Spring Hill Presbyterian Church

Children's/Youth Ministry News



Hello Everyone,

I'm hoping that our winter weather is finally over and we'll soon be able to enjoy warm sunny days.

In February, we had our annual "Little Sweethearts" activity. It was held on a Friday evening and it was a church wide talent show. We had so much fun! The evening started off with a finger food feast before the talent show started. We had musical acts that included singing and instruments, tap dance, a knot tying demonstration, a sheep judging demonstration, and an appearance by the Spring Hillbillies. There was definitely a lot of entertainment and laughter, and nobody went home hungry.



Sam Hadacek "Judges" a sheep show



Beth Clark playing her flute



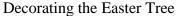


Spring Hillbillies Singing

Our St. Patrick's Celebration was held on Saturday, March 31. We packed 25 school bags for Church World Services. There were also other donations, so we ended up with over 30 bags full of notebooks, pencils, sharpeners, erasers, scissors, crayons, and rulers that will help students in need. We decorated the Easter tree, had a sing-a-long, chatted as we had an all green snack, had acolyte training, and talked about St. Patrick and how he led thousands to Christianity by using the shamrock plant to explain the Trinity.

"Thank You's" to Berlin and Paula Zirk, Nancy McLeod, and Linda Mohler for their help with all the activities of the event.







Serving the Green Snack

We have lots of activities coming up during Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday on April 14th through Easter Sunday on April 21st. The Spring Hill Easter Egg hunt will be held on April 20th from 9:00 to 12:00. The morning promises to be lots of fun for the children with coloring and hunting for eggs, crafts, music, and a light lunch. You are always welcome to let your children bring friends. Please let me know how many you will be bringing so that we will be sure to have plenty eggs for everybody to color. The sign-up sheets will be available soon.

Then our next project will be the Easter Sunrise breakfast. We need volunteers to help with the set-up, preparation, and serving of the breakfast. We will have a work time after the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20th to prepare and get ready for the breakfast. Please let me know if you and/or your children will be available to help that afternoon. There are also opportunities for food donations. There will be a donation sign-up sheet available on the bulletin board and also attached to this newsletter. The proceeds from this breakfast will support future activities for the Children's/Youth Ministry.

Also, on April 28th, Spring Hill will be hosting the annual Weekday Religious Education Spring Concert. You will be getting more information on this program and reception. We need 22 dozen cookies for that afternoon. Please let me know if you would be willing to make some cookies for this special event for our WRE students.

If you have any questions about any of these events, please call me at 885-2783, 487-4943, or e-mail dougdonna@exede.net. Don't forget to RSVP about the Easter Egg Hunt or Donations as soon as possible.

Thank you again for sharing your children with me!!!!

In Christian Love,

Donna

Children's Church



On March 6 (Ash Wednesday), the Wednesday night Bible Study group went on a field trip to Parnassus United Methodist Church for the NRMA Ash Wednesday Service. It was a very meaningful service. Our boys and girls participated in the service by receiving ashes at the close of the service.

The children have been rehearsing for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday presentations on Wednesdays. The Spring Winds and Brass Ensemble will be representing Spring Hill during the closing of the last night of the NRMA Lenten Services. This will be at 7:00 on Palm Sunday evening (April 14th). They have been practicing and will also play on Easter Sunday. The L.O.G. Bell group has been practicing special music to present on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday Mornings.

Thank you again to all the leaders and helpers on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Please prayerfully consider filling in as a substitute on Sunday mornings when we get into vacation time. It would be a wonderful way of allowing our Children's Church Staff some Sundays off during the Summer. Please let me know if you would be willing to help in this way.

Thanks also to all the parents who support both of these activities by encouraging your children to participate in them.

The Children's Ministry Team



Palm Sunday Service - April 14 L.O.G. Bells participate

Closing Lenten Service at Sangerville C.O.B.- April 14
Spring Winds and Brass Ensemble - 7:00

Easter Egg Hunt - April 20 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Sunrise Breakfast Preparation and Set-up - April 20

After Easter Egg Huntien

Sunrise Service and Breakfast - April 21
7:00 am

Easter Sunday Service - April 21
Spring Winds and Brass Ensemble participate
L.O.G. Bells participate



Butter - 3 pounds













Happy, Happy Birthdays in February

To

 $\begin{array}{ll} Heather\ Rawley-1 & Sara\ Rawley-1 \\ Olivia\ Wells-19 & Katelyn\ Harman-20 \end{array}$

and

Happy, Happy Birthdays in March

Paisley Curry – 7 Elliana Coffey – 7 Benjamin Riley – 15 Linley Marie Wenger – 18 Archer Pattie - 23 Taylor Skelton - 26 Mary Lauren Ghidoni – 27 Emory Seal – 27

Please help me keep our children's birthday list up to date. I do not want to miss wishing any of our Spring Hill children a "Happy Birthday". If you know of a birthday I have missed, please e-mail me the name and birthday of the child so that I can include it in the upcoming newsletters.

Donor Name _____

Items needed for Sunrise Breakfast

Need	Quantity I will donate
Breakfast Casseroles - 9"x13" - 8	
Bacon - 6 pounds	
Canned Biscuits (8/can) - 10	
Apple Juice - 1 Gallon	
Orange Juice - 1 Gallon	
Milk (whole) - 3 gallons	
Coffee (regular) - 1 pound	
Coffee Creamers - 2 boxes	

Spring Hill Kids in the News

Please submit articles for our "Kids in the News" Page to <u>dougdonna@exede.net</u> or text 540-487-4943



Beth Clark recently participated in the Nazarene Children's Bible Quiz regional competition, all questions from the book of Acts. Beth won a gold ribbon in the individuals, with one perfect round and only two misses in the second round! Her team also won third place in the team competition!



Elliana Coffey and Taylor Skelton participated in a program at Bridgewater Christian School. I had the pleasure of representing Spring Hill as their Youth Advisor. We had a wonderful morning and lunch together.



Phin Corbin portrayed Thurgood Marshall in the Churchville Elementary School's Famous Americans Program. Phin is also a PTTP actor at ShenanArts.

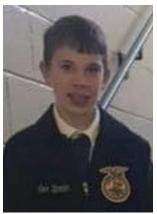


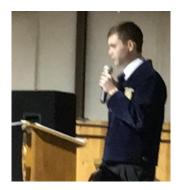
Bryson Riley portrayed Benjamin Franklin in the Churchville Elementary School's Famous Americans Program.



Emory Seal and his team from Stewart Middle School FFA participated in Stockman's Day. On VT Swine Day, Emory's team was the 1st place junior team.











Emory & Coleman Seal had a great weekend at B&B as members of the Augusta County Livestock Judging Team.

Emory placed 6th overall in Junior Stockmans and his team placed 4th. In livestock judging Emory was 9th individual in sheep and goats and his team was 5th overall.

This was Coleman's first contest and he is eager to catch up to his brother!

Bert May from the Stewart Middle School FFA and his team recently participated in a Parliamentary Procedure contest. Bert and his team-mates placed 5th in the event.

Sam Hadacek delivered the invocation at Market Animal Show Fundraiser held at Augusta Expo. Sam will be exhibiting livestock in the show.

Brady Selkirk and his team-mates had two tournament wins in two weeks. They participated in the Augusta Swarm 5th Grade AAU Boys Basketball.

2019 VBC Invitational Basketball Tournament in Stuarts Draft, VA

They were also the champions of the ACTSports shootout tournament 2019 IN Staunton.