

## Spring Beautification Challenge

Trustees are challenging all small groups and families to choose one small area on the church grounds to clean and beautify with trees, shrubs, flowers, etc. It



will be a contest starting on March 1 and ending on May 15. Winners will be given a prize (TBA). Small groups include Sunday school classes, Scout groups, UMM, UMW, or families. Areas will be assigned. Contact Steve Underwood for details at 678-910-9389.

## **Groundskeeping Volunteers Needed**

Our grounds are maintained by volunteers. Please consider becoming a part of this group. Contact Steve Underwood at 678-910-9389.





## Wednesday, February 16 11:00 – 1:00 рм

Soup will be served — \$5 per person. All are welcome. Respond to Carolyn Williams for reservation — 703-946-8789. The program is *The Chosen* second episode.

-----Happy Now? Luke 6:17-26

## February 13 — 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany Sermon Title: "Happy Now?" Scripture: Luke 6:17-26 (CEB)

Happy are you.... Blessed are you. Different translations say it different ways, so how should we understand its meaning? The sermon title "Happy Now?" is a sarcastic comment asking, "Are you satisfied?" because we humans rarely, if ever, are satisfied. Jesus teaching us about the kingdom of God like this "Happy are you" is not a statement of fact, but an aspiration to BE where Jesus already IS in a relationship with God. Most "Happy Now?" songs are about relationships and accomplishments. Jesus says otherwise! Jesus says one relationship is first and foremost. Augustine said it best, "...our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee." Happy Now?

