

The Grapevine



May, 2018

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“Come, follow me,” –Matthew 4:19

In our time the expression “following Jesus” has lost its edge. Most people are not even sure exactly what it means. To follow Jesus simply means to become an apprentice of Jesus. To be an apprentice of Jesus means you are learning from him how to live your life as he would live your life if he were living your life.

The first step to becoming an apprentice of Jesus is to see that Jesus was good at living life. Anytime a person enters into an apprentice relationship with someone they do so because they believe that person is good at something they want to do. An aspiring violinist might apprentice themselves to a great violist. An aspiring electrician might apprentice themselves to the best electrician in their community. In Jesus Christ we see God living a human life. It is a stunning performance. It is a flawless human life. It is the epitome of a life well-lived. God did not live a human life to impress us, but to attract us. He wants us to look at Jesus and think “I want to live a life like that.” He wants us to enter into an apprentice relationship with Jesus.

One thing to keep in mind is that it is never too late to learn from Jesus how to live life. I once knew a woman in her nineties who was learning how to play the guitar. No matter how far along in life we are it is never too late to start learning from Jesus how to live life.

One question people often have is “how can I learn from Jesus how to live life if I cannot see Him.” It can feel like the first disciples had an advantage over us because for three years they could see Jesus. We are the ones with the advantage though. We have the Holy Spirit within us. We have Jesus words. We have the examples of followers of Jesus throughout 2,000 years.

My prayer is that at the end of this month each of us would look back and see how in practical ways we have learned how to more fully live as Jesus lived.

Faithfully, Pastor Greg Morrow

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Joys, Concerns, and Other



Prayer Concerns

Our Nation, Our President, Our Country,
Our Service Men and Women

Our friends and neighbors and in our community who
have lost, and are searching for employment.

Please pray for God's comforting & healing touch for
the following:

Families who have lost loved ones in March & April:

- The Stull Family upon the loss of Lillian Mae
- The Davidson family upon the loss of Cindy
- The Dick Hill Family upon the loss of Dick's Mother and Sister.

Those battling health issues or surgery:

- Carol Sweet-recovering at home from blood clot.
- Sam O'Neal – Stomach Tumor (joy to find tumor benign)
- Amanda Fine's Grandfather, Ed - cancer.

Those battling Cancer:

Judy Overholser Sharon (Simpson) Thornhill
Catherine Bensman Maria Adams
Kyle Ressler Jackie Gearon
Karen Hassa Bobby Sparks
Levi Delimo Jerry Dearth
Tiffany Miller

THANK YOU!

THE RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

was a great success again this year. We want to thank all who donated, baked wonderful items, picked up the larger items, sorted, priced, and tagged items for the sale. We grossed \$900 to be used for various missions of the church.

COVE SPRING YOUTH GROUP MAY 20th

All youth in grades 7th - 12th are encouraged to attend at 5:00pm. Pastor Greg will teach a relevant lesson about how God changes our lives. Dinner will be provided. If you are planning on attending, let Pastor Greg know.



Happy Birthday in May

Emily Benham, Jane Jess, Hannah Sturman,
Grant Eidemiller, Christina Freshour,
Jill Gearhardt, Josiah Trostel, Bill Meyer,
Luke Fulton, Levi Worthington, Katrina Sutherly,
Tim Holzen, Gemma Hess, Logan Greenlee,
Anna Beth Douthit, Seth Coverstone,
Marcia Knife, Marie Douthit, Doug Taynor,
Cheryl Jackson, Gwendolyn Manning, Caleb Staley,
Rita Sutherly, Katie Paulus



May Anniversary Waltz

Mackenzie & Kelly Horner,
Tyler & Taylor Dunivan



Congratulations to Parents;
Brad and Destiny Knife and
Grandparents; Tim, and Gaile Knife
upon the birth of Lincoln Hayes Knife
Born Easter Sunday!

MAY USHERS:

Zane Baughman and Tom Fulton

What's Happening ?

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, May 3

The theme of the 2018 observance will be *"Pray for America - Unity," based upon Ephesians 4:3*, which challenges believers to mobilize unified public prayer for America, making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

COMMUNION SERVICE, May 6

Cove Spring Church will offer Communion during our 10:30a.m. service on May 6.

HOME GROUPS' BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP MAY 6

Our next home group Bible Study/Fellowship will be hosted by Randy & Lynda Mott at their home, 1350 S. Hufford Rd. Casstown, at 4:00pm. All are welcome. Our current study is in John. Please RSVP to the Mott's by May 2.

Our Groups meet each month at the home of a member. All are welcome. Pastor Greg will lead the group in a bible study with fellowship and refreshments following. (Bring a dish to share) Home groups are an excellent way to study the Bible with other believers and at the same time get to know others in our church better. There are sign-up sheets in each vestibule for those who are interested in having a group meet in their home.

ATTENTION DEACONS, May 7

The Deacons' Board will be meeting at 7:00pm, May 7.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Each Wednesday evening at 6pm.

May 2 May 9 May 16 May 23 May 30

We are currently studying the life and ministry of the Apostle Paul. All ladies are invited to join us on our faith journey. Always promises to be interesting and rewarding.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Church School Picnic will be held Sunday, June 24, at the ETCC Shelter immediately following our worship service. More details to follow.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, May 8

We will be meeting May 8, at 2:00pm for a time of fellowship. Our devotional will be on "Fellowship." Janet Knife will be our devotional chairman.

All women are welcome

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, May 19

Our Men's Bible Study Class, lead by John Fulton will meet again May 19th at 7:30 Saturday morning. Join us for a casual time of fellowship and discussion of God's Word. Open to all men in the church and community. We look forward to your presence. For any questions, please call 937-214-4416.

2018 GRADUATES!

If you will be a graduate from Jr. High, High School, College, or receiving a post graduate degree in 2018, we would like to honor you in the upcoming May 20 service. Please notify Dan or Debbie Danielson (937-875-1193) no later than May 10.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE May 27

Items for the *June* Newsletter are due May 27, to Lynda Mott: lynda.mott05@gmail.com) or 937-478-6826.

TGIF -CORNER..

TGIF: (Thanking God in Fellowship) Ladies will be meeting for dinner May 4 at The Boat House, Troy at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to Diana Wilhelm @845-3279 by May 2 if you wish to attend.

All Ladies are welcome.

COMMUNITY -CORNER..

Casstown Fire Department CHICKEN BBQ

Help support our Casstown Fire Department by purchasing a BBQ chicken dinner May 6, 11a.m. to 2p.m., ½ Chicken, coleslaw, applesauce, dinner roll and chips. Dine-in or Carryout, \$8 each.. See Art or Trudy Blackmore or any of our Firemen for tickets.

HONORING MOTHERS, MAY 13

(From *Next Door Savior* by Max Lucado)

“Some things only a mom can do.

Only a mother can powder a baby's behind with one hand and hold the phone with the other.
Only a mom can discern which teen is entering the door just by the sound of the key in the lock.
Only a mom can spend a day wiping noses, laundering enough socks for the Yankees, balancing a checkbook down to \$1.27, and still mean it when she thanks God for her kids.
Only a mom.

Some things only a mom can fix.

Like Hamburger Helper without the hamburger.
Like the cabinet door her husband couldn't, and his bruised ego when he found out that she could.
Broken shoelace? Broken heart? Breaking out on your face? Breaking up with your sweetheart?
Mom's can handle that.

Some things only a mom can fix.

Some things only a mom can know.

The time it takes to drive from piano lesson to Little League practice? She knows.
How many pizzas you need for a middle school sleepover? Mom knows.
How many Weight Watcher points are left in the day and days are left in the semester?
Mom can tell you.
She knows.

.....Moms are a breed apart. The rest of us can only wonder and ponder.....”



SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance forward from Feb., 28, 2018.....**\$753.83**

Receipts

Collections..... 116.00

Total Receipts**\$869.83**

Expenses

David Cook (SS Supplies)..... 9.98

Bank fees..... 5.00

Total Expenses **\$14.98**

Ending Balance March 31.....**\$854.85**

Marcia Knife, Treasurer

**Cove Spring Church
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures**

	Mar 18	Jan - Mar 18
Income		
Basket Collections	\$ 4,091.50	\$ 10,678.37
Currency Envelopes	\$ 4,462.00	\$ 16,938.16
Special Offerings	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Mission Contributions	\$ 60.00	\$ 362.00
Fund Raising	\$ -	\$ 525.00
Memorial Fund Contributions	\$ -	\$ 1,275.00
Music Fund Contributions	\$ 20.00	\$ 499.50
Miscellaneous Contributions	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
Parsonage Rent	\$ 675.00	\$ 2,025.00
Donated Salaries	\$ 249.99	\$ 749.97
Interest Earnings	\$ 229.35	\$ 705.52
Unrealized G(L) on Portfolio	\$ (918.86)	\$ (1,648.31)
Total Income	\$ 8,868.98	\$ 33,860.21
Expense		
Payroll Expense	\$ 5,002.42	\$ 15,065.58
Pulpit Supply & Education	\$ 151.29	\$ 870.01
Pastor's Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 82.57	\$ 323.20
Church Business Expenses	\$ 868.04	\$ 1,902.71
Capital Improvements	\$ 2,204.66	\$ 2,204.66
Trustee Expenses	\$ 1,153.14	\$ 2,787.53
Water System	\$ 20.00	\$ 243.00
Fuel Oil	\$ 2,130.66	\$ 4,456.55
Electric	\$ 330.22	\$ 775.71
Telephone	\$ 44.95	\$ 134.85
Real Estate Taxes	\$ -	\$ 696.49
Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ 1,254.00
Missions	\$ 60.00	\$ 337.00
Memorial Contributions	\$ 62.99	\$ 128.98
Bank Charges	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.60
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 427.10	\$ 937.48
Total Expense	\$ 12,543.04	\$ 32,133.35
Net Income	\$ (3,674.06)	\$ 1,726.86

	Mar 31, 18
ASSETS	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	\$ 256,129.71
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 2,340.00
Memorial Fund	\$ 23,603.07
Music Fund	\$ 6,226.33
Total Checking/Savings	\$ 288,299.11
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 288,299.11
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,037.10
Payroll Liabilities	\$ 1,840.81
Total Liabilities	\$ 2,877.91
Equity	
Fund Balances	\$ 283,694.34
Net Income	\$ 1,726.86
Total Equity	\$ 285,421.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 288,299.11

May 2018

◀ April

June ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Ladies Bible Study 6pm  Choir Practice 7:30pm 	3 Nat'l Day of Prayer 	4 TGIF at The Boat House, 6:30pm 	5
6 Communion  Home Group Bible Study. 4pm  Casstown Fire Dept. 	7 Deacon Meeting, 7:00pm	8 Women's Fellowship 2pm	9 Ladies Bible Study 6pm  Choir Practice 7:30pm 	10	11	12
13 Mothers Day 	14	15	16 Ladies Bible Study 6pm  Choir Practice 7:30pm 	17	18	19 7:30a.m. 
20  CELEBRATE THE GRADUATE Youth Group To meet at the church. 5pm	21	22	23 Ladies Bible Study 6pm  Choir Practice 7:30pm 	24	25	26
27 Items Due for June.  Choir to take Summer break. Returning in Sept.	28 Memorial Day 	29	30 Ladies Bible Study 6pm 	31		