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The Shepherd's Messenger





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KNOWING JESUS AS THE GOOD SHEPHERD & SHARING THE RISEN CHRIST WITH ALL.

My Hope Is Built



When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,

all other ground is sinking sand. My Hope is Built on Nothing Less, Hymn #368

As Christians, we often speak of God's love for us. We speak of God as our Heavenly Father who is always watching over us, and rightly so, He always is! But sometimes, we are the ones who don't see it. For example, there is a line in the hymn that says, "When darkness veils His lovely face." What this means is that sometimes, even though God our Heavenly Father is always with us, always caring for us, always loving us – sometimes we are not able to see His love and care.

This "darkness" will veil God's face often with the stresses we face in daily life. Sometimes darkness will obscure God's loving face for us when we have an illness. An illness or chronic condition has a way of screaming out at us saying, "Look at me, look at me!" and we are not able to see the love of God who is always caring for us. And maybe the greatest darkness that will veil God's loving face from us is death. Death is ugly. Death is painful. Death is heartbreaking. And in these moments when death is shouting for our attention, it is like a thick, black cloud has veiled God's loving face from us.

The hymn stanza above captured what we all go through at some point in our lives; sometimes it is hard for us to see God's loving face. But at the same time, hymns are able to articulate the never-ending hope we have in Christ. After the above hymn recognized that we don't always see God's face, the hymn said this, "In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil."

No matter what we go through, Christ is with us. Christ is our anchor. Christ fastens us onto Himself and He especially does this when life itself is turbulent and flipping us upside down on our heads. Even when the tragedies of this life seem like they are putting a veil in front of God's face so we can no longer see Him clearly, our Lord Jesus Christ has you anchored onto Himself. Jesus will always keep you grounded. Jesus will always be your hope no matter what you face in life. Jesus will always be your promise of a resurrection from the dead even in the face of death itself. It is easy to be Christian when everything is going well. But when there are trials, temptations, and death, those are the moments when being a Christian matters the most. Those are the times Christ's loving face can tear through any veil of misery we are enduring.

Through everything we face in life, Christ will always be our anchor. Christ is our hope. Christ is our promise of a resurrection even in the face of death!

Blessings,

Pastor Becky

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Our World situation Gil's Hills Ministries

Others to keep in prayer:

Bob Beard
Sandy Burdick
Frank Calcagno
Hazel Cornell
David Edwards
Mary Jane Gerstung
Don Hall
Kim Hall



Donna Hart
Ruth Holden
Bob Huddleston
Katie Kellogg
Kevin Kranock

Ann Meehan Sandi Meyers Helen Middaugh

Mark Middaugh Justin Murphy

Keith Pierce

Family & friends of Richard Pierce Derwood Say

JoAnn Viglietta Clint Wilder

Doris Kellogg Wyant

<u>Please keep our prayer list</u> <u>up to date.</u>

If someone should be added or removed from the prayer list, please submit their name in writing.

Thank you!



Sunday Worship Services are streamed live at 11:00 am on our website, www.cubamc.org

Also on our Facebook Page





Videos of Services are posted on our YouTube Channel







4- Marilyn Luckey

11- Doug Clayson

12- Ruth Holden

17- Lynnette Clayson

18- Fred Pearce

28- Cheryl Holden

Statistics Needed: \$1,			d: \$1,837
Date 8/25	Worship 33	SS	Offering \$3,058.00
	Gi	l's Hills	\$ 234.00
9/1	45	2	\$3,533.00
	Gi	l's Hills	\$ 100.00
9/8	42	6	\$1,720.00
9/15	39	6	\$1,244.00
9/22	35	4	\$1,421.00



10- Fred & Peggy Pearce

16- Tom & Judy Krott

21- Derwood & Rita Say



Richard Pierce, husband of Lucinda and father of Keith Pierce, passed away on September 5, 2024. A funeral service was held at Mark Rinker Funeral Home on September 9, 2024. Pastor Becky officiated.



Sue Simmons is the UMW's Cheer Person. If you know of someone who needs a note of cheer, please call her at 585-968-1135.



Wed. October 9, 2024
Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm
Management Team 6:45 pm

October Helping Hands



Power Point: Rob Cornell

<u>Pianist:</u> Holly Scoville

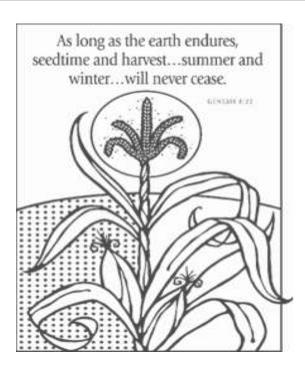


Altar Guild: Sandy Allen

Website Domain Name:

There are **still people using the old cubaumc.org** (Cuba United Methodist Church) website domain name to go to the new Cuba Methodist Church website. If you are using and clicking on cubaumc.org in your "favorites" on your browser to get to our Cuba Methodist Church website, please change it in your favorites to cubamc.org. The cubaumc.org domain name (which is currently re-directing to the new cubamc.org website) will eventually no longer work.

Thank you!



APPLE BREAD

Sue Simmons (In memory of mother Ruth Galente)

½ cup shortening

½ tsp salt

2 eggs

1 cup chopped apples

2 cups flour

1 cup sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

4 TBS. milk

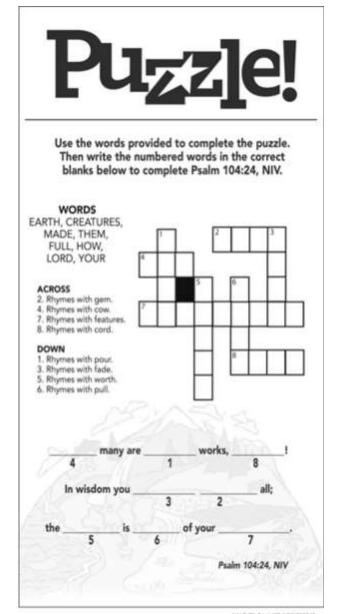
½ cup chopped nuts

2 tsp. baking power

Cream shortening, sugar, salt and vanilla until light. Add eggs and beat well. Add milk, apples and nuts. Stir. Mix in flour and baking powder. Put in greased loaf pan, bake at 350° for one hour. When cool, pour glaze over bread and let drip down sides.

Cuba UMC

Cook Book



Answer: How many are your works, Louis in windom you made them all, the earth is full of your continue. Praise the battle is full of your



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We take an offering for Gil's Hills Ministry on the last Sunday of each month.



What is happening "Between the Hills"

(From August & September Gil's Hills Newsletter)

It has been a very busy couple of months "Between the Hills." God has been up to something good! We held 4 summer camps that were nearly full, with only a couple no shows keeping us from reaching full capacity. Throughout the camp season, we had many instances where the love of Christ brought stability to situations. We saw hurts (physical and emotional) healed, fear and anxiety resolved (including homesickness), and relationships restored through prayer and scripture reading.

Following Summer camps, 10 of our camp leaders went on a retreat where we all brained stormed things we can do to improve the overall camp experience. While the leadership had a vision of what the trip was going to be, God did something different, and it was amazing!!!

While September will be quiet between the hills, our activity will involve getting prepared for the upcoming club season. Beginning in October, we will be holding the after-school clubs two nights a week. Each club consists of a meal, a bible lesson, and games or some sort of outdoor adventure. We are excited to see all that God does this upcoming club season.

Thank you all for your prayers and support! Without you we could not do what we do!!!

For His Glory,

Scott M. Szalay Executive Director

Frequently needed items at Gil's Hills:

Ditaliano Bread
Chicken Noodle Soup
Pudding Cups
Canned Peaches
Nacho Cheese Sauce
Mini Chocolate Chips
Crystal Light Drink Mix
Chicken Nuggets
Pancake Mix (not bisquick or gluten free)
Little Debbie Speeks

Little Debbie Snacks
Breakfast Sausage
Paper Products
Regular Potato Chips
Mayo (no miracle whip)

Tostitos/Doritos

Tator Tots
Tomato soup
Syrup
Taco Sauce
Plastic Silverware
Salsa
Dill Relish
Spaghetti Sauce

American cheese

Mac n Cheese

Ketchup

Oreos

Hot Dogs

Ranch Dressing

Gil's Hills Amazon Wish List

Please check out our CR Code for a direct link to our Amazon Wish List of items needed ranging from office supplies to summer camp equipment!



SUNDAY WORHIP SERVICE 11:00 AM

All are welcome!

Sunday School is at 9:30 am in the Adult Sunday School room.

Sat	5 Kung Fu 6:00 - 8:00 am	12 Kung Fu 6:00 - 8:00 am	19 Kung Fu 6:00-8:00 am	26 Kung Fu 6:00-8:00 am	
Fri	4	<u></u>	18	25	
Thu	3	10	17	24	31
Wed	2	9 Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm Management Team Meeting 6:45 pm	16	23	30
Tue	T Prayer Group 10:00 am	Prayer Group	15 Prayer Group 10:00 am	22 Prayer Group 10:00 am	29 Prayer Group 10:00 am
Mon		7 Tal Chi 7:00 pm	14 Tal Chi 7:00 pm	November Newsletter Deadline - Noon Tai Chi 7:00 pm	28 Tal Chi 7:00 pm
Sun		6 GMW Food Pantry Collection Communion Sunday School 9:30 a 9:30 am	Sunday School 9:30 am Coffee Hour after Worship	20 Sunday School 9:30 am	27 Sunday School 9:30 am

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