



Rustburg United Methodist Church

IN HIS SERVICE – FEBRUARY 2026



“Must be United Methodist birds. Put out food and the whole flock shows up!” - Pam Booth



January Skies
By Lisa Bailey (above)
By Bill Arthur (below)

Opening screen for Rev. Brooks' Feb. 1st video sermon. 2nd in a row due to ice!



Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell; they lift up their voices among the branches.

Psalm 104:12

Photos by: Donna Cameron



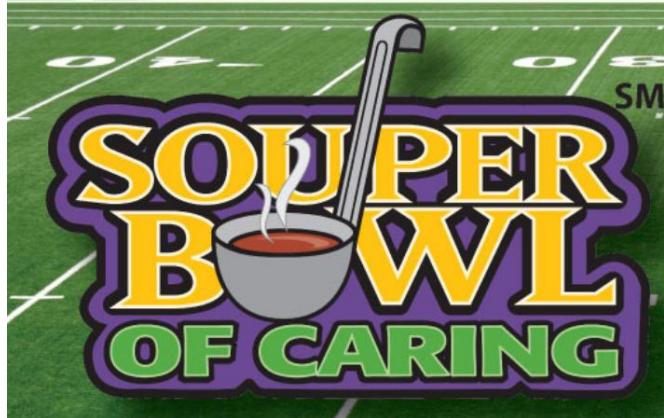
RUSTBURG UMC SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Special Worship Service at 11 AM.
Soup Luncheon, following service, 12 PM.

Please bring canned soups: they will
go to RUMC Food Pantry recipients.

FEBRUARY 8 • SUNDAY • 12 PM

**664 VILLAGE HWY.
RUSTBURG, VA 24588**



**HELP US CHANGE
THE GAME AND
TACKLE HUNGER!**

SOUPER BOWL RECIPIES TO TRY

Lighter Winter Comfort Food

SWEET POTATO CHILI

2 LARGE SWEET POTATOES
30 OZ BLACK BEANS
26 OZ CRUSHED TOMATOES
14.5 OZ ROTEL Diced Tomatoes
1C VEGETABLE BROTH
1 MEDIUM RED BELL PEPPER
1 MEDIUM ONION
3 CLOVES GARLIC
1 MEDIUM JALAPEÑO
SMALL LIME

2 TSP CHILI POWDER
1 TSP SMOKE PAPRIKA
1 TSP GROUND CUMIN
1 TSP OREGANO
1/2 TSP SALT
1/2 TSP BLACK PEPPER



STUFFED PEPPER SOUP

1 TSP OLIVE OIL
1 C WHITE ONION
1 LB LEAN GROUND BEEF
1 TSP SALT
1/2 TSP BLACK PEPPER
1 TSP ITALIAN SEASONING
2 CLOVES GARLIC

1 MEDIUM RED BELL PEPPER
1 MEDIUM GREEN BELL PEPPER
15 OZ FIRE-ROASTED TOMATO SAUCE
20 OZ ROTEL DICED TOMATOES WITH
GREEN CHILIES
16 OZ BEEF BROTH



CHICKEN FAJITAS

2 LB CHICKEN BREASTS
10 OZ FIRE-ROASTED ROTEL
2 TBSP TACO SEASONING
3 MEDIUM BELL PEPPERS
1 MEDIUM WHITE ONION
FAJITA-SIZE TORTILLAS



CHICKEN AND POTATOES

1.5 LB CHICKEN BREASTS
1/2 LB FRESH GREEN BEANS
1 LB RED SKIN POTATOES
1/3 C LEMON JUICE
1/4 C OLIVE OIL
1 TSP MONTREAL CHICKEN SNG

1 TSP LEMON PEPPER
1 TSP SALT
1/2 TSP BLACK PEPPER
1/4 TSP ONION POWDER
2 CLOVES GARLIC
3 TBSP SALTED BUTTER



LEMON CHICKEN

1 LB CHICKEN BREASTS
10.5 OZ CREAM OF CHICKEN SOUP
1 TBSP LEMON PEPPER SNG
JUICE OF 1/2 LEMON



GARLIC PARMESAN CHICKEN

4 BONE-IN SKIN-ON CHICKEN THIGHS
1 TSP GARLIC SALT
1 TSP PAPRIKA
1 TSP PEPPER
3 CLOVES GARLIC
3 TBSP OLIVE OIL
1 LB BABY POTATOES
1C SHREDDED PARMESAN



PERSNICKETY plates



United Women in Faith

Please come and join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Small Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM.

We'll have our regular meeting at **February 11** at 10:00 AM.

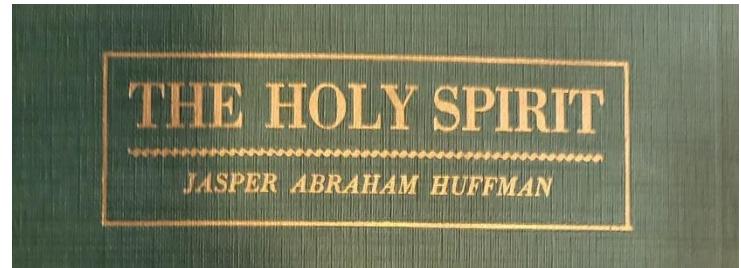
Love in Christ;
Donna Cameron | President of UWF

Bible Study

Led By: Dr. C.R. Brooks

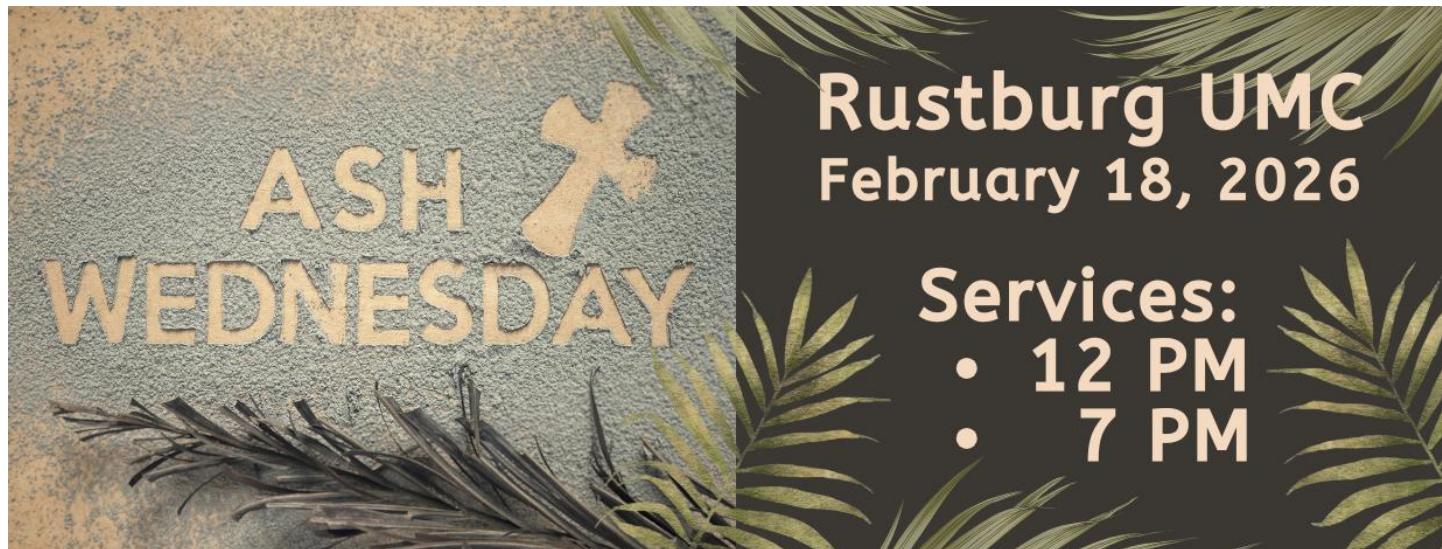
12 Noon & 6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 25



We are using the *Standard Lesson Commentary* and *The Holy Spirit* by Jasper A. Huffman for 2026's Wednesday Bible Study. We will resume meetings on Feb. 25th.

You can find the Commentary – NIV or King James translation – at Mardel's, Amazon, etc. Huffman's The Holy Spirit can be purchased from Rev. Brooks for \$15.



III 2026 RUMC Directory

Draft Copy of the 2026 RUMC Directory is in-progress! Please look for it in the Narthex and make certain your information is up-to-date. Please send any items/edits to Donna Cameron.



Article from:
Gleaning for the World

One of our longtime partners, Rustburg United Methodist Church, hosts a monthly food pantry that provides food and essential supplies to neighbors in need. Programs like this work hard to ensure families across the area have access to support during difficult times.

This month's pantry theme was blankets; an item we receive frequent requests for as cold weather continues. Gleaning For The World was able to donate blankets along with food items and new household goods, which were distributed to families this past Saturday.

Thanks to the continued generosity of our donors, we're able to support organizations like Rustburg United Methodist Church and help meet important needs right here in Central Virginia.



Learn more about their mission here:
<https://rustburgumc.org/missions>
<https://www.facebook.com/MissionsRUMC>

Magnolia Ladies Trip to



Interactive Glass Art Studio

Come join the Magnolia Ladies at The Glass Palette in Charlottesville where you can make a custom glass piece. This is an RSVP event only. We will meet at church to carpool. Our time slot is from noon until 2 p.m. and we will stop for a late Mexican lunch after making our glass pieces.

Meet up time: 10:30 a.m. (please listen for announcements in church)

Leave by: 10:45 a.m.

You must RSVP to Mary Bailey no later than Sunday Feb. 22nd to reserve your spot.



Magnolia Ladies March Events

Ladies come help with the Community Easter Egg Hunt

When: Sunday March 8th (Egg stuffing) & Saturday March 28th (Egg Hunt)

Where: Rustburg United Methodist Church

Please come help with the Community Easter Egg Hunt by helping to stuff eggs on Sunday March 8th after service and on Saturday March 28th for the Easter Egg Hunt

Volunteers needed to help hide eggs starting at 1 p.m.

Activities will start at 2 p.m. Starting with games, Easter Egg Hunt, story time with snack and finish it out with golden egg prizes and door prizes.

Please contact Donna Hamlett or Kelly Gladden if you would like to help.

Magnolia 2026 Events Save the Dates

Sunday, March 8: Easter Egg Stuffing Party after service (Pizza lunch provided)

Saturday, March 28: Easter Egg Hunt

Friday, April 24: Ladies Bunco Night Fundraiser for 150th Church Birthday Celebration
(Details to come)

Saturday, May 30: Pharsalia Farms in Massy's Mill Floral Arrangement Class
(RSVP's will be required. More info in the March Newsletter)

June/July/August: TBD

Sunday, September 20: Magnolia Ladies Ice Cream Social for 150th Birthday Celebration after the luncheon

Friday, September 25: Magnolia Bowling Night

Saturday, October 17: RUMC Fall Festival

Friday, November 20: Friendsgiving (RUMC Small Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, December 5: Christmas Cookie Exchange

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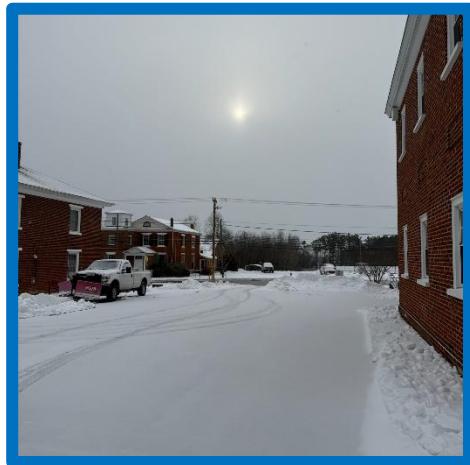
Tues. 02/03 **SPRC**
Thurs. 02/05 **Handbells, 6 PM | Choir, 7 PM**
Sun. 02/08 **Souper Bowl of Caring Service, 11 AM**
 w/ Luncheon at Noon
Tues. 02/10 **Education Committee, 6 PM**
Wed. 02/11 **United Women in Faith, 10 AM**
Sat. 02/14 **Food Pantry, 9:30-11 AM**
Sun. 02/15 **Communion**
 Men's Group Breakfast, 8:30
 Administrative Board, Following Worship
Wed. 02/18 **Ash Wednesday | Imposition of the Ashes, 12 PM**
 Ash Wednesday Service, 7 PM
Mon. 02/23 **Deadline for March Newsletter**
Wed. 02/25: **Bible Study w/ Rev. Brooks, 12 PM & 6 PM**

Thurs. Feb. 5,12,19,26: **Handbell Rehearsals, 6 PM**
Choir Rehearsals, 7 PM



Happy 150th Year RUMC!

1876 – 2026, Central Methodist Church | Rustburg UMC



Special Thanks to Jerry Booth for
shoveling the sidewalks!

JANUARY RUMC OFFERINGS

Offerings: \$8,798.00

Budget: (16,958.83)

Shortfall: (8,160.83)



RUSTBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. C. R. Brooks, Ph.D.
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Rustburg, Virginia 24588
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2026 Rustburg United Methodist Church Souvenir Book

Because Rustburg UMC church is God's people and not just a building;

We invite families, friends, neighbors, businesses (both bygone and still in business) to join and support us as we celebrate 150 years as a church family in Rustburg, Virginia.

Our 150th year Souvenir Book will tell stories of struggles, joys, hopes, whims, successes as we reveal what 150 years has been to our church and church families in the Rustburg area: both past and present.

We invite our family tree of the nine churches in the Methodist Church South and the community that surrounded us to contribute to the story. The Souvenir Book includes pictures of families, old stores, buildings, homes of the past and their proximity to people of the Rustburg church. It will include the parsonage, surrounded by a moat in the foothills of Campbell County; stories of children who watched the transformation of the county, the church and the families around them. One man, now in his eighties, tells the story of how he snuck into the building through a window to look around when the addition was being added to Central Methodist, later RUMC, in 1953 (may his parents rest in peace).

Dating as far back as 1876, We went from a 9 point to a 4 point before going to stand-alone. Was your family in the county as Central Methodist Episcopal moved from the nine-point charge to a stationary church as Rustburg UMC? The original Campbell County Charge was: White's Methodist, Rehoboth, Hay's Chapel, Central, Mt. Zion, Wesleybury, Salem, Sharon, Ivy Branch-Mt. Asa. Did you get married at the church? Were you or was your family member baptized or confirmed here? Was your family in the area and is there someone you want memorialized: their poem, a recipe, a piece of knowledge, etc.? Were they members of one of the original churches that made up the circuit, its choir or other ministry? Do you remember a story of your parents or one your grandparents talked about the church or people in the area? Was your grandfather or grandmother a pastor, farmer, lawyer or banker in the 1800s, 1900s, 2000s? Please purchase space to tell your story in honor of RUMC's 150th birthday celebration.

As we look to our Grand Celebration in September 2026, we invite everyone in the area and across the country to contribute by August 1, 2026. We invite families and businesses to take a page and tell your history, send school pictures, and just congratulate the people of the church and its ministries on this exciting occasion. We invite you to contribute and celebrate with us. Pages are already being set aside at \$500 for full pages, \$250 half pages, \$150 quarter pages and \$75 to display a business card (past or present). Ask about special discount for current members of RUMC. You can lay out your page or send pictures and copy – or we can talk to you and we will transcribe it for you. Thank you, in Jesus' name.

Souvenir Book Committee
Rustburg UMC

Cheryl Martin | (434) 332-5454 | rustburgumc@gmail.com



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Rustburg United Methodist Church Souvenir Book
150th Anniversary

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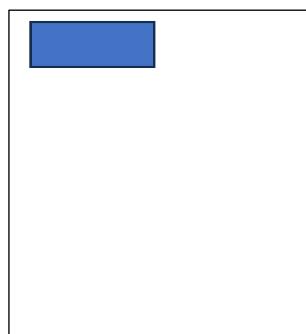
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Provide Copy and Digital Photos and we will create your advertisement.

Full Page \$500 Half Page \$250 Quarter Page \$150 Business Card \$75

Current RUMC members \$400



See the letter on page 1, third paragraph for recommendations of what to display. Pictures now and then, special animals you want to remember and any other heartfelt ideas.

Signature: _____ **Amount Enclosed** _____

You may donate towards your advertisement in increments, paid in full by August 1, 2026.

**Return by email or mail to Rustburg UMC (664 Village Hwy) PO Box 336, Rustburg, VA 24588.
You may also pay online at <https://rustburgumc.org/give>**

**You may call or e-mail if you have any question about submitting your Ad. (434) 332-5454
rustburgumc@gmail.com**

February Greeters

01 Berry Cyrus
08 Kelly & Jeff Gladden
15 Marvin Tweedy
22 Cheryl & Rick Pillow



February Ushers

Jimmy Cyrus and Donnie Hamlett

March: Robert Bailey, Jimmy Jewell
April: Michael Metcalf, Ricky Pillow
May: Jerry Booth, Marvin Tweedy
June: Jimmy Cyrus, Donnie Hamlett
July: Robert Bailey, Jimmy Jewell
August: Michael Metcalf, Ricky Pillow
September: Jerry Booth, Marvin Tweedy
October: Jimmy Cyrus, Donnie Hamlett
November: Robert Bailey, Jimmy Jewell
December: Michael Metcalf, Ricky Pillow

Church Closers

February: Robert and Lisa Bailey
March: Jerry and Pam Booth
April: Donna Cameron

A Joy: Cheryl Martin's new grandson!
Gabriel (Gabe) Wingfield Ware. 1-16-26.



Prayer Requests:

Lillian Johnson (Jenifer's MIL), Bill and Dale Torrence, The family of Kathleen Jon Bagby, Roman, child of the Wardell's (house fire), family of Susan Cascone, Barbara Coleman and her husband Monnie, Jessie (Shug) Phillips and family, Barbara Wiles, Atha Bailey, Nancy Bennett, JohnWyatt Newcomb, Cindy and Danny Torrence, Danny DeJarnette, Pastor Sung and family, Jackie Robinson (church custodian) has asked for prayers for her sister. Buster Frazier, Mary, Kenneth Grubbs, Joyce Rush, Marguerite Eimer, Betty McClung, May Nolley, Frank Merryman, Mary Alice Preston, Tina Shaver, Marsha Henderson, and Bangladeshi families.

RUMC Contact Info:

Acolytes: Cheryl Martin
Care & Share: Shirley Phillips
Children's Church: Shannon Hall
Greeters: Betty Cyrus
Nursery: Mary Bailey
Ushers: Jerry Booth

February Sunday School

Donna & Sarah Hamlett
Alice Watson
David Hawkins
Pam Booth



15, 1964 Homer & Shirley Phillips
23 Donnie & Donna Hamlett



01 Morgan Watson
04 Cheryl Pillow
12 Christopher & Theodore MacMillan
14 Claire Johnson
18 Buddy Maxey
21 Brian Davis
22 G W. Nolley



Happy February;

Small things matter.

Church family, the last time we worshipped together we had the choir, bells, and children's answers to their message to spark the light of Christ within us. We also had time to pass the peace. The passing of the peace remains very much a part of who we are. Think about it. It is good to remember who we touched, what we saw in each other's eyes, hugs, the glimpses of love and what we said to each other as we moved around the church. We had joy, camaraderie and hope of the Word of God challenging, loving, and making us ready for the world.

Sometimes we don't take time to remember the little things. Think of the joy of that time you took to speak to a person in the church. Think of the love in their reaching out to you and you to them as you passed the peace of the Holy Spirit from you and all the Christians who had ever loved you into their lives. Remember God is using you in this world to carry out God's will.

In Jesus' name;
Rev. C.R. Brooks

LENT & EASTER SEASON AT RUSTBURG UMC

FEBRUARY 18: ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES, 12 PM & 7 PM

MARCH 28: COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT, 2 PM

MARCH 29: PALM SUNDAY PARADE, 9 AM | BREAKFAST, 9:30 AM



APRIL 2: MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE, 7 PM

APRIL 3: TENEBRAE SERVICE, 7 PM

APRIL 5: EASTER SERVICE & CANTATA

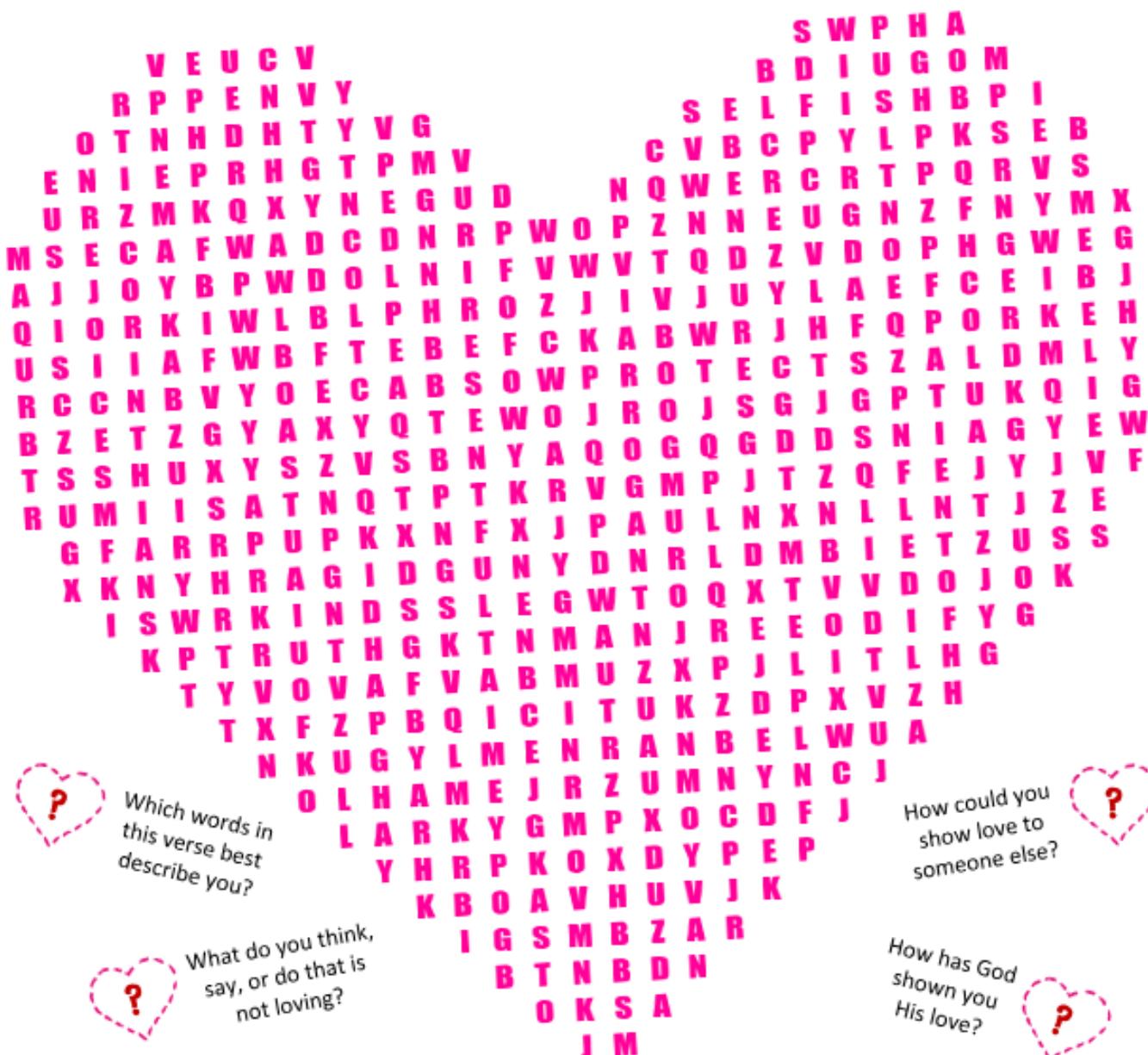
A church group photo will be taken for RUMC's Souvenir Book after Palm & Easter Sunday.

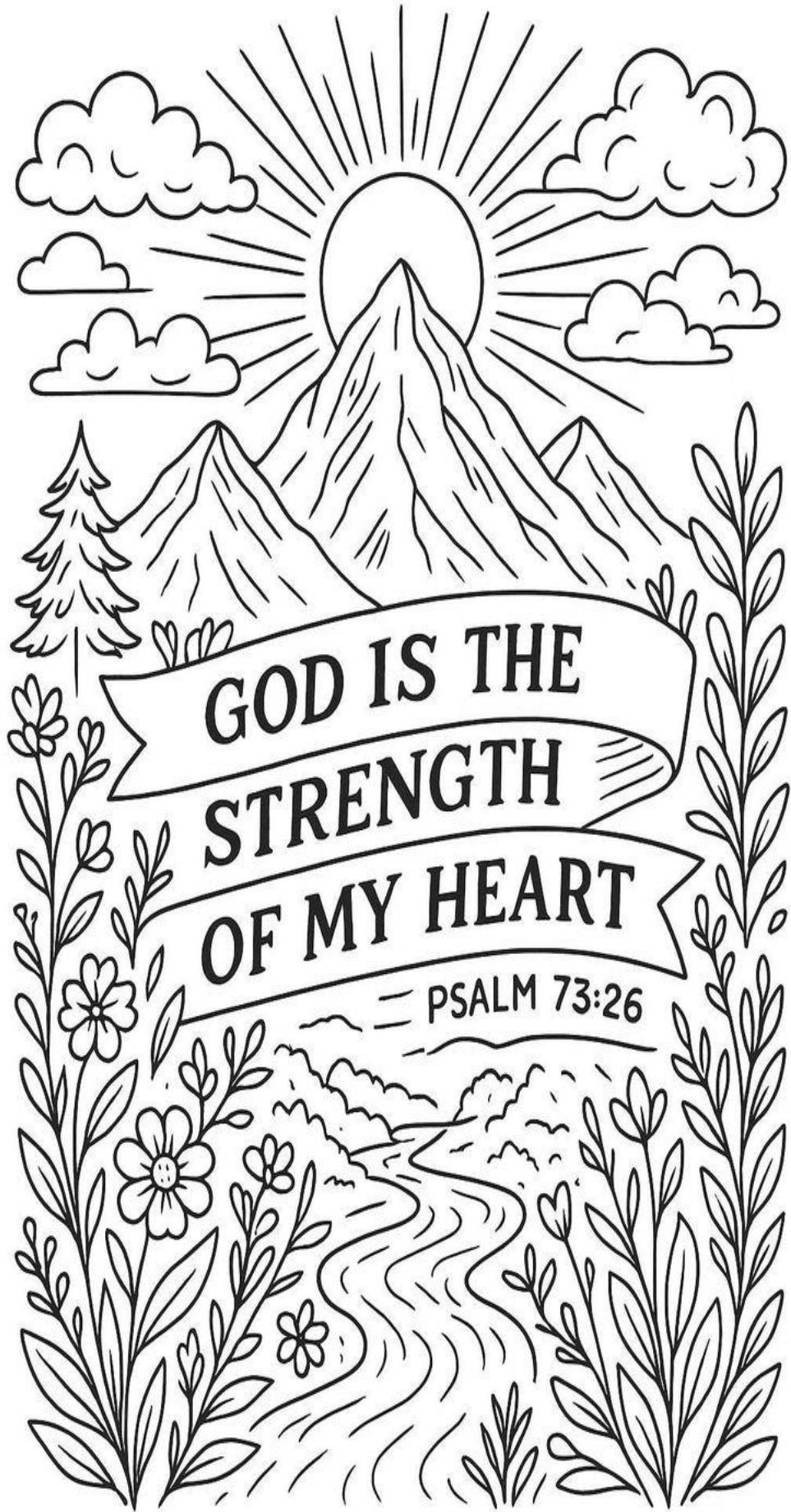
WHAT IS LOVE

Bible Word Search Puzzle

Can you find the underlined words from this Bible verse about what love is in the puzzle below?
Think about what God says love is while you answer the questions at the bottom of the page.

"Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way [selfish]; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing [evil], but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things [protects], believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." - 1 Corinthians 13:4-7





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is patient.
is kind.
does not envy.
does not boast.
is not rude.
is not selfish.
is not easily angered.
keeps no record of wrongs.
does not delight in evil.
rejoices in truth.
always protects.
always trusts.
always hopes.
always perseveres.

Love
never
fails.

1 Corinthians 13: 4-8

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Lay Leadership Team: Pam Booth, Annette Patrick

Music Director: Alice Watson | Pianist: Heather Wilson

Administrative Assistant: Cheryl Martin

Communications Coordinator: Lisa Cameron

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision: To be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners who influence others to serve.

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