

April 2025



THE CIRCUIT RIDER

First United Methodist Church

338 Third Street, PO Box 492, Henderson, KY 42419

270-827-2100

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 20

Join us for a single combined
worship service at 10 AM

HE IS
RISEN





FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 11 AM - 1 PM

AUDUBON MILL PARK
123 N WATER ST, HENDERSON, KY

SNACKS!
EASTER BUNNY!
BOUNCE HOUSE!



Maundy
Thursday

Agape Meal

April 17
6:30 pm



Good Friday

service

April 18, 2025
6:30 PM



THOUGHTS FROM
Pastor Janet

Easter Blessings

How easy for us to ponder those Easter memories and thoughts as we journey into this Season of Lent, and as we approach the Holy Season of Easter Sunday. Excitement dwells within, as I think of those traditions created within our family structure, especially as spring arrives. Thoughts of spring-cleaning in our home, working in the yard to spruce up the place outside, preparing for our Easter celebration, special Services and events scheduled, brings immense excitement, which no other holiday offers.

As children we loved those Easter Egg hunts which offered us time to color boiled eggs prepared for us. What a mess we created as we dropped those tablets of color into the cups of vinegar, anxiously waiting to see what design developed. Then at the conclusion of the allotted time to wait, we would take our own individual wire spoons to remove the egg from the colored solution and carefully place those eggs on paper towels to adequately dry. How we were amazed at what we could fashion with such a simple egg-coloring kit and a plain boiled egg. Now we have access to beautifully multicolored plastic eggs, with various styles and themes for our Easter Egg hunt.

Mom was gifted to create our Easter dresses every year. In fact, she was a gifted seamstress making most of our clothes. Our trips to the material store gave us freedom to pick the color of Easter dress we wished for. And how proud we were to wear those beautiful dresses, with jackets to match, carrying our new purses and wearing our new gloves, shoes and socks, and topped off with a special easter bonnet to match. I recall viewing plentiful photos as we posed for those Easter pictures displaying our new clothes and how proud we were.

The newness of spring brings refreshment, restoration, renewal, excitement, joy, happiness, and the sweetness of the season. Those precious memories surface within our hearts as we celebrate the life of One, Jesus the Christ given for you and for me, for the sins of the world. May we truly celebrate the Risen Christ as this season of spring brings to us a time of refreshment, restoration, renewal, excitement, joy, happiness and the sweetness of this Holy season.

Easter blessings to you and your family in this Holy Season.

Love in Christ,

The Carden Family

Tim, Pastor Janet, Troy, Andrea, Lydia and Levi



Henderson County Ministerial Association
Lenten Services & Luncheons

April 2 - Wednesday, 12 PM

Bennett Memorial United Methodist Church (503 Letcher St)

April 9 - Wednesday, 12 PM

St. Paul's Episcopal Church (5 S Green St)

April 17 - Maundy Thursday, 12 PM

Community Baptist Church (1026 Pebble Creek Dr)

April 18 - Good Friday, 12 PM

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church (511 2nd St)

April 20 - Easter Sunrise Service, 6:30 AM

Greater Norris Chapel Baptist Church (937 Washington St)



First United Methodist Church
presents

Blythewood High School Chorale

Directed by Kaleb Hilton

Tuesday, April 1, 2025, 7:00 PM

First UMC April 2025 Birthdays

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Leo King Steve Pritchett		Jill Campbell Jackson Jennings Michael Veccia	Gayle Moore Becky Keach Betty Shaw		Evan Grounds Brandon Williams	Katy Conrad Tom Logan Paul Roederer
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Faye Kadenhead Justin King	Wes Floyd Thomas Shannon Thomas Utley		Phil Clement Travis Siewert Tanna Williams	Lauren Hatchett Erin Mills	Tim Combs Chuck Stinnett Sarah Williams	Lee Obenchain
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
David Wallace		Ashley Hall Jay Herron	Donnie Cissell	Will Martin Dane Shields	Anita Baird Tyler Shannon	Mike Duncan
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
Bailey Morgan	Karen Frederick Debbie McCollom	Mohammed Jennette Patty Mitchell	Kate Krause			



HENDERSON CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The First UMC Mission Team is collecting canned and boxed food along with personal hygiene items for Henderson Christian Community Outreach throughout the month of April. Donations may be left in the crates in the Gathering Area.



Harbor House was thrilled to accept our donations of the many pairs of men's socks, OTC cold medications, and fresh food items which were collected in February. Thank you for your support!



"She Loves to Eat Out"

All Women Are Invited!
Rockhouse on the River
Thursday, April 10, 12:15 PM
Please RSVP by April 7
Susan Latham (270-826-1191)
or Joyce Lutz (270-577-5300)



First UMC Youth Scholarship

Graduating seniors who have been active members of our First UMC Youth Family are encouraged to apply for a scholarship to assist with funding their continuing education. Contact the Church Office for more information. Applications are due May 2. Donations to the Scholarship Fund are always appreciated!



**KENTUCKY
WESLEYAN
COLLEGE**
—1858—



Dr. James
Cousins

We are pleased to welcome Kentucky Wesleyan College's newly appointed President, Dr. James Cousins, as our guest on Sunday, April 6, during our 10 AM Service. Please come and listen as he shares about Kentucky Wesleyan College, a United Methodist-related four-year liberal arts institution located in Owensboro, Kentucky.

**THE FOLLOWING
CONTRIBUTIONS
HAVE BEEN RECEIVED**

IN MEMORY OF

JIM SOLOMON

PHIL & VICKI CLEMENT
JOHN & JACKIE LOGAN
JOHN & DAWN KELSEY
BONNIE TRAVIS
SUE WEST
HOWARD & PAM MORAN
TOMMY & DEBBIE DEMPEWOLF
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IN MEMORY OF

GLENN JOHNSON

JIM & ANN CRAFTON
DANE SHIELDS

*Worship Service
Volunteers*

April 6, 10:00 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Sandi Wallace
Call to Worship: Becky Summers
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Brenda Sasse
Communion Stewards: Ray Nix, Donna Stinnett,
Ben & Meg Burnley, Mike Duffy, Kevin Hein

April 13, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Stacy Powell

April 13, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Meg Burnley
Affirmation of Faith: Frank Tulipana
Scripture: Jane Shipley

April 20, 10:00 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Call to Worship: Rev. David Latham
Affirmation of Faith: Rev. Leslie McKown
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Rev. Gary Chapman

April 27, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Kevin Hein
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Linda Floyd

April 27, 10:45 AM Service

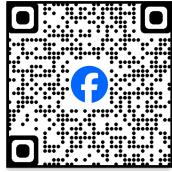
Announcements: Susan Latham
Scripture: Rev. David Latham

*The Family of John Lockett would like
to thank everyone for all your prayers,
cards, phone calls, hospital visits &
donations. They meant so much to us.*

*Love and blessings,
Jeanelle Lockett*

Worship With Us!

First Sunday of Each Month at 10:00 A.M.
All Other Sundays at 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.
(Nursery Care is available for children up to age 4)



Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
(The office may close each day for a 30 minute lunch break)
Friday: 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Articles for The Circuit Rider

All articles for the May issue
should be submitted to the church office
by Wednesday, April 23.

Church Staff

Rev. Janet Carden, *Pastor*

EJ Simmons, *Worship Leader,*

Director of Outreach, Young Adult & Youth Ministries

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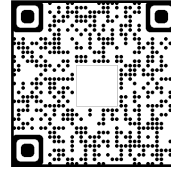
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Beth Hayes, *Administrative & Executive Assistant*

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during worship services or church office
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