

# Second Helpings

Second Avenue United Methodist Church ~ April 2018

## Special Events in April

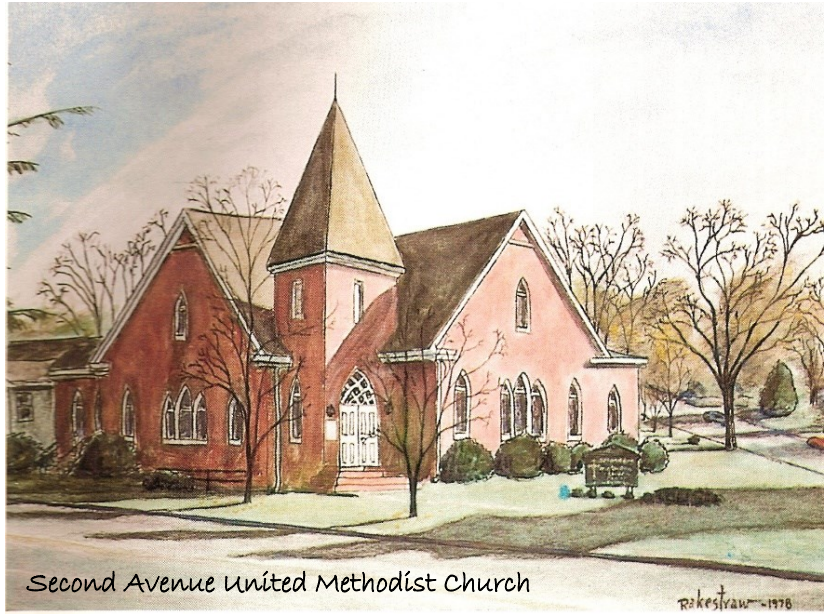
April 01—Easter Sunday

April 02—Rome-Carrollton District UMW  
Dinner (Rome First UMC)

April 05—'Revelation for Everyone' Bible Study

April 07—Roman Holiday Riverboat Cruise

April 29—Hand Bell Choir & Potluck Lunch



Second Avenue United Methodist Church

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*Our Mission:* 'Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World'  
*Our Vision:* 'Knowing Christ & Making Christ Known'

## Easter Season

The Easter Season, also known as the Great Fifty Days, begins at sunset Easter Eve and continues through the Day of Pentecost. It is the most joyous and celebrative season of the Christian year. It focuses on Christ's resurrection and ascension and on the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Easter and the Day of Pentecost.

The Sunday lessons for preaching during the season offer us an opportunity to explore the mystery of Easter through appearances of Jesus after the resurrection. Over these six Sundays, we seek to understand the meaning of resurrection in our lives as those who have died and been raised with Christ through baptism.

The ancient Christian name for this festival is Pasch, derived from the Hebrew *pesah* ("deliverance" or "Passover"), thus connecting the Resurrection to the Exodus. The origin of the English word Easter is disputed but may come from the Anglo-Saxon spring goddess Eastre and her festival.

White and gold are the colors for the season, displayed in materials of the finest texture, along with flowers of all colors. A focus on the baptismal font is appropriate throughout the season. A large freestanding white candle called a paschal candle is used at every service during this season and at baptisms and funerals during the rest of the year.

*Adapted from the United Methodist book of Worship,  
published by the United Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tennessee, 1992.*

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## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



First, I would like to wish you a happy, happy Easter! Easter, of course, is the celebration of resurrection, for through the resurrection, Jesus revealed his identity as our God and our Lord! As Apostle Paul tells us that Jesus stayed with his disciples for 40 more days after Easter and there were more than 500 personal witnesses of this! Easter is not just a feast to be celebrated but a life lesson for all Christians.

The “triduum” is the three-day period that begins with the evening of Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday) and ends with Easter Sunday, and it really represents our days of life here on earth. Maundy Thursday reminds us of our Christian calling in ordinary days to serve others and love one another in honor and memory of Jesus. How? By washing the feet of others, and mind you, feet were the dirtiest part of your body in those days! And by feeding each other, and here, feeding is not just food, but also encouragement and spiritual food/the Word of God. Good Friday represents those days in our lives that we suffer, cry out in anguish, grieve, etc. The days of our pain, torture, suffering, agony, and death, our Lord has modeled for us what we should do- pray and hang onto the Word of God. Jesus, on the cross, recited the Word of God! It is also important to remember that at Gethsemane, Jesus reached out to his disciples to stay awake with him to pray. Do not neglect reaching out to your Christian brothers and sisters to pray with you during your days of Good Friday. Holy Saturday is as difficult as Good Friday. The Gospels tell us that the disciples were scattered, numb, confused, lost, and filled with doubt. As we all know, waiting in fear is never pleasant. The scriptures remind us that in such times, we are to remember the promises of God and hang on to them. There are over 7000 promises of God in the Bible! Count them one by one! And lastly, Easter! What we do on the days of victory is important. Jesus said, “I must ascend to the Father!” I take that as give God all the glory and stay close to God.

Jesus not only died and rose for our salvation so that we may have eternal life with him, but he also died and rose for our earthly life so that we may have abundant life here on earth. Life saturated with faith, hope, and love! In his death and resurrection, Jesus conquered physical, emotional, mental and spiritual death so that we may truly be resurrected from sin and death and live as children of God. To me, this is just remarkable and miraculous! Jesus knows what life is like in sin and death and has given us a way out! Hallelujah!

Happy Easter!

Millie

## APRIL SERMON SCRIPTURE

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- April 01**     1 Corinthians 15:1-11 | John 20:1-18 | “The Story of Easter”
  - April 08**     1 John 1:1-2:2 | John 20:19-31 | Testimony to the Resurrection
  - April 15**     1 John 3:12-19 | Luke 23:36b-48 | “Faith that Makes Us Strong”
  - April 22**     1 John 3:16-24 | John 10:11-18 | “Salvation Comes”
  - April 29**     “Festival of Hand Bells” presenting Alpharetta First UMC Ringers
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# Homes of HOPE 2018 because every child needs a family...

April 5, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m. ~ Forum River Center: 301 Tribune Street, Rome, 30161

Featuring: Bishop Aaron Blake, founder of the Stand Sunday Movement

Guest Speakers: Jeff and Mary Margaret Mauer,

Co-Founders of the Restoration Rome Center for Foster Care

Foster care is a journey of hope and restoration. Come join a community of families, churches and organizations committed to ending the foster care crisis in Floyd County. Expect to be inspired and empowered to take the next step of turning your house in to a home of hope.

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Vital Signs

Average Worship Attendance in March: 81

Financial giving in March: \$15,262

Budgeted amount needed as of March: \$51,497

Budgeted amount given as of March: \$48,430

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## Blessings and Gratitude

Thank you for all the cards, calls and prayers on our behalf over the past few weeks. We appreciate you. We are hoping to get our 'act' back together and be back with you soon.

In Christ's love,  
Genny & Carl Alexander

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful floral arrangement. Not only I but the wonderful hospital staff enjoyed them. I appreciate your prayers and your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,  
Mardelle Lynch

Thanks for my flower. That was sweet of you.

Love,  
Cindy Davis

To My Church Family,

Please accept our thanks you's for all the many ways that you provided comfort to our family during Terry's mother, Rheba's, illness and her passing. I know there were many, many prayers lifted up for her and us and so many kind words of support. Also thanks for all the beautiful warm cards that were sent. It meant very, very much to us and made a very, very sad, difficult time a little easier.

Second Avenue Methodist is filled with so many beautiful, loving souls. I am so proud to be a member and to be a part of such a wonderful congregation.

Thanks for al the support and love,  
Barbara & Terry Cothran

Dear Second Avenue United Methodist,

We would like to take the opportunity to thank you, not only for your financial support, but also for encouraging volunteerism in the Rome community, especially through the Backpack Buddy/Superpack Program. (We delivered over 32,000 packs in 2017.)

In addition to Backpack Buddies, 2017 donations helped us in the war on poverty by feeding 11,000 individuals, moving 96 families from homelessness to stable housing, and providing 25 at-risk youth counseling and a pathway to a college education.

Thank you,  
Jason G. Willis

Dear Second Avenue,

Thanks so much for the Valentine carnations, your love, and prayers.

Much Love,  
Edith Swint

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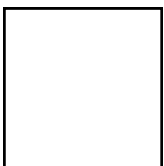
## April Birthdays

4/02 Bill Carver  
4/07 Steve Davis  
4/07 Kami Shetter-Flanery  
4/08 Amy Astin  
4/09 Anthony Colombo  
4/09 Scottie Edwards  
4/16 Carl Alexander  
4/17 Herb Brown  
4/21 Adam Rogers  
4/21 Lauren Rogers  
4/23 Bill Mathis  
4/25 Rhonda Upshaw  
4/26 Carol Edwards

## April Anniversaries

4/06 Lee & Rhonda Upshaw  
4/10 Nancy & Terry Clift

*Birthdays & Anniversaries:*  
If we haven't included your anniversary or birthday, please contact JoAnn Baker in the church office (706.234.6406). We want to celebrate with you!



We're on the Web:  
Zaveumc.org



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### Rome Floyd County Bee Keepers Association



### Karaoke Night



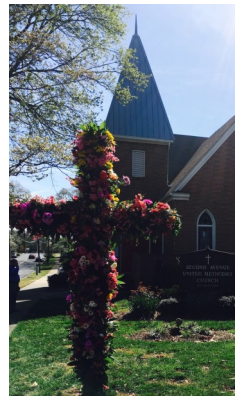
### Egg Hunt



### Petty Baptism



### Easter Sunday Flower Cross



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Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with WINGS like eagles... Isaiah 40:31

## Worship...

### Easter Cross:

Please bring fresh cut flowers and greenery from your garden or yard (or the store) on Easter Sunday, April 1. Beginning at 9:45 a.m., we will adorn the cross on the church's lawn to celebrate and witness to the resurrection.

## Invoke...

### Hand Bell Choir Sunday :

April 29 ~ 11:00 a.m. & Potluck

Over 20 Youth and Adult Bell Ringers from Alpharetta First United Methodist Church will join us for worship on Sunday, April 29 and will bring us heavenly music. We will have a potluck lunch after the service. The meat will be provided by church, so please bring a side dish and a dessert to feed your family and our guests. Please mark your calendar now and invite others to join you!

## Nurture...

### Keenagers:

Thursday, April 26 ~ 8:30 a.m.

Join the Keenagers on a visit to Fred Hamilton's Garden in Hiwassee. We will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. and return around 4:30-5:00 p.m. We will have lunch at The Lodge in Brasstown then go to the Garden. The cost is \$12/person for the bus and gas depending on how many people sign up. In addition, each person is responsible for their buffet lunch (around \$13) and the entrance fee to the Garden (\$3). There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please contact Terry Clift for more details (terryclift@me.com or 706-506-4205).

## Grow...

### Upcoming Bible Study:

Beginning Thursday, April 5 ~ 1:00 p.m.

Responding to your request, we will be offering a Bible Study on the book of Revelation. We will use Revelation For Everyone by N.T. Wright as our guidebook. You can order your book through Amazon or Barnes & Noble or you can ask JoAnn at the office to order one for you (\$13 per copy). We will meet in the Jesse Dempsey Classroom. Childcare will be provided upon request. Please call the church office.

### Joyful Noise:

Thursdays ~ 10:00 a.m.

The Joyful Noise children's music class has been moved from Tuesday mornings to Thursday mornings. Please invite friends who have young children to join this fun class to learn and grow.

### United Methodist Women:

The District UMW banquet served as the gathering for April so there will not be a regular United Methodist Women's meeting this month.

## Serve...

### Meals & More:

Tuesday, May 1 ~ 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to help pack and distribute meals for Meals & More at First Christian Church (209 E. Second Avenue). Please come and volunteer your time to help feed the hungry. We also appreciate donations of personal size toiletries in the box in the fellowship hall.

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## **Global Ministries EarthKeepers Trainings are coming to Atlanta, May 17-20**

EarthKeepers equips United Methodist laity and clergy to develop or deepen environmental initiatives in their churches and communities, and it connects them with a broader community of United Methodists who are active in creation care. Training topics will include eco-theology, intersectionality, strategies for social change, and United Methodist resources. Participants will leave the training with a plan to develop a project.

The Atlanta training will take place at Global Ministries Headquarters May 17-20 and will include a component on green buildings and infrastructure. We will meet with Shane Totten, Director of Research + Innovation at Southface, a non-profit organization that promotes sustainable development and green building in the southeastern US.

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## Acolytes:

4/01 Macy Davis  
4/08 Railey Davis  
4/15 Isaac Davis  
4/22 Chloe Duck  
4/29 Noah Tucker

## Liturgists:

4/01 Amy Astin  
4/08 Greg Gaston  
4/15 Doug Meredith  
4/22 Thomas Kislak  
4/29 Bob Baker

## Ushers:

Phil Taylor (head usher)  
Lynn Duck, Dan Emerick,  
Greg Gaston, Beth Gibbons,  
Lee Roberts

## Nursery:

4/01 Paid Staff  
4/08 Emily Embree  
4/15 Buffy Davis  
4/22 Beth Gibbons  
4/29 Mary Beth Broxterman

## Congregational Care & Concern:

4/01 Nancy Clift  
4/08 Shirley Dodson  
4/15 Sally Farmer  
4/22 Inez Fears  
4/29 Vicki Thomason

## Counters:

4/01 Mary Beth Broxterman & Cindy Smith  
4/08 Mary Beth B. & Greg Gaston  
4/15 Barbara Cothran & Dan Emerick  
4/22 Amy Astin & Dottie Taylor  
4/29 Mike Colombo & Cindy Smith

## Flowers:

4/01 Easter Sunday  
4/08 Albers  
4/15 Baker  
4/22 Edwards  
4/29

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## Wednesday Night Family Fellowship

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dinner Served 6:00 p.m.; Program 6:30</li><li>• Reservation Required on Pew Pad or Call Office</li><li>• \$8 per person/\$15 family maximum</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$1 per person for dessert only</li><li>• Pizza for children available weekly</li><li>• First-time visitors &amp; children 10 and under eat free</li></ul> |
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### Menus

- 4/04** Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Dessert  
**4/11** Chicken & Dressing, Gravy, Sweet Potato Souffle, Green Beans, Rolls, Cranberry Sauce, Dessert  
**4/18** BBQ Pork Sandwiches, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Dessert  
**4/25** Baked Lemon Pepper Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls, Dessert

### Programs

- 4/04** Devotion by Dottie Taylor  
**4/11** Devotion by Lani Roberts  
**4/18** Devotion by Cindy Smith  
**4/25** Devotion by Amy Astin

For the month of April, we will be doing short devotionals and fellowship instead of the usual programs.

After this, we will break for the summer but hope to have a scheduled family activity each month.

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## Need A Prayer?

Please let us know your prayer concerns. You may submit prayer requests:  
- In writing: fill out a prayer request form in the sanctuary pew racks  
- By phone: call the prayer line at 706.234.6406 (press 3 when prompted)  
- By email: millie@2aveumc.org

If you have a confidential request, please contact Rev. Millie (404.759.4778).

*"Pray, and let God worry." Martin Luther*

## Pastoral Care Need?

Please contact the church ASAP when you are in need of Pastoral Care!

To contact the Pastor:

- During office hours, please call 706.234.6406
  - After hours, please call 404.759.4778
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## Prayer List

### CONGREGATION

Betty Albers  
Ercel Blair  
Lynda Boggs  
Helen Broom  
Herb Brown  
Danny Carver  
Giles Chapman  
Erin Ables Clark  
Terry & Barbara Cothran  
Inez Fears  
Phil & Jane Franssen  
Joyce Gann  
Carolyn Garwood  
Margaret Gibson  
Norma Gresham  
Charles Griffin  
Eloise Johnson  
Mardelle Lynch  
Lib Rogers  
Cindy Smith  
Vivian VanLandingham  
Carol Vogt

### FRIENDS & FAMILY

Oneida Adams  
Sarah Bailie  
Judy Barcik  
Jean & Jerome Bentley  
Terri Blake  
April Blankenship  
Brant Family  
Linda Brown  
Jimmy & Denise Carter  
Nini Chilton  
MaeDell Clark  
Angela Colston  
Jennifer Cooneen  
Joel Crumpton  
Laura Flandreau  
David Fricks  
Daria Giebler  
Janet Gordon  
Patty Harvey  
Bob Henderson  
Phil Herron  
Buck Huckaby  
Garrett Jones  
Milton Kahn  
Reba Lockaby

Dean Mallow  
Cade Maynor  
Russ Merker  
Military Personnel  
Kaisley Miller  
Buford Moon  
John Morris & Family  
Haley Mull  
John & Nona Mull  
Rev. Dr. Harvey Palmer  
Connie Ray  
Judy Rea  
Kelly Ann Rea  
Molly Reed  
Linda & Lynn Reddick  
Ed & Peggy Reynolds  
Trish Sherman  
Leonard Smith  
Tom Stimpson  
Mary Tinsley  
Stough Family  
Ann Vandiver  
Wayne White  
Jim Williams  
Kennedy Williams  
Edmund & Sandy Yeorgan

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## Persons of the Week

**April 01: Mardelle Lynch**  
3013 Village Blvd. SE  
Rome, GA 30161-3318

**April 22: Giles Chapman**  
23 S Ivy Ridge Road SE  
Rome, GA 30161-3912

**April 08: Phil & Jane Franssen**  
5 Rambling Oaks Drive NE  
Rome, GA 30165-9358

**April 29: Mary Sue Gilleland**  
205 North Elm Street NW  
Rome, GA 30165-2231

**April 15: Charles Griffin**  
9 Surrey Trail SE  
Rome, GA 30161-5946

***Please remember these friends with  
cards, calls, visits, and prayers.***

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## April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship--Easter Service	<b>2</b> Bill Carver 6:30pm UMW Banquet at Rome First UMC	<b>3</b> 9:30am Helping Hands	<b>4</b> 6:00pm Wednesday Night Family Fellowship	<b>5</b> 10:00am Joyful Noise 1:00pm 'Revelation for Everyone' Bible Study 5:00pm Line Dancing	<b>6</b> Lee & Rhonda Upshaw	<b>7</b> Kami Shetter-Flanery Steve Davis 11:00am Roman Holiday Riverboat Cruise
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<b>22</b> 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	<b>23</b> Bill Mathis	<b>24</b> 9:30am Helping Hands	<b>25</b> Rhonda Upshaw 6:00pm Wednesday Night Family Fellowship	<b>26</b> Carol Edwards 8:30am Keenagers trip to Fred Hamilton Garden 10:00am Joyful Noise 1:00pm 'Revelation for Everyone' Bible Study 5:00pm Line Dancing	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship - Hand Bell Choir 12:00pm Potluck Lunch	<b>30</b> Dawn Brown					