



*A note  
from the pastor*

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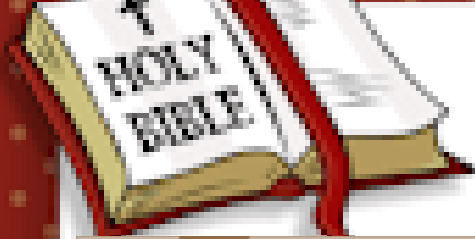


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APRIL 17, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

WONDERFUL

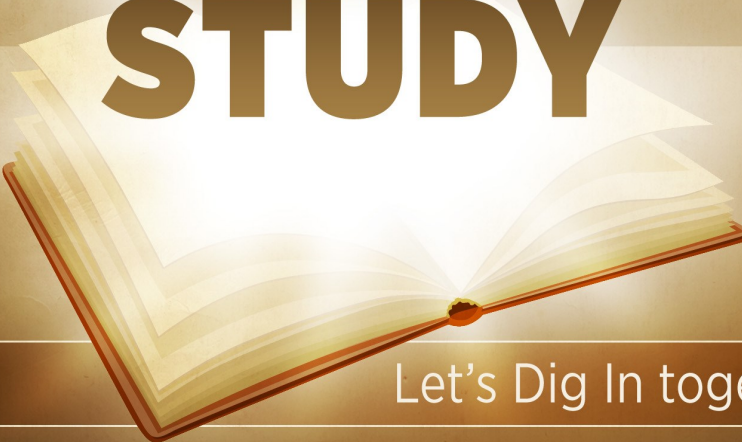


WEDNESDAY NIGHT

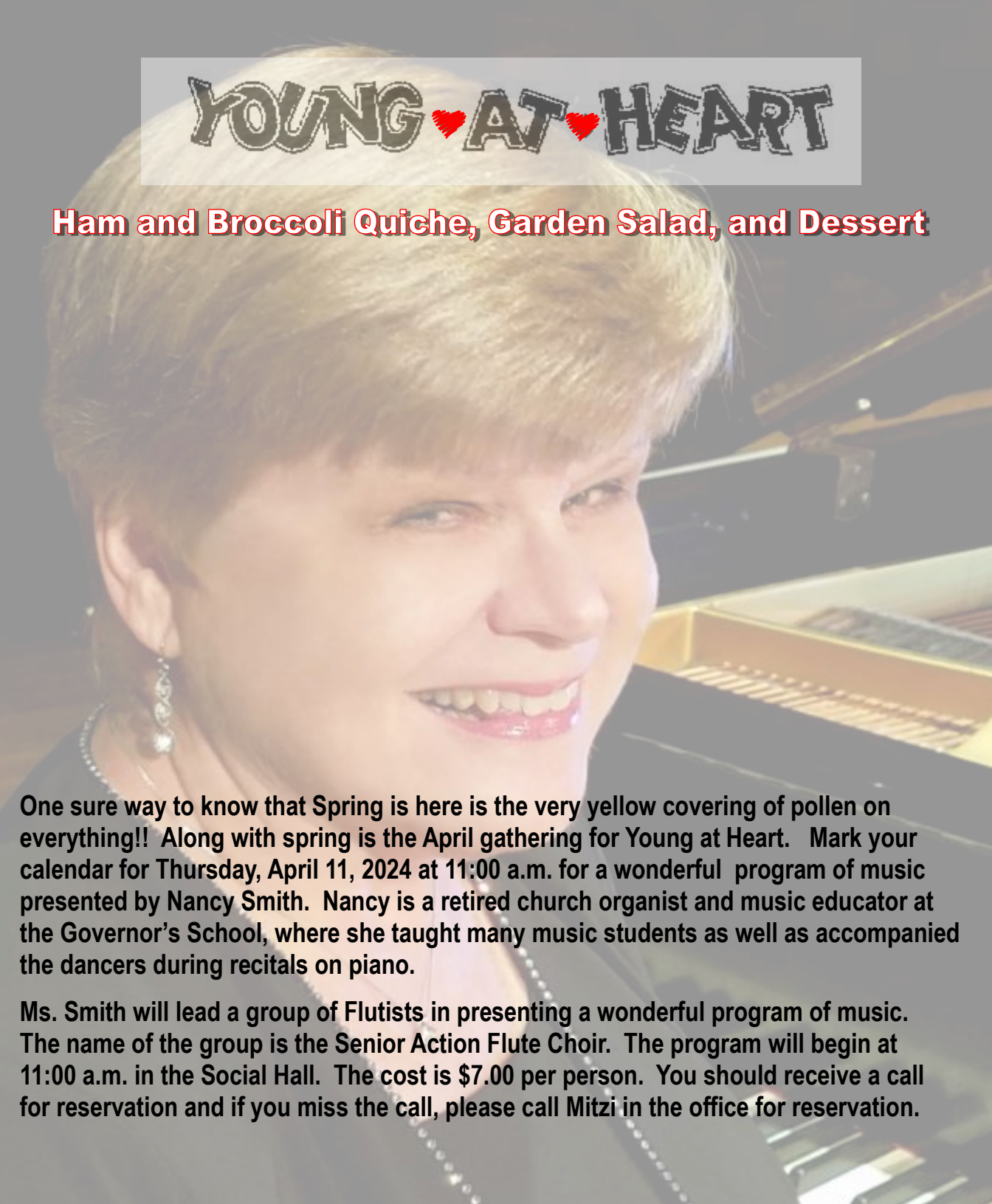
DINNER

MEXICAN NIGHT—CHICKEN ENCHILADAS WITH SIDES & DESSERT

BIBLE  
STUDY



Let's Dig In together



# YOUNG AT HEART

**Ham and Broccoli Quiche, Garden Salad, and Dessert**

One sure way to know that Spring is here is the very yellow covering of pollen on everything!! Along with spring is the April gathering for Young at Heart. Mark your calendar for Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. for a wonderful program of music presented by Nancy Smith. Nancy is a retired church organist and music educator at the Governor's School, where she taught many music students as well as accompanied the dancers during recitals on piano.

Ms. Smith will lead a group of Flutists in presenting a wonderful program of music. The name of the group is the Senior Action Flute Choir. The program will begin at 11:00 a.m. in the Social Hall. The cost is \$7.00 per person. You should receive a call for reservation and if you miss the call, please call Mitzi in the office for reservation.



The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Upstate SC will take place on Friday, May 3, 2024 at Gibbs Cancer Center and Research Institute 2759 SC-14 Greer, SC.

The Survivor's Dinner will begin at 5 pm ([must register to attend](#)) with the remaining activities taking place from 6-10 pm.

[www://](#)

More than just a fundraising walk, the ACS Relay For Life brings together passionate supporters who embody the American Cancer Society vision to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. This volunteer-led experience unites communities to celebrate cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost to cancer, and raise funds to improve the lives of people with cancer and their families through advocacy, research, and patient support to ensure everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

Although each Relay For Life event embraces the uniqueness of the home community, every event does have the same four signature elements: a celebration of cancer survivors, a celebration of caregivers, a luminaria ceremony to honor and remember loved ones, and the opportunity to fight back against cancer.

To register, make a donation or purchase a luminary, look for the display table in the Social Hall, click the link above, or contact Linda Schinck at (864) 414-7268.



Lee Road has a long history of paying their Apportionments in full each year; however, we haven't given 100% of our Apportionments since 2017. We quit giving entirely in 2018 for lack of funds. We gave nothing in 2019 and 2020. In 2021, because of COVID, we received a substantial amount of government monies and at year-end we paid 25% of our Apportionments. We ramped up to 50% in 2022, 65% in 2023, and we've budgeted to pay 80% in 2024.

The Conference Asking for 2024 is \$40,000, so 80% is \$32,000. We need an additional \$8,000 to be a 100% giver in 2024. The Finance Committee is asking congregation members to consider making an additional Apportionment gift this year above their current planned giving. There is an updated Apportionment Board in the back hallway that has note cards with a \$ amount written on each card, ranging from \$50 to \$500. Please remove the card that represents the amount of your additional gift. Take the card with you as a reminder. The total of all the cards is \$8,000, the additional amount needed to return Lee Road UMC to a 100% Apportionment giver. On the "For" line of your check please write "Extra Apportionments." There are flyers on Apportionments in the bottom right -hand corner of the bulletin board. Inside the front cover is an excellent explanation of how Apportionments are calculated. Take one.  
Jimmy Gaddy, Finance Chair.

PEOPLE

# Welcome

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE

To make our services more welcoming to all, we would like to reinstitute the practice of having parking lot greeters for both services. The greeters would be sharing their gift of hospitality by doing the following:

- ◆ Be ready and in the parking lot at least 30 minutes before the service begins with your provided vest on. You will stay there until 10 minutes after the service time.
- ◆ Greet those who arrive, showing them that they are welcome to worship and be part of our church family. Make sure you introduce yourself to the guest(s) and ask their name(s).
- ◆ If the car is close enough to you or in a handicapped parking place, be ready to help open the car door and assist the guests. If at the traditional service, direct those who might need it to the lift at the side of the front porch.
- ◆ If it is raining, have an umbrella with you to hold over the guest as they get out of the car. There are courtesy umbrellas in the Bridge lobby and the narthex of the sanctuary that you may give them to use. Just ask the guest to drop it off inside the door when they enter the building.
- ◆ Return your vest and courtesy umbrellas to the lobby/narthex when your shift has ended.

Our goal is to make everyone attending our services feel the love of Christ and the welcome we want to share with them. If you feel the Holy Spirit leading you to do this work, please let Laurie Fite know by sending a text to (864) 420-1131 or an email to [Laurie@Fite.com](mailto:Laurie@Fite.com). If we get enough people to respond, we will set up a schedule.

Revenue that exceeds the cost of the meals will only be used for other functions of the Weekend.  
#121

**Kairos Inside**  
Tyger River, SC #31  
May 2 - 5, 2024

I was in prison and you visited me.  
Matthew 25:36



#121

# Kairos Inside

TYGER RIVER, SC #31

May 2 - 5, 2024

This meal is provided by:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

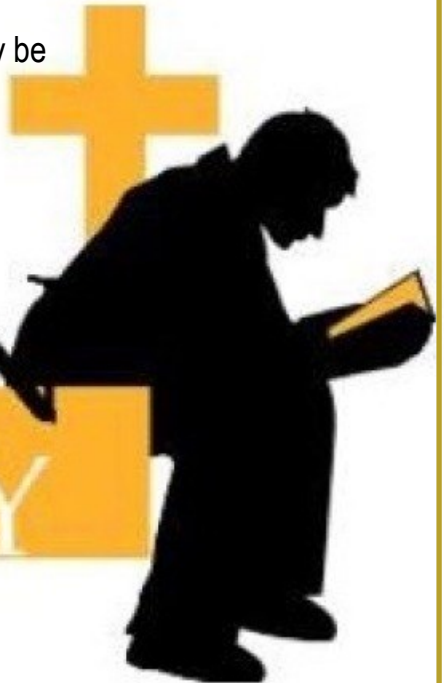


The Pastor is selling meal tickets for \$10 each for donors to purchase a meal for a "resident" of the Tyger River Correctional Institute. The Kairos team cooks all the meals for residents during each long weekend "walk" (the next one is May 2-5, 2024). The ticket is placed on each person's placemat as a way of saying that Christians on the "outside" care for them. You can have your first name only on the ticket if you wish or just "Lee Road UMC" and "Taylors." The cost for each long weekend (and there are two per year) is about \$5000. Pastor Rusty is participating in the May event and has a goal of raising \$200. **Would you prayerfully consider purchasing a ticket from the pastor? I will provide each person a receipt for their donation, and one can purchase more than just 1 ticket if you wish!**

Any revenue that exceeds the cost of the meals will only be used for other functions of the Weekend.

**Thank you for your generosity, and although you won't be physically going "inside" as I will, your contributions will spread the love of Jesus.**

**PRISON**  
MINISTRY



# UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday, April 11, 2024**

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

**Friday, April 12, 2024**

**Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

*You're invited to our*

**COMBINED  
SERVICE**

9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Combined Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 p.m. Church Cookout

**Monday, April 15, 2024**

**Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

9:00 a.m. Men's Sharing Group

10:00 a.m. New Beginnings Singers Practice

6:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday

**Thursday, April 18, 2024**

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

**Friday, April 19, 2024**

**Saturday, April 20, 2024**

**Sunday, April 21, 2024**

9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (Bridge)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14 AT NOON**

# mix & mingle

Your United Methodist Men  
are providing a Cookout



following our combined church service on  
Sunday, April 14, 2024 to celebrate the  
progress we are enjoying at Lee Road.

Grilled kabobs (beef, chicken and shrimp),  
hillbilly caviar, roasted potatoes, and a  
fresh green salad.

Plan to attend, to mix, to mingle and  
to celebrate each other and our church  
family. If you've not already signed up,  
please contact the church office today to  
sign up! [office@leeroadumc.com](mailto:office@leeroadumc.com).



**THE SERVANT CHURCH**





To add to or delete from the list, please call the church office.

Special Prayer Requests

- Linda Black
- Susan and Max Cromer
- Nona Walser
- Jimmy Gaddy
- Chris Fite
- Steve Frantz
- Betty Perdue
- Penelope McPeters
- Patricia Gordon
- Rev. Bill Shepard

- Residential Care  
Betty Perdue, Linda Black, Bob & Ellen Elson, Jim & Jean Crain, Annette Hunter, Natalie Smith
- At Home  
Larry Hand
- Ann Huntley (with daughter)
- Extended Family  
Mother of: Dusty Ross  
Son of: Annette Hunter  
Father of: Debbie Gantt, Marc Turcotte, Karen Turner  
Brother of: Vicky Williams  
Son-in-Law of: Carl & Beth Kohlhepp
- Nephew of: Linda Black, Sandy & Joan Davis
- Niece of: Laurie Fite
- Family of: Don Sandor, Mike Lewis
- Friends of:  
Sandy & Joan Davis, Debbie Gantt, Jane Pingley, Elizabeth Lowrey, Gail Bachman, Annette Hunter, Wayne & Denise Dorr, Alida Weber, Mike Martin

# Attendance



Sunday, April 7, 2024

Contemporary Service—39  
Traditional Service—57

2024 Tithes & Offerings  
\$6,990 (needed weekly to meet budget)

April 7, 2024	\$3677.00
April 14, 2024	
April 21, 2024	
April 28, 2024	



SCAN ME



**Watch Services Live!**  
**Contemporary Service at 10AM**  
**Traditional Service at 11AM**