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Spilman Memorial Baptist Church

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TIE NEWSLETTER**

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Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr., Senior Pastor
Michell Sutton Eguez, Administrative Assistant
Michael Cowan, Director of Music and Organist
Melony Rasbury-Cobb, Pianist
Michael and Vance Aldridge, Custodians
Michelle Sutton, Finance Assistant
Jerry Crisp, Security

Deacon of the Month

Pat Moore



Pat Moore became a member of Spilman in Nov. 2016. She is the daughter of the late Betty Wilkins, who was a devoted member of Spilman for over 30 years. Pat has two children, Shane Moore and Tara Williamson, and one granddaughter, Alayna. Pat is now serving as a Deacon, a member of the Long Range Planning, Teller, and Kitchen committees.

The Lord is My Master – by Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr.

The Lord is my Master, I shall not lack in responsibilities as His servant among His people.

He provides me guidance daily by His Spirit. He leads me to new revelations of Himself each day.

He restores my call and heals my soul. He leads me through difficult days.

Even though the enemies rise, my God protects me. He opens doors that should be open and closes doors that should be shut, however hurtful they may be. For they are for my good and His desire for my life.

His Spirit and word guide my life among people that are not always led by Your Spirit or they reject the truth of Your word.

You anoint me to serve among Your people. You restore my mind to remember Your word, Your song, and Your grace. Surely you are with me yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Your wisdom and guidance lead me to speak clearly and truthfully.

May the words of my mouth continue to proclaim you as Master, Lord, King, Savior, and Redeemer – all the days of my life – even unto eternity!

The Lord is My Master

We have recently begun a renewed focus on prayer at Spilman. An invitation was given for people to join in a new study on prayer by T. W. Hunt and Catherine Walker. The title of the study is “*Walking in Fellowship with God – Disciple’s Prayer Life.*” This has been a personally challenging study to work through for me as well as those participating. It involves a daily commitment to work through the lessons, and think deeply about the various aspects of prayer. I have confessed to this group (and now to you), that of all the areas I am weakest in, it is setting aside daily devotional reflection and prayer time.



As a Pastor, you would think I have all the answers when it comes to prayer. Much of my time is devoted to worship planning, sermon preparation, visiting people, returning phone calls and texts, as well as preparing for various meetings throughout the week. Sadly, quiet time with the Lord and intentional times of prayer take a back seat many days and weeks. I am glad to be challenged to bring personal prayer back into the foreground of my life and ministry.

In week three of our study on prayer, we were challenged to write our own 23rd Psalm based on the context of our relationship with God. The writer of the study compared the Lord to his Professor and he was the pupil. I would like to encourage you to write your own personalized 23rd Psalm based on your walk with the Lord. The outline for this prayer is as follows:

- v. 1 – Who is God in relationship to you – two phrases
- v. 2 – Where does God put you – two phrases
- v. 3 – Describe the walk you have with God – two phrases
- v. 4 – Identify any potential dangers and His protection – three phrases
- v. 5 – State God’s provision – three phrases
- v. 6 – Describe your future in this special relationship with God – two phrases

I selected the two phrases (Master/Servant) as my prayer identity in my personalized 23rd Psalm. (see the back page) Others in our study selected different prayer identities which reflected their personal walk with the Lord.

I want to encourage you to set aside time each day to read God’s word, reflect on what it is saying to you. Then take a few moments to lift your thoughts up to God. You may want to journal your prayer time with God. It is my prayer that God meet you there as you pray and listen to Him.

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A Note from Michael Cowan,

To Spilman's Personnel Committee

I cannot begin to thank you for taking a chance on me being your new director of music a year ago. I have learned so much over this past year. I have learned how to lead a choir of different personalities. I've learned how to work with various accompanists. Most importantly I've learned the importance of working and communicating with various people in the workplace.



MICHAEL COWAN
MUSIC DIRECTOR

Here lately I have felt like God was calling me to be closer to home. This past week I was offered a position that I could not turn down. I have been afforded the opportunity to live and work in Beaufort County. These opportunities do not come often and I feel as if I would be making a big mistake not to take it. I will be subbing daily in the Beaufort County Schools until something more permanent comes along. I have also been offered a position at a church less than ten minutes from my house.

I did not plan to leave Spilman after just one short year, but when God puts all the pieces in place you simply must follow and see where He takes you. I am formally submitting my resignation and my last day will be on Tuesday, April 19th. My last official Sunday will be Easter Sunday.

Again, I cannot thank you enough for the opportunity to be trusted with the position as Director of Music for Spilman Memorial Baptist Church. Anytime you need me please feel free to reach out and I will try my best to help with whatever is needed.

Sincerely,
Michael Cowan
Director of Music



Covid Update by Donna Keith

Our transmission rate for Covid is still higher than it should be but overall we are doing well. Everyone should still practice safe measures. Most importantly is to respect others. Wash your hands and wear a mask if you feel it is the right thing to do for yourself. Stay safe!

**Invite Your Family Sunday
April 17th—Easter Sunday**

Spilman is ready to begin gathering once again for various fellowship opportunities this year! Our first gathering will be on Easter Sunday where we "Invite our Family" to join us for Sunday Worship followed by a covered dish meal. Please invite your family to join us as we gather to worship and fellowship together again.

Coming up later this year, we will have a Special "Invite Your Friend" Sunday in June and "Invite Your Neighbor Sunday" in September. Our "Christmas with the Family" gathering was so successful last year, we will repeat that again in December.

Let us make these gatherings special by inviting our Family, Friends, and Neighbors!

MARCH 2022

APR 3 (SUN)	DEACONS MEETING	8:00 AM
	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE—Lord's Supper	10:30 AM
	<i>The Message in the Meal—Matt. 26:26-30</i>	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
APR 6 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
APR 7 (THUR)	DISCIPLE PRAYER LIFE STUDY	10:00 AM
APR 10 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15AM
PALM SUNDAY	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	<i>Seven Words of the Cross—John 19, Ps 22</i>	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
APR 11(MON)	HOLY WEEK SERVICE @ QUEEN ST.	12:00 PM
APR 12 (TUE)	HOLY WEEK SERVICE @ SPILMAN	12:00 PM
	HOLY WEEK SERVICE @ ST.	
APR 13 (WED)	AUGUSTUS AME ZION	12:00 PM
APR 13 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
	HOLY WEEK SERVICE @	
APR 14(THUR)	WESTMINSTER UMC	12:00 PM
APR 17 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
EASTER	INVITE YOUR FAMILY TO CHURCH	
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	<i>If the Tomb Could Talk—John 20:1-10</i>	
	COVERED DISH MEAL	
APR 18 (MON)	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
APR 19 (TUE)	LONG RANGE PLANNING MEETING	11:00 AM
	LEADERSHIP MEETING	4:00 PM
APR 20 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
APR 21 (THUR)	DISCIPLE PRAYER LIFE STUDY	10:00 AM
APR 24 (SUN)	SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:15 AM
	WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30 AM
	<i>Gone Fishing—John 21</i>	
	CHOIR PRACTICE	2:00 PM
APR 25 (MON)	LONG RANGE PLANNING	11:00AM
	NBA EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG	6:00 PM
APR 27 (WED)	WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	3:00 PM
APR 28 (THUR)	DISCIPLE PRAYER LIFE STUDY	10:00 AM

APRIL 2022

Sunday School Lessons— Easter Goals

- April 3rd — Knowing Christ— Philippians 3:4b-16
- April 10th — Having the Mind of Christ — Philippians 2:1-13
- April 17th — Sharing the Life of Christ — Romans 6:1-14
- April 24th — Bearing Witness to Christ — Acts 5:17-21, 25-32



APRIL 2 0 2 2
BIBLE READING PLAN
MONDAY—SATURDAY

- APRIL**
- 1 - 1 Kings 18-22
 - 2 - 2 Kings 1-3 3 - No Reading
 - 4 - 2 Kings 4-7
 - 5 - 2 Kings 8-11
 - 6 - 2 Kings 12-15
 - 7 - 2 Kings 16-20
 - 8 - 2 Kings 21-25
 - 9 - 1Chron. 1-3 10 - No Reading
 - 11 - 1Chron. 4-6
 - 12 - 1Chron. 7-10
 - 13 - 1Chron. 11-14
 - 14 - 1Chron. 15-18
 - 15 - 1Chron. 19-22
 - 16 - 1Chron. 23-26 17 - No Reading
 - 18 - 1Chron. 27-29
 - 19 - 2Chron. 1-5
 - 20 - 2Chron. 6-9
 - 21 - 2Chron. 10-13
 - 22 - 2Chron. 14-17
 - 23 - 2Chron. 18-21 24 - No Reading
 - 25 - 2Chron. 22-25
 - 26 - 2Chron. 26-29
 - 27 - 2Chron. 30-33
 - 28 - 2Chron. 34-36
 - 29 - Ezra 1-5
 - 30 - Ezra 6-10

In Loving Memory
Carey Barker Washburn
October 6, 1931 — March 11, 2022

In Loving Memory
Betty Mae Wood Potter
June 30, 1932 — March 15, 2022

In Loving Memory
Harry Alexander Fields
December 4, 1930—March 29, 2022



Sunday, April 3, 2022
8:00 AM

Sunday School **9:15 AM**
Worship Service **10:30 AM**
The Lord's Supper Observed
Choir Practice **2:00 PM**

April 2022 Birthdays

- 2 BETH CRISP
- 6 DANNY RICE
- 11 EDNA COLE
- 30 BECKY MILLER
- 30 LARRY WILLIAMS

