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Wings of Faith

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren

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April 1-3 - Pilgrimage XX

April 2 - Spring Volunteer Workday @Camp Bethel

April 5 - Board & Commission Meetings

April 15-16 - Sounds of the Mountains @Camp Bethel

April 8-10 - Roundtable

May 7 - Ministry and Mission in Virlina

May 18-21 New Church Planting Conference @Bethany Seminary

June 11 - 150th Anniversary Celebration of District work in Virginia @Camp Bethel

Cloverdale April 2016 Calendar

Sunday School 9:15am

Sunday Worship 10:30am

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 Thrift Shop 9am-1pm Camp Bethel Workday |
| 3 Scouts 4:45- 6pm | 4 | 5 6:00pm Commissions 7:00pm Church Board | 6 Family Night 5:45 pm Bible Study 6:45pm  JrChoir 6:45pm Choir 7:30pm | 7 TOPS 5:30pm | 8 | 9 Thrift Shop 9am-1pm |
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*Our Church Mission — We seek to learn from Jesus Christ how to live,
and to share with all people the good news of God's love,
whole-heartedly and humbly, prayerfully and peacefully.*



Church Servants for April



Greeters

- 3 - Kenny & Janie Entsminger
- 10 - Bob & Becky Dennis
- 17 - Larry & Judy Mann
- 24 - Ed & Peggy Stoots

Nursery

- 3 - Glenna Eubank
- 10 - Rita Foster
- 17 - Barb Nelson
- 24 - Glenna Eubank

Thrift Shop

- 2 - Marjorie Snider & Susan LaRose
- 9 - Sharon Dillard & Glenna Eubank
- 16 - Denise Aker & Peggy Stoots
- 23 - Nancy Walters & Denise Aker
- 30 - Wanda Parker & Anne Garber

Deacons on Call

TBD

Altar

Rita Foster

Opening of Church

Dave Wilson

Ushers

- 3 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harr
- 10 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath,
- 17 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath, Rick Naff
- 24 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath, Walter Nelson

April Birthdays

- 2 - Susan Starkey
- 3 - Kristyn Brogan
- 4 - Matthew Crumpacker
- 4 - Roberta Rogers
- 5 - Kristin Duncan
- 13 - Charlotte Wilson
- 15 - Dominic Wright
- 19 - Jessika Kidd
- 21 - Susan LaRose
- 27 - Donna Naff
- 28 - Jacob Bousman
- 29 - Adam Robertson
- 30 - Margaret Fleshman



Happy Anniversary!!

- 1 (1994) - Rick & Donna Naff
- 16 (1955) - Paul & Anne Garber
- 19 (1980) - Don & Becky Hudson



Criner

Pink Cake Boy



Special Acknowledgements

Thank you all for your good thoughts and prayers during my recent hospital stay. It's great to have a church family like all of you. A special thanks to Patrick for all his visits. -**Billy Duncan**

Thank you for the outreach giving of the Cloverdale congregation to the Virlina District in 2015. Your congregations contributed \$7,000.00 to the work of Virlina District, as well as \$2,500.00 to the program budget of Camp Bethel. Your congregational giving enabled the calling, training, placement, evaluation and support of pastors and ministers for our 92 congregations and fellowships. These gifts facilitated the ministry of our district resource center, as well as the nurture and encouragement provided by gender based, age based and outdoor ministry activities. Your giving enabled the staff work which gives life to such ministers as new church development, work with smaller membership congregations, spiritual development retreats and mission resourcing efforts such as "Seed, Scattered and Sown: Reaching Beyond this Generation." Our district is your congregation, neighboring congregations, people of like-mind and faith working together to accomplish tasks which individuals and congregations cannot do alone. The district ministry depends on your giving as a congregation. Although 2015 was a difficult year financially, your partnership and giving helped us to hold fast and endure without forcing major restructure. May God's richest blessings be bestowed upon the Cloverdale congregation, the Virlina District, the Church of the Brethren and the whole church of Jesus Christ. Let us be inspired by the example of Jesus, inviting all persons to discipleship and sharing His love in the works of compassion. Yours in Christ, **David K. Shumate**, DEM

Dear Church Family, I would like to thank everyone for all of the prayers from my daughter Pam. She is now home with her family, has the rods removed from ankle and leg and a boot is on the foot. Physical therapy to follow. Collar is still on the neck. What a wonderful church family. Love, **Carolyn Heath**

We received a thank you card from Pam Mayo(Carolyn Heath's daughter). I am doing much better. I have a long way to go. Lots of Love **Pam. The Mayo Family.** (See the card on the bulletin board.)

Thank you! Thank you! Our church family is so very special. The Valentines cards and notes were great. Love to all.
- **Audry Rogers**

Cloverdale CoB, Virlina District, & Camp Bethel News & Events

A NEW NAME...

If you will recall, several months ago the Women's Fellowship introduced a contest to name the Thrift Shop. At our last meeting, we looked at all the names tht had been submitted...and there were quite a few. As a group, we unanimously decided the new name will be the HEAVEN SENT THRIFT SHOP. Thanks to all who participated! You came up with some inspiring and creative names. **Marjorie Snider**, Women's Fellowship

CAMP BETHEL WISH LIST, February/March:

Old ugly neckties to use as blindfolds for games; Digital cameras; Working mini-van and pick-up truck; Donations for camper scholarships, new mattresses, new furnishings in the New Cottage, and repairs to chimneys, floors and the Ark Pond. Donations to Camp Bethel are tax-deductible and greatly needed. Thank you!

SPRING VOLUNTEER WORKDAY IS APRIL2!

7:30am free breakfast; 1:00pm free lunch; Your help is needed to prepare camp for the winter conference season. Workday projects(rain or shine; indoor and outdoor) for all skill levels and all ages. Bring rakes, blowers, drag tarps, chainsaws, wood splitters, safety gear, ladders, gloves, garden & landscaping gear, tools(construction, repair, electrical plumbing, etc), vacuums, flatbeds, trucks(especially 4x4), cleaning gear & chemicals, brooms, mops, rags...and bring friends! RSVP meals by March 27 - 992-2940 or campbetheloffice@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE XX - APRIL 1-3, 2016

Pilgrimage XX will be held April 1-3, 2016, at Camp Bethel. Pilgrimage is a spiritual retreat for adults of all ages, and God is working through this ministry in wonderful ways. The structure of the weekend includes talks, small groups, fun times, inspiring worship services, and much more. God knows where we are on our spiritual journey, and

He meets us right there. Whether you need peace, or joy, or forgiveness, or encouragement, or hope, or revival, or a little extra time with Him...He gives more than we even desire. It is difficult to put into words how wonderful the weekend is. The only way to truly understand what Pilgrimage has to offer is to experience it! Prayerfully consider if this is your year to attend. If you would like more information, go to <www.experiencepilgrimage.com> or contact Karen Haynes at (336) 765-5263 or <haynesmk1986@yahoo.com>.

ROUNDTABLE - APRIL 8-10, 2016

Roundtable will be held at Bridgewater College on April 8-10. Roundtable is a Regional Youth Conference for Church of the Brethren high school youth, held each spring at Bridgewater College, and is planned by the Interdistrict Youth Cabinet. Tim and Audrey Hollenberg-Duffey of the Hagerstown Church of the Brethren in Maryland will speak on the theme of Carefree in Christ, using Matthew 6:25-34. Walking Roots Band will provide entertainment on Friday night. Make plans to participate in Roundtable to see old friends, make new friends, worship the Lord, and hang out at college. Registration is open online at <iycroundtable.wix.com>.

Sounds of the Mountains Story & Music Festival, April 15-16, 2016

Our 15th annual festival features Kevin Kling, Barbara McBride-Smith, Bil Lepp, Antonio Rocha, music by Carrington Kay, plus lunch with the Back Porch Studio Cloggers, Friday campfire stories, and excellent food. (Vegetarian & Gluten free options available!) Early bird discounted tickets through March 31! Don't miss it! *Best. Weekend. Ever!* Spread the word. www.SoundsoftheMountains.org

IN TUNE - YOUNG ADULT MUSIC MINISTRY - APRIL 15-16, 2016

In Tune, an event on young adult and music ministry, will be held at Bethany Theological Seminary April 15-16, 2016. We are excited to host Tim Timmons, Michaela Alphonse, Leah J. Hileman, Chris Monaghan and Adam Tice as the speakers for this event. Come hear TED-like talks and inspiring worship music. Come to engage in good conversation and ask important questions about both music ministry and ministry with young adults. Get more information and register now at <www.bethanyseminary.edu/ya2016>.

MINISTRY AND MISSION IN VIRGINIA - MAY 7, 2016

The annual Ministry and Mission in Virginia event will be held on Saturday, May 7, at the Germantown Brick Church of the Brethren, 2363 Brick Church Rd., Rocky Mount, Virginia. The theme will be "Focus on Jesus" with Matthew 14:22-33 as the scripture text. Our day will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. followed by worship at 9:00 a.m.

Our worship theme will be "Get out of the boat; your journey awaits." Anne Mitchell, pastor of the Lighthouse Church of the Brethren, will be our preacher and members of the Commission on Witness will provide leadership during the worship and throughout the event. Following worship, workshops from the commissions and committees of the District Board will be held throughout the morning. Workshop topics will include behavior management for leaders, conflict transformation, tax information for treasurers, and more.

Lunch will be provided by the Germantown congregation and after lunch the Annual Conference Delegate Briefing will take place. The briefing will begin at 1:30 p.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to participate in all or part of the activities planned for the day. CEU (0.1) credit will be offered for ministers participating in workshops.

2016 NEW CHURCH PLANTING CONFERENCE- MAY 19 - 21, 2016

Registration is now open for the New Church Planting Conference to be held May 19-21 at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, Indiana. The theme is "Hope - Imagination - Mission." Early bird registration, before April 15, is \$119. For more information and to register, go to the website <<http://www.brethren.org/churchplanting/events.html>>.

Annual Conference Registration is now open!!! Conference will be held in nearby Greensboro, NC this year - June 29-July 3! If you've never been before this is the perfect year to give it a try. Come for a day or for the whole week! See www.brethren.org/ac for more details and/or to register!

150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - JUNE 11, 2016

The Virilina District Historical Committee is sponsoring a "150 Year Anniversary Celebration of District Work in Virginia" at Camp Bethel on June 11, 2016. The 2016 Annual Conference Moderator, Andy Murray, a native of the Cloverdale Church in Botetourt County, Virginia, will be the keynote speaker and the worship service will feature special music. Research is going forward on an updated history of the district over the past fifty to sixty years. Mary Sink Saint-John is serving as the editor of this work.

150TH ANNIVERSARY BANNERS NEEDED!

Bring a Church Banner to the 150th Anniversary Celebration!! We want EACH congregation in the Virilina District to bring a banner to Camp Bethel that morning (by 10:00 am, a half-hour before the service)! Specifics: It needs to be about 12" tall and 9" wide. The only requirement is that the name of your church is on it. It's your choice what material you use (felt, vinyl, burlap, paper, material, etc.), and how pretty you make it (quilted, colorful, appliqued, black and white, etc.). It also needs a string or ribbon with which it will hang. (Disclosure: It will go home with another congregation.) If you cannot be there that day, please have it to Camp Bethel by Friday, June 10. Thank you! If you have questions, contact Carol Elmore at (540) 774-3217 or <carol@oakgrovecob.org>.

A Moment with the Church Board:

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, to Know You Better and be Better Known

This is the theme chosen by the church board describing our focus of Christ-light in 2016. For our retreat in January and February, our theme was "Carry the Light" (John 1: 1-5). This is also the theme for 2016 Annual Conference in Greensboro, North Carolina. It was through prayer and reflection the above theme was adopted. We will be challenging ourselves to Reach up to Christ, Reach Out to our community and each other, to Know each other Better, and be Better Known to our neighbors.

Many ideas were shared by our commission members such as small groups, name tags at worship and game night.

We celebrate our focus on Christ-light by reaching up to Christ in our Bible Study, Sunday School, worship, and Love Feast. We reach out with our Thrift Shop, Food Pantry, Child Care and Preschool.

In the days to come you will notice some much needed changes in the men's bathroom. The board supported a proposal by the properties commission to create a unisex handicap accessible restroom and a make-over of the men's restroom. What a way to "Carry the Light" for all people.

It is our hope for all of you to catch on to this theme. We challenge each and every one of you to join in through prayer and participation. Also giving suggestions on how we can "Carry the Light" with our church family and our community.

In closing I want to share from the district newsletter and written by Andy Murray, our Moderator 2016 Annual Conference.

Carry the Light (John 1:1-5)

... in your heart-Claim it

... in your church -Focus it

... in your community---Spread it

... in your world---Be it

Pastor Patrick's Page(s)~~

"In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33 NIV

"And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20 NRSV

Happy Easter season, everyone! May the above words of Easter Jesus fill our hearts, as the risen Christ leads our lives. Not afraid. Not alone.

Attention Camp Bethel campers, parents, grandparents and all Cloverdalers: Let's connect with Camp Bethel in 2016! Come to worship at Cloverdale on Sunday, April 3, when Camp Bethel Program Coordinator Jenna Stacy will be our special guest! She will share an exciting word and a glimpse and taste of what is to come at Camp Bethel this year. Our returning campers, and those considering camp for the very first time, won't want to miss this!

Camp Bethel's summer camp theme is: **NOT AFRAID. NOT ALONE. COURAGE IN COMMUNITY.** In addition to all the great hikes, adventures, games, campfires, s'more roasting, food, friend-making and more, worship times and Bible studies will explore this theme with fascinating passages from scripture about faith and courage. Spend time together with fellow campers and leaders growing in faith, and with Abram, who steps out in trust to answer God's call in a new place; with Ruth, who learns and lives a loyalty that strengthens another with love from God; with Joseph, who finds that forgiveness is at the heart of life with God and people; and with Daniel and Esther, who courageously stand and act for what is right. What a wonderful way to continue the walk of faith with God and each other!

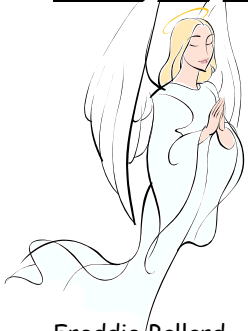
Cloverdale, there are many opportunities we have and take to support the ministries of Camp Bethel. First, we pray. Pray for the campers who will participate this summer, the staff and volunteers who will help lead them, and all who contribute to sharing this great gift from God that is Camp Bethel. Next, we also contribute financially, by helping our campers with their summer registration fees through our *Good-as-Gold* certificate program, by the outreach giving to Camp Bethel from our budget sustained by our Sunday offerings, by our hosting a booth with crafts and goodies each autumn at Heritage Day, by our participation in such entertaining events as the Sounds of the Mountains Story and Song Festival (read about it in this issue), and more! And, we help out by volunteering our time in a wide variety of ways, from serving as parking attendants at big Camp Bethel events, to our men's fellowship's work to help maintain one of the cabins, to our own Sam Foster's current service as Chair of the Outdoor Ministries Committee (and, yes, MORE).

So, again, as we celebrate how the living Lord is on the move and at work among us and through our shared ministries, let's connect with Camp Bethel in 2016. Changing lives since 1927, more vital than ever right now, and offering a hint of, and a chance to step towards and work for, God's lasting kingdom. Not afraid. Not alone.

In Christ our hope,
Patrick

New Prayer List Policy: We have begun a new prayer list policy. Due to limited bulletin space, we clear the prayer list at the end of each month. If you wish to have your prayer request continue, please contact the church office to have it placed on the list for the next month. Thank you!

Remember These As You Pray: Ruth Joshua and all the abducted Nigerian girls and families.



Elda Alls
Doris Jean Brannen
Margaret Fleshman
Geraldene Garvey
Arnold Humphreys
Carole Reavis
Audry Rogers

Ruth Bishop
Thelma Byrd
Norman Flora
Dottie Hale
Robert & Janet Murray
Ginger Roberts
Dot Stanley

Bowman Family
Deel Family
Pam Ford & Zach
James Hill
Glenn & Mary Naff
Alta Robertson
Betty Walker

Freddie Ballard - Pat Hill's friend
David Dooley (Marceline Dooley's son) - stage 4 lymphoma
Sherry Duncan - Pat Hill's friend
Larry Evans - Cancer
Maisun Gibson (Glenna & Norma's 9 yr old great nephew) kidney problems
Pam Mayo (Carolyn Heath's daughter) car accident
Wyatt McGuire (Sue Crumpacker's grandson)
Debbie Noble (Doris Kent's neighbor) cancer
Cora Sosebee (Dot Stanley's great granddaughter) MRI for seizures
Betty Stone (Doris Kent's friend) breast cancer
Curtis Wallace - Pat Hill & Reggie Wallace's brother
Anne West (friend of Patricia Jennison) diagnosed with cancer
Anita Wildhaber (Kathy Bowman's mother) stroke
Joseph Wildhaber (Kathy Bowman's father) fall
Terry Williams - Pat Hill's nephew

We celebrate the life shared and extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of... Mary Jo Flory-Steury

District Prayer Calendar April

April 3, 2016

Pray for *Horace D. Light, Jr.*, pastor of the Hollins Road Church in Roanoke, Virginia, as he retires from the full time ministry on April 10. Let us honor the commitment, dedication and work of those who have given themselves to the work of Christ and the church.

April 10, 2016

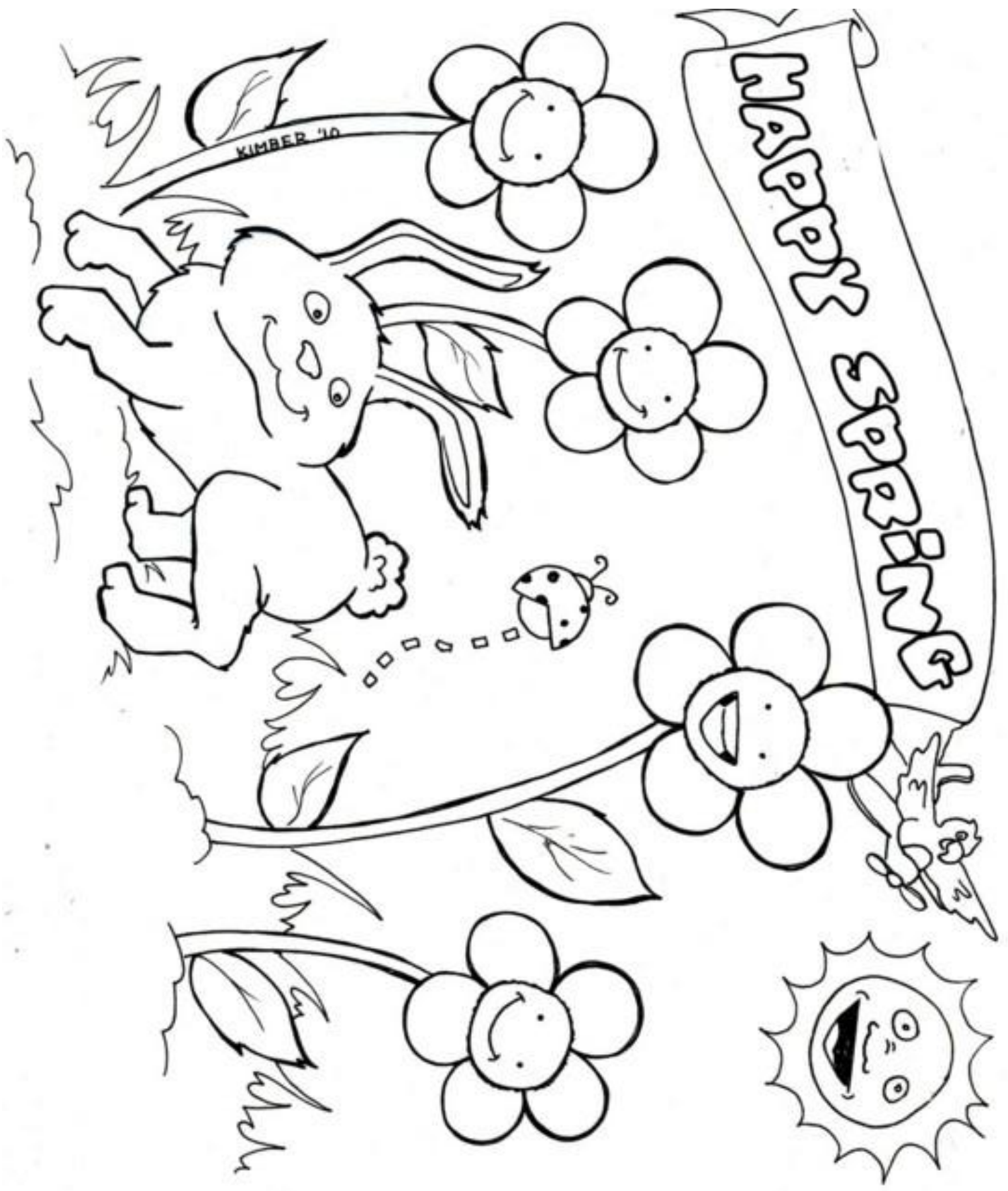
Pray for *the Jones Chapel Church* near Figsboro in Henry County, Virginia, as they celebrate their seventy-fifth anniversary as a congregation. Let us give thanks to God for the vision of those who saw the possibilities in their day, for the faithfulness to respond during the intervening years, and for the ongoing call to mission and ministry that is before us.

April 17, 2016

Pray for *Tara Shepherd-Bowdel*, a member of the Mount Union Church in Roanoke County, Virginia, who began on March 14 as Regional Advancement Officer for Bethany Theological Seminary in the Eastern United States. Let us look forward with excitement and enthusiasm to the greater works of God to be revealed.

April 24, 2016

Pray for *the Living Faith Church in Concord, North Carolina* as they celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their first public activity, "A Day in the Park," on April 27, 1996. Let us give thanks to God for the commitment of those who serve in the ministry and mission of the church.



Happy Spring

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