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Zion Memorial

Bollinger’s Chapel

The Shepherd

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October, 2022

**Words from the Intern**

Greetings, everyone! Things have certainly changed in these few months, especially the cool temperatures now hitting North Carolina! Pretty soon it will be Halloween, so start stocking up on candy before it all runs out!! I must say that I am really enjoying my time with you both. I have taken on more duties, such as becoming the interim song leader at Bollinger’s Chapel UMC and preaching my first sermon at Zion Memorial last Sunday! The Lord is truly keeping me busy, and I couldn’t ask for a better place to do my internship this semester.

In this newsletter, I’d like to highlight something that not many people talk about anymore: the beauty of our world and why it came to be. The time is soon approaching for the leaves to change colors, the temperature slowly decreases, and warm cocoa is sipped next to a roaring fire. God really must have had His hands full when He created the universe, especially our planet and everything in it. He took time to create every single animal, fish, insect, and tree. He made the stars in the sky, and the soil on the ground. He made the sea glisten under the sunlight, and the sky light up with beautiful colors in the morning and night. Most importantly, He took time to create us, His children. He did these things because He loves us with all His heart. He lifts us up when we are down and guides us on our path in life. To put it simply, let me quote a verse from Psalms: “This is the Lord’s doing. It is marvelous in our eyes” (Psalm 118:23). His love for us is a perfect reminder that we are never alone in this world, for our Father is right by our side. My mentor, Dr. Robert Kerr, told me that after concluding a church service, an elderly woman came up to him and said that he wasn’t the only person at the pulpit. Confused, he asked what she meant, and she claimed to have seen multiple people next to him as he preached. A guardian angel perhaps? Or maybe family members that have long passed, coming to show support? Either way, the message I want to emphasize is that wherever you are in life, no matter what kind of a person you are, GOD LOVES YOU! Never stop being who you are, for it puts a smile on God’s face. May you all have a wonderful month. You are all in my prayers.

Blessings,

-Sethu

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**October Birthdays**   **October Anniversaries**

1st – Todd Gilliland

2nd – Helen Starnes Ryan & Melissa Childers

18th – Kim Spann

19th – Tom Shuping

24th – John Seitz

24th – Jeremy Spann

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**Prayer Requests**

**Always all members of both Bollinger’s Chapel and Zion Memorial with extra prayers for:**

**Bollinger’s Chapel**

**Ronnie & Ann Barus, Ronnie Dale, Danny & Regina Alexander, Irene Yelton, Marcie Bowman, Misty Pagent, Lisa Miller, Trisha, Libby Meadows, Sherri, Betty Johnson, Bobbie McEntire, Mary Gordon, Ryan Phillips, Elaine Phillips, Tim Stafford, Danni Furgenson, David Pickard, Bill & Ruby Duncan, William Fowler, Dolly Maltba, Regina Alexander’s Sister-in-Law, Janice Willis, Melissa Clark, Tony Day, Jada Sadler, Dylan Webb, Betty Brown, Jackie Bowman, Ruth Murphy, Rick Ogle, Jody Stafford, Ann Robinson, Deb Wilson, George Williams, Francis Shull, Frank Gilliland, Phil Ramsey, Linda Kiddy, Cathy Williams Marshall, Heather Carswell, Tiffany Temple, Bruce Weaver, Mandy Norman**

**Zion Memorial**

**Maxine & Jerry Propst**

**Virginia Franklin**

**Laura Jarrett**

**Bill Berry**

**Johnathan Moore**

**George & Terry Davanelos**

**Don & Clara Hunt**

**Celia Anderson**

**Cathy Williams Marshall**

**Dale & Rachael Cozort**

**George & Gaile Williams**

**Roy Barus**

**Tina Baker**

**David & Barbara DeVries**

**Jennifer Abee Smith**

**Camdyn Abee**

**Mary Jane Miller**

**Vee McCall**

**John & Lynne Seitz**

**Gene Turnmire**

**Nina Hartman**

**Preston Lang**

**Nancy Riddle**

**Keith Palmer**

**David & Jennie Allred**

**Glendora Edwards**

**Reba Pritchard**

**Colin McCleary**

**Sue Ann Sperling**

\*\*\* Pray for our Nation and all branches of our millitary, police, firemem, medical personnel and all other essential workers.

\*\*\*Please turn in to Doris Pickard any Newsletter announcements of upcoming events and all other items you which to have placed in the newsletter by the 3rd Sunday of each month. Please call my cell if you have someone that needs to be added to or removed from the prayer list. Thank you, Doris

**Church office hours are on Fridays.**



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**Each month that has 5 Fridays, the Pastor will not be in the office on one of the**

**Fridays during that moth.**

Zion, Fridays - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Church phone # 828/437-3444

Bollinger’s, Fridays – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM & til meals are delivered.

Church phone # 828/368-0410

You can reach Steve Pickard by phone on or by email: psstppckrd@aol.com his cell # 828/244-2845 or

Doris Pickard at 828/234-9661, email: [drlgood@aol.com](mailto:drlgood@aol.com)

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Special Announcements

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**All are encouraged to continue to wear MASKS. Thank you!**

**Bollinger’s Chapel Announcements**

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**Beginning, Weekly Bible Study at Bollinger's Chapel at 1-2 PM, every Friday. Lead by Charles McGee, A study on Corinthians.**

* **Meals on Wheels on 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month starting about**

**2 PM in the kitchen.**

* **Pregnancy Care Center – Bollinger’s will once again start collecting**

**items for children 1 month to 2 years old to donate to the**

**Pregnancy Center. Bring your items and place in a box located in**

**the Narthex.**

* **Food donations can be place in the narthex.**
* **Administrative Broad meeting on October 2, 2022 at 3 PM in the**

**sanctuary**

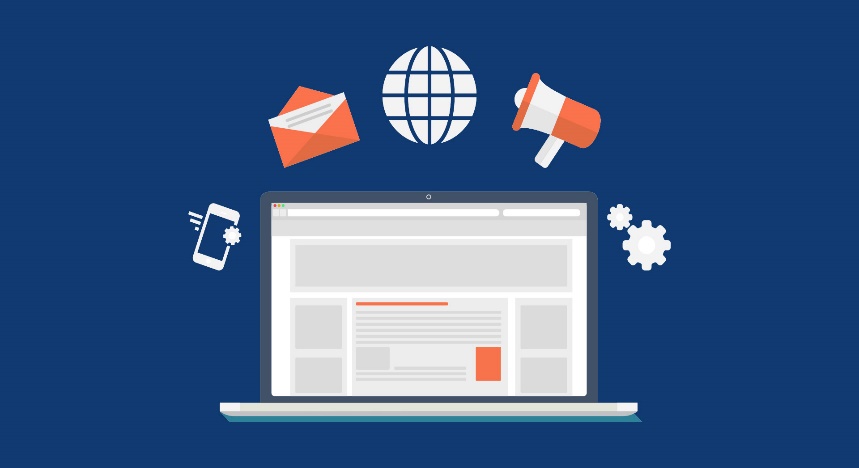
* **A snack donation box for the Fire/Police Department’s day sift is located**

**in the Narthex.**

**Zion Memorial’s Announcements**

* **Bring non-perishable food items for B.U.C.M..**
* **165 lbs of food was donated to B.U.C.M. during September**
* **You are Invited to Bible Study at Bollinger’s Chapel, every Friday at 1PM.**
* **Oct. 7th at 10 AM Administrative Board Meeting in the Sanctuary.**
* **Collecting Cleaning Supplies for the Homeless shelters.**
* **Church luncheon the last Sunday of each month to celebrate birthdays**

**and anniversaries for the month.**



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**Come join us and bring your favorite**

**dish to share.**

* **Website has been updated**

[**www.zionmemorialmorganton.org**](http://www.zionmemorialmorganton.org)

**Please visit our website and listen to**

**the audio of Sunday’s service. Services**

**will be added by noon on Mondays**

**barring there are no technical issues. Newsletters containing announcements can also be visited on the site as well. Hope you enjoy. We would appreciate your feedback.**

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Description automatically generated**Members of both Zion and Bollinger’s**

**Are Invited to have**

**Coffee & Pastries with Pastor Steve**

**every Friday morning**

**from 9:30 to 11 AM at Zion Memorial UMC**

**All Saint’s Day**

**Recognition Sunday**

Zion Memorial’s Day will be on Sunday, October 30, 2022

Bollinger’s Chapel will be on Sunday, November 2, 2022

A 3 X 4 ft. board will be provided for you to place a picture of your loved one and their name. As we take time to remember and as you place your loved one’s picture on the board feel free to share your thoughts and a special memory with us. After our time remembrance we will share a meal together. The Memory Board will then be place in each church’s Prayer Room.

**Saints of the Church**

**Memory Board**

**Joint Charge Conference for Bollinger’s and Zion**

**Will be on Nov. 13, 2022 at 3 PM**

**Location is Abernathy UMC in Rutherford College**

**It will be joint with 5 other Methodist churches in our Missional Network.**

**Internet Virus Alert**

A few members have run into those terrible computer viruses that flash on the monitor saying, Notice from Microsoft your computer has been locked due to some ???? Attack on your system and to correct the problem they tell you to call a number or click the button below!!!

**STOP!!!!**

DON’T DO THAT, IT’S THE VIRUS

**Do the following as soon as possible.**

1. Unplug you’re your modem & router cables and power cords from the wall outlets and other connected equipment.
2. Unplug your computer and/or laptop
3. Turn off your computer/laptop or smartphone for a few hours

* If your device will not turn off, you’ll need to close the lid and let the battery run down.

1. Call your tech company such as Best Buy or Staples explain what happened and schedule a device check/cleanup appointment.

* Following these steps may help solve the problem or at least stop the virus from getting access to your personal information until you are able to get it fixed.
* Internet providers do provide security & virus protection, but nothing is ever enough. It’s good to have an additional security program but there it’s still not 100% guaranteed. There are many protection plans available for purchase. The one I use is Webroot through Best Buy. Again, nothing is a 100%.

Hopefully this bit of information will help you

if ever needed.

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**October Puzzles**



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As I wrap up this months Newsletter I want to take a minute to

thank both churches for all the beautiful birthday cards and their supportive messages and a special thank you to my husband, Steve who surprised me with an overnite outting to Flat Rock, NC. If you haven’t been there, you should give it a look. The Lodge at Flat Rock is beautiful and the employees are great. We had a restful trip and enjoyed a play at the Flat Rock Playhouse.

The best part however, was spending time together with

NO COMPUTERS!!!!

Love you all, Doris