

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

# The Good News

APRIL 2023

## SON OF GOD, SON OF MAN HOLY WEEK MUSIC SPECIAL

SUNDAY

April 2

11:00 AM

CASUAL SERVICE

Come hear the Holy Week & Easter story through the original music and lyrics of our Praise Team Leaders, Rick & Gloria Atha.



*He is Risen*

*Worship with us  
during Holy Week:*

6:30pm Maundy Thursday

6:30pm Good Friday Service

7:30am Easter Sunrise Service

9:00am Easter Classic Service

11:00am Easter Casual Service

OR WATCH ONLINE:

[fumcbellavista.com](http://fumcbellavista.com)



## Council of Bishops

The United Methodist Church



Bishop Laura Merrill will be visiting us Sunday, April 23. She will be preaching at both services. Plan to be here that day. You don't want to miss her!



## ***“April: the month of Easter – most of the time”***

For me, the month of April brings a deeper sense of Spring and renewed hope of growth and vitality as I live in the northern hemisphere. While I have physically adjusted to daylight-savings time, I am still mentally intrigued by the calendar moves of our Easter celebrations. So, it’s time to study history . . .

The Anglo-Saxons called April *ēastre-monap*. Trying to research the Hebrew calendar, a 7<sup>th</sup> century English Northumbrian monk, Venerable Bede, or Saint Bede if you prefer, wrote in his manuscript called *The Reckoning of Time* that the month *ēastre* was the root of the word Easter. He further stated that the month was named after a goddess Eostre whose feast was in the month of April. The treatise included an introduction to the traditional ancient and medieval view of the cosmos, including an explanation of how the Earth influenced the changing length of daylight, of how the seasonal motion of the Sun and Moon influenced the changing appearance of the new moon at evening twilight, and a quantitative relation between the changes of the tides at a given place and the daily motion of the Moon. *The Reckoning of Time* described the principal ancient calendars, including not only the Hebrew calendar but also the Egyptians, the Romans, the Greeks, and the Anglo-Saxons. The focus was calculation of the date of Easter, for which Bede described the method developed by Dionysius Exiguus (a 6th-century Eastern Roman monk, the inventor of Anno Domini (AD) dating and a set of rules for determining the dates of Easter). It also gave instructions for calculating the date of the Easter full moon, for calculating the motion of the Sun and Moon through the zodiac, and for many other calculations related to the calendar.

Now that Easter dates and nomenclature history have been ‘clearly’ defined, I want us to refresh our grasp on exactly what Easter is to us of the Christian faith. Easter, Resurrection Sunday, celebrates Jesus' supernatural resurrection from the dead, which is

one of the chief tenets of our faith. For us, the resurrection clearly established Jesus as the Son of God. The Apostle Paul writes that, for those who trust in Jesus' death and resurrection, "death is swallowed up in victory." The 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle of Peter declares, "On account of his vast mercy, he has given us new birth. You have been born anew into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3 CEB). Our theology holds that, through faith in the working of God, those who follow Jesus are spiritually resurrected with Him so that they may walk in a new way of life and receive eternal salvation and can hope to be physically resurrected to dwell with Him in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Easter is linked to Passover and the Exodus from Egypt recorded in the Old Testament through the Last Supper, sufferings, and crucifixion of Jesus that preceded the resurrection. According to the three Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, & Luke), Jesus gave the Passover meal a new meaning, when, in the upper room during the Last Supper, He prepared Himself and His disciples for His death. He identified the bread and cup as His body, soon to be sacrificed, and His blood, soon to be shed. The Apostle Paul states in his 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle to the Corinthians 5:7 CEB, "Clean out the old yeast so you can be a new batch of dough, given that you're supposed to be unleavened bread. Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed." This refers to the requirement in Jewish law for Jews to eliminate all chametz, or leavening, from their homes in advance of Passover, and to the allegory of Jesus as the Paschal lamb.

After this history lesson and all the days of this Lenten journey since Ash Wednesday, I hope we truly celebrate Easter, Resurrection Sunday, and repent and believe the good news of the Gospel. Jesus loves you and died for you, and for me, and those around us.

Peace and blessings,



# Blessing Box Food Collection

Thank you **Mary & John Hixson** for your recent work with the **Blessing Box**! This month, we need *cereal, peanut butter, and ramen noodles*. Medium sizes are recommended so they fit in the box more easily. Mary suggests Dollar Tree as an economical place to shop for the food items. Please make sure any food you

donate isn't expired or opened. You may drop off your donation to the church office or place them in Room 6.



**Cancer Support Group**  
**6:30pm**  
**Thursday, 4/20,**  
**in the Parlor**

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The ultimate walk to end pancreatic cancer

Saturday, April 29, 2023

**REGISTER TODAY**

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PANCREATIC CANCER ACTION NETWORK

PanCAN **PURPLESTRIDE** ARKANSAS 2023 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY





## Lay Leader's Message

Dave Broers, Lay Leader

### *The Easter Message of Hope*

Someone once wrote: *Totally without hope one cannot live. To live without hope is to cease to live.* And I believe there is a great deal of truth in those words.

In the difficult and often confusing world in which we live today, hope, for many people, is something that seems to be short supply. In fact, I would even go so far as to say in a world of pain, grief and sorrow, of complex family relationships, of problems at work—alongside many other hardships of life causing sadness, loneliness and depression—hope, for many people, has died a death!

*But hope, I believe, is one of the key Christian attributes and one of the most important gifts we can give to the world today.*

Nothing brings hope back to life like Easter. For the Easter message gives us hope in a bewildering world, hope to face the uncertainties of the future. This special day never arrives without its refreshing reminder that there is life beyond this one: *True life. Eternal life. Glorious life.* Those who live on the 'outside' of hope need an injection of hope (a hope transfusion perhaps!) and Easter certainly gives it.

The Easter message is well known. I cannot fully explain all that happened on that first Easter day in this short column (Pastor Ron won't give me any more space), *but the simple fact is that there is something magnificent, therapeutic, and reassuring about Easter morning—Hope.* And this hope in the resurrected Christ silences the empty message of skeptics and cynics alike. How? The evidence of the resurrected Christ can be found in the testimony of many thousands of people who have had their lives transformed by the indwelling presence of Jesus through a personal trust and faith in Him.

Our identity, at this time of Easter celebrations, is strengthened as we stand together and proclaim: **Alleluia! Christ is risen—He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

This hope can be with us every moment of our life. The prayer of St. Patrick puts it into much better perspective than I ever could:

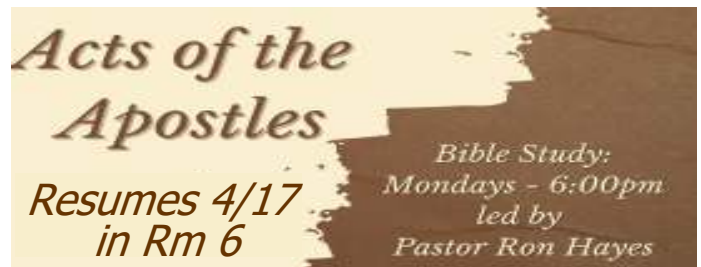
*Christ be with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ where I lie,  
Christ where I sit,  
Christ where I arise,  
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.*

*Salvation is of the Lord,  
Salvation is of the Lord,  
Salvation is of the Christ,*

*May your salvation, O Lord, be ever with us. Amen.*

A HOPE transfusion awaits us, it happens every Easter Sunday—make sure you don't miss it this year. It's guaranteed to change your life!

Peace and Blessings,  
Dave Broers, Lay Leader





## What's the (Hi)Story? Jill Hale, FUMC Historian

With grateful hearts, we welcome a new story for this month. Here is our latest installment:

*We are Chet and Cheryl Campbell. Our church backgrounds from our childhood are very different. Cheryl grew up in a small country church, and Chet did not attend church until he was 20 years old. We have been members of BVFUMC since January of 2004.*

*We were born and raised in south central Kansas very near the Oklahoma border. Chet was born on a farm near Cedar Vale, and Cheryl in a rural housing development west of Arkansas City. Chet attended a one-room country school for eight years, and Cheryl a two-room school also for eight years. Chet graduated from Cedar Vale High School in 1961, and Cheryl from Arkansas City high school in 1962. Chet went to Arkansas City Junior College (now Cowley County) for two years on a football scholarship, and Cheryl also attended ACJC. We became friends and started dating in the spring of 1963. We were married in 1964 at Mt. Zion Church.*

*We moved to Pittsburg, Kansas, where Chet was attending Pittsburg State University. Our first daughter, Jill, was born in March 1966. We attended the EUB Church in Pittsburg. Chet received his MS in Chemistry in August of 1967. We moved to Farmington, New Mexico, where Chet was a math and chemistry teacher and junior varsity football coach. In 1968, we moved to Twin Falls, Idaho. Chet was a chemistry instructor at the College of Southern Idaho for the next five years. While there, we attended Twin Falls UMC where we taught Sunday school. Our other two daughters, Anne and Sara, were born there.*

*In 1973, we moved to Ottawa, Kansas, where Chet taught science at Central Heights School. In 1974, we moved to Miami, Oklahoma, where Chet was a chemistry instructor at Northeastern OK A & M College for 22 years. In 1977, we bought 40 acres near Grand Lake south of Wyandotte, Oklahoma. Cheryl went back to college at PSU and got her degree in elementary education and taught at Miami Public Schools. While living in Wyandotte, we were members of Wyandotte Methodist Church. Chet was baptized in 1989, and we both served the church in many ways.*

*In 1995, Chet felt that God was urging him to take early retirement and to spend his time helping those in his community in as many ways as he could. He retired in January*

*1996. He joined several groups and served them in different capacities. In April of 1996, he went on a mission trip with an optometry group to Honduras. He went on a number of other mission trips in Oklahoma before moving to Arkansas.*



*In 2003, we sold the farm and moved to Bella Vista. As soon as we moved in, Joe and Norma Johnson came by and invited us to come to church at BVFUMC. Joe and Norma had been neighbors in Wyandotte before moving here. We did not go to any other church and joined FUMC in January of 2004. During our time at FUMC, we have served in several areas of the church. Chet is active in UMM and has done the recycling for many years. Cheryl had helped in Shoebox Ministry and with church dinners. Both have been on numerous mission trips to Sager Brown and many places in Arkansas.*

*We have loved our 20 years at FUMC and hope that we can enjoy many more. Everyone associated with FUMC is so kind and friendly. Our prayer is that God will continue to bless all of you.*

Thank you, Chet and Cheryl, for telling us your story. Who is next? It could be YOU! To share your story of FUMC history, call me at 479-344-6074 or 928-710-3612 or send me an email at [rjhale68@cox.net](mailto:rjhale68@cox.net).

Jill Hale, Historian



SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY			
<b>2</b>  9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's S. School 11:00 Casual Service - BH		<b>3</b> 10:30 Staff Mtng - Rm 6 12:30 Womens' Chorus - MR 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28		<b>4</b> 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 6:00 Scouts - Quilt Rm & BH 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Parlor		<b>5</b> 9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm 9:30 UWF Board Meeting - Par. 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm 4:30 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary		<b>6</b> <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> 9:00 Bazaar Wkshop - Quilt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 12:30 Caregivers Supprt Grp 2:00 Praise Team Practice 6:30 Maundy Thursday Service		<b>7</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> Offices closed 11:30 BVPS Board Mtg -- Rm 28 6:30 Good Friday Service		<b>8</b> 8:15 Young@Heart - PM 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28		<b>1</b> 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28 3:00 Celebration of Life Service for Wayne Hubbert	
<b>9</b>  7:30 Sunrise Service - Deck 9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's S. School 11:00 Casual Service - BH		<b>10</b> <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b> 12:30 Womens' Chorus - MR 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28		<b>11</b> 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 10:30 Staff Mtng - Rm 6 1:30 Sarah Circle - Parlor 6:00 Scouts - Quilt Rm & BH 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Parlor		<b>12</b> 9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm 4:30 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary 6:30 Craig Tomlinson Memorial		<b>13</b> 9:00 Bazaar Wkshop - Quilt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 1:30 Friends of Christ - Parlor 2:00 Praise Team Practice 6:00 Evening Circle - Youth Rm 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm		<b>14</b> Offices closed		<b>15</b> 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28			
<b>16</b> 9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's S. School 11:00 Casual Service - BH 1:30 CCM Meeting - Parlor 3:00 Men's Concert-New Life		<b>17</b> 9:30 Martha Circle - Quilt Rm 12:30 Womens' Chorus - MR 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28		<b>18</b> 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 1:30 Naomi Circle - Parlor 6:00 Scouts - Quilt Rm & BH 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Parlor		<b>19</b> 9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm 4:30 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary 5:30 UMM - Papa Mike's 6:30 Choir Party - Gusano's		<b>20</b> 9:00 Bazaar Wkshop - Quilt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 2:00 Praise Team Practice 6:30 Cancer Suppt Grp - Parlor		<b>21</b> Offices closed		<b>22</b> 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28			
<b>23</b> <b>BISHOP MERRILL VISITS</b> 9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's S. School 11:00 Casual Service - BH		<b>24</b> 10:30 Staff Mtng - Rm 6 11:00 BVPS - BH & Parlor 12:30 Womens' Chorus - MR 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:00 Book of Acts Study - Rm 6		<b>25</b> 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 6:00 Scouts - Quilt Rm & BH 6:30 Men's Chorus - Music Rm 6:30 Scouts (Girls) - Parlor		<b>26</b> 9:00 BV Quilters - Quilt Rm 3:00 Chancel Bells - Music Rm 4:30 Chancel Choir - Sanctuary		<b>27</b> 9:00 Bazaar Wkshop - Quilt Rm 9:30 Yoga - Becker Hall 1:30 Friends of Christ - Parlor 2:00 Praise Team Practice		<b>28</b> Offices closed		<b>29</b> 8:30 Amp Big Book AA - Rm 28			
<b>30</b> 9:00 Classic Service 10:00 Fellowship Time - Parlor 10:00 Children's S. School 11:00 Casual Service - BH 12:15 Council Meeting - Parlor		<b>31</b> 10:30 Staff Mtng - Rm 6 12:30 Womens' Chorus - MR 5:00 Potluck/Games - Parlor 6:00 Book of Acts Study - Rm 6 6:30 By the Book AA - Rm 28		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAG</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Please remember to wear your name tag at all church events and activities. This will make it easier for our newer members to learn your name, and you theirs. Please let the office know if your name tag is AWOL, and you need a new one. If you see someone you do not know, introduce yourself and welcome them to FUMCBV!</b></p>											



### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES



- 4/06 John & Sharon Lindsey
- 4/12 Allan & Maxine Ward
- 4/13 Verle & Suzanne Shoemaker
- 4/20 Dianne & Joe Verville
- 4/21 Jeremy & Verla Shafman
- 4/26 Gary & Carol Tomlinson

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 4/02 Sue Prather      | 4/16 Emmery Antoine      |
| 4/03 Jim Bilyeu       | 4/16 John Zurn           |
| 4/03 Dave Weber       | 4/17 Marilyn Adams       |
| 4/04 Kobus Sparlin    | 4/17 Therese Bivins      |
| 4/10 Marilyn Hertel   | 4/24 Zach Lehmann        |
| 4/11 Deanna Ballinger | 4/27 Gerald Hatley       |
| 4/11 Ken Swanson      | 4/27 Edgar (Jim) Verkest |
| 4/12 Janet Boblenz    | 4/29 Janice Abbott       |
| 4/12 Janice Lang      | 4/30 Dolores Grosnickle  |



### AUDIO/VISUAL ISSUES

**We apologize for the myriad of audio and visual issues we have had in recent weeks including those affecting the sound quality in the Classic service and the streamed version online as well. We are in the process of working to address those and other difficulties. Part of that process includes the search for a new Communications Director who can both run and troubleshoot any problems that arise. Until we hire someone, your patience during this phase of our tech journey is most appreciated.**





United  
Women  
in Faith



### GREETINGS FROM UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH!

As all of us are looking forward to spring and the beautiful blooming of all the trees and flowers.

We are also looking forward to the celebrations of Easter Week.

All of the circles in March participated in the yearly Prayer and Self Denial Program through UWF.

The Weekly Bazaar workshops are meeting every Thursday from 9am til 2pm. Everyone is welcome and there are jobs for any- and everyone, from pressing material, cutting out items, stuffing pillows, to sewing items. It is a great way to visit, have many laughs, and make things that we will sell in our bazaar that helps children, youth, and women in Benton Co. Come when you can, stay as long as you can, bring a sandwich, and have lunch with the group. Our Rummage sale will again be on August 6<sup>th</sup>, so if you are doing spring cleaning, put aside things that we can sell in the rummage sale.

**SMALL BOTTLES ARE NEEDED FOR THE SPECIAL SEASONING THAT WE SELL AT OUR BAZAAR. PLEASE LEAVE THEM IN THE QUILT ROOM.**

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Future Luncheons: **June 28<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>**

**April 15<sup>th</sup>** NW District Spiritual Growth

Study at Farmington FUMC

**June 11<sup>th</sup>** UWF Sunday

**July 26-29** Mission U 2023 at Hendrix College

Call President, Barbara Brooks at 876-5353 for questions or comments.

**YOU, TOO, CAN BECOME A MEMBER AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE METHODIST CHURCH. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**HAVE A BLESSED EASTER SEASON!**

**Sarah**

Tuesday, 4/11, at  
1:00pm in the Parlor  
Speaker,  
Brenna Drindak,  
Civil War  
re-enactor

**Naomi**

Tuesday,  
4/18, at 1:30pm  
in the Parlor  
Program  
TBD

**April  
Circle  
Meetings**

**Evening**

Thursday, 4/13, at  
6:00pm in the Parlor  
Grief Support-  
Kandi Mount

**Martha**

Monday, 4/17,  
at 9:30am  
in the  
Quilt Room

*Got TOO Much Stuff ?*

Begin Now To Set Aside Your  
Usable Discards For the

**UWF**

**RUMMAGE  
SALE**

Saturday, AUGUST 5th

If you don't have room to store your donations, we do have some space available call **Verna Bottjen 876-1392**  
No Clothes, TVs or heavy furniture,  
and please have it in clean and  
working order. **THANKS !**





**April 2023 Newsletter Financial Data**  
*information as of February 28, 2023*

	2023 Actual	2023 Budget
Month of February Contributions (Income*)	\$ 30,080.79	\$ 31,340.33
Month of February Expenses	\$ 34,948.53	\$ 34,649.57
Difference	\$ (4,867.74)	\$ (3,309.24)
Year to Date Income Contributions Only	\$ 268,090.96	\$ 250,722.64
Year to Date Expenses	\$ 256,116.46	\$ 273,853.29
Difference	\$ 11,974.50	\$ (23,130.65)

*\*Income does not include Missions or Endowment Interest*



PRESENT

*Ladies Night Out*



It's time for us to show our appreciation for our ladies who do so much for the church and our community. The **United Methodist Men** will host a **Ladies Night Out** dinner on **Friday, May 19, 2023, at 6:00 pm** in **Becker Hall**. We will serve a meal, enjoy entertainment, and plenty of good fellowship. *There will be a limited number of tickets for sale in the church office for \$15 each.* You can also purchase a **table for 8 at \$120**. Please call the office to order them or stop by and pick them up. All are encouraged to buy extra, treat as many members as possible, and encourage them to come. Just think about how great it would be to get some of our shut-ins and non-driving members there.



**Men's & Women's Chorus Concert**

The Bella Vista Men's & Women's Chorus groups, which include many of our members, will perform at Bella Vista Community Church on Sunday, April 16, at 3:00pm.



## OUR FAMILY

**Carmen & Dorothy Phillips were  
in the *Weekly Vista* recently!**

The Weekly Vista

### 70th anniversary



Submitted photo

Carmen and Dorothy Phillips of Bella Vista will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on Friday, March 31, at 2 p.m. at Cedar Lodge on Loch Lomond in Bella Vista. The couple were married March 29, 1953, in Fairfax, Mo. They have three children, Jeff (deceased), Cindy of Atlanta and Brad of Chicago; three grandchildren, Russell, Erick and Paige; and three great-grandchildren. Friends are invited to the celebration.

## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

### DENNIS & KATHY ECKARD

We welcomed Dennis & Kathy to the FUMCBV family on Sunday, 3/12, when they joined the church. They previously belonged to other Methodist churches, but were drawn to us because of the traditional hymns we sing in our Classic service, the pipe organ, and the friendliness of the people and the staff. Dennis is a retired Swine Environmental Manager and Kathy is a retired RN. They both enjoy a myriad of activities including riding motorcycles, camping, being outdoors, grilling, travelling, and assembling jigsaw puzzles. They also collect various items like pottery, puzzles, coins, and knives. Be sure to look for Dennis & Kathy in the Classic service and introduce yourselves. We look forward to getting to know both of you better!







## OUR FAMILY

Beautiful Frances Temple and her beautiful 90th Birthday Cake we enjoyed between services Sunday, 3/26!



*Thank You*  
to Tom & Molly Harris  
for the generous gift of the  
piano duet bench!



### THE FOUNTAIN IS WORKING!

**Bob Kennedy worked his magic on the long-dormant fountain in the atrium and got it running again! Big, big thanks to Bob for all the work! The atrium is even lovelier thanks to him! If you see him, shake his hand!**



# SNACK PACKS for BACK PACKS



Help us continue to provide 30 kids with snacks per week! Feed a Child! **KEEP THOSE QUARTERS COMING!**





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Newsletter Submission **Deadline: 20th of the month**

***To the Home of ...***



~ Karen, Maryann, Cheryl ~  
Your Shoebox Ministry Team

**Our Shoebox Ministry is in need of small, travel-size bottles of shampoo and lotion.**

**They are also in need of SMALLER SHOEBOXES. Your Shoebox Ministry Team appreciates your contributions, but says PLEASE, NO LARGE SHOEBOXES!**

**PRAISE REPORTS & PRAYER REQUESTS**

As a church family, we lift each other up in prayer for both our joys and our concerns. **Send your Praises and Prayer requests to**

**Pastor Ron** at his email: [ron.hayes@arumc.org](mailto:ron.hayes@arumc.org) or call him: **(479) 366-9725**.

You can also call the church office **(479) 855-1158**, email our secretary, Andrea, at: [andrea@fumcbellavista.com](mailto:andrea@fumcbellavista.com) or stop by **20 Boyce Dr.**

You may also complete a **Prayer Request Card** in the Narthex or Becker Hall and drop them in the Prayer Boxes there. They are checked during office hours.