to grow in us His beautiful May flowers.

This month, let's begin to look for God's blessings and hopes for fruitfulness and growth in our lives and church. We will still have times that try us, like the pollen that we so dread. But in the midst of it all, God will do a work in us that brings forth His beautiful tapestry of colors, His May flowers.

God's Blessing Be On You,  
Bro. Joey



# News and Announcements



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| 5-1 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00     | 5-18 Bible Discussion and Youth Activities at 6:00  |
| 5-1 Holy Communion                                 | 5-19 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30  |
| 5-3 United Methodist Women's Meeting at 10:00      | 5-20 Grief Share Meeting at 10:00 a.m.  |
| 5-4 Bible Discussion and Youth Activities at 6:00  | 5-22 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00   |
| 5-5 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30          | 5-25 Bible Discussion and Youth Activities at 6:00  |
| 5-8 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00     | 5-25 Children's End of School Party at 6:00   |
| 5-8 Happy Mother's Day                             | 5-26 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30  |
| 5-11 Bible Discussion and Youth Activities at 6:00 | 5-29 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00   |
| 5-12 Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30         | 5-29 5th Sunday   |
| 5-15 Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:00    | 5-30 Memorial Day  |



The United Methodist Women will Meet on May 3rd at 10:00 am in the room across from the nursery.



No United Methodist Men's Food & Fellowship during the month of May



**Bible Discussion** - Come join us on Wednesday Nights at 6:00 p.m. as we get into the Bible and discuss the answers to our questions. It's laid back and you're welcome to join us.



RAPs, Raising All Praises. will not meet during the month of May.

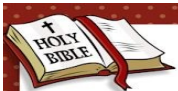


## 8 Facts about Memorial Day



Many people will spend Memorial Day welcoming the warmer weather, others, but, do you know the history behind Memorial Day? Here are a few facts about the holiday.

1. It honors the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.
2. It is observed on the last Monday of May, although for many years it was observed on May 30.
3. Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day.
4. It became a federal holiday in 1971, and created a three-day weekend for federal employees.
5. Memorial Day is known as the unofficial beginning of the summer season.
6. Each year, a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day.
7. In 1966, the federal government declared Waterloo, New York, as the official birthplace of Memorial Day because it hosted an annual event where residents decorated the graves of soldiers with flowers and flags. President Lyndon Johnson signed the declaration.
8. Originally, Memorial Day honored only those lost in the Civil War, but that changed during World War I.



Join us as we begin a new Thursday Morning Bible Study



## BIRTHDAYS

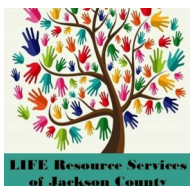


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## ANNIVERSARIES



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### Life Resource Services of Jackson Co.

We are open Monday  
thru Friday from 9:00  
a.m.-4:00 p.m.

### May Collection:

Water, toilet paper, antibacterial  
wipes and paper towels. We can  
always use volunteers to help.  
Thank You for your support.

## ABOUT FACE TO FACE...



**FACE to FACE**  
THE UPPER ROOM®

Face to Face began "Encounters"  
in Emmaus Communities across the  
United States in 2015. Each day, new  
groups are joining in this adventure of  
starting Face to Face in their local Emmaus communities. They are  
experiencing a renewed spirit within the community, and growing  
numbers of pilgrims who are thankful for the focus of Face to Face

An adaptation of The Walk to Emmaus, Face to Face is specifically  
crafted to meet the needs and life-stages of older adults. The program  
seeks to invite men and women, ages 60 and older, to experience Jesus  
through a 4 to 8-session journey, covering subjects such as discipleship,  
mission, grief, and end-of-life issues. The highly flexible schedule allows  
participants the freedom to engage in structured Bible study and prayer  
in a church setting or other community space. Led by clergy and lay  
leaders, Face to Face strengthens and renews followers of Christ and  
bolsters the spiritual life of individuals, families, and congregations  
everywhere. Face to Face is open to members of any Christian  
denomination who want to strengthen their spiritual lives, discover  
answers to their questions about faith, and are open to understanding  
the responsibility of living a Christian lifestyle.

Randall's Chapel will be hosting Face to Face under the leadership of  
Beverly Patalas on June 13th, 14th and 16th and 17th. If you would like  
to attend please contact the church office or Eleanor Allen for an  
application. You will meet from 8:00 - 3:30 . Breakfast, lunch, snacks  
and all materials are provided. You will be blessed by your attendance.  
This is open to anyone in the community, but all fees will be covered for  
members of Randall's Chapel.



## Grief Support Group

*Theresa Kilgro has been leading a great support group  
for a couple of years here at Randall's Chapel. If you  
have had the passing of a love one, let me encourage  
you to check out this ministry and group to find some  
good support and encouragement. They are meeting  
every other Friday. If you are interested contact Theresa  
or the church office.*

**They will be meeting on Friday, May 20th**



## Children's Message

### May Greeters

- 5-1 Shelia Morris,
- 5-8 Justin & Wyatt Ellis,
- 5-15 Tom Brewer,
- 5-22 Ralph Grider,
- 5-29 Shelia Morris

## Children's Message - May Leaders -

- 5-1 Shelia Morris,
- 5-8 Janet Matthews,
- 5-15 Lisa Lusk,
- 5-22 Kelly Ellis,
- 5-29 Shelia Morris

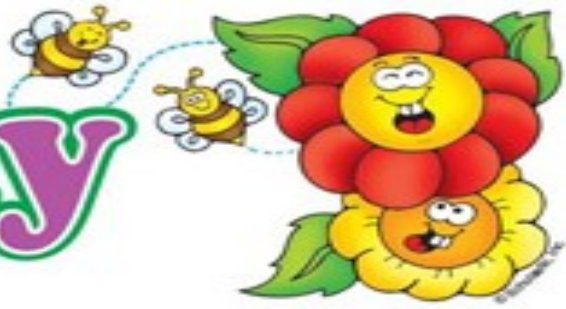


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# May



**Sunday**

**Monday**



**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

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Sunday School at 9:00 Worship at 10:00		United Methodist Women's Meeting at 10:00	Youth Activities & Bible Discussion 6:00 p.m.	Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30		
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# THE FUNNY PAGE



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Bill  
and  
JEFF  
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"Isn't it nice to have everything back to normal after your day off?"



Mother's love is the fuel that enables a normal human being to do the impossible.\*

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

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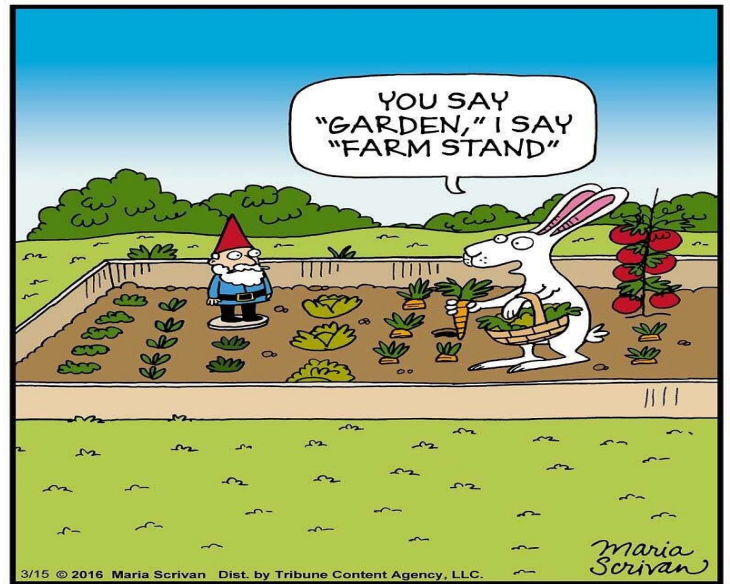
Marion C. Garretty

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



A VERSE SPECIAL FOR MOM

We can rejoice, too, when we run into troubles and trials, for we know that they are good for us and help us learn to endure. **Ro 5:3**



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I MAY NOT BE THE GREATEST HUSBAND IN THE WORLD...



I MAY NOT BE THE MOST HELPFUL, OR THE MOST THOUGHTFUL...



MAYBE I'M NOT ALWAYS CONSIDERATE OR RELIABLE, BUT... BUT...

5/11



OH, SHOOT! I KNOW I WAS GOING SOMEWHERE WITH THIS!





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## **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

### **SUNDAY**

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00  
WORSHIP 10:00

### **WEDNESDAY**

ADULT BIBLE STUDY 6:00PM  
YOUTH AND CHILDREN ACTIVITIES  
6:00PM