



The Nugget

Ivey Memorial UMC

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Faith or Fear

by Jim Smith

February is a time to remember priorities that bring life! In one of my favorite cartoon panels from “Peanuts”, Lucy tells Linus to “give it all you got, make it stop raining.”

How all of us would like to impact our world even in ways prohibited by our humanness. But just as God “sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous,” (St. Matthew 5:45) the love of God bestows is a blessing that is eternal and is seen as such when one examines it with faith.

As I stepped into the office on a Tuesday early in the month, a call came from a community member contemplating ending life. Clearly a lack of love and faith! On Wednesday, a loving disciple named Joe claimed the resurrection—a resolution of faith despite earthly adversity an act of love by the Savior and the disciple to proclaim Jesus is still Lord. How do we continue to live the legacy of God’s love at Ivey?

Pax Christi,
Pastor Jim
Philippians 4:13



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Happy Valentine’s Day





CHILI COOK OFF

We had a great chili cook-off on Saturday, January 30, with 9 chili entries and about 50 tasters. In addition to the main event (eating chili, of course), we also had great sweets provided by members of the church, music provided by Mr. JaCari Diggs and door prizes provided by local businesses, including our friends at the Shops at Ivey. Chili winners included: Mitch Hartson for the best hot chili, Greg Beckner for the best mild chili, Paul Honea for the most unusual chili, and Mark Moore for the best all round chili. Proceeds of \$336.00 will go to our Stop Hunger Now fund. I would like to thank everyone involved in making this event a success, including the chili entrants, tasters, and those who worked the event to set up and take down, sell tickets, prepare and sell baked goods, sell sodas, provide door prizes, provide entertainment, and promote the event.

Love in Christ, April Morgan

BOY AND CUB SCOUTS

The Cub and Boy Scouts are going to Blue Ridge Camp, “Philmont of the East” in June.

Please come support our Scouts on Sunday, February 14th at the 11am service!

OUTREACH BOOK STUDY

Dorothy Vincent is planning a book study in a local restaurant. What a way to reach out! What a way to reach new people! Please contact Dorothy Vincent for details, time, place, and book to be studied. Pray for the Lord’s discernment on how you might impact the world for Christ—and yourself!

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STOP HUNGER NOW CHALLENGE

We kicked off the new year with a fun event whose proceeds are going to our Stop Hunger Now account. We plan to have a Stop Hunger Now (SHN) event this fall. We have set a goal of \$6,300 for our contribution. At this point we are just over one-third of the way to reaching this goal. Last fall during one of my morning prayers I asked the Lord what I could do to help Ivey reach this goal, and He told me to make a regular contribution to this program. So I decided that I would contribute \$10.00 each Sunday that I attend church. For me, this is about the amount that I would spend having lunch out. **I challenge each of you** to do the same. Decide what you can afford to give each week. It could be a quarter, a dollar, or more--whatever you feel that you can afford. I encourage you to have your children decide what they can afford and donate to SHN each week. We have about 100 to 150 attend each week. If each of us gave just one dollar each week, by September, we would have about \$3,000. I know we can reach our SNH goal, and we can reach it easily if we make a dedicated effort. Please pray about this and see what the Lord leads you to do.

Love in Christ, April Morgan





Tadpoles, JR. Fellowship & Youth

All Stars: All children 1st - 5th grade

Feb. 7 - SOUPER BOWL luncheon fundraiser - All children meet in Fellowship Hall after Sunday School (or by 11am) to help with set-up. Parents sign up to bring something!

Feb. 14 - No Meeting

Feb. 21 - 5 - 7pm regular meeting - Debbie Malbone providing dinner

Feb. 28 - 5 - 7pm regular meeting - Sarah Zammett providing dinner

March 6 - 7pm regular meeting - dinner volunteer needed

March 13 - fundraiser luncheon - menu TBD

Contact Eva Booth with any questions. 804-586-5044, emrbPOOH@yahoo.com

Youth - All youth 6th - 12th grade

Feb. 6 - BBQ Butt fundraiser pick up at Ivey from 2-4pm

Feb. 7 - Super Bowl - No Meeting

Feb. 12 - 14 - District Youth Retreat

Feb. 21 - 5 - 7pm we will be going to Matoaca Christian Fellowship to join with their youth group

Feb. 28 - 5 - 7pm regular youth meeting - Angie leading lesson, Suzanne providing dinner

March 6 - 7pm regular meeting - Suzanne leading lesson, Angie providing dinner

March 13 - **4pm youth council**, 5 youth group, Matoaca Christian Fellowship will be joining us, Eva leading lesson, Fred providing dinner

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United Methodist Women

WHAT IS UMW ???

Our stated PURPOSE is this: The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

A friend who is also a UMW member rephrased our PURPOSE this way: The United Methodist Women is an organization dedicated to fulfilling the spiritual fellowship and service-oriented needs of Christian women. Our goal is to lift up Jesus by letting His love be seen in action in our lives. Our desire is to integrate our Christian faith with our daily lives, as we apply our gifts and talents in ministry to the needs of our congregation, community, and world. United Methodist Women have a long history of caring for women, children and youth. With the support of United Methodists worldwide, we can be a powerful voice for those who can't speak for themselves.

The United Methodist Women at Ivey have a long history of wonderful service. They are a committed and talented group of women who believe in the PURPOSE and goals of the organization. If you are not a member, if you are looking for fellowship with Christian women who work to fulfill the PURPOSE (and have a great time doing it!), I encourage you to attend a UMW event as the guest of a member and see what we are all about.

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President of James River District UMW





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JRF All-Stars

The All Stars will host a Soup luncheon after church on Sunday, February 7 in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is by donation and all proceed go towards our PassportKids Mission trip. Come enjoy a variety of soups and support our children at the same time!



Want to Invest in Our Future?

If you would like to volunteer some time we would love to have you! If you have a lesson you would like to lead with our youth and/or our children we would love to reap the benefits of your knowledge. We are also always looking for volunteers to serve us dinner. If you would like to volunteer or just get some more information, contact Eva Booth at 804-586-5044 or emrbPOOH@yahoo.com. Thanks and God bless!

BBQ Butt Fundraiser

Ivey's youth are taking orders for BBQ butts. The butts will be fully seasoned and cooked and ready to pick up on Feb. 6 between 2 and 4pm at the church. Place your order with any youth or with Eva. All orders must be given in advance! All orders due in by February 3. The cost is \$25.00, due when you place your order. If you are unable to pick up your butt during that time, we can leave it in the refrigerator with your name on it for you to pick up Sunday (the next day) at church. Order yours now to enjoy for the Super Bowl (Feb. 7) and help support our youth group! Questions or to place an order, call or email Eva at 804-586-5044, emrbPOOH@yahoo.com

Worship Leader's Schedule

	8:30 Greeters	8:30 Readers	8:30 Acolytes	11:00 Greeters	11:00 Readers	11:00 Acolytes
Feb. 7	Beth Honea	Iris Hoya	Iris Hoya	Kelle Neblett	Kelle Neblett	Ean Smith
Feb.14	Clay & Carene Edwards	Craig Purcell	Caden Purcell	Open	Brenda Harrup	Gabriel Sparks
Feb. 21	Beth Honea	George Robertson	Lee Johnson	Dabney & Stuart Short	Dabney Short	Ean Smith
Feb. 28	Clay & Carene Edwards	Carene Edwards	MacKenzie Geist	Dennis & Brenda Harrup	Stuart Short	Gabriel Sparks

Counters: Bruce & Donna Brockwell/Janice Gano

Communion Servers: 8:30 Beth Honea
 11:00 Dabney & Stuart Short

