

# Kedron United Methodist Church



*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open doors The people of The United Methodist Church*

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## The Kedron Connection

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### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

*I have probably mentioned this before, but it was such a disturbing event, I suspect I'll never forget it. A couple of weeks after Easter in about 2004, someone came to my office to tell me about something someone said after the Easter service that year. At the end of the later service, with a room just crammed full of worshippers, a man said to those around, "I can't believe that Michael O'Bannon. I'm sure he'll get some kickback on his statement that the resurrection of Jesus was real!" It was also reported that an older lady in the pew in front of him took him on. Good for her. I don't know who the mas was: no one would tell me: but I did know the lady. She was the type to speak her mind.*

*I was so upset, I went to see a professor of the New Testament. (I Won't reveal who or where.) That person told me that the latest scholarship on resurrection was that if it did happen, it was only for Jesus. Most likely, it was believed that it was only a symbolic statement! You can imagine my dismay.*

*Friends, while there is much that can be explained in a reasonable and scientifically demonstrated way, it should be quickly stated that there is much about our faith that can only be accepted and believed. It always amuses me when people admit there is a God, but refuse to believe in the things God does!*

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*We are a people of faith; and, as we approach Easter, we need to be reminded that God is bigger than our limited, human understanding of the divinely created universe. Easter is about the awesome power of God-as well as their promise of our own resurrection. Christ arose!*

*Michael D. O'Bannon, Pastor*



### Administrative Council

Our council will meet on **April 21st 2024 at 1:00 pm.**

### Fellowship Supper

**IT'S BACK!!!! March 6th at 6:30pm**

### Men's Breakfast

March 2nd, 2024 at 8 AM.

### Bucket Offering

Our March Bucket offering taken on Sunday morning worship will be donated to: **Food Bank**

### Food Bank

You may bring food donations for the local food bank on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month. Place the donations on the pew in the narthex. The food will be delivered to the food bank. The Suggested item for March is **peanut butter**. All non-perishable food is accepted and appreciated.

### Happy Birthday

Mary Ellen Vance	March 4th
Tanner Stacey	March 5th
Carol Dorn	March 31st
Rob Dunbar	March 31st

### Anniversaries

Doug and Dee Rouse	March 14th
Gaylord and Carol Dorn	March 19th



### February Calendar

Saturday March 2nd Men's Breakfast

Sunday March 3rd 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Service

Wednesday March 6th Fellowship Supper 6:30pm

Sunday March 10th 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Service

Sunday March 17th 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Service

Wednesday March 20th Bible Study Locke's UMC  
6:30pm

Sunday March 24th PALM SUNDAY  
8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Service

Monday March 25th Laity Club

Friday March 29th Good Friday

Sunday March 31st EASTER  
8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Service

March 2024 newsletter info due to Dee Rouse by  
February 26th 615-574-9320 or  
[ddrouse10@gmail.com](mailto:ddrouse10@gmail.com)

### Resources Available

Resources for various kinds of help/support for you or someone you know that might benefit from counseling and/or spiritual support are listed below:

Insight Counseling Center, Murfreesboro  
**615-383-2115** for in person or online/phone counseling.

Upper Room Prayer Ministry **615-340-7200**  
Talkspace.com Online/phone counseling

### Methodist News Source

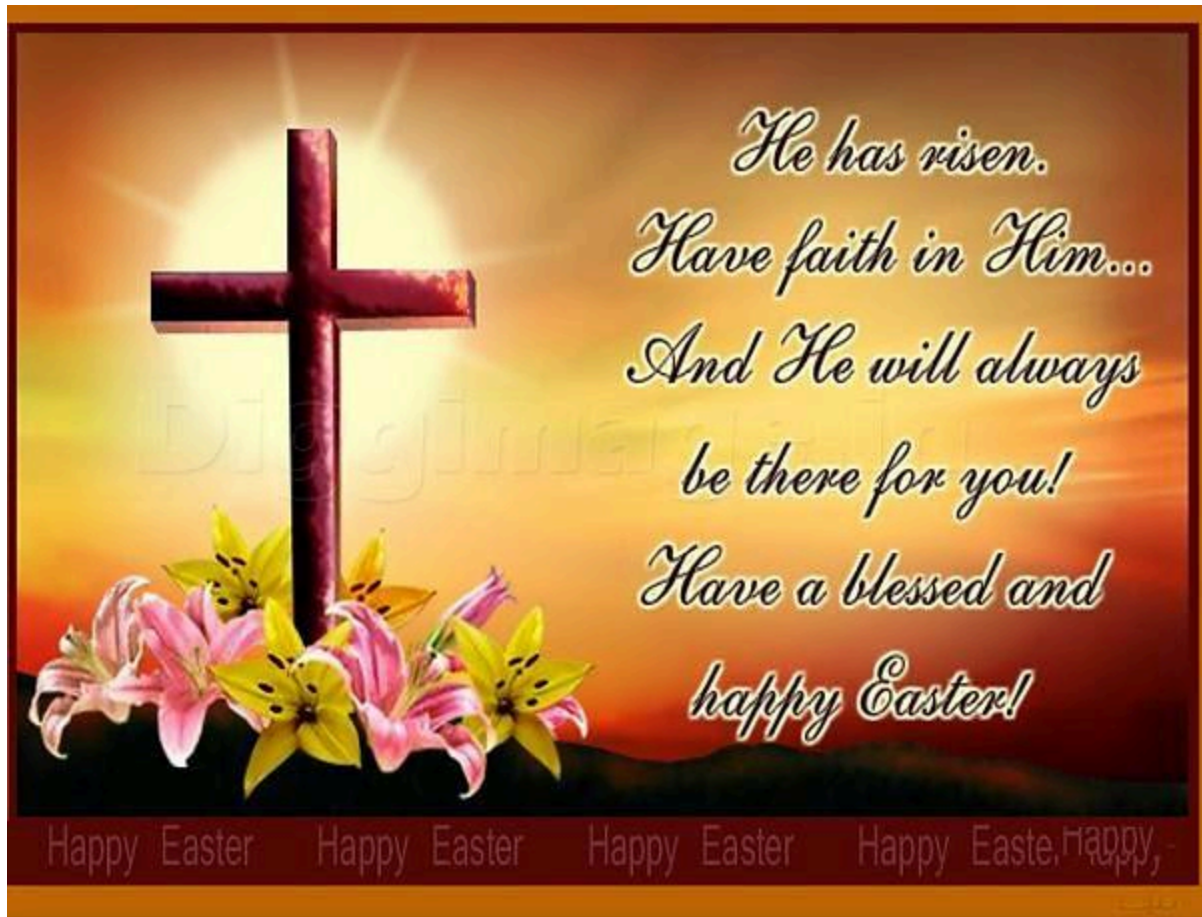
[www.umnews.org](http://www.umnews.org)

Stones River District Office  
P.O. Box 12191  
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

## ***Congratulations to Rob Dunbar!!!***

***On February 4th 2024 Rob was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel!! He had a lot of family and friends attend this honorable event! Thank you for your service, Rob!***





MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**May 31st 2024** Crusty Veterans will be performing at Kedron again!  
Spread the word and more details will come closer to the event!