

## New Market United Methodist

# MAY 2021

# METHODIST MESSENGER

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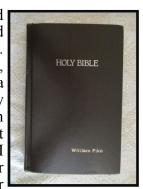
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Dear Friends,

Many churches, including our own, have the tradition of presenting a Bible to graduating high school seniors. So did South Salem United Methodist Church, where I first began my Christian walk as a teenager in south-central Ohio.

Recently I happened to notice that as of May of this year, that Bible has been in my possession for 30 years. Long ago, inside the front cover, I had written, "From South Salem United Methodist Church for Graduation Sunday, May 19, 1991."

I still remember that day, as Pastor Garry Hogue handed me two wrapped books. One was a hardcover copy of Oswald Chambers' famous devotional, *My Utmost for His Highest*. The other was this Bible. My name was imprinted on each one, something which impressed me greatly – I doubt I'd ever seen a book imprinted with the owner's name like that before. To my great surprise, a few days later my father came home from work and handed me a leather case he had purchased for that Bible from a stationary store that once existed in our area. I still keep the Bible in that same case today, and somehow, after thirty years of use, case and Bible both are still no worse for wear.



Sometime, probably that same summer, I tried to begin reading the Bible, for the first time, from the beginning. At some point, probably having reached Leviticus, I gave up for a while. But later on while in college I began again, starting this time with the New Testament. After I finished the New Testament I returned to the Old Testament again, now with a greater interest, and eventually finished reading the Bible for the first time. My pages are replete with underlinings, brackets, and notes made during that first reading, back in my early 20s.

I have owned and made use of several Bibles in the years since, but it is still this well-worn NIV copy to which I return, and from which I preach every Sunday. It has accompanied me through many journeys – physical and spiritual – and it has inspired me time and time again.

I have to wonder if, on that Sunday in May thirty years ago, anyone in the church that day thought twice about the Bible that was given to me. Did anyone there really think I would read it. Did they think it would touch my life at all. I wish I could go back in time and tell them that efforts like that are worth it, and God's word endures, as has this simple copy of the scriptures, entering now its fourth decade, and with so much left to give me.

Blessings, Pastor Bill

#### Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, May 13th & 27th from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

#### BLOOD DRIVE SATURDAY, MAY 1, 8:30AM-12PM

All donors will receive a Versiti umbrella To sign up, Scan the QR code, call 317-916-5150 or visit versiti.org-click "donate blood" search sponsor code: 4139. Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donation.



#### May Mission Blanket "Sunday"

Reminder:

We will be collecting donations for blankets during the month of May. You may donate in memory of or in honor of anyone.

#### **May Liturgist**

2nd Dan Welliever 9th Sheila Chadd 16th Dixie Ruggles 23rd Rhett Welliever 30th Marci Welliever

#### May Greeter

Kelly Clifton

#### MAY CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Holy Communion—Sunday, May 2nd UM Women's—Wednesday, May 5th, 7:00PM UM Men's—Wednesday, May 12th, 6:00PM AD COUNCIL—Wednesday, May 19th, 7:00PM

#### By The Numbers Attendance & Giving Update

#### March 28

Sunday School Attendance: 15 Sunday School Offering: \$ 25.00 Worship Attendance: 28 Sunday Offering: \$ 965.00

#### April 4

Sunday School Attendance: 16 Sunday School Offering: \$ 58.20 Worship Attendance: 20 Sunday Offering: \$ 1,645.00

#### April 11

Sunday School Attendance: 17 Sunday School Offering: \$ 32.00 Worship Attendance: 24 Sunday Offering: \$ 705.00

#### April 18

Sunday School Attendance: 17 Sunday School Offering: \$ 32.00 Worship Attendance: 27 Sunday Offering: \$ 710.00

### PRAYER REQUEST

- Gary Austin
- Susie Austin
- •Lois Ator
- Joy Bayless
- •Sam Bayless
- Donna Berry
- Heather Billard
- •DeAnna Block
- •Heidi Bonwell
- •James Bosworth
- •Marjorie Bowman
- •Gloria Brand
- •Teresa Brook
- Art Buck
- •Mary Evelyn Bruin
- •Judy & Byron Butler
- James Caldwell
- Nancy Hampton Campbell
- •Cam Chadd
- Marci Conkright
- •Dan Cramer
- Patty Curry
- Kay DeBusk
- Kennedy Ellis
- Karen Etter
- •Eunice Farmer
- Bentley Hall
- Denise Hall
- Sue Howell
- •Larry & Louise Hulse
- Seth Hutchison
- Christopher Johnson
- Dave Johnson
- •Glenellen King

- Pete Largent
- Donna Lideski
- Steve Lidester
- •Glenn Livesay
- Brad Long
- Payton Long
- •Eladio Lopez
- •Jenny Lynn
- Mike Marcel
- Patty Meadows
- Jan Minnick
- Branden Monett
- David Myers
- Kim Oliphant
- •Judy & Kevin Payne
- •Cathy Pointer
- •Richard Pruitt
- Mary Evelyn Reddish
- Dean Richmond family
- Nancy Sandlin
- Norma Sillery
- Mallory Stripling
- Melvin Sturgeon
- Talia
- •Billie Ann Thomas
- Dion Thomas
- Jean Thomas
- •Denisa Timberman
- •Bill VanBebber
- •Dennis & Elaine Weir
- Larry Wiatt
- •John & Karen Wilbur
- •Ramona Wilbur
- •Edna Williams
- Covid Patients

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Keith Grimes & Dale Simpson** 

#### **NEW MARKET UNITED METHODIST MEN**

The United Methodist Men met on April 14, 2021, with five present. Larry Hulse read a devotion and provided pie and ice cream. Tom DeBusk noted that the group's fund balance stood at \$2,223.47. It was decided that we would have a regular meeting in May (May 12th), and Bill Thomas offered to act as the host. We agreed to move ahead with plans for the annual Father/Son Banquet, with a tentative date set for Sunday, June 27th. After the business meeting a discussion ensued regarding our study book, "The God I Never Knew."

#### THE NEXT SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST IS SUNDAY, MAY 9TH, 7:00-11:30AM

Pancakes, eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy. Choice of chocolate milk, milk or orange juice.

This may be a to- go or an eat in at the New Market Fire Station.

New Market Community Volunteer Fire Department is raising money for the New Market Sesquicentennial in 2022.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
M							1 Blood Drive 8:30AM- 12PM
A Y	2 Holy Communion	3 Jan & Diana Morse Anniversary	4	5 UMW Meeting 7PM Louise Hulse Birthday	6	7	8 Jessica Leahy Birthday
20	9 Mather's Days	10	11	12 UMM Meeting 6PM	13 Pete Haffner Birthday	14	15 Victoria Hunt Kilanowski Birthday
	16	17 Mary Ann Lowe Birthday	18	19 Ad Council Meeting 7PM	20 Larry Hulse Birthday	21	22
	23	24 Connie Cleek Birthday	25	26	27	28	29
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# COME WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday School: 9:30 AM Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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#### Find Us On Our Website!

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