

Ministry of Caring

April 21, 2026



Care

Pray, Write, Call, Reach Out to:

Our Families at Home

Alice Ann Wallace, Matt Belitz, Mary Hicks, Steven Fish, Doug Fish, Barbara McCulloch, Chic Stinson, Keri Hale, Karen Lamon, Dennis Ridley, Carlene Talley, Richard Talley, Leigh Wilson, Bob Wilson, Jady Tipton

Our Families in Care Facilities

Legacy Park: Joyce Fulton

Shannondale: Jean Jordan

VA Hospital: Linda Jo Dees

UT Medical Center: Russ Cobb

Brookdale (Sandy Springs): Steve Spice

Our Extended Families

Haley Allen, friend of Michelle Delozier;

Kate, friend of Judy Raby; **Zane**, friend of

Michelle Delozier; **Susan and Alex's son**,

neighbors of the Wilsons; **Barbara Whaley**,

Jerry Holden's sister; **Sheila Clinard**, Lisa

Hill's sister-in-law; **Jill Baron**, friend of Ruth

Harris; **Bill Benson**, brother of Betty Holden;

Dorothy Myrick, grandmother of Christy

Vines; **Kayla Olive**, daughter of David &

Katheryn Olive

Impact April

Dollar in the Pew

Come to the Water

Come to the Water, a non-profit based in Maryville, TN, raises money to make summer camp possible for kids who would not be able to go otherwise. Individuals, schools, and partner organizations nominate students from 20+ middle schools across east Tennessee. The dollar in the pew for April will help fund a Christian camp experience for kids who would otherwise never have the opportunity to experience the impact a week of camp can have.

DONATION

Donations of beanie weenies and fruit cups are needed for the MVBC Blessing Box.



Calendar Items

- **April 26-** Ministry Celebration, after Sunday worship
- **May 5-** Senior Adult LIFE Group luncheon in Fellowship Hall at noon
- **May 10-** Graduate Recognition during church service
- **May 13-** Last day of Wednesday night kids/youth activities

MINISTRY CELEBRATION

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 26
FOLLOWING WORSHIP
Sandwiches, chips, etc. are provided



MVBC's Annual Music Camp
Directed by Anna Young
July 13 - 17, 9:30 am - 2 pm
Register online at www.montevista-maryville.com

Vacation Bible School

June 1-4
5:30-8:00 pm
Ages 3 years-6th grade

Kids will develop a deeper connection with Jesus while discovering nature by exploring the Tropical Rainforest. The children will be served dinner every night.



From Your Interim Pastor

I can feel the congregation's excitement over the announcement from the pastor search committee. Soon, the committee will share information about the prospective pastor and the schedule for the "call" weekend.

So...what might we do while we wait?

Continue to practice patience and trust. The committee members are working to complete their task well. Give them the time and space to do so.

Continue to pray for the prospective pastor, who—no doubt—is striving to arrange for a good ending in a current place of service while preparing for a good beginning with MVBC. As you might imagine, I've gone through such a process several times. It's good work, but it's also challenging.

Pray you will be attentive and open to Holy Spirit's guidance. Give yourself permission to embrace hope for the congregation's potential future. Give thanks for the past, even as you resolve to step into a new era of MVBC's life.

Above all, choose to trust God, who has shepherded MVBC over the decades, watches over the congregation now, and will provide for MVBC in the future.

Mike

